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General Manager's Message



At the outset, I wish you all a very happy, harmonious & healthy New Year 2016.

It has been three months since I took charge as the head for this vibrant zone. I am really proud of my association with the work force of South Central Railway and feel good to be a member of the SCR family.

It has been a hectic period, all the way through the last three months. Driving the performance momentum was the review meetings which were conducted at very regular intervals to monitor performance and plans. On the other side, I had the opportunity of extensively touring the SCR network on inspections. This has provided me the chance to interact with a

wide spectrum of people and stake holders of Railways. My interactions with public representatives and a cross section of rail users enabled understand their aspiration and expectation from the Railways. On the other hand, I also could communicate with a host lot of officers and staff and gauge the hard work being rendered by them towards ensuring safe and efficient functioning of SCR's rail system. I could also understand their welfare oriented concerns and grievances.

As a SCRian, it is with pride I say that, with all your cooperation and support, we shall strive to develop the SCR rail network that spans across the Deccan plateau through the scenic coastline of the Bay of Bengal. Let us serve the Nation to our best ability.

Jai Hind

(Ravindra Gupta)
General Manager

From Chief Editor's Desk

The dawn of a new year heralds a new beginning, and I take the privilege of conveying my greetings to all the members of SCR family.

As you are aware, Shri Ravindra Gupta has taken over as General Manager of SCR in October, 2015. His stewardship has brought in a fresh zest and energy amongst us all, as he is not just an excellent task master but also holds a very positive vision for development of Railways. It is an acknowledgement of the fact that the General Manager has earned the goodwill of the rail users in a short span of less than a quarter and praise from the media for his proactive approach.

Let us all join together to put in our best in the last quarter of the current fiscal and strengthen the vision of our General Manager to take SCR to new heights of performance excellence.

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Tirupati and Sainagar Shirdi Weekly Express flagged off by Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Hon'ble Minister for Railways

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Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Hon'ble Minister for Railways flagged off a new Weekly Express train service between Tirupati and Sainagar Shirdi Weekly Express at a glittering function held at Tirupati Railway Station on December 26, 2015. The Minister for Railways also unveiled the plaque to mark the laying of foundation stone for Mechanised Laundry at Tirupati.

Addressing the large gathering on the occasion, Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu said that the common people are the most important target group for Indian Railways and their expectations will be met. The watch word for Indian Railways is "making promises true", and Customer Service with quality is the aim, he added. He presented the significant improvement in cleanliness on Indian Railways as a part of Swachh Bharat campaign, reducing waiting time at Reservation Counters, paperless ticketing, e-catering services, good quality linen, coach interior changes as examples of bettering rail services.

Stressing on the need for finances to complete rail projects, the Rail Minister said that Rs 8.50 lakh crores is the capital expenditure requirement and towards this a loan of Rs 1.50 lakh crores has been sourced from LIC. This money will go to fund the infrastructural requirements of Railways such as Doubling & Tripling of railway lines, safety etc. Public money has to be used responsibly and on Indian Railways, a new system of full transparency is in place for the purpose. Powers on Indian Railways are delegated to officials and the Minister himself does not hold any authority to clear tenders, he informed. The Prime Minister too has accorded priority for rail development as the engine to economic progress of the country, he said.

With regard to Andhra Pradesh, He stated that the Budget Outlay has been doubled in the last rail budget for rail projects in the state along with its sister state of Telangana. Elaborating on the subject, Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu added that Joint Ventures

(JVs) are planned with State/Central equity to meet the demand for new railway lines and capacity augmentation. It is expected that Indian Railways will partner with AP in forming a JV company by next year, he expressed.

Speaking on the development of Tirupati Railway station, the Railway Minister informed that the station is one of the 400 identified for development in PPP mode on Indian Railways. It is planned to develop the station to the best standards, keeping the huge flow of pilgrim traffic from across the world in view. He called upon the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam to lend its financial support in developing the Tirupati Railway station jointly with Railways.

Earlier, Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager in his welcome address briefed on the priorities and performance of SCR. He also spoke on the added connectivity that the new Tirupati-Sainagar Shirdi Weekly Express will provide, there by serving public aspirations.



Performance of SCR by the End of Third Quarter (April-December-2015) of the current financial year (2015-16)

SCR has been making rapid strides in the path of progress with increased focus on innovations and systemic improvements in the working of Railways at various levels across all the branches. Close monitoring of running of train services, improved asset maintenance practices, optimal utilization of rolling stock and active marketing efforts etc. have contributed to a significant increase in performance, in both the freight and passenger sectors in this fiscal so far.



Traffic Volume and Earnings

- Gross Originating Earnings improved by an impressive 7% during the period April- December 2015 i. e Rs.9987 crores compared to Rs.9337 Crs last year during the same period, generating additional revenue of Rs. 650 Crs.
- During this period SCR carried 277.12 Million originating passengers realizing earnings of Rs. 2474 crores.
- The Zone loaded 81.8 MTs of freight during the period with the earnings through the freight loading showing a growth of 6.5% i.e Rs. 7050crs as compared to Rs. 6622 Crs last year.

Passenger Services

- During the current fiscal, by the end of December, to clear extra rush of passengers 600 number of Special trains were run and 8991 extra coaches attached benefitting 8.72 lakh passengers.
- A new train connecting the two holy cities i.e Tirupati and Shirdi has been flagged off by Hon'ble MR.
- Due to heavy rains, Nellore-Gudur-Chennai; Renigunta-Gooty and Gudur- Renigunta sections of SCR jurisdictions were badly affected due to water over flowing and breaches on the tracks at several places causing disruption of train services between South - North/West corridors of the country. Restoration work was taken up on a war footing, enabling restore normalcy of train services in a record time of 36 hrs
- The carrying capacity of the train services were enhanced by augmenting 66 trains with 50 additional coaches on permanent basis.

Passenger Amenities

- With a view to supply clean and hygienic bedroll linen to the esteemed passengers, construction of Mechanized laundry under BOOT model at Tirurupati Railway station has been taken up.
- To keep the Railway tracks and coaches clean and to maintain a green environ in the Railway premises, during the current fiscal so far 450 bio-toilets were fixed in around 150 coaches, so far.
- On Board Housekeeping Services (OBHS) were introduced in 40 long distance trains and it is planned to extend the facility to some more trains.
- Under Clean Train Stations scheme, en route cleaning of 114 long distance trains at is being undertaken at four nominated stations viz., Vijayawada, Guntakal, Renigunta and Secunderabad.
- To take care of the needs of the senior citizens, the sick and differently-abled passengers etc, 34 lifts and 33 escalators have been commissioned at 19 stations till the end of December 2015.
- 26 more lifts and 18 escalators will also be provided at major stations shortly.

Infrastructure Development

- During the current fiscal, so far around 108 kms of new line was constructed.
- In addition, doubling of track was completed to a distance of 10 kms.
- The works of MMTS -Phase-II are progressing at a fast pace.

General Manager Inspects Mudkhed-Manoharabad Section on Hyderabad Division

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager undertook the annual inspection of Mudkhed-Manoharabad Section on Hyderabad Division on December 30, 2015. Commencing from Mudkhed, the inspection covered all the major Railway Stations enroute till Manoharabad.

The General Manager commenced his inspection with a window trailing inspection of the Mudkhed-Sivangaon section. He inspected a Minor Bridge between Sivangaon and Umri Railway Stations. At Umri, Shri Ravindra Gupta inaugurated 5Hp Solar Pump along with fully LED-lit station. He carried out a thorough inspection of the stations, points and crossing etc. He also released an S&T Maintenance Handbook. He interacted with the local representatives and received their representations. At Basar Railway Station, Shri Gupta inaugurated 5Hp Solar Pump, colony RO Plant, 5 KWP Solar Plant and a fully LED-lit station thus promoting the cause of sustainable energy. He inspected the Godavari bridge near Basar. He stopped at a Manned Level Crossing Gate between Navipet and Jankampet Stations and carried out a thorough scrutiny of the Gate Cabin, essential safety equipment, approach roads, track visibility, first-aid availability, etc. The General Manager also interacted with the Gangmen and enquired about the safety protocols being followed. He inaugurated solar pump water between Navipet and Jankampet stations

At Nizamabad Railway Station, the inspection covered the entire circulating area and Crew

Lobby. The General Manager also met a cross-section of Rail users to elicit their requirements. He released a Safety Circular and inaugurated an e-monitoring system that identifies S&T, Track and Loco Defects. As another testimony to SCR's resolve to move towards use of green energy, a 5 Hp Solar Pump, Day Light Pipe and LED lighting system in Running Room were also inaugurated. On the welfare front, Shri Ravindra Gupta inaugurated a Children's park and a colony RO Plant at the Railway Colony and interacted with the residents to enquire about the civic amenities available in the area. He also addressed the local media persons and briefed them about inspection and works proposed for the next financial year.

At Kamareddi, the General Manager inspected the railway station and inaugurated a 5KWP Solar Plant and fully LED lit station and also Battery Health Monitoring system. The inspection culminated at Manoharabad where he carried out the inspection of Unmanned Level Crossing. Shri Ravindra Gupta was accompanied by Smt. Aruna Singh, Divisional Railway Manager, Hyderabad Division; Shri J N Jha, Chief Operations Manager; Shri S N Singh, Principle Chief Engineer; Shri Gajanan Mallya, Sr. Deputy General Manager, Shri Solan Gupta, Chief Electrical Engineer; Shri D Venkatachalam, Chief Signal Engineer; Shri R R Prasad, Chief Personnel Officer; Smt. Usha Madalli, Chief Medical Director and other officers during the inspection.



IRISET celebrates its 58th Annual Day

Indian Railways Institute of Signal Engineering and Telecommunication (IRISET), the premier training institute on Indian Railways celebrated its 58th Annual Day on November 24, 2015 at its premises at Secunderabad. Shri Navin Tandon, Member Electrical /Railway Board, New Delhi was the Chief Guest and delivered the key note address. Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager presided over the function. Shri S Manohar, Additional Member (Signal), Railway Board and Shri K S Krishnakumar, Additional Member (Telecom), Railway Board were the Guests of Honour on the occasion.

Addressing the big gathering of officers, staff, trainees, faculty etc, Shri Navin Tandon reiterated the need for developing a heritage museum for showcasing the signal & telecom equipments being used since the inception of railways in India from 1853. He called upon the trainees and faculty to imbibe the complexities of signal & telecom technology with up to date knowledge to improve their confidence in handling their job.

