

**भारत सरकार Government of India**  
**रेल मंत्रालय Ministry of Railways**  
**रेलवे बोर्ड (Railway Board)**

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The General Managers, All Indian Railways/PUs, NF(C), CORE  
DG, RDSO/Lucknow, NAIR/Vadodara  
PCAO, PLW/Patiala, COFMOW  
CAO, WPO/Patna, RWP/ Bela


**Sub: Inspection/testing of bed linen.**

References have been received from Board (Vigilance) as well as various Railway units that handloom suppliers have failed to meet the specified quality in supplies of bed linen items.

2. The matter has been reviewed in Railway Board and it has been decided that for tenders or notices of procurement to be issued, after the issue of this instruction, for procurement of bed linen items given in passenger coaches, it shall be mandated that testing of the material shall be conducted, irrespective of inspection agency, at the NABL accredited lab and not in the premises of manufacturers or suppliers. In case of consignee inspection, consignee can decide the methodology for inspection.

3. Existing contracts need not be amended.

4. This issues with the approval of Railway Board (MTRS).

  
( Chandan Kumar )  
Director Railway Stores (IC)  
Railway Board

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