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**Principal Chief Engineers,
All Indian Railways.**

**Sub : Identification and creation of siding facilities for working of heavy
duty RGM under procurement**

1.0 IR is already having two nos. of 72-stones Rail Grinding Machines (RGMs) and orders for 10 more 96-stone RGMs, Switch Rail Grinding Machines (SRGMs) and one Rail Milling machine are placed. The procurement of RIVs is also under process. All the Zonal Railways will have their own set of RGM+SRGM+RIV machine. To facilitate its maintenance and working, like other track machines, stabling lines/sidings are required at different locations at an interval of 30 kms to 40 kms. The total length of siding required is approx. 300 m. The length of RGM is approx. 175 m and provision for stabling of the SRGM, RIV and supporting vehicles is required. These lines should preferably be unwired and if OHE is provided then the isolation switch should be there to isolate the sidings so as not to affect the working of main line/loop lines etc.

2.0 Certain other minimum facilities are also required to be created at site such as :


- RL PF with small shed
- Proper approach road to the siding;
- water for drinking as well as to meet the requirement of RGM for firefighting purposes;
- provision of lighting facilities for maintenance of machines and 3-phase connection
- a ramp/elevated platform near the siding for decanting of HS oil from the road tankers. Alternatively, pumping arrangement for decanting of HSD oil.
- one toilet block and store including good resting facilities.

3.0 With the above requirements in mind, Zonal Railways are requested to identify the locations for creation of such sidings. While evaluating the same, Railways may also examine the existing sidings/infrastructure created for the working of other track machines, if need be, by suitably augmenting it to serve the above purpose.

4.0 Regarding the working of RGMs, SRGMs, RIVs, a presentation/meeting has been planned on 22.05.2020 on VC. Details of stabling sidings available/planned may be advised in the proforma enclosed. The concerned officers may kindly be deputed to attend the meeting. In this respect, the undersigned has already had repeated telephonic discussions with CE/TMCs and CTEs of the respective Railways.

This may kindly be treated as most urgent.

Encl: As above


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