



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



No. 2022/RS(L)/709/1(SER-VHF Set)

New Delhi, dated: 03.08.2023

Principal Chief Materials Manager  
All Zonal Railways

**Sub: Exemption for procurement of 5watt VHF sets manufactured outside India for having local content less than 20% from applicability of PPP (MII) Order, 2017.**

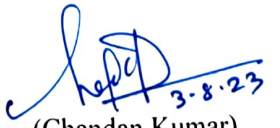
Ref: (i) Rly Board letter 2020/RS(G)/779/2 Pt.1 dated 25.9.2020 circulating DPIIT OM No. P-45021/2/2017-PP(BE-II) dated 16.9.2020.  
(ii) Rly Board letter No. 2020/RS(L)/779/1 dated 13.7.2022 nominating SE Rly as centralised unit for procurement of VHF sets for train operation.

The competent authority under PPP-MIII Order has accorded exemption for procurement of 5watt VHF sets from the applicability of provisions of DPIIT's Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order in terms of clause 14(c) of the said order circulated vide ref (i) above. The relaxation would be valid for a period of one (01) year w.e.f 21.07.2023 or till indigenous vendors are developed by RDSO, whichever is earlier.

2. The above exemption is in addition to the earlier exemption granted by Competent Authority from PPP-MII policy for procurement of 23254 5watt VHF sets for a period of one (01) year. Procurement against this exemption is under process by SER, the centralised unit for procurement of VHF sets for train operation and the same shall continue.

3. Any additional requirement of Zonal Railways (in addition to those included in SER procurement) for procurement of 5watt VHF sets may be procured by the Railway themselves as per the exemption granted as stated in Para-1. In the meantime proactive efforts should be made by RDSO to develop indigenous vendors for VHF sets for train operation duly keeping Board apprised of the developments.

This is issued with the approval of competent authority.

  
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DG/RDSO – for kind information and necessary action please.