The Chief Mechanical Engineers
All Indian Railways

Sub: Maintenance charges towards rolling stock owned by Ministry of Defence.

The matter of outstanding dues towards maintenance charges for wagons and coaches owned by Ministry of Defence has become a matter of concern. Accordingly, a joint meeting was held on 30/11/2016 at Railway Board, which was attended by representative of Milrail, Ministry of Defence, Mechanical (Freight) & Accounts Directorates of Railway Board chaired by Adviser (Accounts).

It was brought out by Ministry of Defence that in a significant number of cases it was found that Maintenance Charges were being claimed by the railways even when the wagons have not been in operation due to condemnation or being under damage list for long time.

To resolve this matter Ministry of Defence had been seeking the last POH particulars of the wagons along with the bills. It is seen that there are number of cases in which the zonal railways/nominated workshop are not provided the position of last POH. Particularly in those cases, where POH has been done by workshop other than the nominated workshops. Accordingly, the following was decided to procedurally address the issue:

a) As far as possible both POH and ROH/IOH of wagons/coaches owned by (Ministry of Defence) are to be done at the workshops/depot nominated by Railway Board only

b) In all cases, where due to operational requirements of Ministry of Defence or Ministry of Railways, POH or ROH is to be conducted by workshops/depots other than the nominated workshops/depots an advice is to be made of such exigencies to Defence authorities as well as the nominated workshops/depots, for the rolling stock concerned

c) Charges for maintenance of Defence owned rolling stock should be claimed as laid down in Para 730 of Indian Railway Rolling Stock Code. Further, as directed in the para, case against the maintenance charges received, each zonal railway is required to maintain Proforma Capital Revenue Account for the Defence owned rolling stock. It is therefore, imperative that the expenses towards POH and ROH/IOH of rolling stock are charged to the Proforma Capital Revenue Account and not to railway revenue. This needs to be ensured by all nominated workshops for POH and depots for ROH/IOH.

d) In all cases where workshops/depots other than those nominated are taking up POH/ROH/IOH, the cost of POH and ROH must be transferred to the nominated railway through JV/e-recon.

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e) Railways are also advised that the bills raised by them should include either last POH particulars or last ROH particulars whichever is the latest available information. In case the last ROH particular has become available, that should preferably be advised.

The above is issued with the concurrence of Accounts Dte of Ministry of Railways. Necessary action be taken by all railways to ensure compliance without fail.

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