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Sub: Provision for Vital Protective items to Pointsman and Shunting staff.

Ref: Railway Board Letter No.2017/Transf.Cell/Civil/03 dated 05-02-2018

It has been brought to the notice of union that as per the nominated Joint Committee report for review of uniform and Tool kits for Trackman/Keymen/Petrolman, provisions for Dress allowance has been implemented vide RBE No.141/2017. Uniform and Protective gears such as Raincoat (once in a year), Winter Jacket (once in a year), Safety Shoes (once in 6 months), Luminous Vest (once in 6 months), Safety Helmet with detachable miner's light (once in a year), Tool kit bag (once a year), Tricolor LED Torch (once a year). Approx. cost for each item has been recommended by the Committee has been accepted and circulated by the Railway Board vide it's letter dated 05-02-2018 cited under reference.

In this context it is to submit that Pointsman and Shunting staff of Operating department belongs to safety category and they are on assigned duties in all sort of weather throughout the year at Station/Yard/Sidings involving Piloting of trains, shunting of trains, serving of Operational Memo during failure, working during NI and shift duties as well as in unusual circumstances. However, any sort of vital protective items has not yet provided to Pointsman and Shunting Staff so far. Whereas special type of Protective gears provided to Trackman/Petrolman/Keyman of Engineering department, ESM and Khalasi of S&T department, TRD staff, ART and ARME staff.

It is pertinent to note that General Manager, Northern Railway has granted such provisions for providing vital safety items viz. 2 piece Raincoat, Winter Jacket, Luminous Vests and Safety shoes to the Pointsman and Shunting staff of Northern Railway.

Under these circumstance you are requested to call for the proposals from DRMs for providing vital safety equipment's like 2 piece Raincoat, Winter Jacket, Luminous Vests and Safety shoes to the Pointsman and Shunting staff of Operating department for the betterment of staff and system.

General Secretary