

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAILWAY BOARD)

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General Manager All Zonal Railways

Sub: Water logging and drainage problem in RUB/Subways.

Ref: (i) This office letter No. 2015/CE-IV/Misc.-2(RUBs) dated 21.03.2017,

(ii) This office letter No. 2017/CE-IV/RUB/88 dated 04.10.2017, 03.07.2018, 24.09.2019, 22.01.2020, 22.04.2020 & 07.12.2020.

Zonal Railways were advised time to time to effectively tackle drainage problem in RUB/Subway. There have been several complaints and representation received regarding water logging/drainage problem in RUB/Subway. Zonal Railways had identified locations of subways where water logging problem needed to be tackled and work is in progress as per report received through monthly PCDO and discussions during various meetings.

In all the meetings held with public representatives, still lots of complaints are coming and this issue is being raised time and again in the Parliament. Some Zonal Railways are not taking this issue seriously causing embarrassment to Railway. Many instructions have been issued to tackle the drainage problem. Some of them are as under:

- 1. Construction of RUB/Subway should be carried out at the locations where it is technically feasible and adequate bank height/drainage is available.
- 2. Drainage plan must be integral part of subway construction so that proper survey is done before carrying out the work and implemented properly.
- 3. SAG level certificate is required at the proposal stage itself that there will be no water logging in the RUB/Subway after construction.
- 4. Pumping arrangement is necessary wherever, water logging has been observed in the already constructed RUB/Subway.

In spite of all above instructions, problem of water logging is still persisting which is not at all considered satisfactory. In view of above, it is once again re-iterated that instructions issued from Railway Board must be followed in toto for construction of new subway and subways already having water logging problem.

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