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Sub: Procurement policy for contact wire and catenary wire and other items for overhead electrification and TRD.

Ref: Audit Para No. 4.1.14 of Report No.6 of 2008 regarding ‘Avoidable Expenditure due to procurement of Stores through Works Contract.’

Under Audit Para No.4.1.14 of C&AG’s Report No.CA 6 of 2008 (Railways), it has been pointed out by Statutory Audit that procurement of Stores (i.e. HDGCC contact wire and catenary wire) for overhead electrification works through Works Contract in contravention of laid down Cadal provisions has resulted in avoidable expenditure of Rs.0.99 crores. Board, while submitting action taken note against this audit para, have stated for strict compliance of cadal provisions.

Compliance to ATN against Audit para under reference was done vide letter of even number dated 15-06-2009. The matter has been reviewed in the light of difficulties experienced in implementation by some Railways and now in supersession of earlier instructions dated 15.06.2009, following instructions are hereby issued:

(i) Contact and catenary wires shall not be included as supply items in OHE works contracts and these items would be procured against supply contracts, except where due to exceptional/inescapeable reasons, these are included in scope of works contracts, with GM's personal approval and finance concurrence.

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Procurement of other materials in Railway electrification and THD works, excluding contact and catenary wires, may be continued as per the vetted estimate or vetted tender schedule and provisions contained in Para 1202 of Engineering code.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

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