GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
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The Chief Mechanical Engineers
All Indian Railways

SUB: **Policy for use of Overaged/Condemnable wagons for departmental purpose**

Overaged/ Condemnable wagons which no longer remain usable as traffic wagons, may be used for departmental purpose, with or without modifications, subject to the following provisos:

(i) Overaged/ Condemnable wagons may be used for departmental purpose with the approval of the Authority competent for condemnation of such wagons.

(ii) In case departmental use requires modifications to be carried out on the wagons, such modifications should, invariably, have approval of RDSO except in cases where such modified wagons are pre-existing. For pre-existing modifications, approval of CME will be necessary.

(iii) Wagon modification work shall be carried out only at a POH workshop or at an open-line wagon depot nominated by the CME.

(iv) Wagons selected for departmental use should provide service of minimum one POH cycle with prescribed preventive maintenance. The POH periodicity of such stock shall be same as the original wagon type.

(v) Departmental wagons may be used up to an age limit of 40 years on condition basis. The condition of such stock shall be reviewed in every ROH and POH to assess its suitability for continuity in service based on the extant safety norms.

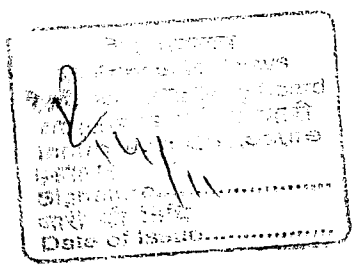
(vi) In case it becomes necessary for any departmental stock to continue in service beyond the age of 40 years, CME may extend the life of such stock, maximum one year (Financial Year) at a time up to an age limit of maximum 50 years. The annual condition report of such wagons prepared by in-charge of Base Wagon depot, duly endorsed by the coordinating branch officer of Mechanical and the user department shall be put up to CME for approval prior to commencement of the financial year. Standard maintenance shall be carried out on such wagons during the period of extended life as per prescribed periodicity and all safety norms will be observed.

(vii) No departmental wagon will be permitted to be in service beyond the age limit of 50 years.

Please acknowledge receipt and ensure compliance with immediate effect.

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