

Budget and Expenditure Management

Expenditure Management (2014-15)

Item

Progress of works to be facilitated through efficient expenditure management, within the allotment given for the year. Timely and realistic requirement of funds to be projected at various budgetary review stages (August Review, Revised estimate & Final modification).

Present Status

| Plan head | Budget Allotment 2014-15 | Approx. to end 13-10-2014 (in cr) | %age of booking over Budget Allotment |
|------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|
| New Lines | 4110.0 | 1335.0 | 32.5% |
| | (3380.0) | (1069.2) | (31.6%) |
| Gauge Conversion | 1228.5 | 869.2 | 70.8% |
| | (1120.0) | (824.4) | (73.6%) |
| Doubling | 404.1 | 82.6 | 20.4% |
| Total | 5742.6 | 2286.8 | 39.8% |
| | (4500.0) | (1893.6) | (42.1%) |

Figures in bracket represent corresponding figures for National Projects.

Comparative Position of booking of expenditure during 2014-15 ending Sept 2014 (approx.) with that of corresponding period during last financial year (2013-14) under three major plan heads (NL, GC &DL).

Fig. in cr. of Rs.

| SN | Plan Head | B. A. 2014-15 | Exp. ending Sept. 2014 (Approx.) | %age utilization [(Exp/BA)x100] |
|----------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 01 | New Lines | 4110 | 1293 | 32% |
| 02 | Gauge Conversion | 1229 | 818 | 67% |
| 03 | Doubling | 404 | 80 | 20% |
| | Total | 5743 | 2191 | 38% |
| | | | | |
| SN | Plan Head | B. A. 2013-14 | Exp. ending Sept. 2013 (Approx.) | %age utilization [(Exp/BA)x100] |
| SN 01 | Plan Head New Lines | | · | |
| | | 2013-14 | Sept. 2013 (Approx.) | [(Exp/BA)x100] |
| 01 | New Lines | 2013-14 1555 | Sept. 2013 (Approx.) 794 | [(Exp/BA)x100] 51% |

Pace of booking of expenditure apparently is far below during current financial year 2014-15 compared to corresponding period of last financial year 2013-14. It is urged to gear up the existing machinery to ensure full utilisation of the allotment for the financial year 2014-15.

Computerization/Innovation

Works Register

Action Plan for effective implementation

Following initiatives are taken to ensure full computerisation of Works Register as per the action plan target set for the purpose-

FA&CAO/CN/MLG along with Dy. FA&CAO/CN-5/MLG has visited NJP CON on 11-10-2014 and accordingly a form on AFRES has been devised to upload Project wise detailed head wise expenditure for ongoing projects and put on line.

JE/IT/CN along with service Engineer from M/S Exilant Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore has been sent to NJP, Con. for two days for imparting training on 14-10-2014 & 15-10-2014 in handling the software along with preparation of Account Current through the system.

On 15-10-2014, FA&CAO/CN along with Dy. FA&CO/CN-5/MLG and EDPM/CN/MLG visited JPZ, Con for similar action what has been done at NJP.

Trainings were very successful and effective. Both the units have now started uploading the work register data as well preparation of daily Account Current from the respective units (NJP Con and JPZ Con) w. e. f. 15-10-2014.

A similar drive is being planned for SCL, Con Accounting Unit as well so that entire integration of Work Registers and Account Current of the Construction organisation as whole can be viewed.

Following initiatives are taken for implementation of Project Management System of South Western Railway, Construction, Bangalore in N. F. Railway, Construction.

A meeting was held with CSTE/CN-1/MLG, CE/CN-2/MLG and Dy. CE/CN/Tender/MLG to work out the modality for implementation of PMS in N. F. Railway, Construction Organization.

The issue of network connectivity through 04 MBPS Data Circuit has been discussed with Railtel, MAS.

Railtel, MAS in turn assured to make available requisite Data Circuit for building WAN connectivity between NFR & SWR.

It has been planned to visit South Western Railway, Construction, Bangalore accompanied with Dy. CE/Con/Tender/MLG on 28th & 29th of Oct 2014 for looking into the feasibility of test implementation of the system with at least two records on existing CAs pertaining to N. F. Railway.

