The issues related to increasing the supply of coal to power plants were discussed during the meeting chaired by Hon’ble MR on 17.05.2018. During the meeting the matter of increasing the availability of BXON and BOBRN stock also was discussed and the following decided:

(a) Availability of rakes for loading of coal must be improved upon by reducing the holding of ineffective BOXN & BOBRN wagons. All efforts should be made by railways to ensure that the wagons marked sick and/or declared unloadable are promptly repaired for which necessary arrangements/infrastructure be ensured at all depots.
(b) The BOXN & BOBRN type stock should be accorded the higher priority in turning out from POH workshops and ROH depots.
(c) As regards the interception of wagons for condemnation is concerned, railways should exercise critical assessment of condition of the wagons from the point of view of loadability, safety and inputs required particularly in those cases where the wagons are intercepted for under age condemnation.

As also advised earlier vide Adviser (ME)’s letter under reference, the monitoring of ineffectives on your railway may please be ensured.

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Sub: Reduction in Freight Ineffective

A joint meeting of the officials of Coal, Power & Railways was held in Railway Board on 17.05.2018 under Chairmanship of Hon'ble MR to review overall Power supply position. Railways has been asked to reduce wagon turnaround and improve availability of rakes for coal transportation.

MRS desires that the wagon ineffective be monitored and reduced to minimal specially that of BOXN/BOBRN wagons.

Hence it is requested to personally monitor:

(i) Sickline releases on daily basis
(ii) Reduction of ‘C’ Category damage wagons need to be achieved
(iii) Overall ineffective % of wagons be reduced by 10% from the position as on 17.05.2018

In addition, outturn of wagon workshop under your control may also be monitored.

Action taken in this regard be communicated.

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