Sub: Administrative and Material Management Activities in Zonal Hospitals

Some Zonal Railways have posted stores officers in Zonal Hospitals to exclusively look after the Material Management requirements of the Hospitals. In a few cases, this has been done by utilizing the post / element from Medical Department. In view of the importance of Material Management activities in Hospitals and the advantages derived from this arrangement, it has been decided by Board (CRB) that this system should be extended to all Zonal Hospitals. In addition, it is also recommended that a Joint Director (JAG/SG) may also be posted to handle all administrative functions at Zonal Hospitals.

The following instructions are accordingly issued:

(a) **Posting of Joint Directors in Zonal Hospitals**

General Managers should, by suitable re-allocation, strive to post a Joint Director (JAG/SG) to handle all administrative functions at Zonal Hospitals.

(b) **Posting of Stores Officers in Zonal Hospitals**

One Sr. Scale stores officer (Senior Materials Manager, SMM) may invariably be posted in all Zonal Hospitals, reporting to MD of the hospital.

(c) **Powers of Nominated SMM**

(i) Nominated SMM shall exercise same Direct Acceptance purchase powers as exercised by JAG/SG Stores officers. This shall include procurement of Medical and Surgical as well as general items including Proprietary Medical and Surgical items.

(ii) Acceptance of TC recommendations of SMM shall be done by MD, or by JD (Admn.) wherever posted.

(iii) If considered necessary, Local Purchase of Medicines may also be done by the nominated SMM. In case of local purchase of medicines however, powers of purchase shall be exercised as per Medical SOP.

(d) **Spot Purchase Committee**

A Standing Spot Purchase Committee may be nominated for purchase of items suitable for spot purchase. The committee may have the following members:

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SMM Concerned (Sr. Scale), XEN/DEN Concerned (Sr. Scale), Sr. AFA/DFM Concerned (Sr. Scale)
(e) **Survey Committee**

A **Standing Survey Committee** may be nominated for condemnation of all items of Zonal Hospitals as below:

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<td>SMM, SrAFA/DFM &amp; Sr.DMO/DMO (Admin.)</td>
<td>All Medical equipments &amp; other medical related items.</td>
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Note: SMM shall be the Convener in both cases.

(f) **Digitization of Procurement of Medicines**

Necessary steps may be taken to digitize procurement of medicines for better accountability and transparency. Medicines which are regularly required or procured through Annual Medical Indent (AMI) may be procured through IREPS and accountal may be done in iMMS. This will prevent wastage / leakage, if any, and enable better tracking and monitoring of availability of medicines.

This issues with the concurrence of Associate finance of Transformation Cell of Railway Board.

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