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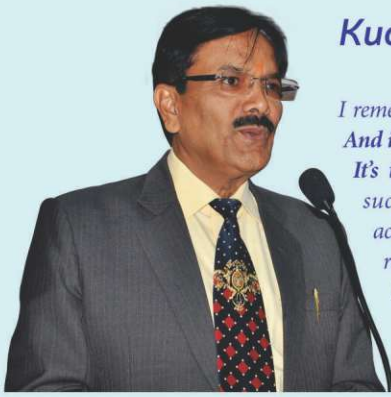
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Kuch Batein...Dil Se...

I remember a very famous saying of Abraham Lincoln – And in the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years that matters. Professional success meeting Personal fulfilment is a rare accomplishment. I am fortunate to have achieved this rare combination during my tenure at the helm on South Central Railway. It is difficult to express the sense of attainment and the worth of a job well done, because no words can describe my journey of nearly two years on this vibrant zone.

Having handled very critical tasks on the Mumbai Suburban Network of Central Railway, I was a bit apprehensive of what awaited me on South Central Railway. Even the city of Hyderabad was new to me. But then, God had kept reserved the finest moments of my life and career to experience on South Central Railway. I can only describe that from November, 2013 till present marks the best period of my professional success and personal satisfaction.

*The work culture and the feeling of one rail family on SCR is so unique that no other Zone can lay claim to this environment. The Zone has got a unique philosophy to work – utilising its "State of the art" technology to reach "Straight to the Hearts" of the people. Be it a Trackman in the field or a Technician in the Workshop, the frontline staff or my team of PHoDs, HoDs and DRMs, every single person on the Zone has really proven that the biggest virtue of work is duty mindedness. I am a firm believer in the adage which says – **a leader without true followers, is simply going on a walk.** Whatever achievements that SCR has registered in the last two years is the outcome of the efforts of all in the SCR family. I have just been a leader who had to put forth a positive thought and speak a few words of encouragement...and results just came by.*

Each journey of life has a destination. As you may be aware, I am demitting office this month after serving Indian Railways for around 40 years. Although my heart really skips a beat, what is making me feel emotionally lost... is that I am leaving a place which gave me not just the best in terms of a professional high but also showered my family with unbridled love, affection and care. Perhaps, it is a quality unique to the genes here, that wherever I went, whomever I spoke to, whatever instructions I carried...each moment that you gave me has been truly endearing to my heart.

If I have to express my heartfelt gratitude for all the success that I had achieved on SCR, I need to reach out to each one of you, because in some way or other everyone has played their role to perfection. To sum up in brief, I shall like to acknowledge the contribution of all the staff and officers under the leadership of Principal Heads of the Departments and Divisional Railway Managers, whose involvement has been critical for SCR's performance excellence in every sphere.

As you are aware, there are several plans in the offing by the Rail Ministry to take Indian Railways to greater heights. I am sure that SCR will be able to sustain its growth momentum to suit any plan that is envisaged. The dedication of the work force and the drive that thirsts for optimal results amongst the SCRians is what makes me feel confident. I personally wish that SCR always stands to the front as the torch bearer for Indian Railways.

Although I may bid good bye to the city of Hyderabad, it would be just because of my plans for the journey ahead in life. Otherwise, your love would never let me stay away. As they say, once you taste the water of Hyderabad and the affection of its people, you become a true blue Hyderabadi, no matter where ever you are on this earth. I remain yours forever. My communication channel will always be open for every one through my e-mail id – prakusri@gmail.com

(P. K. Srivastava)
Chief Patron & General Manager

From Chief Editor's Desk

"I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy."

These words, spoken by Rabindranath Tagore, hold true for South Central Zone, which believes in committed and selfless service.

Despite a scorching summer that was potent enough to plunge everyone into a lazy slumber, the entire workforce of the SCR persevered in boosting its efforts to provide services seamlessly to the people. This was especially evident in the 'Rail Yatri/Uphokta Pakhwada'—Passenger and Customer facilitation fortnight that was held from 26th May to 9th June, 2015. This time, 'Hum-Dum' extensively covers this commendable initiative that included several innovative measures to reach out to the public and build a personal connect.

The team is also proud to include in this issue of 'Hum-Dum' the 60th Railway Week celebrations, which were again a result of the constant enthusiasm and never-ending endeavours of SCRians. Though the intention was to commemorate the first train ever run on Indian soil from Boribunder to Thane, the event was also a humbling revelation as to how far the Indian railways have come.

Apart from these two momentous occasions, several other activities and happenings at the SCR have been covered in the 'Hum-Dum'.

Our beloved General Manager, Shri P K Srivastava, is superannuating this month. A true visionary and a dynamic personality, our General Manager is a source of inspiration to all of us, and his tenure as General Manager of this Zone shall always be a treasured memory. Though we bid farewell with heavy hearts, we wish him all the best.

I wish all the readers an enjoyable read as they leaf through this issue of 'Hum-Dum'.

Last, but not the least, I end my note with these lines from Emily Dickinson's poem, as a tribute to all the hard-working employees of the South Central Railway, who work day and night, to turn dreams into reality:

*"You cannot put a fire out;
A thing that can ignite
Can go, itself, without a fan
Upon the slowest night."*

(M. Umashankar Kumar)
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SCR bagged Four National Level Performance Efficiency Shields; Shri P K Srivastava, GM/SCR receives Shields from Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Hon'ble Minister of Railways

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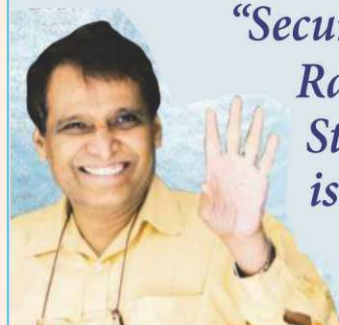
South Central Railway has been bestowed with the prestigious Performance Efficiency Shields in Four Categories at All India Level for best performance amongst all Zones on Indian Railways for the year 2014-15. The shields bagged by SCR for the best performance are:

🏆 Civil Engineering Shield 🏆 Stores Shields 🏆 Sales Management Shield
🏆 Running Room Shield (Vijayawada Running Room).

These Shields have been presented for exemplary performance of South Central Railway to Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager, SCR by Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Hon'ble Minister of Railways as part of the 60th Annual Railway Week Central celebrations held at Guwahati on April 13, 2015. Seven members of SCR also received individual performance merit awards at National Level during the function.

Shri Manoj Sinha, Minister of State for Railways, Shri A K Mital, Chairman, Railway Board, Members of Railway Board, General Managers of all the Zonal Railways and Production Units were amongst those present on the occasion.

*"Secunderabad
Railway
Station
is top class"*



Why not make railways a showcase of Swachh Bharat?

■ We are focusing on Swach Rail, Swach Bharat. I saw a story in your newspaper that Delhi station has become very clean. **Secunderabad station is top class.** But I appeal to all fellow citizens, that it is impossible to keep the railways clean unless it becomes a collaborative effort. It can't be that I have an inherent right to spit and you as government have the responsibility to clean it up all the time.

Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Hon'ble MR has showered praise on SCR and acknowledged it as amongst the best Zones on Indian Railways for its excellent performance across all spheres. He also went on record stating that Secunderabad Station is one of the cleanest stations on Indian Railways in an exclusive interview to The Times of India on May 22, 2015.



Committed Work Force the architects of SCR's Performance Excellence – Shri P K Srivastava, GM at 60th Zonal Railway Week Celebrations

The General Manager while addressing a big gathering of Railway Officers, Staff and their family members at the 60th Zonal Railway Week Celebrations held on April 10, 2015 at Rail Kalarang, Secunderabad, attributed the performance achievements of South Central Railway to the core commitment and duty mindedness of the work force on the Zone. Credit goes to staff and workers handling assignments as Trackmen, Gatemen, Gate Mitras, Loco Pilots, Safety Counselors, Controllers etc., who are performing to their optimal best, in the success that SCR has attained he said.



Speaking on performance of SCR during the financial year 2014-15, Shri P K Srivastava stated that the apportioned earnings of the Zone has shown a robust growth of 19% in the last financial year compared to previous fiscal (2013-14). In Freight segment the loading has shown a remarkable growth of 9 %. A note worthy feature is that though there is a drop in suburban passenger traffic by -0.9% on Indian Railways, on SCR there is a growth of 3%.

The General Manager exhorted the Railway personnel who continue to show the same zeal in the future too. Later, the General Manager presented 282 individual awards for meritorious work done during the year 2014-15 to Officers and Staff of SCR. He also gave away Group Awards to 15 categories. The culmination of the glittering programme was marked by the performance efficiency shields awarded to Divisions / Departments in 58 categories. The General Manager's efficiency shield for over all best performance was jointly awarded to Secunderabad, Guntakal and Vijayawada Divisions.



