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Chief Patron's Message

We are in the midst of a very important financial year for the Railways. The organization is being scrutinized with a hawks eye, and expectation on its performance and priorities occupy attention. It is extremely gratifying to note that South Central Railway is firmly on the saddle, and has been pursuing its targeted course in a planned manner. I expect that, each of our employees continue to render their job with responsibility and utmost dedication. Ultimately it is team work, which makes the critical difference between "Just missed" and "having achieved".

In this context, I would also like to emphasize that the Railway Ministry has accorded 100% priority towards Safety of rail operations. It is not just the task of the staff in Safety category to attain the optimal levels in this aspect, but of the entire workforce to indirectly mark their role. I am also of the opinion that, we has Railways should cultivate better and healthier lifestyle, which will lead to a more congenial atmosphere on the work front and resulting a better mental and physical orientation to perform productively.

Let us all reaffirm our commitment to serve with dedication, by means of excellent leap in performance, which is surely possible.

(Vinod Kumar Yadav)
General Manager

From Chief Editor's Desk

The past quarter between July – September, 2017 has seen hectic activity around on South Central Railway. The most prominent has been the nationally launched "Swachhta Hi Sewa"fortnight, which was an intensive cleanliness exercise involving the entire rail network and various stake holders. The reports which came in, speak volumes of the momentous efforts put in by rail personnel on the zone in this initiative. HUMDUM proudly carries a special story on the same. A host of events related reports are sure to engage your attention and add to your awareness levels on what is happening all around on SCR.

This issue of HUMDUM also carries a special article on the Shri Deendayal Upadhyay, the icon of Nationalism and Humanism who esponsed the cause of Indian culture, more fiercely than anyone else. I am sure, it would be an interesting and illuminating reading for you.

As we are in to the festive times, I wish that the brightness of success in every realm of our lives, prevails and SCR threads the performance path, more gloriously.

(M. Umashankar Kumar)
Chief Public Relations Officer



Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister for Railways holds a high-level meeting on Safety with Railway Board officials



Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister for Railways and Coal held a high level Safety review meeting on September 7, 2017 at New Delhi. The marathon meeting of the Hon'ble Minister with Chairman, Railway Board; all Railway Board Members & the Safety Directorate of Railway Board comprehensively reviewed the Safety measures for Train Operations. A detailed presentation on Safety was made at the meeting. There was threadbare discussion on the subject and the root cause of repeated cases of train accidents in recent past was thoroughly analyzed. In the meeting, the Hon'ble Minister emphasized that the safety is paramount and there cannot & should not be any compromise on this front.

Two major causes leading to accidents were identified as:

a) Unmanned Level Crossings accounted for 34% of accidents in 2016-17

b) Derailments due to defects in tracks The special focus of the meeting was to identify measures to reduce accidents due to derailments which has emerged as one of the major causes of Train accidents.



The Minister for Railways gave following directions to the Railway Board to ensure Safety:

1) All unmanned level crossings should be eliminated expeditiously on the entire Indian Railway network in a year's time from now. The earlier target was to eliminate these in 3 years but by using Transformative mantra of "Speed, Skill and Scale" this target has been expedited to less than 1 year now.

2) Track Replacement/renewal should be accorded Priority & the tracks (rails) earmarked for use for constructing new lines should be diverted to places/ stretches which are prone to accidents & where replacement is due.

3) The procurement of new rails should be expedited on a large scale with a view to complete construction of new lines in time.

4) The manufacturing of conventional ICF design coaches should be stopped forthwith & new design LHB coaches only should be manufactured.

5) Anti-Fog LED lights should be installed in Locomotives so that unhindered safe train operations can be ensured during fog season.

The Hon'ble Minister has directed the Railway Board to monitor implementations of this action plan on a regular basis.

Comprehensive review of Safety undertaken. Minister emphasizes on according top most priority to Safety.

5 immediate measures to address the problem of Unmanned Level Crossings & Derailments. All Unmanned level crossings to be eliminated within a year.

Singareni Collieries Company Limited Pays Rs.50 Crore to SCR for Bhadrachalam Road-Sattupalli New Railway Line Project

The Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) has made a payment of Rs.50 Crore to South Central Railway towards the Bhadrachalam Road – Sattupalli New Railway Line Project. Shri N Sridhar, Chairman & Managing Director, SCCL met Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager at Rail Nilayam on July 5, 2017 and presented a cheque for the amount.



The Bhadrachalam Road-Sattupalli New Railway Line Project is to a length of 56.25 kms and estimated to cost Rs.704.31 Crore. The SCCL will be bearing the

56.25 kms and estimated to cost Rs.704.31 Crore. The SCCL will be bearing the entire cost of the project while the land acquisition cost will be incurred by the Railways. Joint Inspection for land acquisition has been undertaken and the construction work on the project is slated to take off. Issues concerning the same were also discussed by the CMD, SCCL and GM, SCR during the course of their meeting today. This new rail line project is crucial in terms of transportation of Coal from the Singareni Collieries and is expected to lessen pollution generated by transport of coal on road by Lorries at present.

The Railway Officials present at the meeting were Shri N Madhusudhan Rao, Chief Operations Manager; Smt. Padmini Radhakrishnan, Financial Advisor & Chief Accounts Officer; Shri G Brahmananda Reddy, Chief Engineer & Shri B Nagya, Chief Freight Transportation Manager, SCR. Shri Nanduri Srinivas, Executive Director (Coal Marketing), SCCL was also present.

Due priority to be accorded in providing more facilities for Divyang Rail Users

–Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, GM





Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager held a review meeting with senior officials for providing Traffic facilities, Passenger amenity works, for enhancing of infrastructure in Workshops, Staff welfare measures etc. on September 19, 2017 at SCR Headquarters, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad. The meeting was attended by Principal Heads of Departments. Divisional Railway Managers of all the six Divisions attended through video conferencing.

The General Manager, during the meeting instructed officials to put forth all proposals intended to be taken up duly framing all modalities and plans. He advised Divisional Railway Managers to finalize and send the proposals within stipulated time to works / facilities needs to be taken up on priority and need based. Since, the proposals finalized needs to be vetted and sent to Railway Board where ever approval is required. General Manager emphasized on taking up more passenger amenities related works and called upon officials to accord more priority to differently abled 'Divyang' rail users' needs. He stressed upon the need for Upgrading of facilities such as circulating area, providing coach indication boards, extension of platforms, provision of water troughs, seating facilities, LED lighting provision etc., at all other category stations.

The General Manager laid importance on provision of staff welfare measures such as renovation of staff quarters, providing of facilities to staff at working place, up gradation of facilities at Running Rooms etc., He also instructed Engineering officials to safeguard railway lands from encroachments by construction of boundary walls.

Earlier, Shri G V Ramana Reddy, Chief Engineer (Planning & Development) made a power point presentation on various identified passenger amenities & traffic facilities etc., proposals/ works to be taken up for the next financial year 2018-19 under Preliminary Works Program.

Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager; Shri K V Siva Prasad, PCE; Shri N Madhusudhana Rao, PCOM; Shri Arjun Mundiya, PCME; Smt. Padmini Radhakrishnan, PFA; Shri M G Sekharam, PCCM; Shri Vinay Mohan Shrivastava, PCSTE; Shri Vijay Agrawal, CAO (Construction); Shri P K Sangewar, PCMM; Shri N V Ramana Reddy, PCPO; Dr. KHK Dora, PCMD were also present during the meeting.

Hon'ble Minister for Railways Commissions Rail Bogie Karkhana at Yadgir and Lays Foundation Stone for Bypass Railway Line at Wadi

The Districts of Yadgir and Kalaburagi in North Karnataka saw a fresh momentum to rail developmental activities when Shri Suresh Prabhkar Prahu, Hon'ble Minister for Railways Commissioned the first ever Production Unit on South Central Railway i.e., Rail Bogie Karkhana at Badiyal Village near Yadgir and laid foundation stone for Bypass Railway Line at Wadi in Kalaburgi District of Karnataka State on August 18, 2017 through video remote link from New Delhi.

Shri B V Naik, Hon'ble MP, Raichur; Shri Amarnath N Patil, Hon'ble MLC; Shri B G Patil, Hon'ble MLA; Smt. Sashikala B. Kyatnal, Hon'ble Member, ZP, Saidapur; Shri Bashu S Rathod, Hon'ble President, Taluk Panchayat (TP), Yadgir; Shri Bassappagouda Belgundi, Hon'ble Member, TP, Badiyal; Smt. Shamiya Begam Gousuddin, Hon'ble Member, TP, Kadaychur; Shri Bheerappa, Hon'ble President, GP, Kadechur; Smt. Gowramma, Hon'ble President, GP, Badiyal were the dignitaries present on the occasion.

Addressing the large gathering, Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, who inaugurated several other Rail Development Initiatives in Karnataka State Simultaneously said that the Railways is focused in undertaking development of rail network in Karnataka State. He stated that people should travel in comfort on Indian Railways, towards which the Organisation is committed to upgrade the Passenger Amenities to best standards. The Minister also highlighted that Indian Railways is focusing on energy efficient technology by imbibing green power such as solar energy. Indian Railways is on track in commissioning of Dedicated Freight Corridor and other initiatives as Modernisation of Network, Electrification etc., the Minister added.

Speaking on the inauguration of the Rail Bogie Karkhana at Yadgir, the Rail Minister said that – "Yadgir mein Rail Bogie Karkhana Ka Udghatan, Yaadgar Rahega". The Occasion is a memorable moment because of the fact that the Unit will be manufacturing Rail Bogies needed for the new LHB Coaches on Indian Railways, there by strengthening the capacity of the organisation itself, in transporting more and more people.

Earlier, in his welcome address, Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager, SCR highlighted the fact that the Zone is committed in developing the rail infrastructure on its network. He said that the Rail Bogie Karkhana, is a very modern manufacturing facility with State of the Art Production Machinery including robotic welding machine etc. It has been set up at a cost of Rs. 80 Cr to manufacture 600 FIAT Bogie Frames per annum. On the Bypass line near Wadi, he stated that this will help in easing train moments at this important junction, in all the directions.

Shri B V Naik; Shri Amarnath N Patil and Shri B G Patil also spoke on the occasion and expressed their happiness with the rail developmental initiatives that took off in Yadgir.





Salient Features:

This factory will comprise a manpower strength of around 470 personnel including Railway Employees, Outsourced Employees and local people on Indirect Employment.

The Karkhana is set up with Pre-Engineered Building (PEB) technology. The PEB sheds offer several advantages including superior architectural features and excellent aesthetics. They are fully fabricated in the factory premises after designing and shipped to site in CKD (completely knocked down) condition; and are assembled and erected at site with nut-bolts, thereby reducing the time of completion.

