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MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 99/RS(G)/709/1 **New Delhi, dated 27.5.2014**

The General Manager, all Zonal Railways

Subject: **Quality procurement of Stores- vendor developmental cell in Railways:**

Ref: **1. Railway Board's letter No. 99/RS(G)/709/1 dated 16.9.99 & 29.3.2006**
2. Minutes of Board meeting held on 14.3.2014 regarding kakodkar Committee recommendations circulated vide letter No. 2011/M(Safety) /7/10 /HLSRC dated 15.5.2014.

Vide letter referred in reference-1 above, Zonal Railways were advised to have a vendor development cell to approve firms at Zonal Railways so as to aid use of quality material.

In this connection, this is to inform you that a High Level Safety Review Committee (Kakodkar Committee) which was set up to improve the safety standard in Railway have also stressed the need for effective vendor qualification and approval process for non RDSO safety items.

This recommendation has been accepted by full Board.

Since Board's instructions for vendor development cell is already there, you may take necessary steps for institutionalization of the vendor approval process (if not already done) in your Railway.

Progress of the same should be informed to Board in your PCDO.

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