Periodical Financial & Managerial Information Reports through web

It is proposed to put the following information on web-site (Password- enabled viewing) duly updating from time to time

Information relating to Accounts working like position of expenditure in various projects, status of disposal of finance proposals received in Accounts, PF balance of employees, bill passing information, Audit, stock sheet position etc. is targeted to be available online by 31.12.2014.

Designing of Accounts Web Portal is in advance stage of completion. Till date following are constructed and made available online to view through Internet connectivity. It will be later connected to Construction main web portal-

- 1) Home page.
- 2) Organisational Chart
- 3) Uploading of information related to all sections of Accounts Department including field units.
- 4) Facilities module-Telephone Directories.
- 5) Circular-In this section subject wise circulars could be uploaded. Circulars are searchable by subject wise or any key word.
- 6) Under finalisation
 - a) Bill status
 - b) Project wise financial progress for all on going projects.

New Mobile SIM Number for PF balance Enquiry through SMS Alert

Permanent SIM No. 8135847751 from Airtel got allotted. New Number has been advertised issuing letter to all concerned as well putting on notice boards.

Now SMS is to be sent as under-

Type NFCONPF <space> <8 digit PF Number>
[for Example NFCONPF 01021110]
and send to 8135847751

Maintenance of PF accounts

| Item/Target | Status |
|---|--|
| a) Annual Reconciliation of PF A/C with G.B. figure for the year 2013-14. | a. Achieved. |
| b) Issue of updated PF pass book for 2013-14. | b. 1523 Nos. of PF Pass book received till date and all are updated. 153 Nos. PF passbooks are yet to received. Concerned controlling authorities are once again requested to expedite submission of balance PF pass books so that task of updating of the same could be done by 31.10.2014. |

Achievement of Finance Section for the period 1st April to 30th Sept. 2014

| Type of Proposal | Target (No. of days) | Total No. of Proposals to be cleared (OB+ Accretion) | No. of cases disposed | Proposals cleared within time frame |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------------|---|
| Vetting of estimates | 21 | 10 | 10 | 7 |
| Tender schedule | 10 | 185 | 182 | 174 |
| Variations proposals | 15 | 285 | 273 | 257 |
| Contract agreements | 5 | 68 | 67 | 65 |
| Comparative statements | 10 | 206 | 204 | 201 |
| Miscellaneous proposals | 10 | 1008 | 1004 | 998 |
| Purchase Order | 7 | 32 | 31 | 28 |
| Total | | 1794 | 1771 | 1730 |

Out of 1794 proposals (OB + Accretion) to be cleared , 80% (1435 nos.) was targeted to be cleared within time frame against which 1730 nos. have been cleared within time frame which is 120.56% of the target. Last month's clearance was 113.32%.

Closure Activities

Audit Objections for the month of Sept 2014

| | | | D/B. AS ON 01.04.2014 | | Accretion | Clearand | ce up to th | ne month | CB as | on 30.09. | 2014. |
|-----|-------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------|
| SN. | Item | More than 5 yrs old | Less than 5 yrs old | Total | | More than 5 yrs old | Less than 5 yrs old | Total | More than 5 yrs old | Less than 5 yrs old | Total |
| 1. | Special letter | 5 | 25 | 30 | 1 | Nil | 4 | 4 | 5 | 22 | 27 |
| 2. | Pt. I AIR | 75 | 77 | 152 | 42 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 73 | 116 | 189 |
| 3. | Pt. AN | 10 | 43 | 53 | 19 | Nil | 11 | 11 | 10 | 51 | 61 |
| | Total | 90 *(30) | 145 *(48) | 235 *(78) | 62 | 2 | 18 | 20 | 88 | 189 | 277 |

Target for Clearance:

1. Overall clearance target for 2014-15 : 78 nos. i.e. 33% of O/B as on 01.04.14

2. Clearance target during the month : 8

3. Clearance Target to the end of month : 37

4. Achievement during the month : 2

5. Achievement to end of month : 20

* Represent clearance target

Position of Provisional Para as on 13.10.2014.

