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Dear Shri Kumar,

Sub: Training session On Accrual Accounting through Webinar.

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As you are aware, the project on Accounting Reforms comprising Accrual Accounting, Performance Costing and Outcome Budgeting is being implemented on Indian Railways (IR) under Hon’ble MR’s Mission Beyond Book-keeping and the progress thereof is being personally monitored by Hon’ble MR, PMO and NITI Aayog periodically.

Of the above, the contract for Rolling out of Accrual Accounting in all Zonal Railways and Production Units has been awarded to the Accounting Research Foundation of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI ARF). Their Central team has already started functioning and has since completed updation of the Comprehensive Scope Evaluation Report (CSER) for the Rollout phase. The process of selection of their Zonal teams has also been completed and all these teams would become functional on all Zonal Railways/ Production Units by end of this month. Further, I take it that, as per feedback provided by the Zonal Railways concerned, the counterpart teams of Railway Officials in the form of Accounting Reform Cells have also been put in place for implementation of this work on all Zonal Railways/ Production Units.

To kick start the implementation process on Zonal Railways, a “Webinar” will be organised in association with ICAI-ARF from 11-00 hrs to 13-00 hrs on 31-5-2017 from ICAI Bhawan, New Delhi. It will be an online training session for railway officials through live audio and visual presentation on the overview of the project, fundamentals of Accrual Accounting, implementation strategy, works to be done by Zonal Railways, reporting formats and guidance for filling these formats etc. The webinar shall be accessible through a
web link accessible from all internet enabled computers and projector screens to all Zonal Railways/Production Units.

The link is as follows:
http://estv.in/ceai/31052017/

The Webinar will be an interactive session enabling concurrent Q&A, through a window available within the screen. This will be followed by a detailed Q&A session of one hour, wherein the participants will be able to ask questions through the question window on their computer. The recorded proceedings of the Webinar and replies to queries raised shall also be shared with the Zonal Railways/Production Units to serve as an offline training guide subsequently, in addition to the training programmes to be held by the Zonal and Central Teams of the Consultants.

FA&CAOs in charge of AR project in HQs and Sr DFM's/Head of Accounts Offices in Divisions/Other offices may be advised to make necessary arrangements to facilitate maximum participation in the Webinar. They may also ensure participation, of all officials concerned from Accounting Reform counterpart teams of railway officials from Accounts and other departments, in the Webinar as per the schedule indicated above.

You would appreciate that this is the first time that an innovative IT enabled approach is being adopted to address the need for mass outreach and knowledge sharing. I would expect your personal involvement in ensuring its success, in order that it becomes a template for many similar endeavours in the future.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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