Shri Ravindra Gupta in his address appreciated the institute for setting new bench marks of excellence in the

field of signal and telecommunications. He expressed his concern over the exorbitant cost incurred on annual maintenance charges on maintaining signal & telecom equipments. Since, it will become overburden on the administration on the long run. He further suggested for developing /adopting technology which can be maintained by railway staff duly imparting required training to improve their skill levels.

Shri Vikrant Karla, Director IRISET in his annual report said that IRISET organized 113 courses and trained 3000 persons during the current calendar year up to October, 2015. S Manohar, Additional Member, (Signal), Railway Board and Shri K S Krishnakumar, Additional Member, (Telecom), also spoke on the occasion. Later, merit awards were given away to the trainees by the dignitaries present and the in-house newsletter 'Gyandee' was released. This was followed by cultural programmes performed by the trainees.



Signal and Telecommunication Training Centre's (STTC) Annual Day Celebrated



The Signal and Telecommunication Training Centre (STTC), Moula-Ali, Hyderabad celebrated its 11th Annual Day on November 25, 2015. Shri K S Krishna Kumar, Additional Member (Telecom), Railway Board, New Delhi was the Chief Guest at the function, while Shri M S Mahboob Ali, Chief Signal and Telecommunications Engineer was the Guest of Honour, and Shri D Venkatachalam, Chief Signal Engineer presided over the function. Senior Railway Officials, SCR, Faculty and Trainees, STTC were also present. Shri K S Krishna Kumar after lighting the ceremonial lamp to mark the inauguration, addressing the gathering, he highlighted the fact that the process of train operations depends on signalling system. "Safety is foremost while working on Signalling & Telecommunication system in Railways". He laid emphasis on acquiring knowledge on technical assets extensively at all the



levels. He called upon the trainees to acquire command over technical expertise and make use of training gained. He lauded the STTC for imparting hands on training to the trainees undergoing different courses. He congratulated all the trainees for completing their courses successfully.

Earlier speaking on the occasion, Shri Mahboob Ali, stressed trainees to acquire quality knowledge while undergoing training and the appreciated the methods adopted by STTC in providing training through E-Learning, Labs etc. Shri Venkatachalam presented the annual report of the institute. He stated that the training centre is developing steadily in imparting training. He called upon trainees to improve the culture of good working and to avoid short cuts. He stressed to be more practical oriented than only depending on theoretical knowledge. Shri U Sampath Kumar, Principal, STTC in his welcome address detailed various methods adopted during imparting training in the centre. 39 meritorious trainee received medals, certificates and cash awards on the occasion various cultural programmes presented enthralled the audience.

"Swachhta Pledge" Administered on SCR

Coinciding with the birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi, SCRians took the "Swachhta Pledge" signifying their commitment towards Cleanliness. This endeavour of SCR towards cleanliness marks the continuation of the "Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan" to achieve the National target for total cleanliness by the year 2019. The Swachhta Pledge was administered to the Officers and Staff by their respective Heads.

In order to attain the objective of maintaining cleanliness, a mass movement is being taken up on SCR duly involving Railway Officers and Staff at all levels and also taking up public awareness campaigns seeking the co-operation of passengers in maintaining Railway premises clean.

Swachh Bharat Pledge reads as follows:

Mahatma Gandhi dreamt of an India which was not only free but also clean and developed. Mahatma Gandhi secured freedom for Mother India. Now it is our duty to serve Mother India by keeping the country neat and clean.

"I take this pledge that I will remain committed towards Cleanliness and devote time for this. I will devote 100 hours per year that is 2 hours per week to voluntary work for Cleanliness. I will neither litter nor let other Litter. I will initiate the quest for Cleanliness with myself, my family, my locality, my village and my work place. I believe that the countries of the world that appear clean are so because their citizens don't indulge in littering nor do they allow it to happen. With this firm belief, I will propagate the message of Swachh Bharat Mission in villages and towns. I will encourage 100 other persons to take this pledge which I am taking today. I will endeavour to make them devote their 100 hours for Cleanliness. I am confident that every step I take towards Cleanliness will help in making my country clean."



Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager called on the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Shri N Chandrababu Naidu at Vijayawada on October 31, 2015.



Shri Ravindra Gupta, appraised the Hon'ble Chief

Minister of Andhra Pradesh regarding the status of various rail projects which are in the pipeline. Shri Chandrababu Naidu advised that, to fulfil the aspirations of the people of Andhra Pradesh, proposal for linking of Amaravati to Bangalore City duly covering important towns of Rayalaseema area shall be considered for inclusion in the ensuing rail budget.

Shri Chandrababu Naidu desired that a joint review meeting may be planned involving the SCR and AP State officials to discuss about ongoing railway projects; proposals for new projects and issues such as land acquisition, funding for rail projects on sharing basis etc.



Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, South Central Railway, called on His Excellency Shri E.S.L. Narasimhan, Hon'ble Governor of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh at Raj Bhavan, Hyderabad on October 27, 2015 as a measure of courtesy.

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, South Central Railway called on the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Telangana, Shri K Chandrasekhar Rao at Telangana Secretariat, Hyderabad on December 4, 2015.

Shri Ravindra Gupta, appraised the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Telangana regarding the status of various rail projects which are under progress. He elaborated on the progress of MMTS Phase-II works and developmental plans of railway stations.

Shri K Chandrasekhar Rao desired that few more suburban satellite Railway Stations may be developed for the convenience of passengers and to ease the traffic congestion in the city. He assured to provide allocation of additional land for the construction of satellite terminals.



The Chief Minister also advised the General Manager, SCR to expedite the construction of Road over Bridges (RoBs) and Road under Bridges (RuBs) at all level crossings in Telangana region.



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The floor of model trains of SCR actually look as neat as berth. ex: Gowtami, Charminar etc.

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@Sathya_N_T SCR can show a path to all zones in this issues. It has robust complaint redressal mechanism

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@SCRailwayIndia Even the toilets are very clean with a foot mat inside, staff are well dressed and polite.

@adi_nair

A 1st time visit to Guntir Junction. Highly impressed with the platform maintenance, good sitting facilities for passengers @SCRailwayIndia

@lookoutglass

@SCRailwayIndia is known to keep their rakes very clean! Had experienced it on Ajanta Exp

@TwoSixTwoSeven

@sureshprabhu one thing was seen in today's derailment - the info dissemination thru social media was just perfect. (1/2)

Kudos to @SCRailwayIndia who tweeted and @SWR retweeting. Hope the rlys continues its presence on social media @RailMinIndia @sureshprabhu 2/2

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Secbad station. As clean as it can get. Good work @sureshprabhu Ppl are actually present at help desks. BIG :)

“Sir Alec” Heritage Steam Locomotive at Rail Nilayam gets added grace; Special effects to simulate a loco on run

‘Sir Alec’, the Heritage Steam Locomotive gracing the frontage of the Headquarters of South Central Railway, Rail Nilayam at Secunderabad has always been an attraction which catches the eyes of the public who pass this arterial thoroughfare connecting Sangeet ‘X’ Roads and

Mettuguda/Tarnaka.

On the initiative of Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, who drew up plans to beautify the Heritage Loco and make it attractive, ‘Sir Alec’ steam locomotive has been given a makeover. The Heritage Loco has been beautified with polyurethane painting besides adding a dash of colour lighting. The main attraction, which is bound to catch the attention of the public, is the special effects of artificial steam and smoke generation, and loco running sound system provided to the loco to generate artificial simulated condition of a steam loco on run. The Heritage Loco is being showcased with the artificial stimulated condition in the evenings from sunset till 22.00 hours each day.

‘Sir Alec’ Steam Loco, built in the year 1907 by Kitson & Co, Leeds was a prized possession of the Barsi Light Railway Narrow Gauge system.



“Rashtriya Ekta Diwas” Pledge taken by SCRians



Indian Railways observed the birth anniversary of late Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel as “Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) on October 31, 2015. The employees and officers of South Central Railway took “Rashtriya Ekta Diwas” Pledge on National Unity and Integrity on October 30, 2015.

At Headquarters, the pledge was administered by Shri Umesh Singh, AGM to the employees and officers of General Administration Department, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.

Similarly, all the Heads of the Department of various departments in Rail Nilayam, Divisional Railway Managers of Six Divisions of SCR, Heads of five Railway Workshops in the Zone also administered the pledge to their respective employees and officers.

The Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge reads as follows:

“I solemnly pledge that I dedicate myself to preserve the unity, integrity and security of the Nation and also strive hard to spread this message among my fellow countrymen. I take this pledge in the spirit of unification of my country which was made by the vision and actions of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel I also solemnly resolve to make my own contribution to ensure internal security of my country”.

‘Run for Unity’ organised to commemorate birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel

South Central Railway observed the “Rashtriya Ekta Diwas” in commemoration of the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel on October 31, 2015 all over its network. As a part of the same, a ‘Run for Unity’ was organised at various locations on the Zone.

At headquarters, Shri Umesh Singh, AGM, led the ‘Run for Unity’ which commenced from Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad. A large number of Officers, Staff, Sportspersons, students, youth from Scouts & Guides participated in the run.

Earlier, AGM administered the ‘Rashtriya Ekta Diwas’ pledge to the entire gathering, before the start of the ‘Run for Unity’.



Vigilance Awareness Week on South Central Railway

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practices the honest officers shall not be harassed since this acts as a demoralizing factor.

Earlier, Shri Gajanan Mallya, SDGM & CVO/ SCR in his welcome address spelt out the work being undertaken by the Vigilance wing on the Zone with the objective of "Zero Tolerance to Corruption". He also detailed the work undertaken by the department during the year. A 'Vigilance Bulletin' was released by the dignitaries on the occasion.

The Vigilance Awareness Week on South Central Railway commenced on October 26, 2015 with a seminar on the theme of "Preventive Vigilance as a Tool of Good Governance". The programme, held at Rail Nilayam Auditorium, Secunderabad saw Prof. (Dr.) Faizan Mustafa, Vice-Chancellor, Nalsar University of Law, Hyderabad delivering the keynote address as the Chief Guest, while Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager presided over. A thought provoking skit 'Kashmakash' suiting to the theme of the year was presented by employees at the start of the programme.

Addressing the gathering of Principal Heads of Departments, Officers and Staff, Shri Ravindra Gupta in his presidential address highlighted the fact that railways have taken a lot of steps to prevent corruption. South Central Railway has taken the lead to ensure transparency by detailing the 'Citizens Charter' on its website and presenting virtually every important aspect in the public domain, he stressed. The role of the vigilance

department in undertaking preventive checks, prompt action on complaints, system improvements etc. is to be acknowledged and will go a long way in curbing corruption, the General Manager added.

