Sub:- Joint Procedure Order for condemnation of 4-W Tank Wagons

Ref:-
(i) This office letter of even number dated 13/17.09.2010
(ii) This office letter of even number dated 28.04.2011
(iii) This office letter of even number dated 15.09.2011
(iv) This office letter of even number dated 10.10.2012

1. Instructions for premature condemnation of 4-W Tank Wagons were issued vide Board’s letter referred at (i). Board (MM, MT & FC) had approved premature condemnation of all vacuum brake 4-W Tank Wagons excluding the following categories:
   (i) All TOH (LSHS) wagons
   (ii) All LPG (TG) tank wagons
   (iii) 4-W tank wagons in use as water tanks
   (iv) 4-W tank wagons (2650) based on SR and plying on SR, SCR and SWR circuits

2. Under Board’s letter No. 2010/M(N)/60/5 dated 28.04.2011, SR, SCR & SWR were advised to take action for phasing out/condemnation of 2650 4-W tank wagons (as mentioned in (iv) above) owing to induction of replacement BTPN stock.

3. Under Board’s letter No. 2010/M(N)/60/5 dated 15.09.2011 Zonal Railways were further advised that:
   i. All 4-W tank wagons in use as water tanks may be prematurely condemned and the water requirement in Rajasthan state during summer may be met by deploying BTPN rakes after due cleaning.
   ii. Out of 10 rakes of 4-W LPG tank wagons on IR, 6 rakes may be condemned retaining only 4 rakes in VJP/WCR.
   iii. The 4-W TOH (LSHS) wagons shall continue to be retained in service till further advice.
4. Under Board’s letter No. 2010/M(N)/60/5 dated 10.10.2012, further instructions were issued for condemnation of 4 rakes of LPG tank wagons on WCR which had been retained, mentioned vide item No. 3 (ii) above. This completed condemnation of all 4-W tank wagons on IR, except 4-W TOH (LSHS) wagons which were to be retained in service till further advice.

It has now been decided to condemn the 4-W TOH (LSHS) wagons on IR, which had been retained in service so far. This shall complete condemnation of all vacuum brake 4-W Tank Wagon stock plying on Indian Railways.

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