GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RAILWAY BOARD

No. 2018/H/4/1/DP(Policy)

New Delhi, dated: 27.01.2020

General Managers,
All Indian Railways,
Including PUs & RDSO.

Sub: Drug Procurement Policy, 2015 – Para IV, Annexure 'D'.
Ref: Board's letter No. 2014/RS(G)/779/13 dated 03.02.2015/(RBS No. 1/2015).

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Para IV of Annexure 'D' of Drug Procurement Policy, 2015 provides that the drug being supplied to railway hospitals by the empanelled firm should also be available in open retail market. Arising out of a Vigilance reference, the need for issuance of necessary direction stipulating ways and means for ensuring this provision of the policy by the zonal/divisional drug procurement authorities at the time of deciding the tender.

The issue has been examined and after careful consideration in the matter it has been decided by Competent Authority that while issuing tender for procurement of drug/pharmaceuticals products through IREPS, the tender being floated should also contain provision for mentioning the name of the drug stores of the city from where such drugs can be procured in the open market. Needless to mention, all drugs of all firms cannot be sold through all retail stores keeping in view from large number of manufacturers/suppliers in the market.

In view of above decision, the zones will include a Serial Number in the format for inviting offers from the firms duly stipulating that the firm will mention name(s) of specific stores of area where such drug is being sold in the open market. The zones will undertake random 5% check to establish that the product quoted by the firm is actually available in the store(s) mentioned by the firm. Further, if at the point of time of inspection such drug is not available in the Store (s) due sale of available stock, the retailer will be asked to provide a copy of purchase memo/supply order of the product from the firm.

This has the approval of Director General (RHS).

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