In his keynote address, Prof. (Dr.) Faizan Mustafa said that "desires are the root cause of all ruins" as extolled by Gautam Buddha. It is this inherent weakness in the human being which leads us to indulge in corrupt acts, he said. Therefore, it remains a fact that "corruption is a moral evil" and can be eradicated only by means of inculcating morality in our thoughts and action, he added.

Speaking on the reasons that go into making the society corrupt, Prof. (Dr.) Mustafa stressed that it is power and authority which forms the cause for indulging in corrupt acts and hence these two need to be always kept in check. The Professor expressed his happiness with the efficient working of Indian Railways, which can only happen with the commitment of its workforce. He exhorted that, while curbing corrupt

The Vigilance Department, under the guidance of Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, has brought out the Inaugural Issue of Quarterly Publication 'Sachetan' which will provide a regular medium further facilitate the Vigilance Department to spread Vigilance Awareness amongst officers. The publication contains case studies, legal issues, quiz, quotes, short stories on integrity & morality and other interesting articles. On this occasion, the General Manager released the inaugural issue of 'Sachetan' on November 30, 2015 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.



To coincide with the Vigilance Awareness Week observed on SCR, Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager administered a pledge to the officers and staff at the headquarters – Rail Nilayam on October 26, 2015 to bring about integrity and transparency in all spheres of work and to eradicate corruption. AGM and SDGM were amongst those present. The pledge was also administered by Principal Heads of Departments, Divisional Railway Managers and Chief Workshop Managers to their officers and staff at their respective work places all over the Zone.

The pledge calls for the public servants of India to "Solemnly pledge to continuously strive towards bringing about integrity and transparency in all spheres of activity and to work unstintingly for eradication of corruption in all spheres of life; to remain vigilant and work towards the growth and reputation of the organisation and provide value based service to the countrymen and to render duty conscientiously and act without fear and favour".



Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager inspects Secunderabad Railway Station

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, South Central Railway conducted intensive inspection of Secunderabad Railway Station on November 2, 2015. He also held a meeting with Shri Ashesh Agrawal, Divisional Railway Manager and other Divisional Officials and discussed the plans for further improvement of Secunderabad Railway Station.

During the course of inspection, Shri Ravindra Gupta went around the entire station premises covering the circulating area and platforms. He reviewed the security arrangements available at station and working of Integrated Security Surveillance system, He expressed satisfaction over the working of the surveillance system in nabbing the culprits resorting to thefts of valuables from passengers. He checked the passenger facilities and amenities available at the station and also the circulating area. He made a thorough check of the cleanliness standards being maintained at the railway station.



Inspection of Kacheguda Railway Station by Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, inspected Kacheguda Railway Station on October 29, 2015.

The General Manager commenced his inspection with a look at passenger facilities/amenities provided at the station. He discussed about the developmental plans of Kacheguda station with Smt. Aruna Singh, DRM/Hyderabad Division and other officers. He inspected the facilities on platforms, cleanliness at station and quality of bedrolls etc. He also interacted with the passengers to seek suggestions.

Shri Ravindra Gupta also visited the Rail Heritage Museum and advised the Divisional Railway Manager to make it more attractive to general public.

Later, he conducted a window trailing inspection of Kacheguda-Mahboobnagar section and instructed the DRM to explore the possibility of increasing the speed of the section to reduce the running time of passenger trains.



Medical Department holds Seminar on 'Swachh Bharat Mission'



Clean environment boosts productivity of individuals, said Shri Umesh Singh, Addl. General Manager, South Central Railway while delivering his key note address at a Seminar on "Swachh Bharat Mission" conducted by the Medical Department of South Central Railway on October 6, 2015. He further said that Swachh Bharat Mission, announced by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, is the biggest ever cleanliness drive in the country and hoped it would achieve the goal of Clean India. While elaborating on the benefits of Swachh Bharat, Shri Umesh Singh stated that cleanliness and clean environment would boost the image of our nation, lead to reduction on medical budget, attract foreign tourists and attract foreign direct investment.

Dr. Girija Shankar, Chief Medical Director/SCR, in her address, described various steps being taken by the Medical Department to ensure cleanliness in railway hospitals, stations and colonies. She informed that mechanized cleaning has been resorted to and manual scavenging had been totally abolished on SCR.

Shri Laxminarayan, CCM/SCR and Shri Ravinder Kumar, CPO/SCR, also addressed the Seminar. Dr. AVSRK Prasad, Dy. CMD (H&FW)/SCR presented his paper on *Swachh Bharat*, narrating various cleanliness initiatives on SCR. A skit on "Swachh Bharat" staged by the employees of Central Railway Hospital/Lallaguda, helped reinforce the concept 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness'.



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The amendment to provisions relating to quoting of PAN w.e.f. January 1, 2016

Rule 114B of Income Tax Rules, 1962 regarding Financial Transactions, where quoting of PAN is mandatory, have been amended as tabulated below:

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Sl. No.	Nature Of Transaction	Mandatory Quoting Of PAN (Rule 14b)	
		Existing Requirement	New Requirement
1	Immovable property	Sale/purchase valued at Rs.5 lakh or more	i) Sale/purchase exceeding Rs.10 lakh; ii) Properties valued by Stamp Valuation authority at amount exceeding Rs.10 lakh will also need PAN
2	Motor vehicle (other than two wheeler)	All sales/purchases	No change
3	Time deposit	Time deposit exceeding Rs.50,000 with a banking company	i) Deposits with Co-op banks, Post Office, Nidhi, NBFC companies will also need PAN ii) Deposits aggregating to more than Rs.5 lakh during the year will also need PAN
4	Deposit with Post Office Savings Bank	Exceeding Rs.50,000	Discontinued
5	Sale or purchase of securities	Contract for sale/purchase of a value exceeding Rs.1 lakh	No change
6	Opening an account (other than time deposit) with a banking company	All new accounts	i) Basic Savings Bank Deposit Account excluded (no PAN requirement for opening these accounts); ii) Co-operative banks also to comply
7	Installation of telephone/cellphone connections	All instances	Discontinued
8	Hotel/restaurant bill(s)	Exceeding Rs.25,000 at any one time (by any mode of payment)	Cash payment exceeding Rs.50,000
9	Cash purchase of bank drafts pay orders/banker's cheques	Amount aggregating to Rs.50,000 or more during any one day	Exceeding Rs.50,000 on any one day
10	Cash deposit with banking company	Cash aggregating to Rs.50,000 or more during any one day	Cash deposit exceeding Rs.50,000 in a day
11	Foreign travel	Cash payment in connection with foreign travel of an amount exceeding Rs.25,000 at any one time (including fare, payment to travel agent, purchase of forex)	Cash payment on connection with foreign travel or purchase of foreign currency of an amount exceeding Rs.50,000 at any one time (including fare, payment to travel agent)
12	Credit Card	Application to banking company/any other company/institution for credit card	No change Co-operative banks also to comply
13	Mutual fund units	Payment of Rs.50,000 or more for purchase	Payment exceeding Rs.50,000 for purchase
14	Shares of company	Payment of Rs.50,000 or more to a company for acquiring its shares	i) Opening a Demat account ii) Purchase or sale of shares of an unlisted company for an amount exceeding Rs.1 lakh per transaction
15	Debentures/bonds	Payment of Rs.50,000 or more to a company/institution for acquiring its debentures/bonds	Payment exceeding Rs.50,000
16	RBI Bonds	Payment of Rs.50,000 or more to RBI for acquiring its bonds	Payment exceeding Rs.50,000
17	Life insurance premium	Payment of Rs.50,000 or more in a year as premium to an insurer	Payment exceeding Rs.50,000 in a year
18	Purchase of jewellery/bullion	Payment of Rs.5 lakh or more at any one time or against a bill	Deleted and merged with next item in this table
19	Purchases or sales of goods or services	No requirement	Purchase/sale of any goods or services exceeding Rs.2 lakh per transaction
20	Cash cards/prepaid instruments issued under Payment & Settlement Act	No requirement	Cash payment aggregating to more than Rs.50,000 in a year

General Manager Inspects Ballarshah-Kazipet Section of Secunderabad Division

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager undertook the annual inspection of Ballarshah-Kazipet

section on Secunderabad Division on December 3, 2015. Commencing from the SCR jurisdiction at the Wardha Rail Bridge on Penganga River, the inspection covered all the major Railway Stations enroute up to Ramagundam.

The first stop of the General Manager's inspection was at the Wardha Bridge on Penganga River between Ballarshah and Manikgarh. Shri Ravindra Gupta inspected the entire bridge structure which had seen major restoration works. Later, the General Manager stopped at Sirpur Kagaznagar station, where he undertook extensive inspection of the station premises, points and crossings, the traction sub-station, etc. Shri Koneru Konappa, Hon'ble MLA/Sirpur Kagaznagar, called on the General Manager, and discussed on rail developmental plans and passenger needs of the area.

At Bellampalli Railway Station, Shri Ravindra Gupta inaugurated a 5KWP Grid Solar Power Plant, yet another testimony of SCR's endeavour towards green power. Bellampalli Railway Station has also earned the distinction of being the first LED-lit station. The General Manager's inspection at Bellampalli covered the Railway Station, residential colony, Freight Train Examination facility, etc. Carrying the initiative forward in terms of staff welfare, Shri Gupta also inaugurated a badminton court and a children's park in the Railway Colony area at Bellampalli. The next halt for the General Manager was at Manchiryal where the inspection of station was followed by the inspection of Cabin as well as the ongoing tripling of Rail line works in the section.



Shri Ravindra Gupta later halted at Ramagundam Railway Station where a 5 HP Solar pump, Health Unit and Children's park were inaugurated. The inspection of the Railway Station building was followed by inspection of Railway Quarters and Routine Over Hauling Shed. Shri Balka Suman, Hon'ble MP/Peddapalli; Shri N Diwakar Rao, Hon'ble MLA/Manchiryal; Shri Durgam Chinaiah, Hon'ble MLA/Bellampalli and Shri S Satyanarayana, Hon'ble

MLA/Ramagundam met the General Manager at Ramagundam and held discussions concerning rail development in the region.

The General Manager, who conducted a window trailing inspection of the Railway track on the Balharshah-Kazipet section simultaneously on run, was accompanied by a host of Principal Heads of Departments of SCR along with Shri Ashesh Agrawal, DRM/ Secunderabad Division, were also present.



