

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

No. 2008/RS(G)/779/12

New Delhi, dated: 06-01-2009

The Controller of Stores,
South Western Railway,
Hubli.

Sub:— Certification for essentiality of import by Head of the user department

**Ref: (i) SWR's letter No. S/IV (4) Purchase Policy dated 26-12-2008.
(ii) Board's Letter no 98/RS(G)/779/7/PL. dated 17-12-1999.**

The matter raised by your Railway in above cited reference has been examined in Board's office. It is advised that:

- (i) Essentiality certificate for imports by the user department and liberalization of financial powers for procurement of imported goods are completely unrelated to each other.
- (ii) The liberalization of financial powers for procurement of imported goods has been done to only expedite the procurement process.
- (iii) As per the extant guidelines on the matter, it is, therefore, necessary to obtain the essentiality certificate from Head of user Department before procurement of item through import.


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