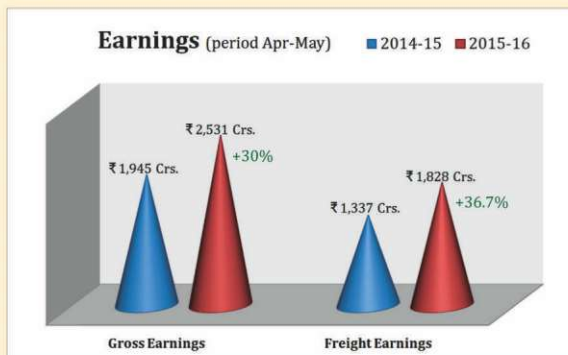
Earlier, Shri Gajanan Mallya, Senior Deputy General Manager, SCR gave the welcome address and lauded the leadership of Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager towards attaining the best results by motivating and encouraging the Officers and Staff on the Zone. Shri Neelakanta Reddy, Deputy General Manager, General, SCR conducted the programme. Shri M.Umashankar Kumar, Chief Public Relations Officer, SCR presented the Vote of Thanks. The General Manager also released the special issue of 'Hum Dum', SCR's House Journal on the occasion.

SCR's outstanding Performance during period April & May-2015 of the current fiscal

South Central Railway has shown a remarkable performance in gross earnings and traffic volume, till the end of May, 2015. Consistent performance so far in the current fiscal has resulted in the Zone posting impressive growth rates in all spheres for the period April- May, 2015.

i) Gross Earnings: The gross originating earnings of SCR at Rs.2531 Crs registered a significant growth of +30% during the period April & May-2015. It reflects generation of additional revenue of Rs. 586 Crs when compared to Rs. 1945 Crs grossed in the same period of last fiscal.

ii) Freight Loading & Earnings: The incremental growth in physical freight loading achieved by SCR during April & May-2015 period stood at 19.65 million tonnes (MTs), registering a growth rate of 3.2%. Freight earnings constitute around 70% of the gross earnings of the Zone. The revenue from freight activities during April & May-2015 of current FY grew to Rs. 1828 Crs, which is 36.7% higher compared to Rs. 1337 Crs. grossed last year.



iii) Passenger Sector Performance: On passenger front, SCR carried 64 millions of originating passengers during the period April & May-2015 i.e., around 10 lakhs of passengers on an average per day. The earnings from passenger sector were Rs. 583 Crs, with an impressive 19.5% growth in comparison to the passenger earnings of Rs. 488 Crs gained in the same period of last financial year.

SCR has continuously been running a large number of special trains and also attaching extra coaches to the regular trains to maximize earnings from passenger sector. The Zone operated 150 services of originating special trains and attached 2020 additional coaches, benefitting 2.3 lakhs of passengers during April & May-2015.

iv) Financial performance – Operating Ratio: Special emphasis is being given on minimizing unproductive expenditure and maximizing the revenue to enhance financial efficiency of the Zone. Conscious efforts in this direction have resulted in generating a healthy operating ratio of 76.3% on SCR for the period April & May-2015.

Shri Umesh Singh, IRSS takes over as Additional General Manager



Shri Umesh Singh has taken over the charge as Additional General Manager, SCR on May 4, 2015. He belongs to 1979 batch of Indian Railway Service of Stores (IRSS). Before this new assignment, he was holding charge as Controller of Stores (COS) on SCR.

A graduate in Mechanical Engineering, Shri Umesh Singh also holds a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Southern Cross University, Australia. He started his career in 1981 and in the last decade of service, has held several important assignments on various Zones including Western Railway, South East Central Railway, East Coast Railway, North Central Railway etc.

Amongst the posts that Shri Umesh Singh has held are as Addl. Divisional Railway Manager, Bhavnagar, Western Railway and at Raipur, South East Central Railway. He also held charge as Controller of Stores on East Coast Railway and North Central Railway. Shri Umesh Singh has worked as Divisional Railway Manager for Izathnagar Division on North Eastern Railway too.

Child Help Desk at Secunderabad Railway Station opened by RPF in association with Divya Disha, NGO



Secunderabad Division in association with Divya Disha, (Child Line) a Non Government Organisation (NGO) opened a Child Help desk at Platform No.1 of Secunderabad Railway Station on May 14, 2015 by Ms. Chandrima Roy, Additional Divisional Railway Manager (Operations) in the presence of Shri Sumati Shandilya/ Sr. Divisional Security Commissioner/RPF/SC Division and Shri Isidore Phillips, Director/Divya Disha (Child Line). The Child Help Desk will provide temporary transit care and protection to a child found on Railway premises or train by RPF, GRP, Railway employee, other public or public spirited citizen.

This desk will be manned round-the-clock by representatives of Divya Disha. Facilities like toys, first-aid and food are provided here. Adequate care and protection will be provided to the child, in coordination with Railway till the child is produced before Child Welfare Committee as per the provisions of Juvenile Justice Act. The effort made by the Secunderabad Division towards child protection has been praised by one and all.

Shri P K Srivastava, GM inaugurates 'Rail Exhibition'; Interacts with Media

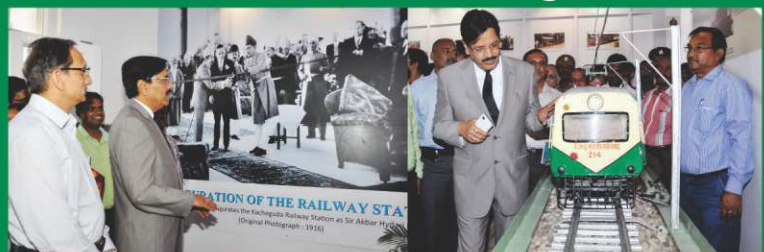
Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager, SCR inaugurated the "Rail Exhibition" on April 10, 2015 at Secunderabad Railway Station. The Exhibition was held to coincide with 60th Railway Week Celebrations of Indian Railways from 10th till 16th April, 2015, in commemoration of the first train run on Indian soil on April 16, 1853 from Boribunder to Thane.

The Exhibition showcased glimpses of the journey of Indian Railways from vintage to latest. Various pavilions are set up to offer the viewers, a look on the vintage era and origin of the Railway system in SCR's jurisdiction, the passenger amenities, innovations and technological advancements, Safety standards, security measures and gadgets in use, welfare measures, tourism on the Zone and the Services dispensed by Indian Railways Catering and Tourism Corporation etc. An Audio-Visual section was also set up to focus on public awareness issues and publicity campaigns relevant to rail user needs.

Later, Shri Srivastava held an interaction with the Media and highlighted SCR's performance for the year 2014-15. He also stated that our performance has earned appreciation from the Railway Ministry and credited the same to the commitment of workforce of the Zone.



'Rail Museum' at Kacheguda



A unique Rail Museum showcasing origin and growth of Railways in the region has been opened at Kacheguda Railway Station premises on April 16, 2015. The Rail Museum is the brain child of Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager who conceived the plan and also identified Kacheguda Railway station as the right location, considering its heritage value in view.

Shri Srivastava, visited Rail Museum to have a look at the exhibits on show. He was accompanied by AGM and other Principal Heads of the Departments. They were welcomed by Smt. Aruna Singh, Divisional Railway Manager, Hyderabad Division under whose charge, the museum has been set up and will function.

The Museum exhibits date back to the vintage era and include signaling equipments, prototypes of various locomotives and coaches, tickets, working models etc. Yet another highlight of the museum is, an exclusive air conditioned lounge to facilitate screening of audio-visuals pertaining to history and growth of railways and other short films on various aspects connected to railways.

In addition to the rail museum, two air conditioned Meter Gauge coaches which were used to run 'Heritage of Wheels' trains in Rajasthan have been set up abutting the reservation complex. The ambience here has been developed with elegant canopy styled seating amidst greenery and the coaches are also planned to be utilized as uniquely designed dine in restaurant.



Shri Naveen Tandon, Member Electrical, Railway Board inspected Train Collision Avoidance System trials on Lingampalli – Wadi Section of SCR



The trials of Train Collision Avoidance System (TCAS) system, also called as Automatic Train Protection (ATP) System, an indigenous "Make in India" Project of Indian Railways was carried out on June 6, 2015 between Lingampalli-Vikarabad-Tandur-Koukuntla Railway Stations on the Lingampalli - Wadi Section of Secunderabad Division of South Central Railway. Shri Naveen Tandon, Member Electrical, Railway Board examined the trials. The TCAS, developed indigenously by Research Designs & Standards Organisation (RDSO), Lucknow is being extended infrastructural support by South Central Railway. Shri Manohar, Additional Member, Signaling/ Railway Board; Shri M S Mahaboob Ali, CSTE/SCR; Shri Solan Gupta, CEE/SCR and Shri Ashesh Agrawal, DRM/ Secunderabad Division were also present during the trials.

The ambitious TCAS project is being further planned for full fledged extended trials in the next few months by undertaking work on required infrastructural inputs including Tower Foundations, Equipment installations etc. The full fledged trials will cover Lingampalli – Vikarabad – Wadi and Vikarabad – Bidar sections to a total length of 250 kms. 40 nominated Locomotives (20 Electrical and 20 Diesel Locomotives) will be put to use for these full fledged trials.



