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South Central Railway Vijayawada Division

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All SMRs/SSs/CGSRs/GSRs/HGCs/SGCs over Vijayawada Division

Sub: Liberalized Wagon Investment Scheme(LWIS).

- **Ref:** (1) Freight Marketing Master Circular/LWIS/2018/0 issued vide letter No.2016/TC(FM)/4/12(LWIS) dated 02.07.2020.
 - (2) Freight Marketing Master Circular/LWIS/2018/0 dated 16.11.2018.
 - (3) Hqrs Ir No. C.209/MKTG/LWIS/Vol.III dtd:14.07.2020.

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On the subject matter, it is to inform that **Railway Board vide FM Circular No.8** of 2020 dated 25.06.2020 has decided to withdraw the Liberalized Wagon Investment Scheme (LWIS). No new approvals shall henceforth be granted under LWIS (copy enclosed).

However, rakes which have already been inducted and are under operation under the Liberalized Wagon Investment Scheme (LWIS) shall continue to operate. Already approved rakes, which are awaiting induction, can also be inducted by the concurred parties with the same terms and conditions of LWIS.

Further, Railway Board vide Freight Marketing Circular/LSFT/2020/0 dated **18.03.2020** has launched the Liberalized Special Freight Train Operator (LSFTO) scheme for induction of Special- purpose and High –capacity wagons through private participation.

The policy guidelines of the Liberalized Special Freight Train Operator (LSFTO) scheme are available on Indian Railways website and may be accordingly downloaded for better understanding of the new scheme.

Please note and act accordingly.

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