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सदस्य यांत्रिक, रेलवे बोर्ड
एवं
पदेन सचिव, भारत सरकार
रेल मंत्रालय
नई दिल्ली-११० ००१

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Dear Shri

Sub.: **Freight Train Examination – "Premium Rake".**
Ref.: Railway Board's letters of even number dated 7/10.4.2006 & 25.4.2006.

As you may be aware, concept of "Premium Rake" has been introduced for examination of freight trains to improve turn round and productivity of air braked freight stock. The BPC of these rakes is valid for 12 days, with additional 3 days grace period to avoid examination in loaded condition. Multiple loading/unloading is also permitted in these rakes during this 12 day period.

2. While introducing the above concept, 40 freight train examination points over various zonal railways, were nominated by Board as "Premium Point" for undertaking examination of premium rakes. As the infrastructural facilities at some of the nominated points were inferior to 'A' category, railways were advised to upgrade all such points to 'A' category within a period of six months. It was also advised that any sanction or more funds required for upgradation of the facilities shall be provided to zones.

3. Based on proposals received in PWP 2007-08, for upgradation of infrastructure facilities for examination of freight trains, the progress of upgradation of premium points has been reviewed in Board and a copy of the same is enclosed herewith. As may be seen, the progress of upgradation of facilities at premium points is not very encouraging.

4. Since premium rakes are more productive as compared to the intensive rakes, it is expected that with passage of time, more and more rakes would be examined on this pattern. Thus, it is imperative that once a rake has been examined on premium concept, its movement should be regulated to ensure the next examination, within validity period, at a "Premium Point" to avoid loss of these rakes. Hence zonal railways may have to identify some more points as "Premium Point" and upgrade them, if necessary, in addition to points already nominated by the Board.

5. You may therefore, take necessary action for upgradation of all premium points on your railway to 'A' category on top priority and also for identification of additional points as "Premium Point", as may be necessary, to avoid loss of premium rakes.

With best wishes,

Encl.: As above.

Yours sincerely,

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Progress of upgradation of infrastructural facilities at points nominated for examination of "Premium Rakes".

EXAMINATION POINTS NOMINATED FOR PREMIUM EXAMINATION			
Rly.	**Examination Points**	**Category**	**Remarks**
CR	BSL	A	"A" Category
	DD	D	Provision made in WP-2006-07
ER	UDL	B/F	Provision made in WP-2005-06
	NH	F	Provision made in WP-2006-07
NR	TKD	D	Provision made in WP-2005-06
	KJGY	D	No Proposal from NR
	UMB	D	No Proposal from NR
NER	GD	D	Provision made in WP-2005-06
NFR	NJP	D	Provision made in WP-2005-06
	NGC	D	Provision made in WP-2005-06
SR	JTJ	A	"A" Category
	ED	B	No Proposal from SR
	TNPM (CNCR)	A	"A" Category
SCR	GY	A	"A" Category
	RDM	D	Provision made in WP-2006-07
	BZA	E	Provision made in WP-2006-07
SER	BNDM	D/F	Provision made in WP-2005-06
	NMP	A	"A" Category
	BKSC	D	No Proposal from SER
	ADTP	E	Provision made in WP-2005-06
WR	GIM	A	"A" Category
	HXP	D	Provision made in WP-2006-07
	BRC	A	"A" Category
	SBI (CNCR)	A	"A" Category
	RTM	D	Provision made in WP-2006-07
ECR	MGS	D	Proposal received & recommended in 07-08
	NRPA	E	Proposal received & recommended in 07-08
NWR	MD	A	"A" Category
NCR	GMC	F	Provision made in WP-2005-06
	JHS	D	Provision made in WP-2006-07
SECR	BIA-PP YD	A	"A" Category
	BIA-EX YD	A	"A" Category
	BSP	A	"A" Category
	KRBA	F	No Proposal from SECR
ECoR	OEC-VSKP	A	"A" Category
	RUMY-VSPS	B	Proposal received & recommended in 07-08
SWR	BYPL	F	No Proposal from SWR
	HPT	D	Provision made in WP-2006-07
WCR	NKJ	D/F	Provision made in WP-2005-06
	KTT	D	Provision made in WP-2006-07