Further, most advanced methods of production processes have been established at Rail bogie Karkhana by installing sophisticated machinery and equipment to meet the requirements of high dimensional accuracy and reliability.

- The Karkhana exemplifies a green and environment friendly approach with the use of initiatives such as –
- Ensuring zero effluent discharge.
- Solar electricity by setting solar panels on roof tops of the workshop shed and buildings up to 232 KVA.
- Water harvesting mechanism and Water pond to collect run-off water
- Plantation of 25000 trees in the open area of the project.
- The Civic Infrastructure includes Service Buildings, Boundary Walls, Roads, Staff Quarters, Water Supply, Drinage, Sewerage, Earth Work, Horticulture and Two Wheeler Parking Shed etc., besides the main production unit which is made of PEB Shed.
- Power Supply arrangements comprises of 11 KV Power Supply drawn from State Electricity authority with Electrical Sub-station and standby power production. A 232 kWp Grid connected Solar Plant is also set up.
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"MANAKOSAM - A Facilitation Hub" for SCR Employees inaugurated

Staff Welfare measures got a significant boost on South Central Railway when Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, SCR inaugurated "MANAKOSAM – A Facilitation Hub" for handling various needs of Serving and Retired Railway Staff and Officers on September 6, 2017 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad. A big gathering of Officers and Staff were present.

The Employee related requirements to be handled by "MANAKOSAM – A Facilitation Hub" are - Career grievances requiring addressal by General Manager, Withdrawal of Provident fund, Issue of Privilege/Post Retirement Complimentary Passes, Filing of movable/ Immovable property returns, Ex-India leave, Child care/Maternity/ Paternity leave, Leave encashment, No objection certificate and allotment of Residential Quarters. The centre, set up by the Personnel department for the employees of Headquarters is located at 4th floor, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.

Addressing the large gathering of Staff, Officers, Representatives of recognized trade unions and associations, the General Manager, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav stressed that Railway employees are one of the best in terms of their work and efficiency and should always feel proud of their organization. It is the responsibility of the administration to take care of the rail employees, who in turn are very much capable of taking care of the Railway clients and customers, he added. Lauding the congenial work atmosphere which has made SCR one of the best zones on Indian Railways, the General Manager said that this is the result of the excellent harmony between the employees, management, Trade unions and Associations etc., on the zone. Railway employees deserve to be given due credit for their work which is rendered all 365days, 24/7, no matter if there is a holiday or a festival, he opined. The General Manager was highly appreciative of the new endeavour undertaken by the personnel department to reach out to the needs of Serving/Retired employees by means opening the Facilitation hub – MANAKOSAM. He expressed confidence that the staff manning the centre will efficiently work to meet the expectations of SCR work force.

Earlier, Shri N V Ramana Reddy, Chief Personnel Officer, SCR, in his address spoke of the seriousness attached by the General Manager towards employee welfare and added that the Facilitation hub – MANAKOSAM, is also a brain child of the General Manager who wanted that several basic needs of Serving/Retired railway employees are met in a specified and short time. The Chief Personnel Officer stated that the newly opened centre has been equipped with all facilities in terms of technology and man power to handle the delegated task within time. An officer is nominated to monitor the functioning of the new employee friendly facility, he informed.

Smt. Padmini Radhakrishnan, PFA assured the gathering of Staff and Officers that the Accounts department will act in smooth coordination with the Personnel department in undertaking tasks to be handled by the Facilitation hub. Shri Prabhakar Andrews, President, SCR Employees Sangh and Shri Ch.Sankara Rao, General Secretary, SCR Mazdoor Union also spoke in unison on the responsive attitude of SCR administration towards employees and assured that SCR will continue to perform exceedingly well in all the priority areas including earnings, Safety, Punctuality etc., on the strength of the commitment of the work force. A leaflet - "Employees



Charter", brought out by the Personnel department of SCR to complete various employee related tasks within set time frame was also released on the occasion by the General Manager, Chief Personnel Officer, Principal Financial Advisor and Trade union representatives.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, Divisional Railway Manager, Hyderabad Division; Shri Amit Vardhan, Divisional Railway Manager, Secunderabad Division; Principal Heads of Departments, Union and Association representatives were also present.





Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager meets Shri Ghanshyam Singh, Member Traction, Railway Board. Discusses on Electrification works and running of trains on Electric traction



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager met Shri Ghanshyam Singh, Member Traction, Railway Board, New Delhi on July 13, 2017 at Secunderabad, during the course of his visit to the city.

The two officials held discussions on the progress of electrification works on South Central Railway and on the aspect of running of mail/express trains on electric traction in the newly electrified section of Guntakal – Wadi & Secunderabad – Wadi on the Zone. The talks focused on the possibility of running trains with electric traction upto Wadi in coordination with Central Railway, which will result on a significant reduction in the use of diesel locomotives, thereby cutting down on fuel costs as well as pollution.The Member Traction's intervention on the issue, met a positive response from the Central Railway too.

The Member Traction stressed on the need to maintain the pace of electrification on the railways which will lead to increased running of trains on electric traction, resultantly saving on precious foreign currency spent for importing diesel. He also focused on the other positive gains of speedy electrification on Railways, such as a pollution free network, punctual running of trains on the strength of higher power electric locomotives, potential to add additional coaches and reduce overall running time of trains.

Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager; Shri A A Phadke, Chief Electrical Engineer and other senior officials of the department on SCR were also present during the meeting and discussions.



Chairman, Central Minimum Wages Advisory Board, New Delhi visits SCR



Shri Aavula Goverdhan, Chairman, Central Minimum Wages Advisory Board, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India visited SCR's head quarters, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad on July 13, 2017. He held a meeting with senior officials of the Zone and later had an interactive session with other In-charge / Branch Officers of various departments concerned, along with the contract labour working under the Contractors. Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager, SCR led the team of officials in the meeting.

Addressing SCR's officials, the Chairman of the Advisory Board highlighted the fact that the minimum wages for labour have been revised by the Union Government in January 2017 and wanted that the Contractors should compulsorily adhere to the same. In the light of instances wherein Contractors are not adhering to the norms of minimum wages, the Chairman advised officials to keep a check on the same.

Later, at an Interactive session on Minimum Wages with Principal Employers & Contract labour, the Chairman, Central Minimum Wages Advisory Board spoke to a cross section of audience comprising of contract labour, to verify if minimum wages are being paid to them.

Amongst the SCR officials present at the meeting were Shri S N Singh, Principal Chief Engineer; Shri N V Ramana Reddy, Chief Personnel Officer; Shri G Srinivasa Reddy, Chief Personnel Officer/Administration; Shri Ashesh Agarwal, Senior Deputy General Manager; Shri Amit Varadan, Divisional Railway Manager, Secunderabad Division; and Shri Arun Kumar Jain, Divisional Railway Manager, Hyderabad Division. Dr KKHM Syam Sundar, Deputy Chief Labour Commisioner (c), Hyderabad and Shri C Venugopal , Deputy Chief Personnel Officer/ Coordination, SCR conducted the proceedings.



Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager conducts an intensive review meeting on Safety and Cleanliness

Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager, South Central Railway stressed upon according top priority to Safety and Cleanliness on the Zone in view of the prevailing weather conditions during monsoon season. He conducted an intensive review meeting on Safety and Cleanliness on August 28, 2017 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad along with Principal Heads of Departments. The Divisional Railway Managers of all six Divisions i.e. Secunderabad, Hyderabad, Vijayawada, Guntakal, Guntur and Nanded attended the meeting through video conference.



Shri John Thomas instructed the DRMs to intensify the field level inspections to attain visible improvement in cleanliness of all the important stations and trains. He also instructed the officials to inspect all the Stations and Depots under their jurisdiction and take proper remedial actions immediately to rectify the issues related to safety.

Additional General Manager reviewed all the safety aspects and instructed the officials to avoid short cut methods in attending the asset failures and advised to focus on Signal and loco failures which will have impact on trains mobility and improves the safety. He instructed the officials to take corrective action without delay to ensure Safety.

Shri John Thomas while addressing the issues on Railway Hospitals, instructed the officials to intensify the checks and provide proper treatment to the railway staff and beneficiaries by the Medical officers and Para Medical staff. He also advised medical department to focus on hygiene and ensure proper supply of the Medicines.

Shri N Madhusudana Rao, COM; Smt. Padmini Radhakrishnan, PFA; Shri M G Gunashekarm, PCCM; Shri A A Phadke, CEE; Shri D K Singh, CSO; Shri N V Ramana Reddy, CPO; Shri KHK Dora, CMD; Shri Sanjay Sankrityayan, CSC were amongst the officials present.

33rd Raising Day Celebrated by Railway Protection Force, SCR

The Railway Protection Force (RPF), South Central Railway celebrated its 33rd Raising Day at a colourful function organised at RPF Training Centre, Moula-Ali, Secunderabad on September 21, 2017.

The Raising Day is celebrated to commemorate the conferring of Armed Force status on Railway Protection Force on par with the other paramilitary forces of the Union of India.

Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager who was the Chief Guest and received the Guard of Honour and inspected the Parade. As part of these celebrations, a colourful Parade was presented by the five Platoons of RPF/RPSF, one Dog Squad and Band Team of RPF. The parade was commanded by Shri D K Ratnam, Chief Drill Inspector, Training Centre, Moula Ali.

Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager in his address lauded the courage, determination and commitment displayed by RPF in carrying out their day to day duties and also mentioned the yeomen services rendered by them in providing security to the passengers. Shri Sanjay Sankrityayan, Chief Security Commissioner, RPF/SCR, other RPF & Senior Railway Officials witnessed the parade.

Earlier, Shri Mahim Swami, IG-Director/ RPF Training Centre, Moula-Ali welcomed the dignitaries and guests on this solemn occasion.





Reliability & Safety of Locomotive is of paramount importance

–Shri Ghanshyam Singh, Member Traction, Railway Board

Shri Ghanshyam Singh, Member Traction, Railway Board made a visit to South Central Railway and participated in the 38th Electric Loco Maintenance Study Group meeting held at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad on July 28, 2017. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, Shri V K Agarwal, Addl. Member, Railway Board were also present in the meeting.

