



MEDIA STATEMENT

Transnet Rail Infrastructure Manager Releases Updated Annexure 29b and Addendum to Section 4-10: Enhancing Access, Transformation, and Greater Network Efficiency

[Johannesburg, 5 February 2025] Transnet Rail Infrastructure Manager (TRIM) is pleased to announce the release of the updated *Annexure 29b* - Network Capacity Statement, alongside the Addendum to Section 4-10 of the Network Statement, effective immediately. These updates reflect TRIM's commitment to enhancing transparency, increasing equitable access, and driving economic transformation within the freight rail sector.

The updated *Annexure 29b* provides detailed insights into available network capacity and key operational considerations for train operating companies (TOCs), across all corridors. The revision ensures greater clarity on capacity allocation principles and includes critical enhancements to improve network reliability, efficiency, and planning processes. It also reinforces TRIM's commitment to addressing infrastructure constraints and enabling a competitive rail environment in line with the National Rail Policy.

Additionally, the Addendum to *Section 4-10* introduces key transformation-focused measures to promote equitable access for emerging operators. In alignment with B-BBEE legislation and the Rail Sub-Sector Code, the addendum outlines principles for capacity allocation that incorporate equity participation, ensuring that new entrants have greater opportunities to participate in the industry. TRIM is actively engaging with stakeholders to develop a fair and sustainable framework for inclusive rail access, including mechanisms for consolidation of smaller freight volumes and participation in yard and terminal operations.

These changes mark a progressive step toward a more inclusive, transparent, and competitive rail sector, unlocking the full potential of South Africa's freight rail network.

For more information or to access the updated Annexure 29b and Addendum to Section 4-10, please visit:

Transnet Network Statement Webpage

- <https://www.transnet.net/RenderPage.aspx?id=5371632>

Addendum Section 4-10 Network Statement

- <https://www.transnet.net/getFile.ashx?id=5238>

Annexure 29b

- <https://www.transnet.net/getFile.ashx?id=5237>

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