Railway Ministry implements 39 Railway Budget Announcements in just 36 Days



In an unprecedented pace of implementing announcements made in the Railway Budget 2015 -16, Ministry of Railway has already implemented 39 announcements ranging from passenger amenities system improvements to infrastructure development. Immediately after the presentation of the Budget, the Railway Minister directed Railway Board to put in place a sound mechanism to implement the budgetary announcements in a time bound manner. The entire machinery of Indian Railways was geared up to implement the budgetary proposals.

Under the implementation strategy, comprehensive action plans were formulated on all budget announcements. Minister of Railways Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu and Minister of State for Railways Shri Manoj Sinha has personally monitored the implementation and undertook periodical review, implementing 39 announcements in just 36 days.

Probationary Officers of Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineers Passed Out



29 Probationary officers of Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineers (IRSSE) who have successfully completed their initial training at Indian Railway Institute of Signal Engineering & Telecommunication, Secunderabad, were passed out at a glittering function held at IRISSET on June 5, 2015.

Shri Navin Tandon, Member Electrical/

Railway Board was the Chief Guest on the occasion. While addressing the outgoing trainees, Shri Tandon said that railway service is challenging and call for their total commitment to their job. While congratulating the probationary officers for their successful completion of the training, he exhorted them to keep learning from whatever source possible to enrich their knowledge. Shri P K Srivastava, Director General/ RDSO/Lucknow, Shri S Manohar/Additional Member (Signal)/ Railway Board and Shri Satyender Kumar, Director/ IRISSET, also spoke on the occasion. Later, Shri Navin Tandon released a Souvenir titled 'Prathibimb' on the occasion and also inaugurated an exhibition on Environment protection at the IRISSET premises.

SCR to lay Special Focus on provision of Passenger Amenities at Stations



Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager held a high level works review meeting with Principal Heads of the Departments and Divisional Railway Managers from all Divisions of SCR at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad on April 16, 2015. During the meeting, Shri Srivastava critically reviewed the status of the ongoing passenger amenity works at various railway stations.

While addressing the officials, Shri Srivastava said that Railway Board wanted all the Zonal Railways to focus on provision of various Passenger Amenities at Railway stations as announced in the Railway Budget 2015. It is imperative to translate the policy pronouncements made in the Railway Budget into tangible improvement on the ground, he stressed. Shri Srivastava, further,

said that SCR has got a substantial budget outlay of Rs. 133.47 Cr. for the year 2015-16 and instructed the officials to quickly plan and execute passenger amenity works at Railway Stations over the Zone to spend the budget outlay completely.

The passenger amenity works, which Shri Srivastava listed out for expeditious completion, include provision of adequate number of dustbins and toilets of standard design at all stations to ensure cleanliness; making good the shortfall of minimum essential amenities, if any, as per norms at all stations and completion of upgradation works at all Adarsh Stations sanctioned up to 2013-14.

He also said that provision of escalators and lifts at identified stations; completion of sanctioned works for washable aprons at identified stations where morning trains stop for longer duration; extension and raising of platforms, provision of shelters over platforms, adequate drinking water and Foot-over-Bridges at Stations should be accelerated.

Adhering to Safety Schedules, foremost for accident-free environ on Railways - Shri P K Srivastava, GM at High Level Safety Review Meeting



Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager held a high level Safety Review Meeting through video conference with the Divisional Railway Managers of all six Divisions of SCR and Principal Heads of Departments on April 28, 2015 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.

Shri P K Srivastava appreciated the entire team of officers and staff involved in train operations for ensuring reduction in yard derailments, weld failures, rail breakage failures etc. on the Zone. He cautioned that there shall be no complacency in the aspect of rail safety and stated that there would be 'Zero Tolerance' on the matter. The General Manager stated that the safety schedules shall strictly be maintained so as to keep the rail assets including rolling stock in fine fettle. During summer, all precautions should be taken in the movement of goods trains, particularly coal loaded wagons should be sprinkled with water before its departure from the yard so as to prevent fire incidents. Ensure, tarpaulins are fitted properly on the open wagons. Loosely fitted tarpaulins may entangle with Over Head Equipment and may hamper the train movements.

Further he stated that Safety Drives shall be taken up with all seriousness with focus on critical aspects as exchange of signals, movement of trains in yards, adequate rest to crew before booking for duties etc. Action will be initiated against them for any dereliction.

Earlier, Shri Srivastava presented a cash award to a Technician of Secunderabad Division, Shri E Narsing Rao, for his devotion to duty in ensuring safety of train movement. The Senior Technician while conducting rolling in examination at Secunderabad Railway Station detected a Hot Axle in the Train No. 12026 Pune – Secunderabad Shatabdi Express. He immediately acted upon to rectify the defect, thereby helped averting the unsafe condition for the train.

SCR should continue on the success path in performance attainments, says Shri Ajay Shukla, Member Traffic



Shri Ajay Shukla, Member Traffic, Railway Board, made a visit to SCR and held a meeting with Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager, Principal Heads of the Departments and DRMs at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad on April 25, 2015. The meeting discussed various issues related to freight loading, faster mobility of freight rakes, safety and security, revenue generation and strategies to meet freight loading targets, increasing speed in railway sidings, speeding up completion of traffic facility works etc.

Addressing the meeting, Shri Ajay Shukla commended Shri P K Srivastava for leading the Zone in surpassing the Railway Boards target for freight loading and recording a significant jump in revenue earnings in the financial year 2014-15. Expressing confidence that SCR will continue with the same momentum, the Member Traffic wanted the Zone to chalk out a comprehensive strategy towards attaining the freight loading target of 128 Million Tonnes set for the year 2015-16. Towards this, every effort should be made to draw up freight loading priorities and facilitate faster mobility, which will also enable earn customer satisfaction for the Zone, he added.

Shri P K Srivastava stated that SCR is committed to live up to the expectations of Railway Board in terms of its performance including in freight loading. Going further, the General Manager stated that SCR is geared to handle the anticipated growth in this area. He informed the Member Traffic that Singareni Collieries, Cement Industry and the ports of Krishnapatnam and Kakinada are contributing a sizeable share of freight traffic and every initiative will be made towards handling the traffic demands from these hubs.

Anti-Terrorism Day Pledge by Officers and Staff of SCR



Anti-Terrorism Day was observed by SCR on May 21, 2015 at its Zonal and Divisional Headquarters. At Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad, the Zonal Headquarters of SCR, Shri Umesh Singh, Additional General Manager, SCR administered the 'Anti-Terrorism Day Pledge' to the officers and staff. The pledge reads as – *"We the people of India, having abiding faith in our country's tradition of non-violence and tolerance, hereby solemnly affirm to oppose with our strength, all forms of terrorism and violence. We pledge to uphold and promote peace, social harmony and understanding among all fellow human beings and fight the forces of disruption threatening human lives and values".*

Alert Railway Officials nab imposter on train

A surprise check conducted by Railway Officials on Train No. 12728 Hyderabad – Visakhapatnam, Godavari Express on May 27, 2015 between Secunderabad and Kazipet led to the nabbing of an imposter who was travelling on a fake Railway Duty Pass.

Going into the details of the case, the imposter Bala Nandeeshwar Rao claiming to be a Railway Official was found travelling by Godavari Express in Air Conditioned II Tier Class in A-1 coach on berth no. 26 on a fake Railway Duty Pass. The Railway Officials who undertook the surprise check nabbed the imposter and handed him over to the Govt. Railway Police (GRP). On enquiry, the imposter was identified as an employee of IRCTC, who was dismissed from service for committing serious frauds. The person is habituated to obtaining berths by forging the signature of Senior Railway Officials and also sending messages to Railway Control Room on fictitious names. A case was registered with GRP, Kazipet under Crime No. 70/15.

Shri G Laxminarayan, Chief Commercial Manager, SCR stated that preventive checks are being intensified to arrest similar fraudulent practises. He also spoke to the Superintendent of Police/GRP and Chief Security Commissioner/ RPF about the incident and further course of action on the matter.

RPF Nabbed Three Fake TTEs

South Central Railway, Railway Protection Force (RPF) nabbed three fake Travelling Ticket Examiners at Secunderabad Railway Station on April 22, 2015. RPF Crime Prevention Detection Squad team while on confidential watch noticed three persons acting as TTEs and checking the general ticket passenger boarding Train No. 12791 Secunderabad – Patna Express. One of the fake TTE negotiated with general ticket passenger outside of Station and offered him to provide reservation in the Patna Express. Immediately RPF personnel apprehended the three persons and handed over to local police of Gopalapuram Police Station.

Special Drive against Touts by RPF

As a part of the ongoing "Passenger and Customer Facilitation Fortnight" and to prevent unauthorized business of e-ticketing and touting activity on South Central Railway jurisdiction, Railway Protection Force (RPF), conducted a special drive against touts in twin cities and other places on May 29, 2015.

During the drive RPF Squads arrested eight touts, four touts in the twin city, one at Nellore, Anakapalli, Aurangabad and Narasaraopet and seized 27 tickets procured by the touts on fake IDs at various 'E' ticketing agencies. In this connection, RPF registered cases on them under section 143 of Railways Act.

SCR bags third position at 44th All India Railway Gymnastics Championship

SCR Gymnastics team put in a sterling performance on the bar to bag 3rd Place in the 44th All India Railway Gymnastics Championship held at Gwalior from 25th to 27th March.