| SN | Year | Number of Provisional | No | Subject of Provisional Para | CE | Remarks |
|----|-------------|--|-------|--|--------|--|
| | | Para | | | wise | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 1 | 2012- | C/DP/CON-NJP/12-13/324 dated.31.07.13. Vide Rly Bd's L/No.2014-BC- PP-06/12-13 dated.05.03.14 | PP-86 | Provisional Para No.06 finalized by DAI(Railway) for C&AG's Report (Railways) for the Year ended 31.03.2013 regarding "Non-disposal of Surplus Engineering Stores" (Previous DP "Blockage of Fund and Loss to the Railway Exchequer due to Improper Procurement of Engineering Stores" for inclusion in the C&AG's Report Railways for the Year 13-14) | CE/C-3 | Modified Reply received from CE/C-3 on 14-10-14 and reply is under scrutiny in Accounts. |
| 2 | 2012- 13 | C/1-1/DP(Theme)/2012- 13/03dated:10.8.13 | PP-87 | Provisional Para No.16/2012-13 regarding material modification in Indian Railways. | | Complete set of PP received on 19.0914 and sent to CE/C-6 on 22.09.14. |

Position of Draft Para as on 14.10.2014.

| SN | Year | Number of Draft Para | No | Subject of Draft Para | CE wise | Remarks |
|----|-------------|---|-------|--|----------|--|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 1 | 201 3-14 | C/DP/Con-NJP/2013- 14/325 dated:23-7- 14. | DP-89 | Draft Para regarding "Avoidable expenditure of Rs.8.16 Cr for earth work on Permanent diversion of Railway embankment," for the year 2014-15. | CE/Con-5 | Reply received on 19.09.14 and under scrutiny in Accounts . |
| 2 | 201 3-14 | C/DP/CON-NJP/2013- 14/326 dt: 15-07-14. | DP-90 | Draft Para regarding "Idle investment of Rs.41.88 Cr for construction of only one bridge in a new line project " for inclusion in the C&AG's Report (Railways) for the year 2014-15. | CE/Con-3 | Reply received on 26.09.14 and under scrutiny in Accounts |
| 3 | 201 3-14 | C/DP/CON-NJP/2013- 14/327 dt: 30-07-14. | DP-91 | Draft Para regarding "Avoidable expenditure due to fore closure of Contract Agreement" for inclusion in C&AG's Report (Railways) for the year 2014-15. | CE/Con-3 | DO |
| 4 | 2013 -14 | C/DP/CON/2013- 14/329 dt: 31-07-14 | DP-92 | Draft Para regarding "Avoidable expenditure of Rs.13.42 crore due to consideration of Special Limited Tender instead of Open Tender" for inclusion in C&AG's Report (Railways) for the year 2014-15. | CE/Con-2 | Reply received on 23.09.14 and under scrutiny in Accounts |
| 5 | 2013 -14 | C/1-1/dp/(Theme)13- 14/04/2098 dt.16.9.14 | DP-93 | Draft Para(Theme) on "Provision and utilization of Direction and General (D&G)charges provided in works estimates of construction Organisation of N.F.Railway for inclusion in the comtroller and Auditor General of India's Audit Report :Railways)for the year 2014-2015 | CE/Con-7 | Draft Para has been received on 24.09.14 and sent to CE/C-7 on 29/9/14 to furnish the remarks. |

Position of Stock Sheet contd..

| Outstanding Stock Verification Sheet | Dy. HOD-wise break up | Remark |
|---|--|--|
| O/S as on 01-04-2014:112 CBI: 03 Court: 03 Recovery: 74 Under correspondence: 12 Under write off sanction by Board: 2 O/S as on 13-10-2014:94 | 1=DY.CE/C-2/DBRT(CE/C-1) 1= Dy. CE/C-1/SCL(CE/C-4) 10=Dy. CSTE/C/MLG(CSTE/C-1) (a)Write-off proposal is under scrutiny of Accounts. (b) Recovery proposal for Rs.268273/- has been sent to FA&CAO/Pension/MLG against 9 Nos. item of Stock Sheets vide SPO/Con/MLG's L/No.202E/Con/Pen(KS) date.11.09.14 | Recovery in progress: (74 Nos.) Out of 74 nos. of stock sheets, 68 Nos. pertain to Shri G. D. Dutta, EX-DMS/CON/JPZ and remaining 6 Nos. pertain to: 2nos. against DY. CE/C/APDJ(CE/C-5) 2nos. against DY. CE/C/NLP 2nos. against DY. CE/C/NJP(CE/C-3) Write off: (2 No.) 2 no. Write off case under sanction of Rly. Board. |