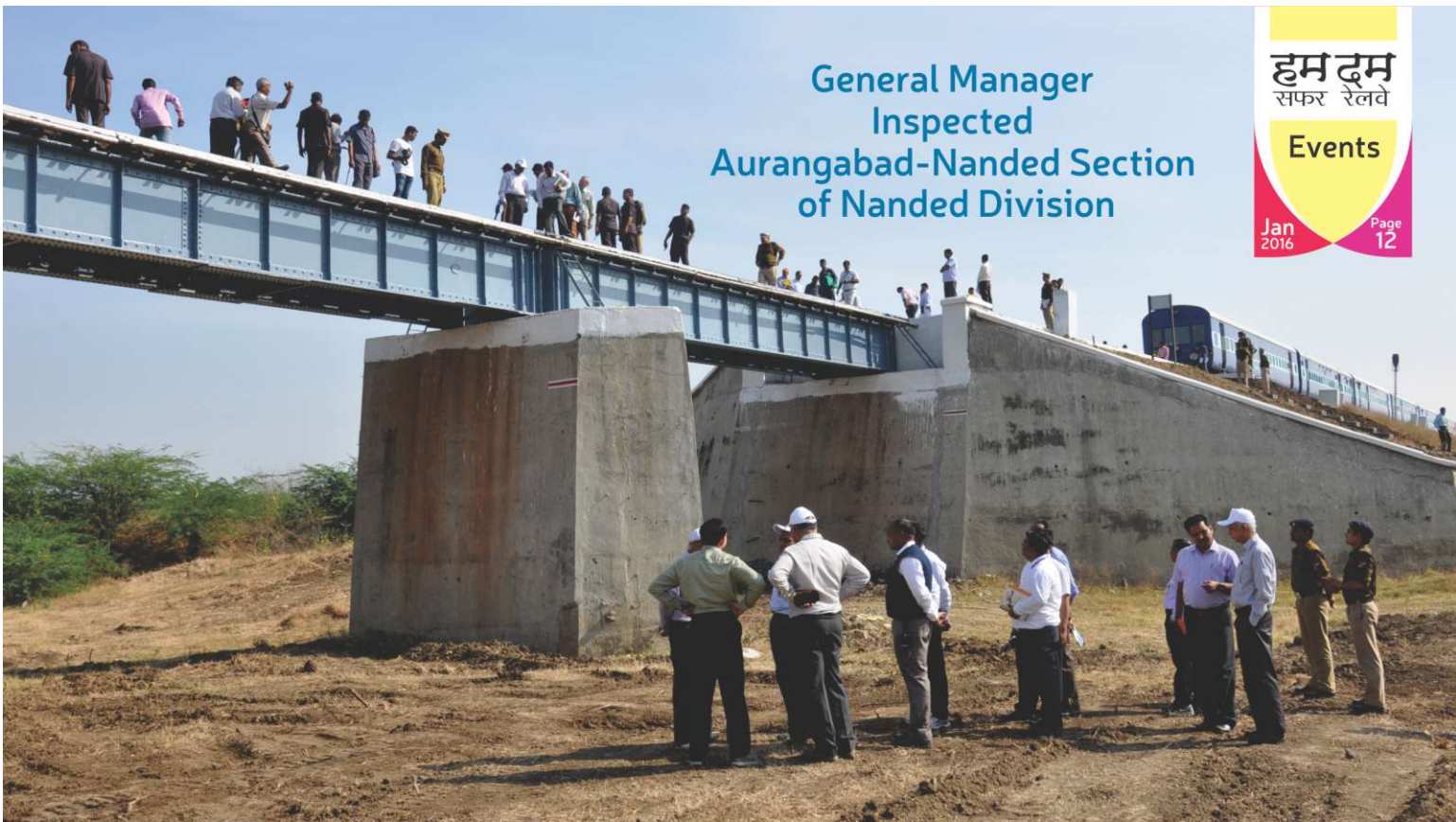
General Manager Inspected Aurangabad-Nanded Section of Nanded Division

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Addressing the media representatives, the General Manager said that Aurangabad station is to be modernized along with provision of multi functional commercial complex on Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model. He also assured provision of escalator facility at the station. Responding to a query, the General Manager said that container transportation facilities for industrial needs would be made available at Aurangabad

and planted a sapling in the premises of Community Hall to mark a green initiative. Shri Ravindra Gupta interacted with representatives of local public representatives, trade and commerce etc. on issues concerning Rail development in the area.

Later at H. S. Nanded Railway Station, Shri Ravindra Gupta's inspection covered the entire station area including both the entrance points, platforms, circulating area, waiting halls, booking offices, reservation office, etc. The General Manager spoke to the media and said that H S Nanded station will be still more developed in tune with its status as a very important pilgrim centre in India. He also assured that the requirements of the region in terms of enhanced train connectivity, etc., will be catered to the possible extent. The General Manager also met the local public representatives including Shri D P Sawant, Hon'ble MLA, Nanded and received their representations.

During the course of his window trailing inspection of the section on run, the General Manager inspected Unmanned Level Crossings, Manned Level Crossings and Bridges.

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager undertook the annual inspection of Aurangabad-Nanded section on Nanded Division on December 7, 2015. Commencing from Aurangabad Railway Station, the inspection covered all the major Railway Stations en route till Nanded.

The General Manager commenced his schedule with the inspection of Aurangabad Railway station, where he scrutinized the General and Upper Class waiting halls, Booking counters, Retiring Rooms, Circulating area, etc. He inaugurated the renovated Combined Crew Booking Lobby. The General Manager inspected the Food Court at the station and advised that a surveillance camera can be installed at the premises to analyze the head count of customers and assess the sales figures of the Food Court. Later, he met the representatives of the local Chamber of Commerce, Passengers Association and Representatives of various other Public Organizations.

Railway station. He also spoke on speeding up Akola-Khandwa gauge conversion works and Mudkhed-Parbhani double line project.

At Jalna Railway Station, the General Manager went round the entire premises, inspecting the circulating area, booking office and platforms. He suggested improvements to the main entrance side of the station. He inaugurated a Community Hall located in the Railway Colony



Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager undertakes Inspection of MMTS Services and Lingampalli Station

Shri Ravindra Gupta, GM/SCR undertook Inspection of MMTS Train Services from Secunderabad to Lingampalli and Lingampalli Railway Station on November 9, 2015. He was accompanied by Shri Ashesh Agrawal, DRM, Secunderabad Division.

Shri Ravindra Gupta commenced the inspection on the MMTS network, from Secunderabad by boarding a MMTS Service bound to Lingampalli. He checked on the amenities and facilities available on the MMTS Trains and Stations. The General Manager boarded various coaches of the train and spent time interacting with the MMTS commuters including the IT professionals, women passengers, students, daily wage earners etc. to understand their needs and solicited suggestions for further betterment of MMTS.

With the General Manager's inspection being undertaken in the peak hours, the traveling public across various strata spoke to the General Manager in detail on the issues concerning MMTS services, particularly on the punctuality, security, carrying capacity and ticketing front. The passengers were also unanimous in their views to express overall satisfaction with MMTS Services in the twin cities. Shri Ravindra Gupta sought that the passengers make use of the mobile apps – HYLITES/TADAAS and RISSTA pertaining to train information and security respectively. He also assured that every effort will be made to still more enhance the standards of MMTS travel.

Later, after reaching destination, Shri Ravindra Gupta undertook inspection of Lingampalli Railway Station, extensively checking the facilities available including the platforms, booking offices, waiting areas, circulating area, etc. He was also briefed on the developmental plans of Lingampalli under implementation.

Speaking to the Media at Lingampalli Railway Station after completion of the inspection, the General Manager detailed the flow of traffic on MMTS Services and stated that the suggestions of MMTS commuters will be taken note of and action initiated to redress the same. He emphasized that the need for more accommodation by MMTS Services, particularly to enable convenient travel in peak hours will be met by implementing plans to enhance standing passenger's capacity in the coaches, by suitably designing the same. With regard to Lingampalli Railway Station, Shri Ravindra Gupta said that the construction of Cover Over Platform on Platform No.04, being undertaken presently will be suitably redrawn to extend till the new Foot Over Bridge.

Ms. Chandrima Roy, ADRM (Operations), Secunderabad Division and Shri MUmashankar Kumar, CPRO were amongst the officials present.





Shri Ravindra Gupta, GM/SCR stressed on the need to prioritize rail project works, setting deadlines and attaining them, so as to ensure economic viability and timely commissioning. He was addressing a meeting held to review the progress of MMTS Phase-II and other Projects being undertaken by Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) on November 20, 2015 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.

Shri P Srinivas, Chief Project Manager, RVNL made a power point presentation on the RVNL works in progress on SCR's network, which include MMTS Phase-II, Wadi-Raichur-Guntakal electrification, Hospet-Guntakal electrification, Rail Bogie Karkhana, Yadgir etc. He briefed the SCR General Manager on the actual status of the ongoing works and the plans formulated by RVNL for completion.

On MMTS Phase-II project, Shri Ravindra Gupta was briefed on the progress, which is proceeding ahead in all the five stretches simultaneously. The MMTS Phase-II covers a length of 103 kms and is estimated to cost Rs. 819 crore. The RVNL officials informed that on the existing double line Moula Ali-Ghatkesar (14 kms) stretch, another two rail lines are being added to facilitate handling of MMTS train movements. The Moula Ali-Sanathnagar section of 23 kms, which is presently a single line and serves Goods Traffic movement, is being doubled as part of MMTS Phase-II. This length, which covers densely populated areas passes through Defence land also. The Secunderabad-Bolarum existing double line is being electrified, while work is on for doubling of the Bolarum-Medchal stretch. Work is also in progress on the Falaknuma-Umdanagar section.

16 major bridges are coming up under MMTS Phase-II project out of which, work is in progress on 11 bridges. 133 minor bridges are also slated to be constructed out of which, 46 are already complete. RVNL has set targets to complete the project in a phased manner.

After the review presentation, Shri Ravindra Gupta addressed the RVNL and senior railway officials present at the meeting and asked them to quickly finalise plans which are pending rail project works and evolve a coordinated approach towards completing them on schedule. He called for framing a strict timeline for each of the project, which shall be reviewed at regular monthly meetings so as to meet targeted completion dates. Stressing on the importance of MMTS Phase-II project, he stated that this project will serve to decongest Hyderabad City and will majorly contribute to the Urban Development Plan of the Twin Cities. The RVNL officials also appraised the General Manager on the issues concerning Defence land on Sanathnagar-Moula Ali section which needs to be acquired for the MMTS project. The issue is being pursued with the Defence Authorities at New Delhi and a positive outcome is on way, it was informed. The SCR General Manager, on his part also assured of all cooperation to sort out this matter.

