भारत सरकार Government of India रेल मंत्रालय Ministry of Railways रेलवे बोर्ड Railway Board

No. 2010/M(C)/650/2NMG

(E-Office No. 3324599) New Delhi, Dated -03.03.2021

PCME Western Railway

Sub: Service life/codal life of old ICF VPUs.

Ref: (i). WR's letter no. T96/0 Policy dated 15.02.2021.

- (ii). Railway Board JPO no. 2020/M(C)/137/1 dated 15.01.2021.
- (iii). Railway Board letter no. 2019/M(C)/202/1 dated 20.07.2020.
- (iv). Railway Board letter no. 2019/PEDME (W)/Comm. on ICF coaches (Pt.) dated 11.03.2020.
- (v). Railway Board letter no. 2010/M(C)/650/2 Pt dated 05/07.02.2020.
- (vi). Railway Board letter no. 2010/M(C)/650/2 NMG dated 29.12.2020.

Vide references above, Western Railway has requested for clarification that whether 18+ year old ICF VPUs can be used for running of parcel special or to be condemned in reference to the instructions issued vide Railway Board letter at reference (iii).

In this regard, it is advised that ICF VPUs/VPHs/VPs coaches may be retained for service up to its codal life of 25 years, as prescribed earlier, with all prescribed maintenance and other repairs as and when required, for safe running of these coaches.

This has approval of AM/ME/Railway Board.

For further necessary action please.

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C/- All PCMEs/PCOMs/All Zonal Railways for kind information and necessary action please.