Speaking on the occassion Shri Ghanshyam Singh stated that revolutionary changes can be brought in Locomotive power by leveraging technological advancements. He advised the Chief Electrical Loco Engineers of all the Zones on Indian Railways to focus on adoption of good management techniques to achieve reliability and safety of locomotives for hassle free train operations. He stressed upon better management of maintenance facilities, spare parts and technological systems. The staff engaged in maintenance of the locomotives should be properly trained and updated about the new technologies being inducted. Indian Railways has embarked upon huge electrification of tracks to improve the speed and haulage capacity, he stated and added that the machinery also needs to gear up to meet the demands of the future.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager stated that South Central Railway is having 3,000 route kilometre electrified track and holding 600 Electric Locomotives which are serving the needs of the Zone. The Zone is planning for electrifying another 700 route kilometres by the end of current financial year. The Zone is also working upon the idea to develop loco sheds which can maintain both diesel and electrical locomotives under one roof. He stressed upon achieving the status of zero loco failure during running of trains.

Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager; Shri A A Phadke, Chief Electrical Engineer, SCR besides Chief Electrical Loco Engineers from all other Zonal Railways, Senior Engineers from Research Designs and Standards Organization (RDSO), Lucknow participated in the day long Electric Loco Maintenance Study Group meeting.





Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager presents Safety Awards to Alert Staff

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager presented "Man of the Month" safety awards to the staff for showing alertness in the duty and taking timely action to prevent unsafe conditions. He also stated that the alertness of the staff will give 100% safety of running trains.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav conducted a detailed review meeting on Safety and Punctuality of the Zone on August 7, 2017 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad along with PHoDs. DRMs of Vijayawada, Guntakal, Guntur, Secunderabad, Hyderabad and Nanded Divisions participated through video conference. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav congratulated all Divisions for maintaining the punctuality at the best in Indian Railways. He instructed the DRMs to keep maintaining the same in coming days also.

Shri John Thomas, AGM; Shri S N Singh, PCE; Shri D K Singh, CSO; Shri N Madhusudana Rao, PCOM; Shri Arjun Mundia, PCME; Shri N V Ramana Reddy, PCO; Shri M G Sekharam, PCCM; Shri A A Phadke, PCEE; Shri P K Sangewar, COS were amongst the officials present.





Electronic Surveillance helps nab Notorious Criminal. Leads to recovery of Valuables over Rs. 20 lakhs



The third eye of Railway Security, CCTV surveillance came to the fore in nabbing a notorious criminal whose occupation is to travel as a passenger in air conditioned coaches of express trains and de-camp enroute with the co-passengers luggage.

The culprit , Harish Kumar Jain , aged 34 years and a resident of Vijayawada was identified by the Railway Protection Force (RPF) and Government Railway Police (GRP) on the basis of CCTV footage and nabbed on July 13, 2017.

Going into the details of a sensational incident reported at Warangal Railway Station, the RPF received information from their escorting counter-part RPF staff of Train No.12737 Kakinada-Secunderabad Gautami Express of July 2, 2017, through the Divisional RPF Security Control Room that one lady passenger by name Smt. A S Radhika travelling from Kakinada to Secunderabad in AC First class coach lost her trolley bag containing gold weighing around 44 gms and silver ornaments weighing around 700 gms. The RPF swung into action immediately and verified the CCTV footage and zeroed in on a person moving on the foot over bridge at Vijayawada suspiciously with 2 trolley bags. The victim identified the person as the one who travelled along with her in the train. The information was immediately flashed to all RPF and GRP stations.

This led to the arrest of the criminal by the GRP at Warangal today, which enabled recovery of 534.5 gms of Gold Ornaments and 1.5 Kgs of Silver Ornaments besides some electronic items, totally valued at Rs. 20.10 Lakhs. 13 cases are registered against the criminal at various GRP stations.



Chairman, Railway Board inspects Tirupati Railway Station South Side Entry



Shri A K Mital, Chairman, Railway Board inspected development works in progress at Tirupati Railway Station South side entry on July 14, 2017. He reviewed the plans and progress of works initiated by the Railways. He indicated that priority should be accorded for the convenience of pilgrims in providing the best possible Passenger amenities and facilities. He was accompanied by Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager,, Shri Vijay Pratap Singh, DRM and other Officials of Guntakal Division.

The Chairman undertook a detailed inspection of Tirupati Railway Station, covering the entire south side station premises and reviewed plans for the expansion of the station to reduce the congestion of the Tirupati station. During the inspection the CRB interacted with Media and informed that development of Tirupati Railway Station will be completed with all passenger amenities within stipulated period. During the course of the inspection, the General Manager appraised the Chairman on the developmental plans of Tirupati Station including development of west side. A separate entry from south side of Tirupati railway station has been sanctioned for development at a cost of Rs.77.29 crs. The facilities to be provided as a part of the works are Passenger platform with full length cover over platform(535 Mtrs), New Station Building with facilities like Booking office, Concourse, General Waiting Hall, VIP lounge, AC and Non AC Waiting Halls, Retiring Rooms etc, Extension of two Foot Over Bridges to new Platform, two Lifts, two Escalators, Entries from Rayalacheruvu Road and from DR Mahal Road.

Later, Shri A K Mital inaugurated Sub-Divisional Hospital at Carriage Repair Shop(CRS), Tirupati. The New Hospital will cater to the emergency medical needs of the CRS, Tirupati and Guntakal Division employees and their families. This hospital includes the facilities like Emergency ward, Intensive Cardiac Care Unit, Male and Female wards, X-Ray, Ultra Sound and Lab facilities etc. The hospital will serve the medical needs of around 34,000 including staff and their family members. Shri KHK Dora, Chief Medical Director, South Central Railway also participated.



Planting of Saplings will make the World a better place to live

– Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, GM during Mass Tree Plantation Drive

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager participated in massive Tree Plantation programmes held at North Lallaguda Railway Colony and Alugaddabavi, Secunderabad on August 7, 2017.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav planted a sapling at North Lallaguda Railway colony, Secunderabad to commence the mass tree plantation drive. He called upon each one of the Railway Men to plant one sapling which is the need of the hour and nurture its growth, so as to enable create a greener environment. He expressed the resolve of SCR to undertake all measures towards environmental protection and conservation of nature.

General Manager also inspected the revived Old Well at Alugaddabavi, Secunderabad which is yielding good results in meeting to the demand of water supply for Coach watering facility etc., at Secunderabad Railway Station. In the premises of Old Well the General Manager and other officials planted saplings as a part of Tree Plantation Drive.

The General Manager was joined by Shri John Thomas, AGM, Shri Arun Kumar Jain, DRM, Hyderabad Division; Shri Amit Varadan, DRM, Secunderabad Division; Shri K V Sivaprasad, PCE, SCR and other senior officials during the tree plantation drive. Scouts & Guides, Volunteers, Colony Residents and Employees took part in the Tree Plantation drive.





Routine Over Hauling (ROH) Shed at Sanathnagar, Hyderabad Inaugurated

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, SCR General Manager, inaugurated Routine Over Hauling of Wagon (ROH) Shed at Sanathnagar, Hyderabad on August 7, 2017 which will cater to periodical maintenance of Bogie Low Platform Container (BLC) Wagon. These wagons need to be serviced at a periodicity of 24 months for new Wagons and 18 months thereafter. The work involves bogie repair, body repair, under gear repair and brake system repairs of the wagons, which basically are critical inputs for safe running of goods trains. The General Manager flagged off the first empty rake comprising Over Hauled Wagons.

Shri John Thomas, AGM; Shri Arjun Mundiya, PCME; Shri A A Phadke, PCEE; Shri Amit Varadan, DRM, Secunderabad Division and other Senior Officials were also present during the inauguration.





71st Independence Day Celebrations on South Central Railway

South Central Railway joined the Nation in celebrating the 71st Independence Day on August 15, 2017. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager unfurled the National Flag and received the Guard of Honour at a colorful gathering of Railway Officials, Staff, their family members and others at Railway Sports Complex Ground, Secunderabad. Contingents representing Railway Protection Force (RPF), Railway Protection Special Force (RPSF), Civil Defence Organization, National Cadet Corps (NCC), Scouts and Guides and National Green Corps presented the Guard of Honour and the March Past.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav in his address, highlighted the fact that SCR remains a proud partner in the mission of Indian Railways to serve the Nation as a core transport service provider. He took stock of the performance of the Zone. The General Manger stressed on Safety as of paramount importance for the Railways and highlighted the measures being taken to attain a 100% safety record. Yet another goal for SCR is to provide the best passenger amenities to rail users and optimize cleanliness standards on trains and at railway stations. He also spoke on SCR's firm strides in the field of Energy Conservation and Environmental Protection.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav also spoke various welfare measures undertaken by the Zone. SCR associated itself with the Ministry of Labour and Employment, Govt. of India to organize the first and biggest ever Job Mela "Mana Kosam" exclusively for the children of serving/retired railway employees at Railway Degree College on July 30, 2017 for providing jobs in private sector. The Zone has also made its mark in the field of sports, recruiting the best talent and encouraging them to perform best at the National and Inter-National level, the General Manager added.

The Parade was followed by eye catching Cultural programmes, presented by students of Railway schools and artists of SCR, in tune with the theme of the Independence Day celebrations.











SCR Women's Welfare Organization Celebrates Independence Day. Various Facilities at Central Hospital, Lallaguda Inaugurated.

The South Central Railway Women's Welfare Organization (SCRWWO) celebrated 71st Independence Day on August 15, 2017 amongst the school kids of Vidya Vihar High School, Chilkalguda, Secunderabad and at Aakansha, School for differently-abled children of railway families at Mettuguda, Secunderabad.

Smt. Archana Yadav, President, SCRWWO hoisted the National Flag in the presence of a large number of students at Vidya Vihar and Aakansha. Children of Vidya Vihar and Aakansha presented Cultural programs and Display.

Speaking on the occasion, Smt. Archana Yadav called upon the students to utilize the facilities provided at the school and study well to come up in life. She also advised students to develop both academic skill and cultural talent. She expressed wishes for bright future of the students pursuing their education at Vidya Vihar School run by SCRWWO. Later, she distributed prizes and awards for academic excellence to the students.

Inauguration of Various facilities at Central Hospital, Lallaguda

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, South Central Railway along with Smt Archana Yadav, President, SCR Women's Welfare Organization (SCRWWO) inaugurated the Renovated Special Rooms, Tread Mill facility, Security Outpost on August 15, 2017 at Central Railway, Lallaguda for the benefit of Railway employees.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav while the addressing large gathering of Officials, SCRWWO executive members, doctors, hospital staff, trade union representatives, employees and their family members stated that facilities available and services of railway doctors & staff are par with Corporate Hospitals in providing treatment. Further, he congratulated the yeoman service being rendered continuously by hospital staff in upkeep of hospital.

