## भारत सरकार/GOVERNMENT OF INDIA रेल मंत्रालय/MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS रेलवे बोर्ड/RAILWAY BOARD

No. 2024/TRACK-III/TK/2

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Principal Chief Operations Managers, All Zonal Railways.

Sub:- Instructions regarding Safety and Operational Standards in Track Machine and Tower Wagon Operations.

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The issue of Safety and Operational Standards in Track Machine and Tower Wagon Operations has been examined in Railway Board's office and it has been decided that Zonal Railways may include following instructions in their existing Subsidiary Rules:

- (i) For operation of Tower Wagons during traffic block under GR 17.08:
  - a) Adequate distance of 250 m to be maintained between each Tower Wagon while moving in a convoy.
  - b) First Tower Wagon while moving in convoy in traffic block shall move with maximum permissible speed and following Tower Wagons in convoy shall move with the speed of 40 Kmph or lowest maximum permissible speed in the group whichever is lower duly following TSR/PSR in the section.
- (ii) For operation of Track machine during traffic block under GR 4.65:
  - a) Adequate distance of 250 m to be maintained between each track machine while moving in a convoy.
  - b) First track machine while moving in convoy in traffic block shall move with maximum permissible speed and following track machines in convoy shall move with the speed of 40 Kmph or lowest maximum permissible speed in the group whichever is lower duly following TSR/PSR in section.

2. Further, it should be ensured by Zonal Railways that on implementing these instructions, there should not be any impact on duration as well as output of the block.

This has the approval of competent authority (M(O&BD)).

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