Position of Stock Sheet as on 30.09.2014

| Item | O/B as on 01.04.14 | Accretion | Clearance to end of Sept, 2014 | Balance as on 30.09.2014 |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Outstanding Stock verification Sheets. | 112 (06 CBI/Court Cases) | Nil | 18 | 94 |

Target for Clearance:

1. Overall clearance target for 2014-15 : 35 nos.i.e. 33% of O/B as on 01.04.14

2. Clearance target during the month : 3

3. Clearance target to the end of month : 18

4. Achievement during the month : Nil

5. Achievement to the end of month : 18

5.1 Outstanding Completion Reports to the end of SEPT '2014.

| Item | OB as on 01.04.2014 | Clearance Target | Achievements | Remarks |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Outstanding Completion Reports | 75 <u>Update</u> Detailed reconciliation has been | 1. 1st Quarter i.e April /14 to June /14. Target = 3 cases to be cleared | 3 cases vetted | |
| | conducted with Executive, the no. of Completion Reports comes to 60 not 75 | 2. 2 nd Quarter i.e July /14 to Sept/ 14 Target = 9 cases to be cleared | 7 nos. vetted in 2 nd Qr.(July to sept'14) | 7 Nos of cases are returned with observations which have not yet been submitted. |

1. Overall clearance targe for 2014-15 : 25 nos. i.e. 33% of O/B as on 01.04.14

2. Clearance target to the end of month : 12

3. Achievement to the end of month : 10

4. Achievement during the month : 4

5.2 Regularization of Unsanctioned Expenditure

| Item | OB as on 01.04.2014 | Clearance Target | Achievements |
|---|---|---|---|
| Unsanctioned Expenditure (Rs. 48.58 cr) Update After reconciliation with Executive the total amount of un- sanctioned expenditure comes to Rs.59.03cr. | Rs 16 cr. to be regularized by March 2015 | 1. 1St Quarter i.e April /14 to June /14. Target = Rs 4 cr. 2. 2nd Quarter i.e. July /14 to Sept/ 14 Target = Rs 4 cr | Out of Rs. 48.58 cr, items covering Rs 19.89 cr sent to Railway Board for sanction which is pending at Rly. Board. Update Out of Rs. 59.03 cr, items covering Rs. 27.62 cr sent to Railway Board for sanction. |

Remarks - In this connection Sr. AFA/XP/Con met Dy. Director (Works) Rly. Board on 16-09-2014 and submitted all previous correspondence papers for early sanction.

Work done for other departments

6.1 Recoupment of Imprest through SBI-EZZ Card.

| Nature of works | Target | | | Present Status |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------|---|
| Opening of Current Account | 30 th June' 14 | | | ive Imprest Holders: 39 nt opened: 39 |
| with SBI for recoupment of | | Current | Accou | nt opened. 59 |
| Imprest through RTGS/NEFT | | | | |
| by Imprest holders with Hd. | | | | |
| Qrs. Accounts. | | O. + of 2 | 00 :: 00 | of Comment A/C around 25 has af Instrument Count (ATMA) have been |
| Issue of Cash Imprest through | Target = 39 | | | of Current A/C opened, 35 nos. of Imprest Card (ATM) have been 3-05-2014.and for remaining 4 nos. ATM Cards are yet to be |
| SBI Imprest cards to Imprest | 30 th June' 14 | | | Mumbai. SBI/MLG is being pursued for issue of remaining ATM |
| holders with Hd. Qrs. | Revised target= | | | 35 ATM Cards 19 nos have been activated and remaining are |
| Accounts. | 31.07.14. | | | rate due to Server problem at SBI/HQ's office. |
| | | F151 5 | 110 | CT4T110 |
| Implementation in Field Units | Target = 44 | FIELD UNIT | NO. | OF STATUS RESTS |
| | 31.07.14. | UNII | IIVIPI | (E313 |
| | | LMG | 08 | Out of 8, 2 are newly sanctioned. ATM Card has been issued in 5 cases. In remaining 3 cases ATM Card is awaited. |
| | | DBRT | 09 | Current Account opened. ATM card issued for all. Recoupment done through ATM Card now. |
| | | NJP | 08 | Current Account opened for all 8 Imprest Card holders ATM Cards issued for all. Recoupment now through ATM Card. |
| | | JPZ | 06 | Current Account opened. ATM Card issued for all. Recoupment started through Imprest Card. |
| | | SCL | 13 | All the 13 imprest cards have been issued. |
| | | | | |