Later, Smt Archana Yadav along with executive members of SCRWWO visited Wards at Central Railway Hospital, Lallaguda and distributed items of need to the patients.

Shri Rajen Gohain, Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways Inspects Secunderabad Railway Station and takes part in Swachhta Pakhwada. Reviews SCR Performance.

Shri Rajen Gohain, Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways visited South Central Railway on August 17, 2017. During his visit, the Hon'ble Minister inspected Secunderabad Railway Station and took part in the ongoing Swachhta Pakhwada – Mission Cleanliness Program of Indian Railways. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, SCR; Shri Amit Varadan, Division Railway Manager, Secunderabad Division and other senior officials accompanied the Hon'ble Minister.



Shri Rajen Gohain was briefed in detail on the working system of high standard Mechanized Cleaning equipments being put to use for the upkeep of station cleanliness at Secunderabad. The Hon'ble Minister inspected various Passenger Amenities such as Waiting Halls, Security Surveillance System, Toilet facilities etc. The General Manager, SCR detailed Shri Rajen Gohain on the activities being taken up by the Zone during "Swachh Rail–Swachh Bharat" Swachhta Pakhwada fortnight campaign which commenced on August 16, 2017.

The Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways interacted with the Media, Representatives of Passenger Association and SCR Employees as a part of "Swachh Samvad Day" of the ongoing Swachhta Pakhwada and briefed them on Swachh Bharat Mission taken up by Railways to fulfill the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. He also focused on taking up "Sankalp Se Siddhi" to strive for building a new India by 2022. He stated that the Dedicated Freight Corridor, High Speed rail project, running of Bullet Train in India are issues of aspiration to the people of the country and Indian Railways will fulfill them. He also stated that projects on Indian Railways such as laying of New Railway Line, Doubling, Tripling, Electrification are progressing fast and high priority is being accorded to complete the projects in stipulated target time.

Later, Shri Rajen Gohain inaugurated a revived Heritage Well at Railway Engineer Regiment (Territorial Camp), Moula-ali, Hyderabad through Remote Video Link from SCR Headquarters, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad where he also held a review meeting with Senior Railway Officials of the Zone. Interacting with the Railway Officials, Shri Rajen Gohain stressed that South Central Railway transports a host of different freight commodities unlike several other Zones and hence shall make every effort to better its freight business. He advised the Officials to utilize the schemes from the Railway Ministry for encouraging freight traffic. Shri Rajen Gohain keenly analyzed the status of ongoing Railway projects being taken up Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) & Construction Organization on SCR and sought to know the plans for early completion of the same. The Minister also reviewed various important subjects as passenger traffic, employee welfare measures etc.





Earlier, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, SCR welcomed the Minister of State for Railways and made a power point presentation on the performance and achievements of the Zone, various initiatives taken up by SCR for Water & Energy Conservation and Green Initiatives. The General Manager detailed the measures taken up by SCR concerning key areas of Safety, Security, Punctuality as well as status of rail projects on the Zone. Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager, SCR; Principal Heads of Departments; Divisional Railway Managers of Secunderabad and Hyderabad Division and the Chief Project Manager, RVNL were also present.





"Swachhta Hi Sewa" Campaign

Indian Railways observed a fortnight long "Swachhta Hi Sewa" fortnight long Cleanliness Drive commencing from September 15, 2017 to culminate on the day of Gandhi Jayanti, October 2, 2017. As a part of the same South Central Railway has drawn up a plan to observe the Swachhta Hi Sewa, the Mission Cleanliness Drive all over the Zone on its entire network, spanning across all the six Divisions of Secunderabad, Hyderabad, Guntakal, Vijayawada, Guntur and Nanded.

September 15, 2017

The Shubharambh of the "Swachhta Hi Sewa" drive commenced on 15th September, 2017 throughout the Zone.

September 17, 2017

Nationwide Shramdaan – Seva Diwas was taken up by all the six division of SCR. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager participated in Shramdaan program at Secunderabad Railway Station in which special cleanliness drives in the concourse area, cleaning of garden at Bhoiguda side of Secunderabad Railway Station, platform no. 10, circulating area of main entrance etc. He also inspected the Modern Mechanized Cleaning Equipment being used for Cleanliness of Station platforms, coaches etc. He also conducted the checks on at platform food stalls, catering units including the food plaza and waiting halls etc. He reviewed the catering facilities and hygienic standards maintained in the pantry car of train no. 12753 Visakhapatnam – Nanded Express. He also interacted with passengers in trains and enquired on Passenger amenities and Catering facilities available in the platform and on trains.

September 24, 2017

Samagra Swachhta Shramadaan in association with local bodies, Charitable Institutions, Social Organisations. General Manager participated in a Shramdaan Program at Malkajgiri Railway Station along with Several Volunteers from Scouts and



















on South Central Railway

Guides, College Students, Members of Suburban Train Travellers' Association, Senior Citizens, Lions Club members and Residents Welfare Associations, officials & staff too joined in Shramdaan programs along with General Manager.

September 25, 2017

Sarvatra Swachhta was observed in large scale cleaning at Railway Stations Railway Hospitals, and at Railway Colonies & premises was undertook on all the Divisions of South Central Railway.

October 01, 2017

Swachhta at Iconic places to undertake massive cleanliness drive at alighting stations for tourist destinations was taken up.

October 02, 2017

Swachh Bharat Diwas was observed to mark the "Swachhta Hi Sewa" campaign coinciding with Gandhi Jayanti Diwas. Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager led the Cleanliness Drive at Secunderabad Railway Station.

The Additional General Manager commenced the Cleanliness Campaign at Secunderabad Railway Station by paying tributes to the Father of the Nation, Shri Mahatma Gandhi who espoused the need for cleanliness as a means of betterment of the living standards of the citizens of the country. A skit depicting Swachh Rail - Swachh Bharat was presented by the employees of Secunderabad Division to create awareness among passengers in assisting Railways to maintain cleanliness in trains and station premises. This evinced the interest of the rail users towards their role in maintaining cleanliness on Railways. Additional General Manager joined hands with the officials and staff in undertaking cleanliness activity at the Railway Station premises.



















SCR hosted the 27th All India RPF Volleyball Championship 2017



Railway Protection Force (RPF), South Central Railway hosted the 27th All India Volleyball Championship-2017 was held from 5th to 8th September, 2017 a total of 17 Teams representing Zonal Railways and Railway Protection Special Force took part in the tournament.

The 27th All India Railway Protection Force (RPF) Volleyball Championship 2017 concluded with a tough fighting final match played between Eastern Railway and Southern Railway. The Southern Railway bagged the Championship Trophy by beating Eastern Railway by 25-23, 25-18, 25-23, 25-14. This is the third consecutive win for Southern Railway RPF Volleyball Team in bagging the Championship.



Shri P S Rawal, Additional Director General, RPF was the Chief Guest at the concluding ceremony of championship held on September 8, 2017 at Railway Sports Complex, Secunderabad and presented the Championship Trophy to Southern Railway.

Addressing the gathering, Shri P S Rawal congratulated the winning team. He reiterated the important role of Railway Protection Force Personnel in safeguarding passengers as well as Railway property. RPF team cherishes in all the games played they always bring laurels and keep the Indian Railways flag flying high.

Shri Sanjay Sankrityayan, Inspector General, Chief Security Commissioner, and Sr. Railway Officials were present on the occasion.



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager handed over promotion papers as Officer on Special Duty (Sports) to Ms.Mithali Raj, Captian, Indian Womens Cricket Team on July 31, 2017 at Rail Nilayam, SCR Headquarters, Secunderabad. The General Manager complimented Ms. Mithali Raj for bringing laurels to Indian Railways at ICC Womens World Cup Cricket Tourney.



Inter Divisional RPF Sports and Games Championship 2017 Concluded

The 27th Inter-Divisional RPF Sports and Games Championship 2017 concluded on July 25, 2017 at Railway Sports Complex, Secunderabad. Headquarters Team won the title in Volleyball by beating Vijayawada Division in the concluding match of the Championship.

The Results of the Championship are as follows:

	Sport	Winner	Runner
1.	Basketball	Vijayawada	Guntur
2.	Football	Secunderabad	Hyderabad
3.	Kabaddi	Vijayawada	Secunderabad
4.	Athletic	Secunderabad	Hyderabad
5.	Volleyball	Headquarters	Vijayawada

The 27th Inter-Divisional RPF Sports and Games Championship-2017 was organized by the Hyderabad Division at Railway Sports Complex Grounds, Secunderabad from 21st to 25th July, 2017. Six Divisions including the host Hyderabad Division and Headquarters took part in the Championship which was held for Athletics, Football, Volleyball, Basketball and Kabaddi. The games were held in knockout basis following the rules and regulations of the respective federations. The purpose of conducting the Championship was to select probables for the ensuing Inter Railway RPF Championship.





Shri Arun Kumar Jain, DRM, Hyderabad Division presented the Championships to the winners and Shri Sanjay Sankrityayan, IG-Chief Security Commissioner, SCR and Shri Eshwarrao, Addl. CSC were present on the occassion.

MANA KOSAM Job Mela for Rail Employees Children Evokes Huge Response

The Ministry of Labour and Employment, Govt. of India in association with South Central Railway organized a Mega Job Mela "MANA KOSAM" exclusively for the children of serving / retired railway employees at Railway Degree College, Tarnaka, Secunderabad on July 30, 2017. Shri Bandaru Dattatreya, Hon'ble Minister of State Labour and Employment (Independent Charge) was the chief guest on the occasion while Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager and Shri K Dileep Kumar, Member, Employees State Insurance Corporation, Govt. Of India were the guests of honour.

Addressing the large gathering of job aspirants and their parents / guardians, the Union Minister, Shri Bandaru Dattatreya highlighted the steps being taken by the Union Government under the leadership of Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister to develop the skills of the youth and afford them suitable job opportunities. Elaborating on the initiative being taken by the Union Government, Shri Dattatreya stated that National Career Service Centres have been setup for ensuring that the youth get right job opportunities at the right time by offering proper guidance, counselling and confidence building. The Union Government is strongly committed to a corruption free society and employment in government service too is being undertaken in the most transparent manner, Shri Dattatreya reiterated.

On the conduct of MANA KOSAM mega job mela, the Union Minister stated that this is biggest ever job mela which will generate more than 5,000 job placements. This job mela is an initiative of the Union Labour Ministry to generate employment and encourage youth to settle in their lives, he added. Such job melas will continue to be held at other places too, in the ensuing days, he informed. He complemented the Railways for making all the arrangements for the mela, which has enabled in smooth conduct of the event.