Shri K V Suresh, member of SCR Team, stood 3rd in Horizontal Bar event. The other team members were M.G.Vijay Kumar, K Bharathwaja, TRS Reddy and Ch. Tejadeep. The team was coached by Y Ravinder and M Rajesh Kumar. Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager congratulated the team for their sterling performance in the tournament.

RPF nab Luggage Thief through CCTV

Railway Protection Force personnel have apprehended two culprits, one each at Hyderabad and Secunderabad Railway Stations. A passenger lodged a complaint about theft of his luggage while boarding Train No.17032 Hyderabad-Mumbai Express on April 13, 2015. RPF personnel identified the criminal through CCTV footage and handed over the culprit to GRP for further action.

Crime Prevention and Detection Squad had apprehended one suspect at Secunderabad Station on April 17, 2015. He was handed over to GRP/Secunderabad. On further interrogation, they knew about his involvement in other crimes on Railway premises and recovered 145 grams of stolen gold ornaments worth Rs1,44,000/- from him. A case is booked against the thief.

RPF Counsels Transgenders against causing nuisance to passengers

Railway Protection Force (RPF), Secunderabad Division conducted a special action plan to control the crime by transgenders in trains. During the period from January to April 2015, 447 transgenders were apprehended and prosecuted over the Division for creating nuisance in railway premises. An amount of Rs. 1,00,300/- has been realized as penalty from 289 transgenders and remaining 158 cases are pending in various courts.

In view of regular complaints being received from passengers on nuisance created by transgenders in trains, RPF personnel undertook a special action plan and conducted a counselling session with transgenders at Secunderabad Railway station.

Sri H Srinivasa Rao, Asst. Security Commissioner/RPF/ SC Division along with Inspector/ Secunderabad and staff attended and counselled the transgenders. They were explained about the inconvenience being caused to passengers with their behaviour. They emphasized that harsh punishments are being imposed by the courts and legal provisions in which they can be arrested. They were advised to desist from such activities in trains. Notable achievement was that during the session, three private contractors came forward and offered them job opportunities for their livelihood. The transgenders were advised to enrol their names for the above jobs with Inspector/RPF. The transgenders who



attended the counselling session promised that they will not indulge in such activities in future and also give information to authorities if any one of them violates the promise.

Hon'ble President of India presents Florence Nightingale Award to Smt. Uma Nagendramani, Chief Matron of SCR

Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Hon'ble President of India presented the coveted Florence Nightingale Award to Smt. M Umanagendramani, Chief Matron of South Central Railway at a glittering award function held at Rashtrapathi Bhavan, New Delhi on May 12, 2015. The award carries a cash award of ₹50,000, a Citation Certificate and a Medal. The Florence Nightingale awards are given to the outstanding nursing personnel employed in Central, State/UTs etc.



Smt. M Umanagendramani joined the noble profession of Nursing in the Medical Wing of South Central Railway in the year 1983. Starting as an auxiliary mid-wife, she rose to the rank of Chief Matron at present on the strength of three decades of nursing service.

Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager, South Central Railway expressed his happiness that a member of SCR has been recognised with the coveted award of service and conveyed his appreciation for the achievement.

Highest Pass Percentage in Intermediate Public Examination recorded by Railway Junior College

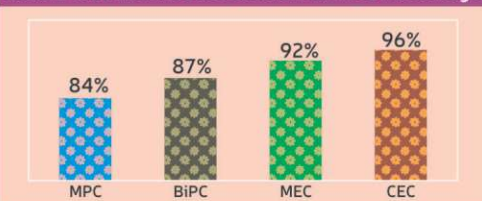
The Railway Junior College, Lallaguda, Secunderabad notched excellent results in the First Year Intermediate Public Examinations, 2015 crossing 85% pass percentage in the examination.

Railway Junior College (RJC) Intermediate Results



The commitment and efforts of the well qualified and experienced teaching faculty of Railway Junior College, Lallaguda, Secunderabad borne fruit with the college registering an all time high pass percentage of 92 % in the Second Year Intermediate Public Examinations-2015 results announced this year, as against the state average of 61.4 %. This is the highest pass percentage secured by the college in the span of 45 years i.e., from the time of its inception in the year 1969 and is yet another feather in the cap of SCR, as Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager had given immense priority to ensure the best in terms of infrastructure and teaching standards in the college.

Stream-wise Intermediate Second Year Pass Percentage



The College has been able to achieve the commendable results because of various focused steps as – systematic planning, timely completion of syllabus, rigorous revision, periodical tests and examinations etc. The College is run by the Ministry of Railways as welfare oriented measure to cater to the needs of the wards/dependents of Railway employees.

Prestigious INTACH Heritage Award for SCR's Carriage Workshop, Lallaguda

SCR's Carriage Workshop located at Lallaguda, Secunderabad was bestowed with the prestigious Heritage Award of Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH), Hyderabad Chapter on the occasion of the World Heritage Day celebrations held at Salarjung Museum, Hyderabad on April 18, 2015. The award was presented to the Carriage Workshop under the Modern Industrial Heritage category.



Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager who has been instrumental in focusing due priority towards identifying and preservation of rail heritage on the Zone, expressed his happiness at the recognition earned by the Carriage Workshop, Lallaguda. He opined that SCR has got a rich past dating back to the origin of Railways in the region and all efforts shall be made to protect this legacy, in terms of structures, machinery, tools, photographs etc.

The Workshop was established in 1893 as the Locomotive, Carriage and Wagon Workshop of the Nizam State Railway and is one of the oldest surviving examples of modern Industrial Architecture in the Twin Cities. It signalled the beginning of major industry in the state. A number of structures in use today date from the time of the workshop's initial commissioning. The precinct provides us with a glimpse of not only industrial advances made over more than a century but is also a repository of heritages from a bygone era. Restored wagons, coaches and a variety of artefacts relating to railway history have been preserved and quite a few are displayed at the site. Notable among these one finds a meticulously restored coach of 1886 vintage.

The citation of INTACH states that – for its unique status as one of the earliest examples of Modern Industrial Heritage and for the efforts in conserving and preserving facets of Railway history, the Carriage Workshop at Lallaguda richly deserves an award.

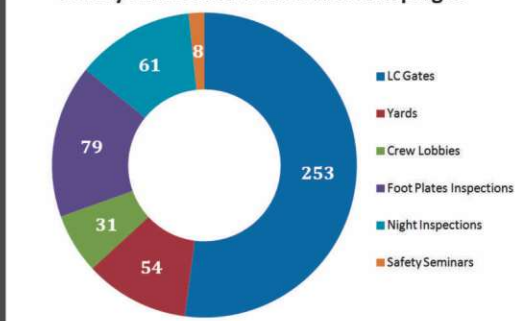
'SWACHH Champion' Recognition for Secunderabad Railway Station



Sukuki Exnora, a Non - Governmental Organization (NGO) which works towards managing solid waste and conserving the environment held an Exhibition & Conference "Clean India - 2015" in Hyderabad to celebrate World Environment Day on June 5, 2015,

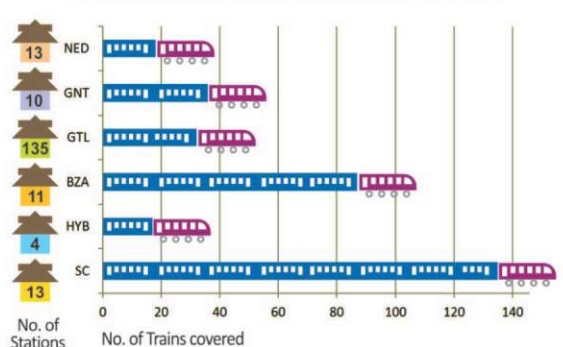
On the occasion, Secunderabad Railway Station was recognized as

"SWACHH (Solid Waste and Community Hygiene & Health) CHAMPION". The Certificate was presented by Shri IYR Krishna Rao, Chief Secretary, Govt. of AP; Shri Vidya Sagar, Advisor Irrigation, Govt. of Telangana; Col. K S Jaggi, Commanding Officer 127 TA ETF and Smt. Amala Akkineni, Swachh Bharat Ambassador. Major Siva Kiran, President/ Sukuki Exnora was also present.