Provision of Improved Furniture (Modular Furniture/storage system)

| SI No | Items | Activity till the month of August/2014 | Achievement |
|----------|---|---|--|
| 1. | Provision of Improved furniture/ Storage system | 1. Formation of survey committee 2.Report of the Survey committee regarding assessment of the furniture-Given within target time. | Formed within 15.04.2014 as per target Requirement given to Dy. CE/Con/G-1 for further action as centralized procurement is being processed. Committee recommendations submitted to CE/Con-2 Requisition for Furniture is vetted. |

Activities accomplished on top priority-

Advancement of date of submission of monthly Approximate & Actual Account current.

Revised dates are
Approximate Account Current=2nd of the following month &
Actual Account Current=Last day of the following month.

Both the Accounts are compiled and submitted within the target date fixed by open line.

Daily uploading of Accounting Data in Actual Account Current format in e-lekha portal of MOF.

System has been introduced w. e. f. 15-09-2014 and task assigned as per directives of Railway Board. It is being compiled and submitted to open line for onward transmission to Railway Board on daily basis for necessary upload on e-lekha portal of Ministry of Finance

Activities accomplished on top priority-

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Payment of Productivity Linked Bonus (PLB) 2014 to eligible non-gazetted employees (Serving) of Construction Organisation.

Rly. Board's letter dated 26-09-14 received at 19 hrs. instantly printing of bills was completed at night on same date. Bills were passed on 27-09-2014 (Saturday). Passed bills and cheques are handed to Cash Office/CN/MLG on same date for arranging payment on 29-09-14 (Monday).

Total Amount= Rs. 1.64 cr. for 1898 Nos. of staff Cash Payment= Rs. 1.07 Cr for 1227 Nos. Bank Payment= Rs. 0.57 Cr. for 671 Nos.

This has been accomplished with collective team efforts by the staff from IT Centre, Personnel including staff from field units and Accounts Department.

Cleanliness Drive:-

A Massive Cleanliness drive was undertaken for improving cleanliness in Accounts Offices in HQ and field. Report with photographs showing the position before and after the cleanliness drive has been sent to the compiling officers of N. F. Rly., Construction for further disposal. All out efforts are being made to keep the standard of cleanliness in office and its premises forever.

Other Activities-

Posting of Dy. FA&CAO/Con/SCL

Dy. FA & CAO/Con/SCL has been restored and posted vide FA&CAO/Con/MLG's O. O. No. Con/869 of 09-10-2014 for disposal of Finance cases and other related matters expeditiously.

Field Inspection

Hitherto field units are not being subjected to periodical Accounts Inspections as called for in the codal provisions. Instructions have been issued to all Accounts Officers at Hd. Qrs. and field units to carry out field inspections of executive offices with immediate effect from 01-11-2014. This will be ensured.

Assistance Required

➤ Due to enhanced outlay and resultant increase in workload staff strength of Accounts is found severely inadequate.

> Rly. Board has been approached for :

- Creation/filling up 1 SAG Post
- Filling up of 3 JAG Post.
- 40 Sr. SOs & Sr. DAs to be made available through special recruitment through RRB or permission for hiring of CAs/Cost Accountants.

Thank You,

