No. 2013/M(N)/951/5

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Sub: Safe to run examination of container trains
Ref: i) Railway Board’s letter no.2007/M(N)/951/67 dated 20.11.2008
ii) Railway Board’s letter no.2013/M(N)/951/05 dated 17.2.14
iii) Railway Board’s letter no.2013/M(N)/951/5 dated 16.4.15

1. The matter of insistence on unloading of container trains for safe to run examination has been repeatedly raised by Traffic officers on various occasions. Instructions in this regard are self-explanatory as given in para 2.5 of the JPO issued vide ref.(i). This issue has been clarified earlier vide ref.(ii) & (iii).

2. It is further clarified that safe to run examination as explained in para 2.5 above only covers in its scope brake power, hanging parts and other defects, which can be noticed visually on wagons loaded with containers.

3. The instructions contained in para 5.0 are meant for examination of container rakes for issue of brake power service and these do not include the safe to run examination.

4. Railways are accordingly required to follow the instructions contained in para 2.5 for STR examination and para 5.0 for regular examinations.

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