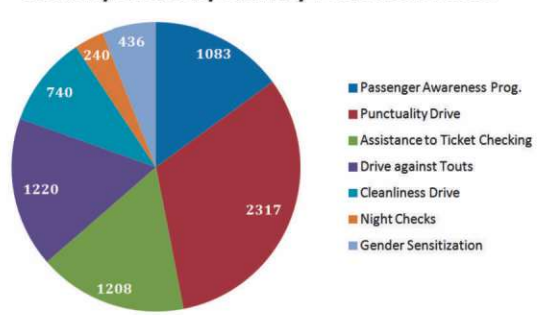




Cleanliness and Sanitation Drives

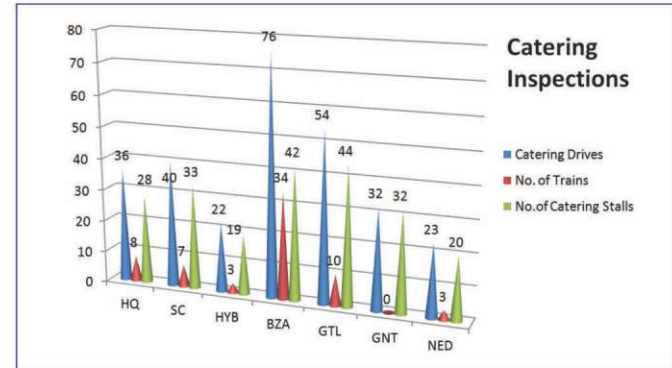


Security Drives by Railway Protection Force



Activities covered during Rail Yatri Upbhokta Pakhwada

No.	Description	Progress
8.	No. of Vigilance Drives	91
9.	No. Intensive Punctuality Drives	134
10.	No. Intensive Ticket Checking Drives	93
		(in 2079 Trains)
11.	No. of Yoga and Ayurveda Programmes	13
12.	No. of Skill Development Programmes	2
13.	No. of Special Security Drives by RPF with GRP	6761





Hon'ble Public Representatives along with Shri P K Srivastava, General Manger launched Wi-Fi facility at Secunderabad Station & RISTTA mobile app for MMTS travelers. Shri Srivastava is seen cutting the cake marking 12 years completion of MMTS services.



Hon'ble Members of Parliament actively involved in Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan at stations and inaugurations of various Passenger Amenities over the Zone along with the General Manager



Hon'ble Member of Parliament inaugurated amenities at Nizamabad Station. Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager is seen distributing books to school going children and interacting with passengers.



Shri P K Srivastava during his travel by MMTS and other trains interacted with passengers at station and in train.

Shri IYR Krishna Rao, Chief Secretary, Andhra Pradesh met Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager and other Senior Officials on April 9, 2015 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.



The meeting was held to review the status of the ongoing Railway projects

and the survey projects in AP State. Shri Krishna Rao expressed the willingness of the State Government to get into a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) with the Railways. Shri Srivastava on his part stated that SCR is awaiting for the final nod from the Rail Ministry to go ahead on the same. The General Manager also assured the Chief Secretary that the last mile connectivity on Nandyal – Yerraguntla new Railway line project will be completed on priority, towards which adequate funds have also been allocated in the Railway Budget-2015.



Shri Ashok Chavan, Hon'ble Member of Parliament met Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager on June 15, 2015 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.

Passing Out Parade of Constable Recruits of Railway Protection Force held

At a grand Passing out Parade of Constable Recruits of Railway Protection Force (RPF), held on June 15, 2015 at 7th Battalion, Railway Protection Special Force Camp, Moula Ali, 200 RPF recruits, who have successfully completed training at this centre, were passed out with instruction to report to regular duty.

In his address, Shri Anoop Srivastava, Inspector General, Railway Protection Special Force (RPSF), Railway Board, the Chief Guest said that Indian Railways, in an unprecedented manner, recruited 16,500 RPF constables last year and these Constable Recruits are undergoing initial training at RPF Training Institutes at various Zonal Railways. Further he stated that the new recruits were given the best training and these candidates will gain additional training in practical field working during the course of their regular duties. He urged them to work with utmost dedication to ensure the security of railway assets and to prevent theft, dacoity etc.



in the trains in order to sustain the confidence of the travelling public.

Earlier, Shri Anoop Srivastava, inspected the passing out parade, received the guard of honour. Impressed by the smart turn out of parade, Shri Anoop Srivastava announced a group cash award of Rs. 10,000/- to the Instructors and co-ordinators. He gave away the medals and certificates to the outstanding candidates of the training course.

Shri Asim Bhakta, who was commanding the parade, bagged the Medal for all round (indoor & outdoor) best performer while Shri Deepak Kumar secured the Medal for best indoor performer and Shri Amit Kumar Bari clinched the Medal for second best commander.

Shri S C Parhi, Chief Security Commissioner/SCR, Guest of Honour on the occasion and Shri G Elisha, Commandant/RPSF/Moula Ali spoke on the occasion. Senior Railway Officials, especially from security department and staff were present on the occasion in large number.

Live Up to Your Pledge – Shri P K Srivastava, GM to RPF Constable Recruits

Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager exhorted 309 Railway Protection Force Constables Recruits to live up to their pledge which they have taken at an impressive Passing Out Ceremony (Dikshant Parade), held at the RPF Training Centre, Moula Ali on June 10, 2015. At the passing out ceremony, the RPF recruits take a oath that they will render service with utmost dedication and perform their duties with out fear or favour. They have successfully completed a seven month rigorous initial training at this training centre and passed out with instruction to report to regular duty on various Railway Zones in the Country, as per their allotment.

In his address, Shri Srivastava, who was the Chief Guest said that these RPF Constable Recruits were imparted training in various fields such as infantry, weaponry, un-armed combats and also in yoga. He urged them to be committed and dedicated to their duties to safeguard the image of railways by preventing theft, dacoit etc., on railways. The responsibilities of RPF has increased tremendously after the amendments to RPF Act and RPF renders



valuable service to ensure the security of railway properties, passengers and their luggage. At present, RPF personnel escort 140 trains daily and they use surveillance cameras at major stations to enhance security, he added.

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Shri S C Parhi/Chief Security Commissioner/SCR, Shri Mahim Swamy/Director/RPF Training Centre, Moula Ali also spoke on the occasion. Senior railway officials, staff of SCR and Shri Mohan, CSC/Southern Railway were present on the occasion.

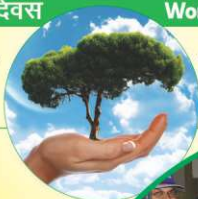
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“SCR Poised to Emerge as the Model Railway Zone on Indian Railways in Environment Protection Measures”

South Central Railway is undertaking many environment friendly measures to arrest environment degradation and poised to emerge as the model railway zone on Indian Railways, said Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager while delivering keynote address at a Seminar organised by SCR to celebrate “World Environment Day” on June 5, 2015 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad. He said that everybody should control activities which culminate in massacre of environment. He lauded SCR officials for already generating one MW of Solar Power for use in various fields such as lighting, water heating etc. He expressed his delight over the fact that SCR has already fitted bio-toilets in nine train rakes and appealed to the passengers to safeguard the bio-toilets by desisting from littering in the bio-toilets.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Umesh Singh, Addl. General Manager called upon the participants to take the environment protection issues seriously and actively take part in such activities in order to pass on a better world to our children. Shri Gajanan Mallya, Sr. Deputy General Manager and Chief Vigilance Officer/SCR while welcoming the participants, dwelt upon the perils of environment degradation, viz., global warming, climate change, depletion of ozone layer, famine, desertification, epidemic and natural calamities etc.

Earlier, Shri Srivastava inaugurated an Exhibition on “SCR and Environment Protection”, which was organised by Shri Gajanan Mallya and his staff.

Jogging Park Inaugurated at South Lallaguda Railway Colony

Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager inaugurated a new Jogging Park at the Railway Colony, South Lallaguda, Secunderabad on June 4, 2015.

The Jogging Park is 480 metres long and is also an ecological marvel with rain water harvesting pits. The jogging track is made with eco sustainable natural material and comprises of carpet grass in the open area, herbal avenue plants and over 2000 saplings planted in the area. The highlight of the park is the Gazebo, a sit out place in the centre to relax and meditate. An open air theatre is also provided, making the Jogging Park a very attractive place to get fit and relax. The General Manager expressed confidence that the Jogging Park will come for good use of the residents of the colony.



First Diesel Locomotive fuelled with a blend of Bio-Diesel takes to the track on SCR

South Central Railway celebrated the World Environment Day by taking a significant leap forward towards attaining the objectives of Energy Conservation by commencing the run of the first Main Line Diesel Locomotive fuelled with a blend of Bio-Diesel and traditional High Speed Diesel (HSD) on June 5, 2015. The introduction, which marks the beginning of regular usage of Bio-Diesel on main line locomotives on SCR, is also a first-of-its-kind endeavour on Indian Railways.

The initiative, taken forward on the directions of Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager has seen the Zone taking its first firm step on the long journey of finding a cleaner and environment friendly alternate fuel. Shri Umesh Singh, AGM inaugurated the Bio-Diesel facility at Railway Consumer Depot (RCD)/Sanathnagar, wherein, the first diesel Locomotive (No. 14974/KZJ/WDG-3A) was fuelled with a blend of 5% Bio-diesel with 95% of Traditional HSD Oil.

The use of Bio-Diesel will not only bring down the dependency of Indian Railways and the Nation on fossil fuel but also entail a substantial reduction in Foreign exchange spent on procurement on HSD oil. It will also have the added benefit of earning huge carbon credits to the Railways since use of Bio-diesel as alternate fuel will reduce corresponding amount of carbon footprint. This innovation will not only give a big boost to the Indian economy but also will result in cleaner Environment.

With Hon'ble Minister of Railways laying special emphasis on Swachh Rail in line with the Hon'ble Prime Minister's flagship “Swachh Bharat” movement, Railway is abuzz with various innovative activities towards making the rail journey a memorably clean experience to the commuters.

