भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA रेल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (रेलवे बोर्ड RAILWAY BOARD)

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Pr. Chief Commercial Manager

All Zonal Railways

Sub: Goods Shed working

Ref: (i) Para 4.0 of Chapter-I of Rates Master Circular/Demurrage-Wharfage-Waiver/2016//0

- (ii) Corrigendum No.15 of Rates Master Circular/Demurrage-Wharfage-Waiver/2016//0
- (iii) Board's letter No.2007/TC(CR)/204/30 dt.16.09.2008

Vigilance Directorate of Railway Board has suggested certain measures like usage of FOIS messaging facility for communication between freight terminal and control office for commercial activities, implementation of round the clock working at Group-I & II goods sheds and provision of requisite infrastructure facility at goods sheds.

The matter has been examined and the following is advised –

- (a) Zonal Railways must implement use of FOIS messaging facility between Goods sheds/freight terminal and Control Office for communication of commercial activities (e.g. stacking permission, night working permission, weighment of rakes etc.). instead of verbal means, with due approval of the competent authority.
- (b) The guidelines for introducing round the clock working at Goods Sheds and criteria for the same are prescribed vide Board's circular/letter under reference. Round the clock working may be implemented at Group-I & II goods sheds duly keeping in view the Board's guidelines.
- (c) Efforts may be made that all Goods Sheds should be equipped with essential customer amenities such as drinking water, toilet, resting facilities, wharf, sufficient lighting, approach road and other required facilities in Goods Sheds by developing the necessary infrastructure required for round the clock working of goods sheds as per the guidelines. In this regard, the Railway Board has enhanced the financial power of GMs up to ₹20 crores for itemized works under the umbrella by recent modifications to the SoP. Zonal railways may expedite the approval process for all projects up to ₹20 crores awaiting at the Zonal level and forward proposals exceeding ₹20 crores to the Board for approval, aiming to enhance customer facilities at Goods Sheds.

This is issued in consultation with Freight Marketing Branch of Railway Board.

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