The General Managers, All Zonal Railways/PUs, NF(C), CORE
The DG/RDSO/Lucknow & NAIR/Vadodara
CAOs, DMW/Patiala, WPO/Patna, RWP/Bela, COFMOW/NDLS, RCF/RBL/NDLS

Sub: Drug procurement policy - Inclusion of correct generic product specification in tenders – procurement of Bacillus Thuringiensis Varisraelensis reg.

It has been reported to Board that in tenders floated for procurement for the Bio-Larvicide “Bacillus Thuringiensis Varisraelensis”, the product specification has been shown to include a particular brand name which is a violation of the Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order, 2017 of the Govt. In this reference, attention is invited to letter of even number dated 19-12-2018 from Director General/Railway Stores, Railway Board, advising not to mention any foreign make/brand (except for PAC items) in either direct procurement or for procurement through EPC/ Turnkey/ Works Project tenders, as per guiding principles laid down in GFRs. Instead, broad based general technical specifications stated in terms of functional requirements and performance standards alone should be indicated in the tenders. Any violations of these instructions are mandated to be dealt with by initiating strict action against deliberate/inadvertent defaulters.

The matter has been examined in consultation with the Health Directorate of Railway Board and it is advised to follow guidelines laid down by the Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, under National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme and follow the generic specification of the larvicide available at the website www.nvbdcp.gov.in

2. These orders are issued in consultation with the Health Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

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2. The DAI(Railways), New Delhi
3. The PCMMs and PCMDs, All Indian Railways & PUs, RCF/RBL/NLDS, COFMOW, CORE, WPO and RWP/Bela
4. The Directors:-
   a. Indian Railways Institute of Sig. Engg. & Telecom, Secunderabad
   b. Indian Railways Institute of Mech. & Elect. Engg., Jamalpur
   c. Indian Railways Institute of Elect. Engg., Nasik
   d. Indian Railways Institute of Civil Engg., Pune
   e. Indian Railways Institute of Traffic Management, Lucknow
5. Sr. Prof. (Materials Management), NAIR, Vadodara
6. Director, Iron & Steel, 3, Koila Ghat Street, Kolkata
7. Executive Director (Stores), RDSO, Manak Nagar, Lucknow
8. Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety, Lucknow
9. Zonal Railway Training Institute, Sukadia Circle, Udaipur
10. CMDs/MDs, RITES, IRCON, IRFC, CONCOR, KRCL, CRIS, IRCTC, RailTel, RVNL, IRWO

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3. All AMs, PEDs and all Executive Directors of Railway Board.