GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAILWAY BOARD)

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The General Managers/
Chief Administrative Officers

All Indian Railways & Production Units

Sub: Manufacturing of items needed for combating COVID-19

The epidemic of COVID-19 has gripped the Country. In this dire situation the manufacturing capabilities of Indian Railways may be needed to be harnessed in order to combat this scourge.

It is noted that manufacturing facilities available in Indian Railway's Production Units and Zonal Railway Workshops can be utilised for manufacture of items like simple hospital beds (without mattress), medical trolleys for hospitals and quarantine facilities, IV stands, stretchers, hospital footsteps, hospital bedside lockers, wash-basins with stands, ventilators, PPEs like masks, sanitizers, water tanks etc. Other items requiring sheet metal fabrication work, welding and machining can also be manufactured in these facilities based on urgent requirement.

The exact items to be manufactured may be decided in consultation with Principal Chief Medical Directors in your Railway / Production Unit.

Production Units and Workshops may assess the feasibility to manufacture these items in large quantities (as may be required) at short notice. Items identified thus may be communicated to Board along with its likely production rate.

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