## भारत सरकार (GOVERNMENT OF INDIA) रेल मंत्रालय (MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS) रेलवे बोर्ड (RAILWAY BOARD)

No. TCR/1057/2018/02.

New Delhi, Dated: 30.09.2019

## Principal Chief Commercial Manager All Indian Railways

Sub: Covering loaded wagons with Tarpaulin Sheet.

**Ref.**: (i) Boards letter No. 2015/EnHM/15/01 dated 16.04.2018;

(ii) Rates Circular No. 24 of 2006 dated 23.03.2006;

(iii) Rates Circular No. 27 of 2016 dated 20.10.2016;

Board has been receiving requests for guidelines on the above subject.

Issue has been examined and it has been observed that detailed guidelines for Prevention of Pollution in handling of pollution intensive commodities have been notified by Environment Directorate of Ministry of Railways vide letter referred at (i) above.

General conditions have been notified for packing various commodities being transported by rail. For transportation of loose/bulk consignments, no specific packing condition is required vide letter referred at (ii) above.

As per condition 1.0 (x) (ii) of letter referred at (iii) above, Tarpaulin Sheet, if any for covering the open and flat wagons should be provided by the consignor at their own cost under Freight Incentive Scheme for loading packed consignment in open and flat wagons.

It is therefore, advised that due precaution should be taken while transporting/handling pollution intensive commodities. Tarpaulin sheet for covering the wagons should be securely tied before transportation to comply directive of State Pollution Control Board.

(This disposes off South Eastern Railway's letter No. RA.41/Rates/Misc./(Loose) dated 05.09.2019 and Western Railway's letter No. C 71/1/Pollution-Vol.II dated 15.02.2019)

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