Earlier, in his address, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, highlighted the fact that SCR is one of the best performing Zones and this is reflected in its concern for the welfare of the serving and retired railway employees too. The Zone is taking innumerable steps for the care and convenience of railway families and the organizing of MANA KOSAM job mela, which saw a registration of around 25,000 job aspirants, too is a part of this initiative, he added. Encouraging the job aspirants not to lose hopes in case they are not selected, the General Manager stated that very soon another such job mela will be organized.



Shri K Dileep Kumar, Member, Employees State Insurance Corporation, Govt. Of India who was instrumental in organizing the Job Mela by involving over 110 companies for placements, also spoke on the occasion. He also stated that the recruiting companies extended across all professions including Information Technology, Business Process, Hospitality, Medical fields etc, to meet the qualification standards of the candidate from the basic to most professional.

Shri N V Ramana Reddy, CPO, SCR in his welcome address, briefed on the elaborate arrangements made for the job mela by SCR. Shri M Raghavaiah, GS, SCRES and Shri Ch. Shankar Rao, GS, SCRMU in their address lauded the efforts of SCR administration in organizing the job mela which will immensely benefit the children of railway families. The vote of thanks was presented by Shri C N Deevan Reddy, Sr.DPO, Secunderabad Division.









Employees kept SCR at Top Position on Indian Railways

– Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, GM/SCR





The responsible and cooperative role being played by the recognised Trade Unions on the Zone, including the SCR Mazdoor Union towards maintaining congenial industrial relations is the reason for South Central Railway attaining the image as one of the best Zones on Indian Railways, said Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, South Central Railway. He was addressing the inaugural session of the 47th Annual General Council of South Central Railway Mazdoor Union (SCRMU) at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad on August 10, 2017.

Going into the performance of the Zone, the General Manager highlighted the fact that it has been continuously positive including in the current financial year 2017-18 too. There is a growth of 12% in the gross originating earnings between April to July 2017, with the revenue reaching Rs. 4320 crore. There is a rise in both freight and passenger traffic, he informed. The employees are instrumental in the Zone attaining this achievement, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav acknowledged. Giving credit to Shri Shankar Rao for his matured leadership of the Union, the General Manager stated that the issues focused by the SCRMU have always been to benefit the railway men and women at large.

Speaking on the pro-active role of the administration towards the career progression and welfare of railway employees and their family members, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav stated that there is no delay in awarding promotions wherever due, so that the employees get on-time benefit. So far as the Compassionate Ground appointments are concerned, cases are being handled with a lot of sympathy and genuine concern. To meet the medical needs of railway employees and their families, Railway hospitals and Health Units are being upgraded with the best facilities and doctors to serve this purpose. More hospitals have been recognised as referral Hospitals at new locations, so as to facilitate the best medical attention at the nearest places for our employees, the General Manager added.

Speaking on the success of welfare oriented measures, Shri Yadav acknowledged the positive approach and contribution of SCR Mazdoor Union in the successful conduct of Passport Mela "Meekosam" and Job Mela "Manakosam", exclusively for SCR employees and their families. In the Passport Mela at Secunderabad, over 5000 people were able to get their Passports very conveniently. In the Job Mela at Secunderabad, 23000 candidates were registered and 14000 candidates attended the selection process. A total of 5709 job offers were given at the Mela, which include 1321 spot selections while 4388 were shortlisted for the final round of selections. The happiness on the faces and the satisfaction of our employees has encouraged us to plan for more such events at other places on the Zone in the near future, he said. SCR is also planning to tie up with agencies under the Ministry of Skill Development, to impart free skill development programs to the unemployed youth to get job opportunities, the General Manager informed.

Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary, All India Railway Men's Federation, Shri Shankar Rao, General Secretary, SCRMU; Shri K Srinivas, President, SCRMU; Shri N V Ramana Reddy, CPO, SCR were amongst those who spoke on the occasion.

Hyderabad Division holds Merchant Meet



Shri Arun Kumar Jain, Divisional Railway Manager/Hyderabad, South Central Railway organised a Customer meet on August 22, 2017 at Divisional Railway Manager's conference hall, Hyderabad Bhavan, Secunderabad in order to improve the Freight and Parcel loading performance. The Merchants from Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Nizamabad, Kamareddi, Kurnool and Mahabubnagar were attended the meeting. Shri B D Christopher, Sr.DCM and Shri Raj Kumar, Sr.DOM, Hyderabad Division were also present.

A Power point presentation was given during the meeting to highlight various incentive schemes and Policy on transportation products to the customers. They were enlightened about the Notified Traditional empty flow direction of rakes towards Central Railway for which Freight at lesser rate (LR-1) is charged. Customers were also appraised about Station to Station rates scheme which is advantageous to regular customers and also to new customers wherein a discount up to 30% is granted. In the parcel Segment, customers were appraised about the Reduction in parcel Scales as far as SLR leasing is concerned with a single motto to maximise the utilisation of SLR space.

Merchants expressed their views and assured full patronage to the schemes. Some of the practical problems faced by them were also discussed.

Rs.16.5 Lakhs realized during Special Catering Inspections

South Central Railway undertook an intensive catering drive on catering units / establishments and imposed a fine of Rs.16,34,791 on various establishments which were found to be irregular. These special drives / checks conducted from 26th July to 16th August, 2017.

During the drive a total of 397 static units were checked and a fine of Rs.5,21,190/- was imposed, 199 pantry cars were checked and a fine of Rs.3,83,595/- was imposed and 934 cases were booked on unauthorized hawkers, realized Rs.7,30,006/- from unauthorized vendors found selling at the Station and in various trains.

Minister and Members of Parliament call on Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager to discuss various Rail developmental works pertaining to their respective constituencies



Shri P. Ravindra Babu, Hon'ble MP Amalapuram, AP met met General Manager on April 3, 2017



Shri T Padma Rao Goud, Hon'ble Minister for Excise and Prohibition, Sports and Youth Services, Government of Telangana State met General Manager on July 19, 2017.



Shri Bhagwanth Khuba, Hon'ble MP, Bidar met General Manager on September 14, 2017



Dr. Boora Narsaiah Goud, Hon'ble MP, Bhongir, Telangana State met General Manager on September 22, 2017

Board holds Meeting with GMs of Indian Railways



Shri Ashwani Lohani, Chairman, Railway Board (CRB), New Delhi stressed on according top priority to Safety on Indian Railways. He was addressing a high level performance review meeting of General Managers (GMs) of all the Zonal Railways including Production units on the aspect of Safety, Punctuality, Loading and Works in progress on September 16, 2017 from Railway Board, New Delhi through video conference.

Interacting with the General Managers, Shri Ashwani Lohani stated that Safety is the prime concern for Indian Railways in the changing times. He advised the General Managers and other senior officials to interact more with the field and monitor the implementation of rules formulated for the improvement of systems for ensuring safety. He emphasized on Cleanliness at the stations, trains and work places also. He instructed on focus to be given to elimination of Unmanned Level Crossings, provision of Gate Mitras, Construction of Limited Height Subways to eliminate Level Crossings as per the target fixed. He also stressed upon welfare of the workforce to achieve optimum productivity in train operations.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, SCR appraised on the Safety Performance of the Zone. He stated that Zone is focusing on track maintenance and elimination of all the 268 UMLCs which are presently manned by Gate Mithras. He informed that the asset reliability on the Zone has been significantly improved and Cleanliness has been accorded top priority. The Zone has initiated several Staff Welfare measures to resolve grievances of the employees. An Employees' Charter has been prepared and being implemented at Headquarters and Divisions to facilitate employee needs.

Shri John Thomas, AGM; Shri K V Siva Prasad, PCE; Shri Arjun Mundiya, PCME; Smt. Padmini Radhakrishnan, PFA; Shri M G Sekharam, PCCM; Shri Vinay Mohan Shrivastava, PCSTE; Shri Vijay Agrawal, CAO ©; Shri S K Agarwal, CEGE; Shri D K Singh, CSO; Shri P K Sangewar, PCMM; Shri N V Ramana Reddy, PCPO; Dr. KHK Dora, PCMD; Shri Sanjay Sankrityayan, CSC were also present during the meeting.

Shri N. Ramchander Rao, Hon'ble Member of Legislative Council, Telangana Calls on Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, GM, SCR



Shri N. Ramchander Rao, Hon'ble Member of Legislative Council, Telangana State called on Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager on August 2, 2017 at SCR Headquarters Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.

The Hon'ble MLC discussed on a host of public issues related to Railways pertaining to Malkajgiri area in particular with the General Manager and sought his intervention to positively redress the same. Shri Ramchander Rao made a representation to run a few MMTS Services between Moula Ali and Hi-Tech City Stations on the present single rail line, pending the completion of MMTS Doubling works of the section, so as to benefit a sizable number of Software Professionals and others residing in Malkajgiri and adjoining areas to travel to Hi-tech City and back. He also requested for stoppage of more trains at Malkajgiri Railway Station to benefit the rail using public. A civic problem concerning the flow of drainage water in the area under the track between Lallaguda and Malkajgiri stations was also brought to the notice of the General Manager, seeking approval of the help of Railways for a proper passage, so that the Municipal Administration undertakes the work.

Maintain Hygiene and Provide Quality Food – Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, GM/SCR



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, South Central Railway held a review meeting to ensure hygienic and quality food over the Zone with all Principal Heads of Departments and a video conference with Divisional Railway Managers of all the six Divisions on the Zone on July 31, 2017 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.

Addressing the meeting, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav emphasized on maintenance of hygienic conditions and supply of quality food on trains and stations over the Zone. He advised all the DRMs and Head Quarter's officers to conduct regular checks and accord to top priority to ensure the availability of quality food. The General Manager also sought the prevention of unauthorized vendors in trains and at stations by conducting special drives with the help of Railway Protection Force and Ticket checking staff etc.

The General Manager also conducted a detailed review on the lenin management as part of supplying clean bedrolls. He reviewed the availability of stock against the demand and output of mechanized laundries which are supplying the lenin for the needs of entire Zone. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav discussed the complaints on linen and blankets and advised the officers to rectify the complaints immediately. He also suggested the officials to make short term and long term measures to avoid complaints on linen issues in future. Earlier, the General Manager reviewed the safety and punctuality of the Zone and instructed the officials to take necessary safety measures to avoid any unusual incidents.

Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manger; Shri K V Sivaprasad, PCE; Shri N Madhusudana Rao; Smt. Padmini Radhakrishnan, PFA; Shri Arjun Mundiya, PCME; Shri M G Sekharam, PCCM; Shri M A Aleem, PCSTE; Shri A A Phadke, PCEE were amongst the officials present.

