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Sub:- Supply of weight-deficient items to Stores Depot/JHS.

During Sept, 2016, a Preventive Check was conducted by Vigilance on the supply of a consignment of Flap Doors to General Stores Depot, Jhansi. A lot of Flap doors was checked on random basis with respect to their weight. All of the checked samples were found to be less than the specified weight (as per the drawing) even after taking into account the permissible tolerance. Such a deviation results in undue gain to the supplying firm. It is possible that a similar malpractice on part of firms may be prevalent in case of other items wherein material's weight is the dominant cost factor.

In view of the above, following System Improvement is being suggested:

1. A list of items may be identified (with the help of Mechanical Department) wherein weight is the dominant cost factor and where risk of malpractice on part of firms can be expected.
2. Instructions may be given to the depots that before accepting the consignments of such identified weight-sensitive items, mandatory random weight-check should be carried out to detect the possibility of under-weight supply, irrespective of the fact that the items are pre-inspected by RITES etc. If considered appropriate, the size of the lot for conducting random check can also be specified.
3. If considered necessary, the weight of such items as per the specification along with permitted tolerance can be especially mentioned in the Purchase Order so as to make the receiving officials aware of the same. Once the weight is printed in the Purchase Order and weight-check on few selected samples is made mandatory, the incidence of under-weight supply can be curbed to a great extent.

The above suggestions may kindly be reviewed at your end and appropriate guideline/directive may be circulated to all those who are dealing with receipt of Stock and Non-Stock items. A copy of such guideline/directive, to be issued from your end, may please be sent to this office for our information and record.

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