

## **INTRODUCTION**

### **Central Organization for Modernization of Workshops (COFMOW)**

Central Organization for Modernization of Workshops (COFMOW) was set up in 1978 as the a centralized agency of Indian Railways responsible for modernization of Railway Workshops and Production Units and carrying out procurement of specialized Machinery and Plant (M&P) and induction of modern workshop technologies. All the M&Ps, both on new and replacement account, are sanctioned by the Railway Board in the Annual M&P Programme. On the basis of sanctioned and vetted indents received from various Zonal Railways (ZRs) and Production Units (PUs), COFMOW prepares specifications and places orders for their procurement after obtaining the approval of the consignees.

The main areas of responsibilities of COFMOW in procurement of M&Ps are related to selection of manufacturing technologies, preparation of detailed technical specification, consultancy for on-site commissioning, co-ordination of warranty services with manufacturers and purchasing special purpose M&Ps meant for transfer of technology (TOT) etc. Inspection of M&Ps procured by COFMOW is normally done by Rail India Technical and Economic Service (RITES). For imported items, these inspections are carried out by Indian Railway representatives in Indian High Commissions/Embassies in London, Berlin and Paris.

### **Rail Land Development Authority**

Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) is a statutory Authority, under the Ministry of Railways, set-up by an Amendment to the Railways Act, 1989, for development of Railway Land as entrusted by the Central Government for commercial use for the purpose of generating revenue by non-tariff measures. RLDA has been constituted in terms of Extraordinary Gazette Notification dated 31.10.2006, as amended on 05.01.2007. The Rules for functioning of RLDA have also been notified in the Extraordinary Gazette dated 04.01.2007.

In terms of Section 4(D), RLDA has to discharge functions & exercise such powers of the Central Govt. in relation to the development of Railway land as are specifically assigned to it by the Railway Board. In terms of section 4E of the Act, specifically subject to such directions as may be given to it by Central Government, RLDA has been empowered to enter into agreement on behalf of Central Government and execute contracts.

In terms of section 24 of RLDA (Constitution) Rule 2007, the Authority may set up any special purpose vehicle, joint venture or other legal entities for the performance of all or any of its functions under the Act with the approval of Central Government.

**AUDITEE UNITS**

The list of Department based Auditee Units is as under–

Department	Auditee Units
Electrical	01
Mechanical including Engineering	01
Personnel	01
Store	01
Accounts	02
RLDA	01