Mahatma Gandhi Open Group, SCR BS&G, Hyderabad District Celebrated Golden Jubilee

Mahatma Gandhi Open Group which was formed on January 26, 1967 with 24 Scouts. The troop was named as MAHATMA GANDHI OPEN TROOP, the father of Nation, who served the country with dedicated service and sacrifice. Even the group has adopted the same principles in its own way. In 1968, a Rover Crew, cub pack formed. Some Girl Guides and Rangers joined the group in the year 1989.

Mahatma Gandhi Open Group celebrated its Golden Jubilee on July 8, 2017 at District Training Centre, Railway Girls High School, North Lallaguda. The programme commenced with prayer song with Shri M.C.Das, Retd. General Manager and Former State Chief Commissioner and Shri V. R. Ganathae, Former Dy. Director (Scouts) were Special Invitees. Shri N. Srinivasa Raju, District Chief Commissioner and Addl. Divisional Railway Manager, Hyderabad Division graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Shri P. Radha Krishna, District Commissioner (Scouts) & Sr.DPO/HYB and Shri C. Venugopal, Dy. CPO/Co-ord/Hqrs were the Guest of Honour. A large gathering of State & District Officials along with Rovers, Rangers, Scouts & Guides were also present. Shri K. Ramesh Chander, Group Chairman presented a detailed group report.

Addressing the large gathering Shri N. Srinivasa Raju stated that "Once a Scout Always a Scout". "He also shared his memories by saying that he was also a scout in his school days and running a scout group is great thing from 1967 to till date is appreciable".



Shri Piyush Goyal takes charge as Minister of Railways

Shri Piyush Goyal took over as the New Minister of Railways in Rail Bhavan on September 4, 2017. He is also Minister of Coal. Prior to this, he was Minister of State (Independent Charge) of Ministries of Power; Coal; New and Renewable Energy & Mines. Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Minister of Commerce and Industry & former Minister of Railways was specially present to hand over the charge to Shri Piyush Goyal.



On this occasion, Shri Manoj Sinha, Minister of State for Railways & Minister of Communication (I/C) & Shri Rajen Gohain, Minister of State for Railways were specially present to grace the occasion. Shri Ashwani Lohani, Chairman, Railway Board & other Board Members were also present.

Speaking on the occasion, Minister of Railways Shri Piyush Goyal said, "Huge Investments in Railways have been made in past three years which will definitely lead to the Development in Railways. Indian Railways shall continue on the roadmap of Development." He also profusely appreciated the efforts put in by his predecessor, Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu.

In his address, Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu extended his best wishes to Shri Piyush Goyal. Shri Suresh Prabhu said that the present Government gives lot of importance to the development of Railway Sector as growth of Railways leads to Nation's progress. He expressed his confidence that Shri Piyush Goyal will continue to work hard to achieve desired objectives.

Later, Minister of Railways Shri Piyush Goyal held the meeting with the Railway Board Members.

During Shri Goyal's previous tenure, India became Power & Coal surplus for the first time ever. Also transformative growth in Power resulted in net capacity addition of renewable energy which exceeded that of conventional power while also achieving record low tariff in this sector.

Bio Data of Shri Piyush Goyal

Shri Piyush Goyal is currently a Member of Rajya Sabha (he was first elected to RajyaSabha in 2010 & re-elected in 2016) and was earlier the National Treasurer of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). He headed the BJP's Information Communication Campaign Committee and oversaw the publicity and advertising campaign of the party including the social media outreach for the Indian General Elections 2014.

He has had a brilliant academic record- all-India second rank holder Chartered Accountant and second rank holder in Law in Mumbai University. He was a well-known investment banker and he has advised top corporates on management strategy and growth. He earlier served on the Board of India's largest commercial bank, the State Bank of India and Bank of Baroda.

He has participated in Leadership Programs at Yale University (2011), Oxford University (2012) and Princeton University (2013) and is currently pursuing the Owner/President Management (OPM) Program at Harvard Business School.

During his 33 year long political career, he has held several important positions at different levels in the BJP and is in the National Executive of the Party. He had the privilege of being mentored by stalwarts such as Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee , former Prime Minister of India. He was also nominated by the Government of India to the prestigious Task Force for Interlinking of Rivers in 2002.

Shri Ashwani Lohani, New Chairman, Railway Board

Shri Ashwani Lohani has been appointed as Chairman, Railway Board and Ex-Officio Principal Secretary to Government of India. He assumed charge of his new assignment on August 24, 2017. Prior to this assignment, Shri Ashwani Lohani was serving as Chairman and Managing Director, Air India.



A distinguished Rail Officer, Shri Ashwani Lohani comes from the Indian Railways Service of Mechanical Engineers and has worked in various capacities in Ministry of Railways, Union Ministry of Tourism and in Government of Madhya Pradesh. Within the Railways he has worked on the South Central, Eastern and Northern Railways besides the Diesel Locomotive Works at Varanasi and the Integral Coach Factory, at Chennai.

Shri Lohani has worked as the Chief Administrative Officer of the Indian Railway Organization for Alternate Fuels (IROAF), Chief Mechanical Engineer, Northern Railway, Divisional Railway Manager of Delhi Division, Director, National Rail Museum, New Delhi, Director in the Ministry of Tourism Government of India, CMD of India Tourism Development Corporation, MD of Madhya Pradesh Tourism and in many other important assignments in Railways.

Immediately after assumption of charge, the Chairman, Railway Board called upon the railwaymen across the country to always be on guard to ensure the highest level of safety in train operations and instil a renewed sense of confidence in railway passengers. He emphasized that safety should always remain principal focused area.

Highlights of performance during the period April to September 2017

Some of the performance highlights, initiatives/ improvements brought about in various fields of South Central Railway during the period April to September 2017 are as detailed.



Traffic Volume and Earnings

- Gross Earnings during the period April – September 2017 is Rs. 6219.96 Crores.
- During this period, SCR carried 192.53 Million originating passengers with earnings of Rs. 1949.07 Crores.
- The Zone loaded 48.30 MTs of freight during the period and the earnings yielded through freight loading is Rs. 4023.29 Crores.

Safety and Security

- SCR accord top priority to safety and security
- Safety audits and frequent surprise inspections are being carried out by Senior Officials to ensure all safety systems are being followed in the field.
- 400 Unmanned level crossings are eliminated, in the last 3 years and 23 in the current year.
- 500 RPF personnel and 275 GRP personnel are deployed every day on escort duty in 280 approx. identified express/passenger trains.

Passenger Amenities and Services

- Total 42 lifts and 38 escalators provided till September 2017. Further, 32 Lifts and 16 escalators will be provided.
- Out of 68 stations identified to develop as Adarsh station on SCR, so far works were completed at 65 stations.
- To keep the station and train premises clean and hygienic, 8013 bio-toilets were attached so far in 2121 coaches.
- On SCR, 74 trains were identified to provide On Board Housekeeping Service (OBHS), out of which 62 trains were provided with OBHS services and it is under process to extend the same in the remaining 12 trains.
- Around 113 trains on average per day were cleaned under Clean Train Station Scheme (CTS) at 4 major stations viz., Vijayawada, Guntakal, Renigunta and Secunderabad
- 95% Punctuality has been achieved during April to September 2017. Close monitoring of functioning of assets is being done and to further enhance the punctuality.
- From April to September 2017, 552 number of Special trains were run and 4049 extra coaches attached benefitting 8.52 lakh passenger.

Safety & Punctuality is Top Priority on SCR

– Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, GM, SCR

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav conducted detailed review meetings on Safety and Punctuality of the Zone regularly on 3rd, 17th & 24th, July; 21st & 22nd August and 4th, 11th, 15th & 18th September, 2017 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad along with Principal Heads of the Departments. Divisional Railway Managers (DRMs) of the Secunderabad, Hyderabad, Vijayawada, Guntakal, Guntur and Nanded Divisions participated through video conference.

The General Manager while reviewing the safety aspects of the Zone, called upon all the Zonal and Divisional officials to take proper advance measures to ensure the safety and prevent unsafe incidences. He also advised that all the loco drivers should be issued proper instructions related to visibility keeping the monsoon season in view, as part of ensuring safety at the Manned and Unmanned Level crossings.

The General Manager stressed upon safety aspects to be adhered in view of prevailing Monsoon season. He advised on preparatory works, precautions to be taken and need to keep close watch to tackle situations arising unexpectedly at all these locations. He advised Officials for close co-ordination with the Irrigation Department & State Government Officials on daily basis to take stock of situation. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav perused the Monsoon readiness drill including Patrolling, Monitoring of water levels of tanks etc., with all the DRMs and instructed them to concentrate on important locations such as at Bridges, Girders etc.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav discussing on the aspect of punctuality, instructed the DRMs to keep focus on loco and signal failures affecting the punctuality and make an action plan to improve the punctuality. He also stressed on the need to identify the root causes for asset failures and take corrective action and bring out System Improvements. While discussing on the speed restrictions he instructed the officials to review the position and remove the speed restrictions where ever possible to improve punctuality.

The General Manager wanted all the DRMs to draw an action plan to attain optimal levels and avoid unsafe working. He also advised that the sparing of the track for track renovation works shall be planned perfectly, so as not to affect train punctuality. He instructed officials to identify the root causes for asset failures and take corrective action and system improvements.

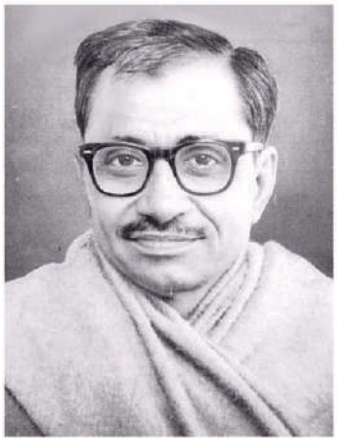
Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manger; Shri K.V.Siva Prasad, Principal Chief Engineer; Shri N Madhusudana Rao, Principal Chief Operations Manager; Smt. Padmini Radhakrishnan, Principal Financial Advisor (PFA); Shri M G Sekharam, Principal Chief Commercial Manager; Shri Arjun Mundiya, Principal Chief Mechanical Engineer; Shri D K Singh, Chief Safety Officer; Shri Vijay Agrawal, Principal Chief Administrative Officer (Construction); Shri V.M.Srivastava, Principal Chief Signal & Telecommunications Engineer; Shri A A Phadke, Principal Chief Electrical Engineer; Shri N V Ramana Reddy, Principal Chief Personnel Officer; Shri KHK Dora, Principal Chief Medical Director and Shri Ashesh Agarwal, Sr. Deputy General Manager were amongst the officials present during the meetings held.