The General Manager assured that the railways will be ready to clear plans furnished by RVNL concerning the projects in progress in the least possible time, towards which he wanted the Divisional Railway Managers to coordinate. Amongst the officials present were, Shri Umesh Singh, AGM, Shri J N Jha, Chief Operations Manager/SCR.

General Manager Reviews Progress of MMTS Phase-II and Other Projects with Rail Vikas Nigam Limited



SCR Golfer wins Gold Medal in World Railway Golf Tournament

Shri Ajay Bharati working in Commercial Department was a part of the Indian Railway Golf Team that won the Gold Medal at the World Railway Golf Tournament, held at Vichy in France between 21st and 26th September, 2015. The team bagged the first place defeating Railway Teams from countries like France, United Kingdom, Finland, Ireland, etc.



Railway Golf Club, IRISCT Campus, Tarnaka, was instrumental in providing training of international standards to Sri Ajay Bharati and also the opportunity for regular practice, thus enabling his exploits and mastering the game. Incidentally, Railway Golf Club is the first Golf

Club for 60% of the golfers in twin cities and is one of the few Golf Clubs in the country situated in the heart of the city. The Golf Club conducts regular coaching camps for children every year.

Electrical Department wins Trophy in Inter-Departmental Cricket Tournament



Electrical Department clinched the Championship trophy at the SCR inter-departmental cricket tournament, held from 6th to 14th October, 2015, at the Railway Sports Complex Grounds, Secunderabad. In all, nine departments participated and were divided into two groups. At the final, which was played between Electrical and Commercial Departments, Electrical won the match with eight wickets margin.

At the valedictory function, Shri Kabeer Ahmad, Chief Mechanical Engineer / SCR, the chief guest on the occasion, gave away the prizes. Shri Gajanan Mallya, Sr. Deputy General Manager/SCR & President/SCR Sports Association, Shri K.V. Siva Prasad, Chief Engineer (Construction) SCR & General Secretary, SCR Sports Association and Shri K. Balasubramanyam, Dy. Chief Vigilance Officer (Accounts), SCR & Secretary, Cricket, SCR Sport Association were also present on the occasion.

General Manager inspects Railway Sports Complex, Secunderabad

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager undertook inspection of Railway Sports Complex (RSC), Secunderabad on November 28, 2015. The RSC, popularly known as RRC Grounds is one of the biggest multi facility sports complex in the country and is one of the most centrally located sport facility in the city of Hyderabad. The General Manager was accompanied by Shri Gajanan Mallya, Sr. Deputy General Manager & President, SCR Sports Association (SCRSA), Shri K V Shivaprasad, Chief Engineer & General Secretary, SCRSA, Smt Aruna Singh, Divisional Railway Manager, Hyderabad Division and other officials during the inspection.

Shri Ravindra Gupta commenced his inspection visit of the wide expanse of the RSC grounds by symbolically planting a sapling at the ground. He began his inspection from the Indoor stadium and later on had a keen look of the entire complex covering all the sporting facilities including hockey, football, cricket, cycling veldrome, athletic track, boxing, volleyball, basketball, billiards, weight lifting grounds/stadiums etc. He also inspected the swimming pool, sports hostel, gymnasium etc., to check on the standards of the facilities available.

The General Manager took the opportunity to interact with the sports men & women of SCR belonging to various disciplines to have a first hand analysis of their requirements and motivated them to perform to the best of their ability. SCR is home to some of the most talented sports persons and is known to encourage sporting talent to a high level.

Shri Ravindra Gupta opined that every effort should be made to not just develop sporting infrastructure at RSC grounds but also maintain them to the best of standards. This shall enable sporting talent to flourish on SCR, he added.



General Manager holds Review Meeting; Calls for Proactive Approach to attain targets

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Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager called for a pro-active approach so as to excel in various performance spheres and attain targets set for the Zone in the current fiscal 2015-16 during the review meeting with all the PHODs at Rail Nilayam and the DRMs of all six divisions through video conferencing on October 28, 2015.

Shri Ravindra Gupta, stressed that aspects such as safety of train operations, freight loading, earnings, punctuality of trains, progress of ongoing rail projects and expenditure incurred towards various allocated heads shall be given due priority.

The General Manager made it clear that the Officials need to reach out to the rail customers and work hard in the remaining months of the current FY, so as to meet the objectives set.

Speaking on the priority areas, Shri Ravindra Gupta, stated that the emphasis shall be on punctuality of train operations; cleanliness at stations and trains, particularly the toilets; no compromise in attaining zero accident rate towards Mission Safety; optimal utilisation of assets; commissioning of targeted works etc.

The General Manager instructed to take measures to enhance the freight and passenger traffic and generate higher revenue. Towards this, ticket checking

activities shall be increased to ensure growth in ticket sales at booking windows; sundry earnings be improved and outstanding debts to be recovered. Spelling out another of the priority, the General Manager stressed upon the completion of projects as per the targets set towards which money is no constraint. In the case of new railway line, doubling / tripling works, he instructed that detailed bar charts of different activities of each project be prepared and the time lines shall be strictly adhered to complete the same. He also sought that the passenger amenity works like Lifts, Escalators, waiting halls, cover over platforms, foot over bridges need to be completed on priority.

Zonal Railway Training Institute, Moula Ali celebrates its 43rd Annual Day

The Zonal Railway Training Institute, Moula Ali celebrated its 43rd Annual Day on December 17, 2015 at its premises. Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Shri J N Jha, Chief Operations Manager/SCR and Shri G Laxminarayan, Chief Commercial Manager/SCR presided over the function. Several Principal Heads of Departments, Smt. Aruna Singh, DRM/ Hyderabad Division, faculties and trainees attended the function in large number.

Addressing the audience, Shri Ravindra Gupta stated that ZRTI, Moula Ali is one of the premier traffic training institutes of Indian Railways. Indian Railways is in the forefront of providing quality transportation to the nation and has become the backbone of the economy. He expressed his happiness ZRTI institute has developed the wherewithal and is fully ready to meet the training needs of the personnel of SCR.

Indian railways is moving parallel in this direction to reduce the unit cost of transportation and ensure high pay load capacity transportation of passenger and goods.



This institute has taken lead to improve professional knowledge and competence, promote safety consciousness, and train the staff on importance of improving market share through quality customer service, the GM added.

Shri Ravindra Gupta further appreciated ZRTI for its new initiatives of developing INQUIZITIVE—a computer generated interactive quiz on the operating and commercial subjects for the trainees; SAMCHITA—a trainee resource programme and a simulator for station masters for getting on field exposure. The General Manager released a CD containing training material in animated format and annual training schedule of ZRTI for the year 2016.

Shri J N Jha while addressing the gathering, said that ZRTI, through its excellent training programmes, was able to develop trainees into a whole disciplined railway professionals. Shri Laxminarayan stated that apart from HR development, ZRTI plays a pivotal role in imparting essential soft skills such as positive attitude, customer-care and courtesy.

Shri Ramesh Babu, Principal/ZRTI presented the institute's annual report. He also stated that during 2014, ZRTI conducted 110 training courses and trained 3500 railway personnel such as Assistant Station Master. The General Manager handed over medals and Certificate of merit to the toppers in various training programmes.



General Manager Inspects Carriage Workshop, Lallaguda

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, undertook annual inspection of Carriage Workshop, Lallaguda, Secunderabad on December 9, 2015. This is one of the biggest Carriage Workshops

on Indian Railways. He was accompanied by Shri Kabeer Ahmed, Chief Mechanical Engineer, Shri K P Somkuwar, Chief Workshops Engineer, Shri S S Mishra, Chief Rolling Stock Engineer/SCR and Shri P Uday Kumar Reddy, Chief Workshop Manager/Carriage Workshop.

The General Manager commenced with the schedule with the inspection of Centre Buffer Coupling (CBC) section and followed it up the inspection of the other shop floors as Bogie shop; Roller Bearing shop; Lift Lower shop; Carriage shop and Metallurgy Laboratory. At all these places, the General Manager was briefed on the working facilities, Manpower availability and output by the workshop officials.

Shri Ravindra Gupta intensively undertook check of the entire Workshop and advised that the Carriage Workshop shall be further developed by means of enhancing infrastructure facilities of the most modern standards. He further stressed, that the Workshop shall rank amongst the top most on Indian Railways. The General Manager inaugurated a new Power Car Shed, renovated air brake section and extension of Lift Lower Shop. These new additions are going to strengthen the infrastructural capabilities of the Workshop.

The Chief Workshop Manager detailed Shri Ravindra Gupta on the innovations that have been undertaken at the Workshop. An automated computerized DV test system has been innovated and put in use. Yet another innovation has been, full implementation of

Workshop Information System (WISE) an Employee centric welfare measure has also been commissioned, enabling the Workshop personnel to access their details pertaining to Service Particulars, Family Particular, Leave Particular etc.,

Shri S N Singh, Chief Principal Engineer, Shri Solan Gupta, Chief Electrical Engineer, Shri R C Boolchandani, Chief Administrative Officer, Construction, Shri R Ranjan Prasad, Chief Personnel Officer, Dr. Usha K. Madalli, Chief Medical Director, Shri R L Pawar, Controller of Stores, Shri M Umashankar Kumar, Chief Public Relations Officer and Senior Railway Officials were also present during the inspection.



Seminar held to mark Energy Conservation Week

A seminar was organised by SCR as a part of the observance of Energy Conservation Week at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad on December 16, 2015, during which Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager categorically stated that the scope for energy and fuel saving is sizeable if right inputs go in running of locomotives. Citing an example, he stated that loco pilots of electric locomotives can enable generate more energy through regenerative braking system of the electrical locomotives. Towards attaining the objective. The General Manager called upon the supervising officials to extensively monitor the energy consumption levels of Loco Pilot during their each working slots, since Loco Pilots' experience and expertise in handling the diesel and electric locomotives can lead to positive results. He also wanted



Shri Solan Gupta, CEE/SCR, stated that recently SCR has introduced new initiatives viz., energy savers in welding sets which switch on the plant only during actual welding operation, setting of temperatures for geysers, water coolers, air conditioner. Solar panels to conserve energy are extensively used all over SCR, he added.

implementation of innovative methods and systems which would save electrical energy and contribute towards reduction of Carbon footprint to arrest climate change.

Shri Ravindra Gupta emphasised that SCR is strongly committed to the cause of energy conservation as exemplified by the fact that SCR has bagged Seven prestigious National Energy Conservation Awards for the year 2015 from the Ministry of Power, Govt. of India.

