

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

No. 2017/W-I/Genl./Survey/1

New Delhi, dt. 22.05.2017

**The General Manager,  
All Indian Railways**

**The General Manager (Const),  
Northeast Frontier Railway,  
Maligaon, Guwahati**

**The Chief Admn. Officers (Const.),  
All Zonal Railways**

**Sub: Delegation of powers for Tender to survey.**

Ref: (i) No. 97/W-2/Surveys/CR dated 14.11.2002,  
(ii) No. 97/W-2/Surveys/CR(Pt) dated 12.12.2008,  
(iii) No. 97/W-1/Surveys/CR/ Pt.III dated 21.09.2009,

In partial modification to Railway Board's letters mentioned under reference above, Board (ME & FC) has decided to authorize Chief Administrative Officer (Construction) to decide in favour of undertaking Surveys, including FLS, through Works contract. Tender Committee for such survey tenders will be at a minimum level of Junior Administrative Grade (JAG) with acceptance of tenders at the level of Senior Administrative Grade (SAG) and Contract Management at SAG level.

  
**(Dhananjaya Singh)**  
**Director (Works)-II**  
Tel.: 011- 2378 2083

No. 2017/W-I/Genl./Survey/1

New Delhi, dt. 22.05.2017

Copy to:-

- (i) The FA&CAO/Con., All Indian Railways
- (ii) Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of India (Railways),  
Room No. 224, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi (together with 80 spares)



For **Financial Commissioner (Railways)**

Copy to:

AM(Works), AM(CE), ED(Works), ED(Works Planning) and Dir. (Works)-I  
F(X)-II, Budget and WDO branches of Railway Board.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 97/W-2/Surveys/CR

New Delhi, dated 14.11.02

General Managers  
All Indian Railways

Chief Admn. Officers/Con  
All Indian Railways

Mr. G. / S. R.	
Mr. S. / F. R.	59.

**Sub: Undertaking of Final Location Surveys through contractual agencies**

The question of permitting the Railways to entrust surveys to private agencies has been under the consideration of the Board for some time. Board have now decided that the work of final location survey may be outsourced to outside agencies based on the following guidelines:-

- (i) It is beyond the capacity of the Railway to complete the survey in a reasonable time frame.
- (ii) The personal approval of General Manager with the concurrence of FA&CAO (Open Line) should be taken.
- (iii) ~~The accepted rates should not exceed the yardsticks circulated by Board.~~
- (iv) The survey tender should be treated as works contract. The tender committee will be at SAG level with acceptance at the level of CAO/C irrespective of the value of the contract.

Board desires that a comprehensive review of survey staff may be made and reductions made, wherever necessary as a result of outsourcing.

The Board has also approved the revision in yardstick of final location survey from Rs.

36,000/Km to Rs. 50,000/Km.

This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

(P.K. Sanghi)  
Executive Director/Works  
Railway Board

Copy to :-

FA&CAOs, all Indian Railways

FA&CAOs/Con, all Indian Railways

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No.97/W-2/Survey/CR-Pt.

New Delhi, dt.12.12.2008

General Manager,  
All Indian Railways,

General Manager(Constn.),  
N.F.Railway

Chief Admn.Officers (Const.),  
All Indian Railways.(except NF Rly.)

Sub: Undertaking of Final Location Surveys through contractual agencies

Ref:- (i) Rly. Board's letter No.97/W2/Surveys/CR dt.14.11.2002

(ii) Rly. Board's letter No.F(X)II-2006/PW/17 dt. 4.12.2006

Attention is invited to Board's letter No. 97/W2/Surveys/CR dt.14.11.2002 whereby Railways were advised the circumstances in which surveys could be outsourced to outside agencies and the guidelines to be followed in such cases.

Vide letter No. dt.4.12.2006 referred at (ii) above, powers have been delegated for sanction of part estimate to meet expenditure towards preliminary activities like FLS, Geo-technical studies, design, preparation of plan and designs etc. These preliminary activities may be executed on works contract basis.

In view of above, instructions issued vide letter No. 97/W2/Surveys/CR dt.14.11.2002 may be treated as withdrawn.

This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

(Virender Kumar)  
Director Works-II

Railway Board

No. 97/W-2/Survey/CR-Pt.

New Delhi, dt. 12-12-08

Copy to:

The FA & CAOs, & FA&CAO/Cons., all Indian Railways.

For Financial Commissioner/Railways

Copy to:

WDO, F(X)-II and Budget branches of Railway Board.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No 97/W-1/Survey/CR/Pl.III

New Delhi, dt.21.1.2009

The General Managers,  
All Indian Railways

Chief Admn. Officers (Const.),  
All Indian Railways,  
(Except N.F.Rly.)

General Manager (Constn.),  
N.F. Railway,  
Maligaon, Guwahati

Sub: Revised rates for Final Location Survey (FLS)

Ref:- (i) Rly. Board's letter No.97/W1/Surveys/CR/Pl.III dt.21.9.2007.

(ii) Rly. Board's letter No.97/W-2/Survey/CR-Pl. dt. 12.12.08.

1. Vide letter cited as reference (i) above, revised yardsticks for conducting various types of surveys including Final Location Surveys were advised.

2. On further consideration of the matter, Board have now approved a revised yardstick in respect of Final Location Surveys by enhancing the rate from Rs.75,000 per km. to Rs.1,00,000 (Rs. One lakh) per km. Any further expenditure on FLS beyond the limit shall have the personal approval of CAO/C after personal concurrence of FA&CAO/C and shall be within the overall limit of 2% of the total value of the work as originally sanctioned in the Budget.

3. Already instructions have been issued vide letter cited as reference (ii) above that outsourcing of preliminary activities for project execution may be done through works contracts. It is further clarified that the Tender Committee to finalize such works tenders would continue to be SAG level irrespective of value of such tenders as was the practice till now.

4. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

Please acknowledge receipt.

(Virender Kumar)  
Director Works-II

No.97/W-1/Survey/CR/Pl.III

New Delhi, dt.21.1.2009

Copy to (i) The FA & CAO/Con., All Indian Railways

(ii) Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of India (Railways),  
Room No.224, Rail Bhavan, New Delhi (together with 80 spares).

For Financial Commissioner/Railways

Copy to: Sr. PPS/ME, FC, CRB,

AMW, Adviser (Proj), AMCE, EDW, EDW(P) and DW-I

F(X)-II, Budget and WDO branches of Railway Board.

\*\*\*\*\*