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The General Managers, All Indian Railways.

Sub: Priority for filling up vacancies of Track Machine staff.

As on 01.08.11, Indian Railways have 33% vacancies in sanctioned strength of track machine staff and there is 25% shortfall in creation of posts vis-à-vis requirement. The issue of problems being faced due to shortage of Track Machines staff has also been taken up by staff side in PNM. The creation of posts and placement of indents needs to be expedited to meet the requirement of machines as per the allotment already advised to the zonal railways. However, the recruitment through RRB/RRC and training may take approximately 1 to 2 years time after the proposals are initiated. Position therefore needs to be urgently alleviated partly through recruitment being carried out through other channels by zonal railways.

To tide over acute shortage of staff in various departments, railways have been resorting to filling up vacancies besides recruitment through RRB/RRC by appointment on compassionate grounds, recruitment of ex-serviceman, engagement of substitute (including Course Completed Act Apprentices) under GM's power etc. In the matter, railways are requested to give priority in apportionment of such engagements/recruitment for filling up vacancies of track machines staff in view of acute shortage and its bearing on maintenance of track and hence efficiency & safety of operation.

This issues with the approval of Board (ME, MS).

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