An exhibition was also organised on the occasion which showcased the latest technologies and products capable of conserving electrical energy. Papers were presented by experts in the field of power on Solar Net Metering & Grid Connected Solar system. Electrical department also made a presentation, where the advantages of renewable sources of energy were highlighted.

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us as bitter
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BLESSINGS
in disguise.

-Oscar Wilde

go confidently
in the direction
of your dreams.
live the life you
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Henry David Thoreau



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Find
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interested
in it. Julia Child

The Next
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Just Be
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NEVER REGRET!

IF IT'S GOOD, IT'S WONDERFUL. IF IT'S BAD, IT'S EXPERIENCE

General Manager Inspects Nandyal-Guntur-Mangalagiri Section on Guntur Division

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager undertook the annual inspection of Nandyal-Guntur-Mangalagiri section on Guntur Division on December 18, 2015. Commencing from Nandyal Railway Station, the inspection covered all the major Railway Stations enroute till Mangalagiri.

Shri Ravindra Gupta began his inspection with the Nandyal Railway Station where he surveyed the Running Room, Crew Lobby, Dining Hall etc. He interacted with several public representatives at the Station and also spoke to the media. He inaugurated the renovated Health Unit and advised on several more improvements to be carried out so as to benefit the Railway employees. Later, the General Manager inspected the Railway colony and Staff quarters, where he inaugurated a newly constructed block.

The General Manager conducted a window trailing inspection from Nandyal, passing through Nandipalli, Gazulapalli and Chelama Railway Stations. Next, he conducted the inspection of the Bogada tunnel, which is the longest tunnel on SCR measuring 1.54 Kilometers. He conducted a thorough scrutiny of Minor Bridge no. 304 near Bogada tunnel, and checked the emergency communication sockets situated there. He also made several suggestions to the engineering staff for good upkeep of the tunnel. On the way, he stopped at an Unmanned Level Crossing between Somidevipalli and Yadavalli and undertook inspection. The General Manager also interacted with the Gangmen on the way.

At Markapur, Shri Ravindra Gupta had a keen look of the panel control at the Railway Station to analyze Rail Operations handling here. Display of safety equipment here also caught the General Manager's attention. Smt. V Radhika, Municipal Chairperson/Markapur, met the General Manager and discussed the needs of Rail users. On the staff welfare front, he inaugurated a Railway Institute at Donakonda. The next halt of the General Manager's inspection was at Gundlakamma River Railway Bridge, where he checked on the technical aspects of the bridge and its maintenance. At Narsaraopeta and Mangalagiri, Shri Gupta made a thorough inspection of the Stations. The inspection culminated at Guntur, where the Station inspection was followed by a meeting with Shri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao, Hon'ble MP and representatives of various user associations, etc. He also inaugurated electronic coach indication boards on Platform No. 1 here.

The General Manager was accompanied by a host of Principal Heads of Departments of SCR. Shri Vijay Sharma, DRM/Guntur division, was also present.



World AIDS Day Observed



The Medical Department, Secunderabad Division of South Central Railway observed World AIDS Day on December 1, 2015 by organizing awareness programmes and taking out a rally to propagate the fall out of the dreaded disease.

The procession at Secunderabad railway station precincts saw the participation of various categories of railway staff of Secunderabad Station including personnel of Health Unit, Commercial staff, Railway Protection Force, Porters etc. This culminated with an awareness programme wherein doctors from the Division spoke on the impact of AIDS in the society. They called for all measures to eradicate this evil.

This year the World AIDS Day theme focused on 'Getting to Zero' by means of Zero New HIV Infections, Zero Discrimination and Zero AIDS related deaths.

General Manager Inspects Central Hospital Lallaguda

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, South Central Railway inspected Central Hospital, Lallaguda, Secunderabad on November 14, 2015. His inspection, in tune with the stress being accorded towards employee welfare centric objective, covered the entire hospital premises including the Intensive Care Unit, Neo-natal Intensive Care Unit, various wards including Obstetrics & Gynaecology ward, Physiotherapy Unit, pharmacy stores, Out Patient block etc.

The General Manager interacted with Dr. Girija Shankar, Chief Medical Director, Central Hospital and other Doctors and sought details on the working of the hospital and the patient demands handled. He advised that the hospital facilities and services shall be enhanced still more, so as to be on par with the best. This will ensure that the health and welfare of the railway employees and their dependants are taken due care of.



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59th Mahaparinirvan Diwas observed



South Central Railway observed 59th Mahaparinirvan Diwas of Bharat Ratna Dr. B R Ambedkar on December 8, 2015 and paid fitting homage to mark his death anniversary. Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, the Chief Guest on the occasion, lit a ceremonial lamp.

Shri Ravindra Gupta while paying his tributes, highlighted the tremendous contributions made by Dr. Ambedkar towards developing a classless society especially for the upliftment of the down-trodden. Further, he said that the real tribute to Dr Ambedkar would be to implement his principles by ensuring no segment of society is excluded while dispensing the benefit of Constitution to see more equal world in the days to come, he added.

Shri R R Prasad, CPO/SCR said that Dr. Ambedkar stood very firmly for his ideals and fought against caste system, superstitious, unethical, illegal practices that existed in the society.

Shri N V Ramana Reddy, CPO (Admin.)/SCR, extolled Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, saying that the Constitution of India written by him withstood the test of time and remains relevant to the Indian society even today.

Shri. Shankar Rao/General Secretary/SCRMU, Shri Barani Prasad/Asst. General Secretary/SCRES and Shri V V Naik/President/SCR SC & ST Railway Employees Association, also spoke on the occasion.



General Manager holds parleys with Cement Industry representatives

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager assured the Cement Industry that the Zone is open to look into issues raised by them, so as to encourage and enhance cement traffic by rail. He was addressing representatives of various Cement companies located on the SCR network, who attended a meeting called on November 27, 2015 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad to discuss on plans and strategy for increasing transport of cement during the remaining period of the current financial year 2015-16 on SCR.

The meeting, primarily called by SCR to interact with the cement sector with a view to plan for increased rail share of cement transport for the current financial year. The General Manager stated that the misgivings of the cement sector will be cleared and plans will be drawn to meet the specific requirements of the cement industry to enable them utilise the rail sector for transport of cement, both for short lead and long lead distances. He also added that along with cement, the cement sector should also utilise railways for transport of Clinker, bulk cement, fly ash and raw material like gypsum & coal required for cement

industry. The General Manager added that the Railway Board will be apprised of the suggestions given by the representatives of the participant industries.

Representatives from the cement industry spoke on their expectations and needs from the Railways in terms of Operating and Commercial support. The issues raised by them concerned availability of Rakes, Freight discount schemes, settlement of claims etc. They expressed confidence that, the share of cement loading on Railways will see an increase in the ensuing months of the current fiscal. The cement companies which were represented at the meeting include Ultra Tech, Vasavadatta, Kesoram, Vikat Sagar, Manikgarh, Ramco, My Home, India Cements, JayPee, Pennar, Cement Corporation of India, Zuari cements etc.,

Earlier, Shri J N Jha, Chief Operations Manager, SCR made a power point presentation to detail the cement traffic flow from various clusters on the Zone, to show shifts in cement traffic trends. Shri Umesh Singh, AGM/SCR; Shri G Laxminarayan, CCM; Shri Ashesh Agarwal, DRM/SC; Shri B G Mallya, DRM/GTL were also present.

Shri Kesineni Srinivas, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Vijayawada inaugurated Cool RO Water Vending Machine at Vijayawada Railway Station December 6, 2015. Shri Ashok Kumar, Divisional Railway Manager, Vijayawada Division was also present.



30th Pension Adalat on SCR



Shri S N Singh, A G M / SCR called upon railway officials to solve the grievances of the railway pensioners and their dependents in an expeditious manner. He was addressing at the 30th Pension Adalat, conducted by Personnel Department on December 15, 2015 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad for the benefit of pensioners retired from SCR Headquarters. Further, Shri Singh stated that, apart from Pension Adalats, there must be a permanent arrangement by Personnel and Accounts Departments to pay attention and solve the grievances of pensioners on a daily basis.

Shri R R Prasad, CPO informed that a permanent grievance redressal committee would be formed with officers from Personnel and Accounts Departments to meet the pensioners regularly. The 30th Pension Adalat received a total of 806 grievances from pensioners, out of which 701 cases were settled and an amount of Rs. 27, 04, 992/- was paid towards settlement dues.

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Massive Restoration Work Leads to Rail Lines becoming Operational on Vijayawada-Gudur-Chennai; Gudur-Renigunta and Renigunta-Gooty Sectors in record time

The heavy rains and floods in the Southern coast near Chennai during mid-November, 2015 caused disruptions to rail traffic on SCR jurisdiction, with the Vendodu-Kondagunta and Yellakuru-Venkatagiri stretches of Gudur-Renigunta Section; Nandaluru-Mantapampalli stretch of Renigunta-Gooty Section; Gudur-Manubolu stretch of Gudur-Nellore Section getting badly affected. Besides the Tada-Sulurupeta stretch of Gudur-Chennai Section of Southern Railway also bore the brunt of heavy rains. Breaches on railway tracks, overflowing of water, etc. caused massive damage.

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager immediately held an emergency high level crisis management meeting to execute relief and restoration measures. He air dashed to Tirupati to personally inspect the damaged rail sections and monitor the restoration works which were taken up on a war-footing. This led to the rail sections of Gudur-Renigunta, Renigunta-Gooty and Gudur-Nellore becoming operational in a record time and enabled to restore normalcy in running of trains on these critical sections which connect the South-North/East/West corridors of the country.

Few of the measures which went into this 'Operation Normalcy' include:

- Round-the-clock Disaster Control Room at SCR headquarters with the General Manager being updated on the situation continuously and acting on his instructions.
- 55 officers were deputed from the Engineering, Electrical, Mechanical, S&T, Operating and Commercial departments, assigned with the task of supervising the restoration and relief measures at identified locations/stations. Over 750 personnel, including technical/skilled railway staff, gangmen, labour on contract were rushed from various places to the affected spots to undertake restoration works.
- Heavy earthmoving machinery was rushed to work spots, braving the bad condition of access to affected locations.
- Mobile high capacity Diesel Generators, Power Cars, Tower Cars etc., were put to use.
- 12600 gunny bags of sand, 4,600 cubic metres of ballast, boulders, cement, quarry dust etc., was also transported to the work spots for plugging the breached bank slips and strengthening the embankments at all the affected locations.
- Security arrangements were comprehensively done to take care of the passengers and their belongings by deployment of 120 Railway Protection Force (RPF) personnel including women constables.
- Dedicated phone helpline numbers were set up at various major railway stations to function round the clock until total normalcy of rail operations is restored.
- Extensive publicity was undertaken through print media, electronic media, social media including SCR's website, facebook, twitter etc., to disseminate information on train movements.