Amongst the Officials present on the occasion were Shri S Kabeer Ahmad/CME, Shri K P Somkuwar/CWM, Shri Gajanan Mallya/SDGM, Shri P Ravi Kumar/CMPE (Diesel), Ms. Chandrima Roy, ADRM (Operations)/SC Division, Shri TSN Murthy, Dy.CME(Rolling Stock & Locomotives) and Shri N Srinivasa Reddy, Sr.DME (Operations & Freight)/SC Division.



Let Us Carry on the Fight Against Untouchability and Gender Discrimination - Shri P.K. Srivastava, GM/ SCR

SCR held 124th Birth Anniversary Celebrations of Bharat Ratna Dr. B R Ambedkar at Rail Nilayam Auditorium, Secunderabad on April 15, 2015. In his address on the occasion, Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager called upon the railway employees and officers to carry on the fight against untouchability and gender discrimination which was the life long mission of Bharat Ratna Dr. BR Ambedkar.

Further, Shri Srivastava said that Dr. Ambedkar is a giant among the Indian Scholars, a unique personality in Indian history. He relentlessly strived for human dignity and uplifting the down trodden. He said that Dr. Ambedkar was heading the Constitution Drafting Committee and drafted the Constitution, most suitable for Indian socio-economic condition. He was a Barrister, the first Law Minister of Independent India, great socio-political reformer, Philosopher, great orator, author of many books and an educationalist.

Shri S K Agarwal, AGM, while speaking on the occasion, said that Dr. Ambedkar's concept of reservation to SC & ST communities paid much dividend in ameliorating the lots of the down-trodden. Senior Railway Officials along with Shri Ch. Shankar Rao, General Secretary/SCR Mazdoor Union, Shri Prabhakar Andrews/President, SCR Employees Sangh, Shri V V Naik/President, All India SC&ST Association paid floral tribute to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar by garlanding his statue. Shri Ravinder Kumar, Chief Personnel Officer/SCR welcomed the gathering. Shri. M. Bala Muralidhar, Dy Chief Personnel Officer (IR)/ SCR proposed vote of thanks.



Shri P K Srivastava, GM inaugurated various Passenger Amenities at Tirupati Station



Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager visited Tirupati Railway Station on June 2, 2015 as a part of 'Passenger and Customer Facilitation Fortnight' celebrated on Indian Railways. The General Manager inaugurated Automatic Ticket Vending Machine (ATVM), Battery Operated Car, Solar Power System and Escalator at Tirupati Railway Station during the visit.

Shri Srivastava also reviewed plans and progress on various developmental works being undertaken with Shri Manoj Joshi, DRM/Guntakal Division. He made a thorough study of CCTV monitoring network at the station functioning as a part of the Integrated Security System (ISS) commissioned to ensure high level of security. Shri Srivastava interacted with the rail users seeking their feedback/suggestions to still improve the Railway system.

'Hum Aapke Saath' Headquarters Grievance Adalat held



SCR's Personnel Department organised 'Hum Aapke Saath' Headquarters Grievance Adalat-2015 at Rail Nilayam Auditorium on June 1, 2015. Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Shri Umesh Singh, AGM, other PHODs, representatives of trade unions, a big gathering of staff and officers were present.

The interactive grievance adalat was held as a platform of seeking the grievances of staff and officers in headquarters. 143 grievances were received from non-gazetted officers, out of which 50 were solved and 33 grievances from gazetted officers were all replied.

Addressing the gathering, Shri Srivastava said that the adalat is meant for SCRIans. He also informed that Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Hon'ble MR reviewed the activities of SCR during the 'Passenger and Customer Facilitation Fortnight' and was highly impressed with the same.

158th DRUCC Meeting held in Secunderabad Division



158th Divisional Rail Users' Consultative Committee (DRUCC) meeting of Secunderabad (SC) Division was held at Sanchalan Bhavan, Secunderabad on May 27, 2015. The meeting was chaired by Shri Ashesh Agrawal, Chairman/DRUCC & DRM/SC Division and convened by Shri Ravi P Padi, Secretary/ DRUCC & Sr.DCM/SC Division. Out of 14 nominated members 13 were present. The performance and some note worthy developments over the Division during April compared with the same period of corresponding year were highlighted in a brief power point presentation. Shri Ashesh Agrawal, welcomed the participation of the members of DRUCC in further improving the services and facilities for the travelling public through their suggestions.



Secunderabad Railway Station glitter with New Facade Lighting



Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager inaugurated the New Facade Lighting of Secunderabad Railway Station June 4, 2015. The new lighting has lent glitter and a beautiful ambience to Secunderabad Railway Station, adding to the image of the Station as one of the cleanest on Indian Railways. Shri Ashesh Agrawal/DRM, Ms. Chandrima Roy/ADRM (O), Shri M Gopal, Sr. DEE of Secunderabad Division were amongst the Officials present.

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Vijayawada Railway Station illuminated and receives new passenger amenities



Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager inaugurated the illuminatory lighting system at Vijayawada Railway Station on May 27, 2015 along with Shri Ashok Kumar, DRM/Vijayawada. He also inaugurated Automated Ticket Vending Machine at the Station.



Modern Mechanized Laundry for Supply of Clean Linen inaugurated at Kacheguda



Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager inaugurated a modern mechanized laundry at Kacheguda on June 7, 2015. Shri Umesh Singh/AGM, Shri S Kabeer Ahmad/CME and Smt. Aruna Singh/DRM/Hyderabad Division were present on the occasion.

The Mechanized Laundry is the first successful project operated under BOOT (Build Own Operate & Transfer) model. This 12-ton mechanized laundry has the capacity of washing 24000 bed sheets, 12000 face towels and 12000 pillow covers per day and is expected to meet the requirements of Secunderabad and Hyderabad Divisions of the Zone.

While addressing the gathering, Shri Srivastava said that the standards of cleanliness & hygiene in linen being supplied to the rail passengers on SCR are set to take another step forward with this mechanized laundry. The laundry is established with the aim of improving the quality of the linen supplied to the passengers to the maximum requirement. Since, bed linen is one of the areas which attracts grievances from the passengers, the facility will enable redress the same.

Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager visited Aurangabad Railway Station



Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager held a meeting with Shri Chandrakant Khaire, Hon'ble MP/Aurangabad at Aurangabad Railway Station on June 8, 2015 and had discussion on various subjects including Road Over Bridges (ROBs), widening of roads and existing ROBs. He also detailed the status of new Railway Line works etc. Later General Manager inspected Aurangabad Railway Station along with Shri P C Shrama, DRM/Nanded.



Shri Umesh Singh, Additional General Manager inaugurated newly constructed Type-II Railway Staff Quarters at Nandyal along with Shri Vijay Sharma, DRM/Guntur on June 8, 2015

International Day of Yoga held at Railway Sports Complex

South Central Railway organized the 1st International Day of Yoga at Indoor Stadium of Railway Sports

Complex, Secunderabad on June 21, 2015. Shri Murari Mohan, State Coordinator, Art of Living conducted the session with Yogaasanas, Pranayama, Meditation etc., as part of the program to a large gathering who participated with enthusiasm.



Speaking on the occasion, Shri Srivastava, General Manager stressed upon the importance of practicing Yoga in everyday life. He said that the initiative taken by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India to declare International Day of Yoga on 21st June with United Nations Organization (UNO) is laudable. With this event, our great tradition for good health got International recognition. He also stated that Yoga is a valuable gift to the society by ancient Indian tradition which will enrich the life of human kind. It will also provide Peace, harmony and belongingness amongst members of the society.

Shri Murari Mohan, State Coordinator, Art of Living Foundation called upon the gathering to practice Yoga in everyday life to attain good health, sound thinking and spiritual discipline. He said that Yoga works on the level of one's body, mind, emotion and energy.

Amongst those present were, Shri Umesh Singh, Additional General Manager, Shri Ravinder Kumar, Chief Personnel Officer, Principal Heads of Departments, other Senior Railway Officials, South Central Railway. A large number of Staff, Family members, Civil Defence Volunteers, Scouts & Guides, School Children participated in large number.



Monsoon showers? TAKE COVER

Monsoons are eagerly awaited by everyone, especially after a long and scorching summer. The first showers are a welcome invitation to feel the spray of light drizzles, smell the fresh earthy smell, get drenched in the rain, and for the more prim-n-proper ones, to use their treasured umbrellas of different vibrant colours and designs.

Monsoons also herald a season of sickness and diseases, unless proper care is taken. Follow these precautions to ensure a healthy monsoon for yourself and your family!

