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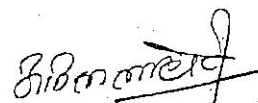
Sub: Provision for Track Machine Sidings in Projects for New Lines, Doubling, Gauge Conversion & Yard Remodeling

Indian Railways are working towards complete mechanization of track maintenance, renewal and construction activities. Necessary track machines are being inducted gradually towards achieving this goal. With the gradual increase in population of track machines, it is imperative that facilities are created for stabling of track machines at the end of day's work, stabling of camping coaches and to enable day-to-day maintenance of track machines.

Indian Railways Track Machine Manual Para 8.4.4 stipulates for the provision of sidings for track machines and camping coaches at SE (P.Way) HQ and at stations about 30 Kms apart. Instructions have been issued vide Board's letter No. 99/Track-III/MC/6-Imple dated 12.5.2009 and No. 2007/Track-III/TK/24 Vol.II dated 10.06.2011 for nominating stabling stations and to provide track machine sidings of about 300 m CSR with stipulated facilities in a time bound manner.

In this regard, Railways are advised that in case of projects for new lines and gauge conversion, nomination of stabling stations should be made at the stage of planning of the project itself. Provision for track machine sidings at nominated stations should be incorporated during execution of projects for New Lines, Doubling, Gauge Conversion and Yard Remodelling works. In order to avoid duplicate/infructuous work, wherever yard plans for projects at nominated stabling stations are being finalized or are already under review, the provision of track machine siding should also be incorporated. Similarly, future proposals for such projects should also take into account the requirement of track machine sidings.

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



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