General Manager Inspects Renigunta-Guntakal Section of Guntakal Division

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Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager undertook the annual inspection of Renigunta-Guntakal section on Guntakal Division on January 2, 2016. Commencing from Renigunta, the inspection covered all the major Railway Stations enroute till Guntakal.

The General Manager commenced the inspection from Renigunta Railway station where he inaugurated a remodeled running room and an online Train Running Status Display System. He inspected the platforms the Booking Office, Waiting Halls and Circulating Area at the Railway Station. Later, he took up a window trailing inspection of the Renigunta-Pullampet section. He stopped at an Un-Manned Level Crossing Gate between Tuliampet and Razampeta stations where he carried out a thorough scrutiny of essential safety equipments, approach roads, track visibility, first aid availability, etc. He also interacted with the Gate Mitra there and enquired about the safety procedures being followed.

Shri Ravindra Gupta inspected a minor bridge and a Manned Level Crossing between Razampeta and Hastavaram Railway Stations by Trolley. He inaugurated a renovated Crew Booking Lobby at Nandalur Railway Station. On the employee welfare front, the General Manager inaugurated additional rooms at the Railway Institute, a Children's Park at the Railway Colony and also inspected the Health Unit at Kadapa. In tune with SCR's commitment towards enhancing energy efficiency, he inaugurated a 3 KWP Solar Street Lighting System at the Railway Colony. He also visited a Photo Exhibition on Electrical Equipment there.

Shri Ravindranath Reddy, Hon'ble MLA, Razampeta called on the General Manager at Kamalapuram Railway Station to discuss rail users' needs. As part of Green Initiatives, Shri Ravindra Gupta inaugurated a fully LED lit station at Kamalapuram and also planted saplings in the station premises. He also inspected a Gang Unit there and interacted with the crew.

At Tadipatri, the General Manager inspected the Railway Colony and inaugurated a Solar Pump House. Shri J.C.Diwakar Reddy, Hon'ble MP, Anantapur and Shri J.C.Prabhakar Reddy, Hon'ble MLA, Tadipatri met the General Manager at the Tadipatri Railway Station. The General Manager inspected a major bridge between Tadipatri and Guntakal Railway stations. The inspection culminated at Guntakal where Shri Ravindra Gupta inaugurated an Electric Loco Trip Shed, a TTE's Rest Room, a Patient's Dormitory at Railway Hospital, four units of Type-IV quarters at the Railway Colony and a Community Hall.

Shri Ravindra Gupta was accompanied by Shri B G Mallya, Divisional Railway Manager/Guntakal Division; Shri J N Jha, Chief Operations Manager; Shri S N Singh, Principle Chief Engineer; Shri R C Boolchandani, Chief Administrative Officer, Construction; Shri Solan Gupta, Chief Electrical Engineer; Shri M S Mehboob Ali, Chief Signalling and Telecommunications Engineer; Shri Kabeer Ahmed, Chief Mechanical Engineer; Shri S P Sahu, Chief Safety Officer; Shri R R Prasad, Chief Personnel Officer; Smt. Usha Madalli, Chief Medical Director, Shri B Vijayabhaskar, Chief Commercial Manager (Passenger Services)/SCR; Shri D K Singh, Commissioner Railway Safety/SC Circle, and other officers during the inspection.



General Manager Inspects Duvvada-Rajahmundry Section of Vijayawada Division

Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager undertook the annual inspection of Duvvada- Rajahmundry section on Vijayawada Division on December 22, 2015. Commencing from Duvvada, the inspection covered all the major Railway Stations enroute till Rajahmundry.

The inspection commenced at Duvvada Railway Station, with a Guard of Honour presented by the Railway Protection Force personnel to the General Manager. Shri Ravindra Gupta, later took up a window-trailing inspection of the Duvvada-Anakapalle section. He stopped at a Manned Level Crossing Gate between Thadi and Anakapalle stations and carried out a thorough scrutiny of the Gate Cabin, essential safety equipment, approach roads, track visibility, first aid availability, etc.

At Anakapalle Railway Station, the inspection covered the entire circulating area. The General Manager also met a cross-section of Rail users to elicit their requirements. On the welfare front, Shri Ravindra Gupta inaugurated a Children's park at the Railway Colony and interacted with the residents to enquire about the civic amenities available in the area. As another testimony to SCR's resolve to move towards use of green energy, a 15 KWP Solar Power System has been installed for the Anakapalle Railway Station on Platform no.3, which the General Manager inaugurated. He also addressed the local media persons and briefed them about inspection and works proposed for the next financial year. He detailed them about provision of escalator, construction of high level platform etc.

Later, the General Manager inspected a major Bridge between Anakapalle and Bayyavaram and a minor Bridge between Bayyavaram and Narasingapalli stations. He conducted a speed test between Narsipatnam Road and Tuni. Shri Ravindra Gupta inspected the

circulating area of Tuni Railway station, Health Unit and inaugurated a 5 HP solar pump in the Tuni Railway Staff Colony. Shri Ravindra Gupta inspected the Over Head Equipment (OHE) Sub-station between Tuni and Hamsavaram and conducted a speed test between Samalkot – Anaparthi Railway Stations. The General Manager inaugurated the newly constructed station building and the operating panel booking office at Kadiyam Railway Station. He inspected a Gang Unit at Kadiyam Railway station and planted saplings in station premises.

The inspection culminated at Rajahmundry, where the General Manager went round the entire circulating area of the station and had a look at all the facilities, the building façade, crew lobby, Accident Relief Train & Medical Relief Van etc. He received representations from Shri A Satya Narayana, MLA/Rajahmundry Urban. Addressing the media representatives here, the General Manager informed that works for third line between Duvvada and Vijayawada will be taken up after getting necessary approvals. He also announced that Rajahmundry station will be provided with 2 more lifts.

Shri Ravindra Gupta was accompanied by Shri Ashok Kumar, Divisional Railway Manager, Vijayawada division; Shri J N Jha, Chief Operations Manager; Shri S N Singh, Principle Chief Engineer; Shri R C Boolchandani, Chief Administrative Officer, Construction; Shri Gajanan Mallya, Sr. Deputy General Manager, Shri Solan Gupta, Chief Electrical Engineer; Shri M S Mehboob Ali, Chief Signalling and Telecommunications Engineer; Shri R R Prasad, Chief Personnel Officer; Smt. Usha Madalli, Chief Medical Director, Shri B Vijayabhaskar, Chief Commercial Manager (Passenger Services), SCR; Shri D K Singh, Commissioner Railway Safety/SC Circle, and other officers during the inspection.



South Central Railway attained yet another important mile stone in its performance efficiency sphere, by bagging a record seven National Energy Conservation Awards for the year 2014-15 awarded by Ministry of Power, Govt. of India. It is for the first time that SCR has won seven awards in one year, out of a total of twenty four awards received by the Indian Railways.

Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Power, Coal and New & Renewable Energy presented one of the awards received by SCR i.e., First Prize Shield in Office Buildings Sector (awarded to Centralised Training Academy for Railway Accounts-C-TARA, Secunderabad) to Shri Ravindra Gupta, General Manager, SCR at a glittering function held yesterday i.e., 14th December, 2015 at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi. The award was bestowed to C-TARA for registering a significant 24.75% savings in the consumption of electrical energy in the year 2014-15 as compared to the previous year 2013-14.

Yet another award presented to SCR at the function, was the second prize in General Category Sector awarded to Kazipet Pump House. This award was received by Shri Solan Gupta, Chief Electrical Engineer, SCR at the hands of Shri Piyush Goyal. The Pump House achieved a saving in consumption of energy to the extent of 37.93% in 2014-15 in comparison to the previous year 2013-14.



The important factor for determining the energy efficiency is Specific Energy Consumption i.e., "kWh/sq.m." for office / hospital / institution buildings and railway stations & "kWh/liter" for pumps.

During the year 2014-15, SCR saved 8.56 lakh units of electricity amounting to Rs.68.91 lakhs. The reduction has been possible by implementing various energy conservation measures i.e., use of renewable energy source (solar energy) at railway

stations, service buildings / pumps etc; use of star labelled electrical equipments, LED based lighting, use of energy efficient pumps, automation of pumps, energy efficient / lower wattage fittings in place of higher wattage fittings, timers for water coolers / lighting circuits / high masts etc; energy savers for AC units / pumps and occupancy sensors in service buildings etc.





इंसान को कठिनाइयों की आवश्यकता होती है क्योंकि सफलता का आनंद उठाने के लिए ये जरूरी है.

- ए.पी.जे. अब्दुल कलाम

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- अब्राहम लिंकन

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- मदर टेरेसा

किसी भी मुनष्य की वर्तमान स्थिति को देखकर उसके भविष्य का उपहास मत उड़ाओ क्योंकि काल में इतनी शक्ति है कि वो एक मामूली से कोयले के टुकड़े को हीरे में बदल सकता है.

- चाणक्य

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एक दिन अंधेरे ने ईश्वर के पास जाकर सूर्य की शिकायत करते हुए कहा कि 'हे भगवान! आप इस सूरज को समझाएं, ये मुझे भगाने का प्रयास करता रहता है. मुझे कहीं टिकने नहीं देता. मैं जहां जाता हूं मेरे पीछे चला आता है. मुझ पर छा जाता है और मुझे निगल जाता है. मेरे अस्तित्व को मिटाने पर तुला रहता है, इसका कुछ कीजिए.' ईश्वर ने सूरज को तलब किया. उससे अंधेरे के पीछे हाथ धोकर पड़े रहने और उसका अस्तित्व मिटाने की गलत कोशिश का कारण पूछा. सूरज बोला, 'भगवान आप किस अंधेरे की बात कर रहे हैं मैं तो ऐसे नाम के किसी को जानता तक नहीं, न ही मैंने उसे कभी देखा है. जिसे मैंने देखा नहीं और जिसे मैं जानता तक नहीं उसे मिटाने पर तुला होने का इलजाम मुझ पर लगाया जा रहा है. जिसके अस्तित्व का मुझे एहसास ही नहीं है उसे कैसे मिटाने की कोशिश करूंगा. वह अंधेरा तो कभी मेरे रुबरु ही नहीं हुआ है.' इस तरह सूरज ने अपने पक्ष में सफाई पेश की.