- ☺ Drink lots of water. Seems strange, doesn't it? Sweat does not evaporate quickly in this season, thus preventing the body from releasing heat. Hence, it is imperative that one drinks a lot of water to maintain the heat balance in the body.
- ☺ Drink warm beverages like tea and coffee. Try out the different variants like Green tea/ Ginger tea/ Lemon tea for an interesting rainy evening!
- ☺ Use mosquito nets, creams and repellents to protect yourself from mosquito bites. Try to use the mosquito repellent creams that have more natural ingredients than synthetic ones.
- ☺ Avoid outside food as much as possible- Street food is especially a big no-no! Germs abound in plenty when the rains come, and home-cooked food is the safest bet.
- ☺ While playing with your kids, jumping into dirty puddles of water might seem a fun idea, isn't it? But it sure isn't! Avoid walking into dirty puddles of water, as these might be a source of several bacterial and viral infections.
- ☺ Wash all the vegetables and fruits thoroughly before using them.
- ☺ Drink boiled and filtered water.
- ☺ While everyone likes getting drenched in the rain (once in a while, atleast!), ensure that you do not do so during the first few showers that occur immediately after summer. These showers are full of the dust and germs that have been around in the atmosphere in the entire summer. Even otherwise, make sure that you take a hot shower at home after getting drenched in the rain. Change your clothes as quickly as possible.
- ☺ Ensure that you have a well balanced diet that includes enough protein, vitamins and fibre apart from carbohydrates to keep your immunity levels high.
- ☺ For those of you who are asthmatics, avoid wet walls. Most wet walls promote the growth of fungus which is a trigger for asthma.
- ☺ Do not take any medications during the rainy season indiscriminately. Else, your immunity would decrease and the chances of contracting an infection increases.
- ☺ Use a mild antiseptic like Savlon or Dettol to use while bathing or to wash or bruises in the rains. It will help you minimize the chances of contracting an infection.

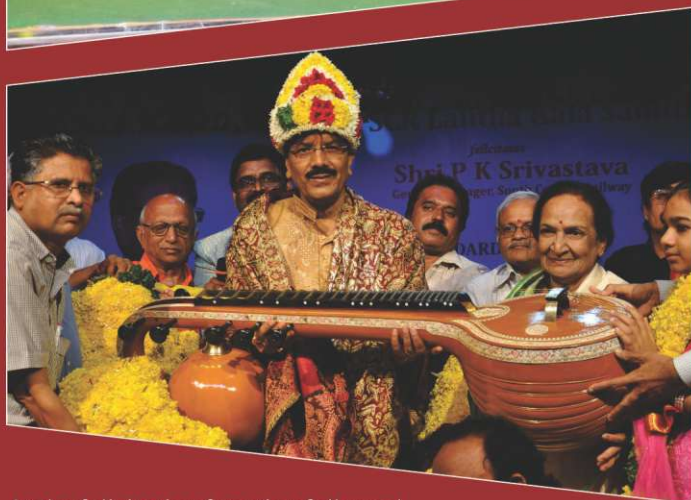


– Ms. Sneha Verghese, Sr. Publicity Inspector, CPRO/O/S

Confluence of Exciting Music at 'Swar Sangam', a Grand Musical Concert

The audience at the Swar Sangam, a Musical Concert, witnessed tasteful confluence of diverse Swar in various languages on June 26, 2015 at Rail Kalarang AC Auditorium, Bhoiguda, Secunderabad. 'Swar Sangam' was organized by the popular SCR Lalitha Kala Samithi, the cultural wing of SCR, in honour of Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager on the occasion of his birthday and also for his retirement day on June 30, 2015.

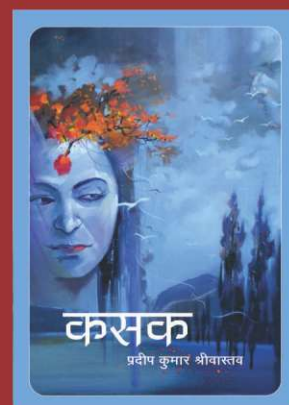
All the artist of the musical concert were from South Central Railway, directed by Nandi Awardee, Shri Vinod Babu. After few numbers by the SCR Lalitha Kala Samithi artists Shri P K Srivastava, a accomplished singer, was invited on the dias to render few songs. Excited with the excellent orchestra, Shri Srivastava rendered more than a dozen Hindi cine numbers which received standing ovation from the audience.



At the felicitation function followed, Smt. Rao Balasaraswathi Devi, the first playback singer in South India, released a song CD titled 'Dard-ki-Awaaz' containing Hindi songs sung by Shri P K Srivastava.

The book under the title 'KASAK' with Hindi Poetry, penned by Shri P K Srivastava was also released by Dr. Rishabha Deo Sharma, Professor & Head of Department (PG), Dakshin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Hyderabad on the occasion.

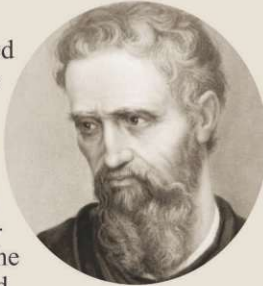
The other dignitaries present on the occasion include Shri Koti, renowned Cine Music Director, Shri G Lakshminarayan, Chief Commercial Manager/SCR & President/SCR Lalitha Kala Samithi, other senior Railway officials and SCRians in large number.



"I Can Make It Happen"

History abounds with tales of experts who were convinced that the ideas, plans, and projects of others could never be achieved. However, accomplishment came to those who said, "I can make it happen."

The Italian sculptor Agostino d'Antonio worked diligently on a large piece of marble. Unable to produce his desired masterpiece, he lamented, "I can do nothing with it." Other sculptors also worked this difficult piece of marble, but to no avail. Michelangelo discovered the stone and visualized the possibilities in it. His "I-can-make-it-happen" attitude resulted in one of the world's masterpieces – David.



The experts of Spain concluded that Columbus's plans to discover a new and shorter route to the West Indies was virtually impossible. Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand ignored the report of the experts. "I can make it happen," Columbus persisted. And he did. Everyone knew the world was flat, but not Columbus. The Nina, the Pinta, the Santa Maria, along with Columbus and his small

band of followers, sailed to "impossible" new lands and thriving resources.

Even the great Thomas Alva Edison discouraged his friend, Henry Ford, from pursuing his fledgling idea of a motorcar. Convinced of the worthlessness of the idea, Edison invited Ford to come and work for him. Ford remained committed and tirelessly pursued his dream. Although his first attempt resulted in a vehicle without reverse gear, Henry Ford

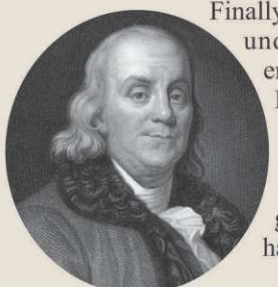


knew he could make it happen. And, of course, he did.



"Forget it," the experts advised Madame Curie. They agreed radium was a scientifically impossible idea. However, Marie Curie insisted, "I can make it happen."

Let's not forget our friends Orville and Wilbur Wright. Journalists, friends, armed forces specialists, and even their father laughed at the idea of an airplane. "What a silly and insane way to spend money. Leave flying to the birds," they jeered. "Sorry," the Wright brothers responded. "We have a dream, and we can make it happen." As a result, a place called Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, became the setting for the launching of their "ridiculous" idea.



Finally, as you read these accounts under the magnificent lighting of your environment, consider the plight of Benjamin Franklin. He was admonished to stop the foolish experimenting with lighting. What an absurdity and waste of time! Why, nothing could outdo the fabulous oil lamp. Thank goodness Franklin knew he could make it happen. You too can make it happen!

you are
capable
of amazing
things

Believe
There is
Good in the
world

I THINK.
I QUESTION.
I DESIGN.
I CREATE.
I STRUGGLE.
I COLLABORATE.
I TRY.
I SOLVE.
I INVENT.
I REFLECT.
I LEARN.

FORGET ALL THE
REASONS WHY
IT WON'T WORK
AND BELIEVE THE
ONE REASON
WHY IT WILL!

RISSTA Mobile App for Security of MMTS Users launched Remodelled Lingampalli Railway Station inaugurated



Addressing the Media present on the occasion, Shri Srivastava stressed that MMTS train services are of vital importance to meet the transport needs of the twin cities. He spoke of all the measures being undertaken to upgrade the standards of MMTS Stations including passenger amenities etc. He was categorical in stating that the punctuality standards of

passengers, seeking their opinion and feedback on MMTS services. Rail Users joined together to celebrate the completion of 12 years of MMTS services in twin cities by getting a cake cut at the hands of General Manager. Most of the passengers were appreciative of the convenience that the MMTS services are providing and also expressed satisfaction with the passenger amenities and the stress being accorded towards safety of passengers using MMTS services.

Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager launched 'RISSTA' (Railway Interactive Security Solution for Traveller Assistance) App along with Shri N Ramchander Rao/Hon'ble MLC and Shri A Gandhi/Hon'ble MLA on June 4, 2015 at Lingampalli Railway Station. During the launch Shri Srivastava said, MMTS travellers in twin cities will be able to experience a still more enhanced standard of safe travel by MMTS services with RISSTA App as it is meant to provide security to the MMTS users on finger tips.



The dignitaries also inaugurated Remodelled Lingampalli Station Building and launched the work on extension of Cover over Platform & Foot over Bridge at Lingampalli on the occasion, which was organised as a part of the "Passenger and Customer Facilitation Fortnight" Celebrations being held on Indian Railways.

