## भारत सरकार Government Of India रेल मंत्रालय Ministry Of Railways (रेलवे बोर्ड) (Railway Board)

No. 2019/CE-I/Misc/2/Election Matters

New Delhi, dated 03.04.2019

The General Managers, All Indian Railways including Production Units

**Sub**: Grant of exemption to Railways from applicability of para 5.2.1(ix)(g) of Manual on Code of Conduct, March, 2019.

**Ref**: (i) Railway Board's letter No. No. 2019/CE-I/Misc/2/Election Matters dated 27.03.2019.

(ii) Election Commission of India's letter No. 437/6/CG/ECI/LET/FUNCT/MCC/2019 dated 03.04.2019.

Model Code of Conduct (MCC) issued by Election Commission of India, is in force w.e.f. 10.03.2019 in view of announcement of General Election to the House of People, 2019.

2. Para 5.2.1(ix)(g) of 'Manual on Model Code of Conduct, March, 2019, is reproduced below:-

" The following types of activities will require prior permission of the Election Commission:

- (g) tenders other than global tenders, if already floated may be evaluated but not finalized. If these are not floated, shall not be floated without prior permission of the Election Commission."
- 3. Election Commission of India was approached by Ministry of Railways to exempt Railways from application of above para 5.2.1.(ix)(g) of MCC in works, procurement & service tenders related to (i) train operations (ii) execution of safety works (iii) day to day maintenance of railway infrastructure & (iv) sanctioned infrastructural projects, vide letter under ref(i) (copy enclosed as Annexure-A).
- 4. Election Commission of India vide under ref(ii) above, has conveyed their "No Objection" from MCC angle to Railways for inviting tenders related to above subject to the condition that no publicity in this regard should be made by any Minister/political functionary anywhere in the country and the final awarding of contract may be deferred till completion of the results (copy enclosed as Annexure-B).
- 5. Necessary action may be taken accordingly.

DA: As above

(Prem Sagar Gupta) EDCE/G

Railway Board

Copy to : (i) PSOs to MS, MT, ME, MTR, MRS, FC & CRB for kind information of MS, MT, ME, MTR, MRS, FC & CRB.

(ii) PSOs/Sr. PPSs to DG/RS, DG/Pers, DG/RHS & DG/S&T for kind information of of. DG/RS, DG/Pers, DG/RHS & DG/S&T.

(iii) Secretary/Railway Board for kind information.



रेल मंत्रालय, (रेलवे बोर्ड) रेल भवन, नई दिल्ली 110001 GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (HAILWAY BOARD) BAIL BHAVAN, NEW DECHET10001

अधिन / Election Commission

No. 2019/CE-I/Misc/2/Election Matters

Sr. Principal Secretary, Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan. Ashok Road New Delhi - 110001

New Delhi, dated 27.03.2019

Sub Grant of exemption to Railways from applicability of para 5.2.1(ix)(g) of Manual of Code of Conduct, March, 2019.

Ref Election Commission of India's Manual of Code of Conduct, March, 2019

R&ISECTION

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Para 5.2.1(ix)(g) of 'Manual on Model Code of Conduct, March, 2019, is reproduced below -

The following types of activities will require prior permission of the Election Commission

- (g) tenders other than global tenders, if already floated may be evaluated but not finalized. If these are not floated, shall not be floated without prior permission of the Election Commission."
- It may be appreciated that works, procurement & service tenders related to (i) train operations. (ii) execution of safety works, (iii) day to day maintenance of railway infrastructure & (iv) sanctioned infrastructural projects, are required to be processed & finalized in the national and larger public interest.
- It is, therefore, requested to kindly grant exemption to the Railways from application of para 5.2.1.(ix)(g) in the above cases.

This is issued with the approval of Chairman, Railway Board.

(Prem Sagar Gur

Executive Director Civil Engineering/General Railway Board

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## भारत निर्वाचन आयोग सचिवालय SECRETARIAT OF THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

निर्वाचन सदन, अशोक रोड, नई दिल्ली-110001

NirvachanSadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001.

No. 437/6/CG/ECI/ LET/FUNCT/MCC/2019

Dated: 3rd April, 2019

To

Secretary, Government of India Ministry of Railway, Railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.

[Kind attn: Sh. Prem Sagar Gupta, Executive Director Civil Engineering/General]

Subject: -

Grant of exemption to Railways from applicability of para 5.2.1 (ix)(g) of Manual of Code of Conduct – March 2019 - regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to Ministry of Railways letter No. 2019/CE-I/Misc/2/Election Matters, dated 27th March, 2019, received from Executive Director Civil Engineering/General on the subject cited, and to state that the Commission has no objection, from MCC angle, to invite the tenders related to (i) train operations (ii) execution of safety works, (iii) day to day maintenance of railway infrastructure and (iv) sanctioned infrastructural projects to subject to the condition that no publicity in this regard should be made by any Minister/political functionary anywhere in the country and the final awarding of contract may be deferred till completion of the results.

Yours faithfully,

(NARENDRA N. BUTOLIA) PRINCIPAL SECRETARY