Sub: Provision of Fixed structures in New Line/Gauge Conversion Projects and Setting of Gate Lodges, station buildings etc. alongside the existing track.

In New Line and Gauge Conversion Works, sometimes station building, Gate huts and other permanent structures are being provided without provision of future doubling and associated changes in the yards. This results into dismantling of these structures during execution of doubling and a long period of Pre-NI and NI working.

It is, therefore, decided that yard plans in case of New Lines and Gauge Conversion projects shall be planned with future doubling in mind. Proposed tracks for doubling shall be shown on the plan in broken lines and permanent structures located accordingly.

In case of manning of unmanned level crossing, it is noticed that sometimes gate lodges are being constructed near the track without provision of additional line, which are required to be dismantled at the time of doubling/3rd line to accommodate the additional track.

Therefore it has been decided that whenever a new gate lodge or station building or any other structure is being constructed either as a replacement or as a new structure, these shall be constructed at adequate set back distance to accommodate the new doubling/3rd line. Further, new gate lodges should be provided in staggered manner on alternate side of track.

The above instructions will be applicable for those projects where ESP have not been prepared. Where ever it is not possible to adhere to the above instructions, approval of PCE or CAO(C) shall be obtained.

This is issued with the approval of Member Engineering.

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