Earlier, the General Manager travelled by MMTS train from Secunderabad to Lingampalli and interacted with a cross section of MMTS

Shri Ashesh Agrawal/DRM/SC Division welcomed the gathering. Shri G Laxminarayan/CCM, Shri S C Parhi/CSC, Ms. Chandrima Roy/ADRM(O) /SC Division and Shri M Umashankar Kumar, CPRO/SCR were amongst those who accompanied the General Manager.



The First-ever Wi-Fi Facility on SCR launched at Secunderabad Station

South Central Railway launched first ever Wi-Fi service facility on the Zone at Secunderabad Station on May 26, 2015. New Booking Counters were also opened at Secunderabad.

Shri Bandar Dattatreya, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Labour and Employment (Independent Charge) launched the Wi-Fi facility and inaugurated the new booking counters at Secunderabad Railway station in the presence of Shri K T Rama Rao, Hon'ble Minister of IT & Panchayat Raj, Govt. of Telangana and Hon'ble MLAs Shri C Dharma Reddy and Shri A Jeevan Reddy. Shri P K Srivastava, General Manager and other Senior Railway Officials were also present on the occasion.

With Secunderabad now Wi-Fi enabled, users can access Wi-Fi on all the 10 platforms including concourse area through strategically commissioned 96 wireless

access points. The facility is accessible to users on smart phones / tablets / laptops (with Wi-Fi feature) free of charge for 30 minutes.

Earlier, Shri Srivastava in his address mentioned the initiatives meant to reach out to Passengers and Rail Users on a continuous basis. It conveys the commitment of Railways in providing better services, the General Manager added. The launch of Wi-Fi facility at Secunderabad is yet another feather in the cap for the Zone, in its endeavor to provide best services to Rail users. The Wi-Fi services are planned to be extended to identified A1, A & B category stations on SCR in due course, he informed.

Later, Shri Srivastava interacted with Rail Passengers in the station premises at different places including platforms, waiting halls, catering stalls, trains etc., and sought their opinion on the services being rendered

by SCR on aspects such as cleanliness, catering, security, staff behavior, availability of water etc. The passengers in general expressed their satisfaction on the services available on SCR and opined that Secunderabad Station is one of the best maintained on Indian Railways.

Shri Ashesh Agarwal, Divisional Railway Manager, Secunderabad Division presented the Vote of Thanks.



दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे के मुख्यालय में 19.06.2015 को आयोजित एक दिवसीय क्षेत्रीय हिंदी नाटक प्रतियोगिता के उद्घाटन संबोधन में

श्री पी.के.श्रीवास्तव, महाप्रबंधक, द.म.रेलवे ने उक्त उद्गार व्यक्त किये और कहा कि दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे के अधिकारी और कर्मचारियों में अभिनय क्षमता कूट-कूट कर भरी है या इसे ऐसा भी कह सकते हैं कि कला के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में द.म.रेलवे कलाकारों की खान है। उन्होंने कहा कि इस रेलवे पर राजभाषा में काफ़ी अच्छा कार्य हो रहा है और इस प्रकार के कार्यक्रमों के माध्यम से राजभाषा के प्रयोग-प्रसार को गति मिलती है। उन्होंने आगे कहा कि नाटक हमारे जीवन का अभिन्न अंग है, हमारी दैनिक क्रिया इसी से संचालित होती है। लेकिन जब इसे मंच पर मंचित किया जाता है तो यह नाटक कहलाता है और नाटक तभी सफल कहलाता है जब दर्शकों से उसका तादात्म्य स्थापित हो। उन्होंने सभी प्रतिभागी टीमों से आह्वान किया कि वे खेल की भावना से इसमें भाग लें और कला को उत्कृष्ट ढंग से प्रदर्शित करने का प्रयास करें।

श्री उमेश सिंह, अपर महाप्रबंधक ने अपने संबोधन में कहा कि नाटक का मंचन, राजभाषा के प्रयोग-प्रसार का एक सशक्त माध्यम है। उन्होंने कहा कि नाटकों का ही परिष्कृत रूप फिल्मों में देखने को मिलता है और राजभाषा हिंदी के प्रयोग-प्रसार में फिल्मों का विशेष योगदान रहा है जिसे हिंदी फिल्मों की देशभर में लोकप्रियता से समझा जा सकता है।

श्री एस.कबीर अहमद, मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी और मुख्य यांत्रिक इंजीनियर ने इस अवसर पर कहा कि हिंदी भाषा के प्रयोग-प्रसार में नाटकों की एक महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका रही है और इस प्रकार के आयोजन भाषा के प्रचार में ही नहीं बल्कि हमारे देश की समृद्ध संस्कृति और कला को भी पोषित करते हैं। श्री श्याम सुंदर

क्षेत्रीय हिंदी नाटक प्रतियोगिता



साहू, उप महाप्रबंधक/राजभाषा ने कहा कि नाटकों में मनोरंजन का पुट होने से उनकी स्वीकार्यता स्वतः बढ़ जाती है और नाटकों का उद्देश्य भी यही होना चाहिए। इन नाटकों में कई हिंदीतर भाषा-भाषी कलाकारों ने हिस्सा लिया और बहुत ही उत्कृष्ट ढंग से संवादों की अदायगी की जो न केवल नाट्य-कला बल्कि राजभाषा के प्रति भी उनके लगाव का परिचायक है।

इस क्षेत्रीय हिंदी नाटक प्रतियोगिता के आरंभ में श्री एस.एस.साहू उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) ने विषय की प्रस्तावना प्रस्तुत की। श्री लक्ष्मण शिवहरे, वरिष्ठ राजभाषा अधिकारी ने उद्घाटन और पुरस्कार वितरण समारोह का संचालन किया।

पांचों नाटकों के मंचन के पश्चात् पुरस्कार वितरण समारोह के मुख्य अतिथि श्री एस.कबीर अहमद, मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी और मुख्य यांत्रिक इंजीनियर ने कहा कि हर वर्ष क्षेत्रीय नाटक प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया जाता है जिसमें इस रेलवे के विभिन्न मंडल और कारखाने प्रतिभागिता करते हैं। इस प्रतियोगिता में प्रथम पुरस्कार प्राप्त नाटक को "अखिल रेल हिंदी नाट्योत्सव" में प्रतिभागिता के लिए भेजा जाता है।

इस क्षेत्रीय हिंदी नाटक प्रतियोगिता में सिकंदराबाद मंडल के दो नाटक "कथा अंधेर नगरी की" और "बांटना मना है", नांदेड मंडल की प्रस्तुति "वही जिंदगी अच्छी थी", प्रधान कार्यालय की प्रस्तुति "भय-अभय", गुंतकल मंडल की प्रस्तुति "स्वच्छ भारत" तथा विजयवाड़ा मंडल द्वारा "स्वच्छम् - शिवम् - सुंदरम्" का मंचन किया गया, जिसमें "कथा अंधेर नगरी की" सिकंदराबाद मंडल के नाटक को प्रथम पुरस्कार और "स्वच्छम् - शिवम् - सुंदरम्" विजयवाड़ा मंडल के नाटक को द्वितीय पुरस्कार प्राप्त हुआ। श्री जे.श्रीनिवास, सहायक कार्मिक अधिकारी ने उत्कृष्ट अभिनेता और कुमारी वंदना ने उत्कृष्ट अभिनेत्री का पुरस्कार अपने नाम किया।

दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे प्रधान कार्यालय के यांत्रिक विभाग में राजभाषा संगोष्ठी आयोजित

यांत्रिक विभाग में पर्यावरण व योग विषय पर 18.06.2015 को संगोष्ठी आयोजित की गई। संगोष्ठी का आरंभ श्री सोमसुंदर, मुख्य कारखाना प्रबंधक ने किया। संगोष्ठी का संचालन श्री जी.वी.दुर्गा प्रसाद, उप मुख्य यांत्रिक इंजीनियर/डीजल ने किया। संगोष्ठी में दो विषयों पर चर्चा की गई। श्री विजय

कुमार, मुख्य यांत्रिक इंजीनियर के सचिव ने पर्यावरण व योग के महत्व पर प्रकाश डाला। श्री प्रसून चक्रवर्ती, श्रीमती कात्यायनी, श्रीमती ललिता सायन्ना, श्री नागय्या, श्री नीरज ने अपने-अपने विचार प्रस्तुत किए। श्री कबीर अहमद, मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी व मुख्य यांत्रिक इंजीनियर ने योग और

पर्यावरण दोनों विषयों पर अपने विचार प्रस्तुत किए। श्री लक्ष्मण शिवहरे, वरिष्ठ राजभाषा अधिकारी ने संगोष्ठी में भाग लिया। श्रीमती करमजीत के धन्यवाद प्रस्ताव के बाद संगोष्ठी संपन्न हुई।



अपनापन

कुछ अजनबी लोग
एकदम
अपने-से हो जाते हैं ।
और
कई अपने भी,
बिल्कुल अजनबी से ।

ये तो
चाह, परवाह या
इनका अहसास है,
जो लाता है अपनापन ।
इस में
रिश्तों के बोझ
या रिश्तों की रिक्तता का
कोई अर्थ नहीं होता ।
कोई आभास भी नहीं होता ।

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