The Principal Chief Materials Managers,  
All Zonal Railways and Production Units

Sub.: Criteria for Stores Shield to Zonal Railways for FY:2019-20 onwards

Ref.: i) Railway Board’s letter No. 2009/RS(G)/509/5 dated 04.02.2015
     ii) Railway Board’s letter No. 2017/RS(G)/509/2 dated 08.02.2018
     iii) Railway Board’s letter of even No. dated 27.12.2018 and 02.01.2019

Vide Railway Board’s letter under reference (i), criteria for award of Stores Shield were communicated to all Zonal Railways. These criteria were revised vide letters under reference (ii) and (iii).

Availability of items has been an important priority area for Stores and user departments alike. Digitisation of many processes and sub-processes of Railway supply chain has made monitoring of items easier and more efficient. With vast data available on the system at all times, 100% availability even for items other than Safety and Passenger Necessity items must be strived for.

It has now been decided that, target for “Overall availability of items” shall be 98% instead of 95% for award of Stores Shield for the year 2019-20 onwards.

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