Shri Deendayal Upadhyaya – The Epitome of Nationalism

To Educate a Child is in the Interest of the Society Itself

– Shri Deendayal Upadhyaya



The proponent who's belief was strongly rooted in the traditions of India's ancient culture and Nationalism to the hilt, ultimately was given the respect and honour deserved, by the Government of India. A Leader who scarified a fledgling career for a political role to guide the Nation's moorings finally has been given recognition. Yes, the name of Shri Deendayal Upadhyaya, who played a critical role in shaping India's destiny through the freedom struggle and later, has now virtually reached every door step in the country, thanks to the initiative of the Government to spread his message of Nationalistic Patriotism and Culture, to revive and rekindle the thought process of the young generation in particular and masses across in general.

Shri Deendayal Upadyaya was born in 1916 in the village Chandrabhan, now called Deendayal Dham, in Mathura District. His father, Bhagwati Prasad, was a well known astrologer and his mother Shrimati Rampyari was a religious-minded lady. He lost his parents at the age of eight years old and was brought up and excelled academically under the guardianship of his maternal uncle and aunt.

He completed his Matriculation in Pilani, Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan. He stood first in the board exam, obtaining a Gold Medal from Maharaja Kalyan Singh of Sikar, along with a monthly scholarship of 10 Rupees and an additional 250 rupees towards his books. He did his Intermediate Education at the Birla College in Pilani, the predecessor of the present Birla Institute of Technology and Science. He completed his Bachelor of Arts Degree at the Sanatan Dharma College, Kanpur in 1939 and graduated in the first division. He joined St. John's College, Agra to pursue a Master's Degree in English Literature and got a gold medal. His maternal uncle persuaded him to appear for the Provincial Services Exam, where he got selected but declined to join the Services on account of his political ambitions. He obtained a B.Ed and M.Ed Degrees at Prayag and entered public service.

While he was a student at Sanatan Dharma College, Kanpur in 1937, he came into contact with the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) through his classmate Baluji Mahashabde. He met the founder of the RSS, K. B. Hedgewar, who engaged with him in an intellectual discussion at one of the shakhas. Sunder Singh Bhandari was also one of his classmates at Kanpur. He dedicated himself to full-time work in the RSS from 1942. He had attended the 40-day summer vacation RSS camp at Nagpur where he underwent training in Sangh Education. After completing second-year training in the RSS Education Wing, Upadhyaya became a lifelong pracharak of the RSS. He worked as the pracharak for the Lakhimpur district and, from 1955, as the joint prant pracharak (regional organiser) for Uttar Pradesh. He was regarded as an ideal swayamsevak of the RSS essentially because 'his discourse reflected the pure thought-current of the Sangh'.

He started a monthly Rashtra Dharma from Lucknow in the 1940s. The publication was meant for spreading the ideology of Hindutvanationalism. He did not have his name printed as editor in any of the issues of this publication. Later he started a weekly Panchjanya and a daily Swadesh.

In 1951, when Syama Prasad Mookerjee founded the Bharatiya Jana Sangh, Deendayal was seconded to the party by the RSS, tasked with moulding it into a genuine member of the Sangh Parivar. He was appointed as General Secretary of its Uttar Pradesh branch, and later the all-India General Secretary. After Mookerjee's death in 1953, the entire burden of nurturing the orphaned organisation and building it up as a nationwide movement fell on Deendayal. For 15 years, he remained the outfit's general secretary. He also contested for Lok Sabha from Uttar Pradesh, but failed to attract significant political traction and did not get elected.

Integral humanism (India)

Upadhyaya conceived the political philosophy Integral Humanism. The philosophy of Integral Humanism advocates the simultaneous and integrated program of the body, mind and intellect and soul of each human being. His philosophy of Integral Humanism, which is a synthesis of the material and the spiritual, the individual and the collective, bears eloquent testimony to this. He visualised for India a decentralised polity and self-reliant economy with the village as the base.

Deendayal Upadhyaya was convinced that India as an independent nation could not rely upon Western concepts like individualism, democracy, socialism, communism or capitalism and was of the view that the Indian polity after Independence has been raised upon these superficial Western foundations and not rooted in the traditions of India's ancient culture. He was of the view that the Indian intellect was getting suffocated by Western theories, which left a "roadblock" to the growth and expansion of original Bharatiya (Sanskrit: "of Bharat" [India]) thought. Upadhyay was compelled to answer what he felt was the urgent need in India for a "fresh breeze".

He welcomed modern technology but wanted it to be adapted to suit Indian requirements. He believed in Swaraj ("Self-governance"). He died under unexpected circumstances and was found dead on 11 February 1968 at Mughalsarai Railway yard. Upadhyaya edited Panchjanya (Weekly) and Swadesh (Daily) from Lucknow. In Hindi, he has written a drama Chandragupta Maurya, and later wrote a biography of Shankaracharya. He translated a Marathi biography of Hedgewar, the founder of RSS.

He won awards and scholarships from the Maharaja of Sikar and industrialist Ghanashyam Das Birla. Turning down all offers of government and private sector employment, he joined the RSS. He kept company with Nanaji Deshmukh and Sundar Singh Bhandari, RSS pracharaks who went on to play a critical role in anti-Congress politics in the 1960s and 70s. Rising rapidly through the RSS ranks, he started a series of publications including its current mouthpiece, Panchjanya, and started another when this was banned. When that too, was suppressed, he launched a third one. He served as its compositor, machine man and dispatcher and never missed an issue.

Shri Deendayal Upadyaya passed away on February 11, 1968 at Mughalsarai in Uttar Pradesh while travelling in a train under mysterious circumstances.



Shri Vinay Mohan Shrivastava, IRSSE takes over as Chief Signal & Telecommunications Engineer, South Central Railway



Shri Vinay Mohan Shrivastava has taken charge as Chief Signal and Telecommunications Engineer, SCR on August 8, 2017. He belongs to the 1982 batch of Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineers (IRSSE). He earned the Bachelors Degree in Engineering (B.Tech-ECE) from Government College of Engineering, Jabalpur and went on to complete his Masters Degree in Digital Electronics from IIT, Kanpur.

Shri Vinay Mohan Shrivastava joined the Indian Railways in 1984 as IRSSE Probationer. After completion of initial training, he was posted as Assistant Signal & Telecommunications Engineer (ASTE) in Jhansi Division of Central Railway and also served as Divisional Signal & Telecommunications Engineer (DSTE). Later, he worked as Dy. CSTE in Metropolitan Transport Project Organization, Mumbai for 2 ½ years. Shri Shrivastava was later posted in Research Design and Standards Organization Inspection wing at Mumbai, which involved quality control for various important Signaling & Telecommunications assets being purchased by Railways. During this period, he has also developed new sources for supply of various materials to the Railways.

Before taking over the charge of new assignment, Shri Vinay Mohan Shrivastava served as Chief Signal Engineer, Central Railway.

Shri K.V.Sivaprasad, IRSE takes over as Principal Chief Engineer, SCR



Shri K. V. Sivaprasad has taken charge as Principal Chief Engineer, South Central Railway. He belongs to 1982 batch of Indian Railway Service of Engineers (IRSE).

Shri K. V. Sivaprasad, who passed out from IIT Madras in 1982 has served in various capacities on Indian Railways. Having joined the Indian Railways as a Probationer in September, 1984, he commenced his career as Assistant Engineer, Ramagundam, South Central Railway. He also worked as Divisional Engineer and Senior Divisional Engineer, Guntakal Division; Deputy Chief Engineer at Hubli & Vijayawada Division and also at SCR Hqrs. He was Chief Engineer/Track Machines & Chief Engineer General on SCR. Later, on he served as Chief Engineer in Construction Organization at Secunderabad, SCR & at Hubli, South Western Railway. He worked as Additional Divisional Railway Manager, Secunderabad Division, SCR. Prior to his new posting he was handling the post of Chief Track Engineer, SCR.

Shri Sivaprasad holds a rich experience of over 15 years in the Construction Organization of SCR with an excellent track record of completing 150 kms of new Railway lines. He was instrumental in the completion of 65 kms of Double line works on Srikalahasti – Kondagunta and Kakinada – Samalkot sections, besides 150 kms of Gauge Conversion works in Telangana, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka States.

Shri K.V.Sivaprasad is a fitness freak and is instrumental in developing Sports Infrastructure and talent pool of Sports Persons on the Zone as General Secretary of South Central Railway Sports Association.

SCR's Workshop and Training Centre receive recognition at National Level







South Central Railway bagged yet another feather in the cap, having been bestowed with two more awards at the National Level, by the Railway Board recently. The Wagon Workshop, Rayanapadu, Vijayawada and the Supervisor's Training Centre, Secunderabad received the honors. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager congratulated the team of officials and staff of Mechanical Department whose efforts led to the achievement and expressed confidence that this zeal towards excellence will be a continuous endeavor on the Zone.

The Rayanapadu Workshop, SCR has been recognized as the best performing workshop on Indian Railways and awarded with the Member (Rolling Stock) Best Workshop Shield for 2016-17. This Workshop has also achieved International Certified Welding Certification IS3834 and ISO50001 Certification for Energy Conservation. ***The Supervisor's Training Centre, Secunderabad*** on SCR was adjudged as the best training centre on Indian Railways by a team of Auditors from Indian Railway Institute of Mechanical Engineers, Jamalpur and has received the Winners Efficiency Shield as Best Supervisor's Training Centre.

Shri Arjun Mundiya, Chief Mechanical Engineer and Shri K P Somkuwar, Chief Workshop Engineer, SCR called on the General Manager at his chambers at Rail Nilayam with the two shields received by the Zone. They briefed Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav on the measures taken to attain the top honors by the Workshop and the Training Centre.

MMTS Phase-II works on Fast Track

– Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, GM reviews the progress



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, South Central Railway reviewed the progress of all ongoing projects over the Zone and MMTS Phase-II works with the Heads of the Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd (RVNL) and Railway Electrification (RE) Projects on July 11, 2017 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav undertook a detailed review of MMTS Phase-II extension works between Ghatkesar–Raigir (Yadadri), Bolarum–Medchal section, Ramachandrapuram–Telapur and Umdanagar– Falaknuma section. He instructed the officials to complete the works between Ramachandrapuram–Telapur and Medchal–Bolarum at earliest. Further he stated that efforts should be put on speeding up of Railway Electrification works adhering to the targets fixed. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav also discussed on the progress of doubling works between Guntur–Tenali, Secunderabad–Mahabubnagar and tripling works between Vijayawada–Gudur. He took stock of critical issues from the RVNL officials on the progress of projects and instructed the officials of other departments to extend the co-operation to speed up the works. He also discussed about the bridge drawing works and yard plans pertaining to Vijayawada–Guntur and Secunderabad–Mahabubnagar sections and commissioning of Gooty Station panel works.

