

East Central RailwaySTORES –INSTRUCTION No. 101

No. ECR/ SMM/Stores-Instruction

Dt. 06.07.2020

**Sub:-** Acceptance of expiry of validity of Inspection Certificate issued by RITES between the period of 01.03.20. to 31.05.20. under Force Majeure Condition arising out of COVID-19

**Ref:-** Rly. Bd's letter no. 2020/RS(G)/11/5 dtd. 09.06.2020

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With reference to above, it has been decided, as a special measures in view of and relating to COVID-19 situation only :-

Railways may accept the material inspected by RITES, which was otherwise fully and completely acceptable but the expiry of validity of the IC issued by RITES, on the basis of expired RITES IC without seeking revalidation of the IC except for chemicals, perishable and shelf life items, validity extension of ICs for chemicals, perishable and shelf life items shall be requested to RITES.

All such accepted cases shall be reported to ED/QA/RITES. RITES shall honour such acceptances as deemed extension of validity and honour such acceptance for the purpose of joint inspections and other contract related activities and accordingly participate in these activities, as is done in case of normal IC. Endorsement of this effect shall also be done by consignee on R/Note for Stock items and on verified bill for Non-stock items.

PCMM/ECR has delegated the power to accept such cases to **all Sr.DMMs of ECR** for cases of Depots/Division under their jurisdiction, **Dy.CMM-V** for CRW/HRT and **Dy.CMM-II** for construction organisation will exercise the same power. These powers shall only apply in cases the dispatch/delivery of goods was delayed on account of COVID-19 and RITES IC issue between 01.03.20. to 31.05.20. and material delivered before 30.06.20. The supplier shall give a request for acceptance of material beyond validity of IC alongwith a declaration, declaring that the delivery in time was not possible only because of COVID-19 situation.

Acceptance of material using these special powers shall not impact other conditions of contract, including consignee's right to reject the material.

This issues with the approval of PCMM.

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For PCMM/ECR/HJP

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