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Sub: Deposit works.

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It has been observed that divisions are undertaking deposit works without any reference to the Headquarters. The Schedule of Power for work matters (item No.2b) authorises the divisional authority only to give technical sanction to the estimate upto Rs.2.00 crores. The administrative approval is invariably to be obtained from Headquarters, which is not being done. Henceforth, the following procedure should be adopted for all deposit works:-

i) When a proposal is received from a party by the railways for undertaking the work on deposit terms, the feasibility of the proposal must be verified. If the proposal is found feasible, the cost of the work and the scope of the facility should be worked out and with the approval of DRM sent to H.qrs. for administrative approval for undertaking the work on deposit terms. If the proposal is not feasible, then also the report must be sent to Headquarters for replying the party. No correspondence/commitment must be made to the party until administrative approval is obtained from Headquarters.

ii) On receipt of administrative approval, the party must be advised to pay the centage charges as per para 732 of the Engineering Code. Terms and conditions on which the work is to be undertaken along with terms of maintenance must also be advised to the party. Only on confirmation of the party to accept the terms and conditions of deposit works and maintenance, centage charges should be accepted.

iii) After the receipt of centage charges, detailed plan must be prepared and sent to Headquarters for approval. On getting the approval of the plan, detailed estimate should be prepared as per the approved plan.

iv) The plan and estimate must be sent to the party for acceptance. On the acceptance of the plan and estimate, the estimate must be processed for the approval of the competent authority.

v) The party must be asked to deposit the sanctioned estimate cost of the work. On receipt of the cost from the party, the work must be entered in the Register of Works maintained for deposit works in the divisions and execution commenced. DEN in-charge of the work must review the Register of Works on deposit terms every month and must ensure that no expenditure in excess of the amount deposited by the party is incurred. When an excess expenditure is anticipated, acceptance of the party to bear the additional cost and deposit of the

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My dear Pancham, Sharma, Jayakumar, Gaur, Meena,
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Sub: Deposit level crossings.

There is a huge demand for construction of new level crossings from the public and Hon'ble MPs and Ministers. In almost all cases, Railway is taking the stand that level crossings can be considered on deposit terms only. In a few cases, the sponsoring agency accepts to bear the cost of construction and maintenance charges for the new manned level crossings. It has been observed that such cases are directly dealt by the divisions without obtaining administrative approval of Headquarters and the Headquarters come to know only when there is a complaint of abnormal delay in taking up the work or escalation in the estimate. It becomes very difficult for us to explain the lapses causing situations of fait-accompli and leading to audit paras and other difficulties.

2. In order to overcome such problems in future cases, it has been decided that until and unless, administrative approval is taken from Headquarters, no correspondence with the party should be entered into by the divisions. As soon as the party indicates their willingness for bearing the cost of construction and maintenance charges (as one time payment normally), the details must be furnished to Headquarters as per the check list enclosed. Only after getting the administrative approval of Headquarters based on the data furnished by the divisions, the sponsoring agency must be intimated of the estimated cost and centage and other costs to be borne by them.

3. All the past cases referred to Headquarters have been kept pending and on getting the details as per the check list only, the cases will be processed further. This may be brought to the notice of all concerned so that we do not repeat the mistake of estimating the deposit cost and getting committed to unsafe level crossings.

4. Recent policy directives of Board in regard to provision of new level crossings may also be kept in view while making such proposals. Copy of Board's letter No.99/CE-I/LX/AC/3 dt.29-7-99 is enclosed. Also, no new level crossing can be provided under MPLAD scheme under which only manning of LC is permitted.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Enc: Check list & Board's
letter referred above.

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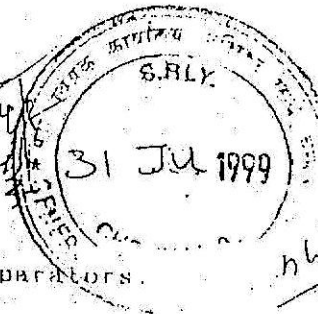
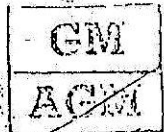
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Sub: Provision of the grade separators.

Board has considered the recommendations made by the Commissioner of Railway Safety Southern Circle requiring railways intervention in one of the accidents not to agree for provision of any new level crossing on National, State and other important city roads including their bypasses and only the grade separation facility should be provided. if considered necessary and decided as under:-

(i) In case of National Highways/State Highways or their by-passes and important city roads, no new level crossing to be provided and only grade separators agreed to be provided.

(ii) In case of other important roads, it is preferable to provide grade separators. However, depending upon the traffic density envisaged, manned level crossings can also be considered.

(iii) However, if due to certain compelling circumstances, relaxation of the above instructions are required, the matter will require Board's prior approval.

These instructions will be applicable to all future works being taken up and the cases where provision of the level crossing has already been agreed upon need not be required.

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

Please acknowledge receipt.

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