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(Railway Board)

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The General Managers,
All Indian Railways.

Sub: Implementation of Commercial Freight Rules/Regulations on TMS.

As part of FOIS, Terminal Management System (TMS) is under vigorous implementation on Indian Railways. The commercial package of TMS enables generation of railway receipt (RRs). Proliferation of TMS is taking place rapidly. The aim is to cover all major handling points in the year 2005-06. Unlike manual system, a large number of activities such as registration fee, commodity code, rate, class, routing, distances, wharfage & demurrage rules/rates and applicable free time, various types of surcharges, numerical code/alpha code allotted to a station, minimum weight condition station-to-station rates, all types of rebates etc. will have to be centrally fed in the system to derive maximum advantages for greater customer satisfaction, better efficiency, accurate charging and consequent earnings etc. This will broadly eliminate occurrences of raising of undercharges on account of inappropriate interpretation of rules and calculation of different charges. Such a system would require a centrally controlled maintenance and updation of referential data including uniform applicability of rates circulars issued from time to time. For proper working of TMS, the database needs to be scrutinized and updated to ensure that the rates are levied correctly and any software logic changes get reflected properly in the application. The changes will be released by CRIS after the exercise is completed, validated and certified.

Board has considered various options for delegating this authority of certification and validation. It has been decided that such a centrally controlled referential data will be maintained, updated and certified by CAO/FOIS working under GM/NR. All Necessary changes will be carried out by CAO/FOIS, before CRIS releases them on-line.

CRIS has already inducted most of the referential data into TMS which warrants authorized certification. CAO (FOIS) will undertake and complete the exercise of validation and updation of existing data and introduce uniform application by 31.03.2006 for usage on all Zonal Railways.

All the railways are advised to depute officers, senior supervisors from Comml. (Rates) and Traffic Accounts wings as per requirement indicated by the CAO/FOIS from time-to-time.

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