सच है, अंधेरा लाख शिकायत करे उजाले की, लेकिन उजाले के सामने आने का साहस तो कभी भी नहीं कर सकता.

बुराई अच्छाई से कभी रुबरु नहीं हो सकती. बुराई पीछे से अपने अस्तित्व की दुहाई बेशक देती रहे लेकिन अच्छाई का सामना करने पर उसे मिटना ही होगा.



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काशी के एक आश्रम में शिक्षा पूरी करने के बाद एक शिष्य वहां के राजा के पास गया और कहा, राजन् मैंने अपनी शिक्षा पूरी कर ली है और अब मैं समस्त शास्त्रों का ज्ञाता हूं. आप मुझे अपना गुरु बना लें. मैं आपको भागवत सहित सभी धर्मशास्त्रों की दीक्षा दूंगा. राजा ने कहा, वत्स, मैं भागवत के रहस्यों का मर्म तो समझना चाहता हूं लेकिन मेरे विचार से आप अभी इतने पारंगत नहीं हुए हैं कि आप मुझे दीक्षा दे सकें. मेरी राय में आपको अभी और अध्ययन की आवश्यकता है. उसके बाद आपको गुरु बना कर मुझे खुशी होगी. यह सुनकर विद्वान ब्राह्मण को बहुत आश्चर्य हुआ. उसने सोचा कि राजा ने बिना परीक्षा किए ही मेरी विद्वत्ता पर उंगली उठाई है. निराश होकर वह लौट आया. उसने यह बात अपने गुरु से कही. गुरु ने कहा, राजा ने अवश्य कोई कमी देखी होगी, तभी ऐसा कहा है. वह आश्रम में रहकर फिर से अध्ययन करने लगा. थोड़े दिन के बाद पुनः राजा के पास जाकर उसने गुरु बनने की इच्छा जताई. इस बार भी राजा ने कहा, वत्स अभी आपका ज्ञान अधूरा है. इस बार भी विद्वान ब्राह्मण निराश होकर लौट आया और फिर से धर्म ग्रंथों का अध्ययन करने लगा. इस बार उसे भागवत तथा अन्य शास्त्रों का गूढ़ अर्थ समझ में आ गया. अब उसके मन से राजा का गुरु बनने की इच्छा खत्म हो गई. वह फिर राजा के पास नहीं गया. थोड़े दिन के बाद राजा स्वयं ब्राह्मण के पास आए और कहा, मुनिवर, मेरा विचार है कि अब आप भागवत का गूढ़ अर्थ समझ गए हैं. अब मुझे आपका शिष्य बन कर खुशी होगी. शिष्य ने कहा, राजन आपकी बात सच थी. मैं हर बार अधूरा ज्ञान लेकर आपको अपना शिष्य बनाने की इच्छा करता था.

क्षेत्रीय राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक

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कार्यान्वयन का नियमित रूप से जायजा लेते रहें. रेलवे बोर्ड स्तर की शीलडें प्राप्त करने पर उन्होंने प्रधान कार्यालय और सिकंदराबाद मंडल के अधिकारियों और कर्मचारियों को बधाई दी. उन्होंने उम्मीद जताई कि इस रेलवे पर राजभाषा हिंदी के क्षेत्र में कुछ नया कार्य हो.

इसके पूर्व मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी ने महाप्रबंधक महोदय और अपर महाप्रबंधक का पुष्पगुच्छ से स्वागत करते हुए सभी सदस्यों का स्वागत किया. बैठक के दौरान महाप्रबंधक महोदय के करकमलों से प्रधान कार्यालय के विद्युत विभाग द्वारा बनाई गई द्विभाषिक टैपलेट पुस्तिका का विमोचन किया गया.

इससे पहले मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी ने इस रेलवे पर राजभाषा के क्षेत्र में हो रही गतिविधियों के बारे में जानकारी दी. उन्होंने कहा कि इस रेलवे का अधिकांश भाग 'ग' क्षेत्र में होने के बावजूद यहां के अधिकतर अधिकारी और कर्मचारी हिंदी में अपना काम करते हैं. विभागों में प्रयुक्त रूटीन प्रकार के पत्र, नोटिंग आदि के द्विभाषिक टैपलेट बनाकर कंप्यूटरों में लोड किए गए हैं

और इन टैपलेटों की पुस्तिका बनाई गई है. सभी स्टेशन संचालन नियम द्विभाषिक रूप में और फाटक संचालन नियम त्रिभाषिक रूप में उपलब्ध कराए गए हैं. फाटक संचालन नियम के सार को तीनों भाषाओं में एक पृष्ठ पर मुद्रित करवाकर फाटकों पर प्रदर्शित किया गया है. दक्षिण क्षेत्र की गाड़ी समय-सारणी को हिंदी में भी मुद्रित किया गया है. राजभाषा हिंदी के प्रचार-प्रसार के लिए सितंबर माह में आयोजित हिंदी पखवाड़ा के दौरान प्रधान कार्यालय, मंडलों, कारखानों आदि में तरह-तरह की हिंदी प्रतियोगिताएं, सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रमों, संगोष्ठियों आदि का आयोजन किया गया. उन्होंने आगे बताया कि संसदीय राजभाषा समिति द्वारा तिरुपति स्टेशन और सिकंदराबाद मंडल कार्यालय का सफल निरीक्षण किया गया. उन्होंने सभी सदस्यों से सहयोग की कामना की और अपनी ओर से हर संभव सहायता करने का आश्वासन दिया.

इसके पश्चात्, उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) ने पिछली बैठक में लिए गए महत्वपूर्ण निर्णयों पर की गई कार्रवाई की वर्तमान स्थिति प्रस्तुत की. इसके बाद बैठक की मानक कार्यसूची पर विस्तार से चर्चा की गई और तदनु रूप निर्णय लिए गए.

क्षेत्रीय राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की 150 वीं बैठक महाप्रबंधक महोदय श्री रवींद्र गुप्ता जी की अध्यक्षता में 04.12.2015 को संपन्न हुई. इस बैठक के दौरान अपने अध्यक्षीय संबोधन में महाप्रबंधक ने कहा कि इस रेलवे पर राजभाषा का कार्यान्वयन बेहतर ढंग से हो रहा है. राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन के लिए अनुकूल वातावरण बनाए रखने हेतु वर्ष भर विभिन्न प्रकार की प्रतियोगिताएं तथा सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम आयोजित किये जाएं. उन्होंने कहा कि संसदीय राजभाषा समिति के निरीक्षण को ध्यान में रखते हुए अधिकारीगण अपने-अपने क्षेत्राधिकार में राजभाषा के



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मुख्यालय राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक श्री एस.एन.सिंह, मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी और प्रमुख मुख्य इंजीनियर की अध्यक्षता में दिनांक 10.12.2015 को संपन्न हुई. बैठक के दौरान अध्यक्ष ने सभी सदस्यों से कहा कि संसदीय राजभाषा समिति के निरीक्षणों को ध्यान में रखते हुए नियमित रूप से राजभाषा की मदों में हो रही प्रगति का जायजा लिया जाए. द्विभाषिक रूप में बोर्ड, बैनर आदि बनाते समय हिंदी भाषा, वर्तनी, पदनाम आदि के छोटे रूप पर विशेष ध्यान दिया जाए और सही रूप में बोर्ड प्रदर्शित किए जाएं. अधिकारीगण निरीक्षणों के दौरान हिंदी मदों का अवश्य निरीक्षण करें तथा निरीक्षण रिपोर्ट की प्रति राजभाषा विभाग में भेजें. सभी विभागों में प्रेषण अनुभाग को चेक पाइंट बनाया जाए. राजभाषा अधिनियम की धारा 3(3) का शत-प्रतिशत अनुपालन सुनिश्चित किया जाए. सभी सदस्य अपने-अपने कार्यालय के अन्य अधिकारियों से भी कहें कि वे चेक-पाइंट के रूप में कार्य करें और कोई प्रलेख केवल अंग्रेजी

में जारी न होने दें. सभी अधिकारीगण विभागों में विभागीय बैठकों का आयोजन करें और राजभाषा हिंदी में हो रहे वास्तविक कार्य का जायजा लें. विभागों में संगोष्ठियों का आयोजन किया जाए. कार्यालयों में द्विभाषिक टैपलेटों को कंप्यूटरों में लोड करना सुनिश्चित करें ताकि उनका उपयोग किया जा सके. सभी कंप्यूटरों में यूनिकोड का प्रयोग किया जाए. वेबसाइट पर सामग्री अनिवार्य रूप से हिंदी-अंग्रेजी में अपलोड करना सुनिश्चित करें. अधिकारीगण अपने दौरा कार्यक्रम द्विभाषिक रूप में बनाएं. अधिकारीगण फाइलों पर छोटे-छोटे आदेश दें, एक शब्द, एक वाक्य अनिवार्य रूप से हिंदी में लिखें. सभी विभागों में 'आज का शब्द' बोर्ड लगाकर उसपर नियमित रूप से हिंदी के नए शब्द लिखे जाएं. यांत्रिक, विद्युत, सिगनल व दूरसंचार इंजीनियर विभागों द्वारा 'Trouble Shooting Manual' हिंदी और स्थानीय भाषा में जारी करने के लिए आवश्यक कार्रवाई की जाए. उन्होंने आगे कहा कि वार्षिक कार्यक्रम में

निर्धारित लक्ष्यों को प्राप्त करने के लिए निरंतर प्रयास करते रहना चाहिए.

श्री श्याम सुंदर साहु, उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) ने कहा कि राजभाषा हिंदी का विकास आज के परिप्रेक्ष्य को ध्यान में रखते हुए किया जाए और नवीनतम तकनीक को अपनाते हुए राजभाषा के कार्य को नयी दिशा प्रदान की जाए. उन्होंने कहा कि हर वर्ष हिंदी कहानी/कविता का संकलन प्रकाशित करने के प्रयास किए जाए. श्री लक्ष्मण शिवहरे, सदस्य सचिव/ मुख्यालय राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति और वरिष्ठ राजभाषा अधिकारी, प्रधान कार्यालय ने बैठक के आरंभ में सभी का स्वागत किया और तत्पश्चात् बैठक में कार्यसूची की विभिन्न मदों पर विस्तार से चर्चा की गयी और अध्यक्ष की अनुमति से आवश्यक निर्णय लिये गए. आभार प्रदर्शन के साथ बैठक समाप्त हुई.



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