Shri John Thomas, AGM, SCR; Shri S N Singh, PCE, SCR; Shri N Madhusudhana Rao, PCOM; Shri P Srinivas, CPM,RVNL and other officials from Headquarters and Divisions were also present.

Swachh Rail–Swachh Bharat Awards Presented



Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager, South Central Railway presented Awards to Railway staff as a part of 'Swacchta Pakhwada' cleanliness drive under Swachh Rail-Swachh Bharat mission, at a function held on August 30, 2017 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad. The Principal Heads of Departments and Awardees from all the six Divisions i.e., Secunderabad, Hyderabad, Vijayawada, Guntakal, Guntur and Nanded Divisions participated.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri John Thomas complimented the Officials and Staff for putting their best efforts to make the 'Swachhta Pakhada' cleanliness drive a grand success over Zone. He stated that 1964 officers under took the cleanliness activity and lead the drive to yield best results. In the mission cleanliness drive 1719 Persons were booked for Littering the Railway premises and Trains and an amount of Rs.4,01,800/- was collected as fine. The cleanliness drive includes 124 Awareness Campaigns involving various NGO organizations. 14,909 Passengers were interacted for assessment of cleanliness standards and 125 Complaints were received and disposed. 148 Trains were also inspected by the Officers and 129 complaints from the Passengers were received/disposed. Feedback was collected from 2155 Passengers on cleanliness of the Trains.

Earlier, Shri John Thomas presented 91 individual awards to the Staff of SCR for meritorious work during the Swacchta Pakhwada drive. He presented 14 Group Awards covering all the six Divisions including 2 Group Awards to Head Quarters for best maintained office. He aslo awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd Prizes to the Railway School and College Students who participated in drawing competitions on Swachh Rail-Swachh Bharat Theme.

प्रधान कार्यालय स्तर पर 'एक भारत श्रेष्ठ भारत' विषय पर हिंदी निबंध, काव्य पाठ, हिंदी वाक् प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन



दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे के मुख्यालय में प्रधान कार्यालय स्तर पर 13 और 14 जुलाई, 2017 को तथा 21 और 21 जुलाई, 2017 को 'एक भारत श्रेष्ठ भारत' विषय पर हिंदी निबंध, काव्य पाठ, हिंदी वाक् प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन किया गया. इन प्रतियोगिताओं में प्रधान कार्यालय, मंडलों और कारखानों के कर्मचारियों ने बडे उत्साह से भाग लिया. इन प्रतियोगिताओं के विजेताओं को राजभाषा पखवाडे के दौरान पुरस्कार प्रदान किए गए.

मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी श्री अ.आ.फडके की अध्यक्षता में राजभाषा संगठन अधिकारियों और पर्यवेक्षकों की एक बैठक 22 अगस्त, 2017 को आयोजित की गई, जिसमें राजभाषा के विभिन्न मदों के कार्यान्वयन की स्थिति की जांच करने और राजभाषा प्रगति की समीक्षा की गई. इस बैठक में प्रधान कार्यालय, मंडलों और कारखानों के राजभाषा संगठन के अधिकारी और अनुवादक उपस्थित थे.

पल भर का सिलसिला

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एक राजमहल के द्वार पर बड़ी भीड़ लगी थी। किसी फकीर ने सम्राट से भिक्षा मांगी थी। सम्राट ने उससे कहा, जो भी चाहते हो मांग लो। दिवस के प्रथम याचक की कोई भी इच्छा पूरी करने का उसका नियम था।

उस फकीर ने अपने छोटे से भिक्षापात्र को आगे बढ़ाया और कहा, बस इसे स्वर्ण मुद्राओं से भर दें।

सम्राट ने सोचा इससे सरल बात और क्या हो सकती है? लेकिन जब उस भिक्षा पात्र में स्वर्ण मुद्राएं डाली गईं तो ज्ञात हुआ कि उसे भरना असंभव था। वह तो जादुई था। जितनी अधिक मुद्राएं उसमें डाली गईं,वह उतना ही अधिक खाली होता गया। सम्राट को दुखी देख कर वह फकीर बोला, न भर सकें तो वैसा कह दें। मैं खाली पात्र को ही लेकर चला जाऊंगा। ज्यादा से ज्यादा इतना ही होगा कि लोग कहेंगे कि सम्राट अपना वचन पूरा नहीं कर सके।

सम्राट ने अपना सारा खजाना खाली कर दिया। उसके पास जो कुछ भी था। सभी उस पात्र में डाल दिया गया लेकिन अद्भुत पात्र न भरा, सो न भरा। तब उस सम्राट ने पूछा, भिक्षु तुम्हारा पात्र साधारण नहीं है। उसे भरना मेरी सामर्थ्य से बाहर है। क्या मैं पूछ सकता हूं कि इस अद्भुत पात्र का रहस्य क्या है?

वह फकीर हंसने लगा और बोला, कोई विशेष रहस्य नहीं। यह पात्र मनुष्य के हृदय से बनाया गया है। क्या आपको ज्ञात नहीं है कि मनुष्य का हृदय कभी भी भरा नहीं जा सकता। धन से, पद से, ज्ञान से, किसी से भी भरो, वह खाली ही रहेगा, क्योंकि इन चीजों से भरने के लिए वह बना ही नहीं।

इस सत्य को न जानने के कारण ही मनुष्य जितना पाता है उतना ही दरिद्र होता जाता है। हृदय की इच्छाएं कुछ भी पाकर शांत नहीं होती है। क्यों? क्योंकि हृदय तो परमात्मा को पाने के लिए बना है।

शांति चाहते हो तो? संतृप्ति चाहते हो? तो अपने संकल्प को कहने दो कि परमात्मा के अतिरिक्त और मुझे कुछ भी नहीं चाहिए।

दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे के मुख्यालय में 'हिंदी पखवाड़ा' संपन्न



दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे के मुख्यालय में 01 सितंबर से 15 सितंबर, 2017 तक हिंदी पखवाडा मनाया गया. 'हिंदी दिवस' के उपलक्ष्य में दि. 14.09.2017 को 'हिंदी दिवस व मुख्य समारोह' का आयोजन किया गया. इस अवसर पर मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में इस रेलवे के महाप्रबंधक श्री विनोद कुमार यादव, विशिष्ट अतिथि के रूप में अपर महाप्रबंधक श्री जॉन थॉमस और अध्यक्ष के रूप में मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी श्री अ.आ.फडके उपस्थित थे. उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) डॉ.श्याम सुंदर साहु ने प्रस्तावना में बताया कि संविधान में हिंदी को राजभाषा के रूप में मान्यता मिली और भारत सरकार की नीति के अनुसार इसे सरकारी कार्यालयों में लागू करना सबकी जिम्मेदारी है. मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी श्री फडके ने उपस्थित अतिथियों का फलों से स्वागत किया. महाप्रबंधक महोदय ने माननीय गृह मंत्री श्री राजनाथ सिंह के 'हिंदी दिवस' संदेश और मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी ने माननीय रेल मंत्री श्री पीयूष गोयल के 'हिंदी दिवस' संदेश का पठन किया. मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी ने अपने स्वागत भाषण में हिंदी पखवाडे के दौरान विभिन्न कार्यक्रमों की जानकारी देते हुए कहा कि दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे के अधिकारी और कर्मचारी राजभाषा संबंधी जिम्मेदारी से भलीभांति परिचित हैं.











इस समारोह के दौरान विद्युत विभाग द्वारा 'ऊर्जा संरक्षण' विषय पर और नांदेड मंडल द्वारा 'स्वच्छता अभियान' विषय पर लघु नाटकों का मंचन किया गया, जिनकी सभी ने सराहना की. समारोह के दौरान हिंदी में सराहनीय कार्य करनेवाले अधिकारियों और कर्मचारियों को 'महाप्रबंधक पुरस्कार योजना' के अंतर्गत पुरस्कार प्रदान किए गए. हिंदी पखवाडे के दौरान आयोजित प्रतियोगिताओं के विजेताओं को भी पुरस्कार प्रदान किए गए.

महाप्रबंधक महोदय ने अपने संबोधन में कहा कि इस रेलवे पर राजभाषा संगठन सक्रिय रूप से काम कर रहा है. उन्होंने हिंदी में सराहनीय कार्य करनेवाले अधिकारियों और कर्मचारियों को पुरस्कार प्राप्त करने पर बधाई दी. उन्होंने कहा कि इस रेलवे के अधिकारी/कर्मचारी हिंदी में सरकारी काम करने के साथ-साथ कला के क्षेत्र में भी अच्छी प्रतिभा रखते हैं.

अपर महाप्रबंधक ने अपने संबोधन में कहा कि 'ग' क्षेत्र में होने के बावजूद इस रेलवे के अधिकतर अधिकारी और कर्मचारी हिंदी में रुचि रखते हैं और अपने दैनिक सरकारी कामकाज में हिंदी का अधिक से अधिक प्रयोग कर रहे हैं. उन्होंने पुरस्कार विजेताओं को बधाई दी.

हिंदी पखवाडे के दौरान प्रधान कार्यालय में हिंदी श्रुतलेखन प्रतियोगिता, हिंदी टंकण, हिंदी प्रश्न-मंच और हिंदी गीत अंताक्षरी प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन किया गया.

हिंदी पखवाडे के दौरान राजभाषा संगठन के अधिकारी और कर्मचारियों के दल ने प्रधान कार्यालय के विभिन्न विभागों में जाकर अधिकारियों और कर्मचारियों से संपर्क किया. उन कर्मचारियों द्वारा हिंदी में किए जा रहे काम का जायज़ा लिया. कर्मचारियों को सरकारी कामकाज में आनेवाली कठिनाइयों के बारे में जानकारी ली और इनका समाधान किया गया. विभागों में कंप्यूटरों में द्विभाषिक व्यवस्था की जांच की गई. कार्यालयों में प्रयुक्त रुटीन प्रकार के पत्रों, टिप्पणियों के द्विभाषिक टैंपलेटों के उपयोग पर बल दिया गया. हिंदी में कार्य करने में किसी भी प्रकार की सहायता के लिए राजभाषा अनुभाग से संपर्क करने के लिए कहा गया.

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