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Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager and Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager, South Central Railway along with PHoDs pose for a photograph with the Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant Shield and Performance Efficiency Shields received by SCR for the 2017-18.



A View of the Prize Winning SCR Pavilion at the Indian Railways Exhibition held at Bhopal, to commemorate Railway Week Celebrations-2018



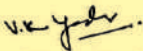
Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, GM, SCR receives the 'Best Transformation Initiative Award' at the hands of Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Railways.

Chief Patron's Message

It has been a wonderful financial year 2017-18 for South Central Railway, with the prime performance parameters reflecting a sizeable growth, which has enabled the revenue earnings of the Zone register an increase of 12 % over the last fiscal. The greatest of the attainments for SCR is the prestigious "Govind Ballabh Pant Shield" received for being the best Zone on Indian Railways in terms of overall performance excellence in 2017-18. The award came on strength of six efficiency shields that SCR received during the year, the highest numbers for any Zone on Indian Railways.

To add to the same, we have also received the "Best Transformation Initiative Award" introduced for the first time on Indian Railways and the award for "Best Pavilion" at the All India Railway Week Exhibition held at Bhopal. I attribute this achievement to each of the SCRians, because it is only the team spirit and the sense of oneness which can make an organization surpass its goals every time.

As the new fiscal 2018-19 takes off, I convey my wishes to you all and seek your involvement to continue this journey of service with zeal, so that the Zone not just continues to perform the best but also earns the good will and trust from its valued rail users. Let us all prove that SCR is the Zone which works on the strength of 'Rewards Culture' and not on the basis of a 'Punishment Culture', with every good work of an employee meets acknowledgement.

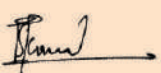

(Vinod Kumar Yadav)
General Manager

From Chief Editor's Desk

It is celebration time at the Hum Dum Desk, as the pages inside carry the details of SCR's remarkable performance in various spheres during the financial year 2017-18 just ended. While the Zone made its mark at the National level impeccably, Eight of our Officers and Staff too have been recipients of individual awards from the Rail Ministry. The news of achievements and attainments is only going to make us more proud and determined to travel the path of glory with more dedication.

The last quarter of the fiscal is the time when our strides turn to sprint, so that targets are met optimally. This hectic period also saw SCR hosting a hugely successful National level "Brain Train" All India Quiz Competition, matching the best standards. Our pavilion set up at the All India Railway Week Exhibition at Bhopal, reflected creative brilliance at its best and got the nod of the jury to bag the First Prize. The 63rd Railway Week Celebrations on the Zone have also enabled build camaraderie amongst the big SCR family at various levels. Like always, the Republic day celebration of SCR was an excellently orchestrated event, with patriotic fervour prevailing to the core. A host of meetings with Hon'ble Members of Parliament and the General Manager's Annual Inspections kept the Zone busy. Hum Dum chronicles these activities in detail.

The onset of new financial year 2018-19 has brought in new aspirations and Indian Railways is poised to reap the benefits of all the hard work that has gone in during the last 3 years towards enhancing Safety and Punctuality of services. Team Hum Dum will keep you all abreast of the developments.


(M. Umashankar Kumar)
Chief Public Relations Officer



Best Transformation Initiative Award

South Central Railway shines at 63rd National Railway Week 2018

The Performance Efficiency of South Central Railway in various sectors of operations during 2017-18 financial year attained recognition at National Level on Indian Railways, when Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Railways presented the prestigious 'Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant' Award, Indian Railways' Overall Best Performance Shield to Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager on the occasion of 63rd Railway Week National Awards function held on April 16, 2018 at Bhopal. SCR was the recipient of record highest department performance shields amongst all Zones on Indian Railways, with six departments getting the recognition. The General Manager was accompanied by respective Principal Heads of Departments while receiving these shields. The glittering function was also attended by Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways as Guest of Honour.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager also received the Best Transformation Initiative Award at the hands of Shri Piyush Goyal. This Award has been introduced for the first time on Indian Railways, and is given in recognition of the excellent initiatives taken for transforming and improving the efficiency of the Indian Railway system. The General Manager was instrumental in implementing strategic initiatives towards enhancing the efficiency of South Central Railway, on the strength of several innovations.

The other six Efficiency Shields awarded for SCR were for Commercial, Electrical Engineering, Environmental & Cleanliness, Stores, Best Workshop (Rolling Stock, Lallaguda) and Best Running Room at Visakhapatnam (maintained by Vijayawada Division).

Eight of South Central Railway's Officials and Staff have been awarded 63rd Railway Week National Individual Awards for their outstanding performance and contribution during the year.

SCR's Performance Efficiency Shield – 2017-18



'Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant' Shield for Overall Best Performance



Commercial Shield



Environmental & Cleanliness Shield



Electrical Engineering Shield



Stores Shield



Best Workshop (Rolling Stock, Lallaguda)



Best Running Room at Visakhapatnam (Vijayawada Division)



Indian Railways has for the first time, decided to organize competition in Cultural events, Painting, Photography and Quiz for the Indian Railway Workforce, on the eve of the 63rd Railway Week Celebrations to be held in April, 2018. The Competitions have been entrusted to 3 Zones including South Central Railway. These events are meant to develop a sense of team spirit amongst Railway Employees and enhance their competence levels so as to enable them to perform to their best.

Shri K. V. Kotilingachari, Helper, Sr.DSTE/O/BZA won Consolation Prize at All India Railway's Painting Competition held at Nagpur

Winning Photographs at the National Railway Photography Competition



3rd Prize - Colour Category Dr. Dutta Samanthaka Mani - BZA



3rd Prize - Monochrome Category Shri G. Nagender PM-A-SC



Consolation - Colour Shri M.M.L Prasad



Consolation - Monochrome Shri M.M.L Prasad



Consolation - Colour Shri Y. R.Vara Prasad TI-DRM-SC



Consolation - Monochrome Shri Nanda Kumar

South Central Railway Pavilion at Indian Railways Exhibition at Bhopal Gets First Prize

South Central Railway has been awarded the 1st prize at the Indian Railways Exhibition being held at Bhopal Haat, Bhopal on the occasion of the 63rd National Railway Week Function from 15th to 17th April 2018.

The Exhibition saw participation of all Zones, Production Units and sister Organizations on Indian Railways. The Committee which evaluated the exhibition stalls declared the SCR stall set up at the exhibition as the best and awarded the

1st Prize. The 2nd prize was jointly won by Integral Coach Factory & Southern Railway. The 3rd prize was shared by North Central Railway & North Frontier Railway.

The SCR pavilion theme was 'South Central Railway- Leading the transformative path towards New India 2022'. The stall espoused the vision and mission of SCR and was visited by Shri Ashwani Lohani, Chairman, Railway Board who was highly appreciative of the big picture the Zone projected.



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager felicitated Team SCR involved in managing SCR Pavilion at Indian Railways Exhibition held at Bhopal. SCR won Top Prize in the first-ever IR Exhibition.



B.Vinod Babu gets the top prize for SCR in All India Railways' Cultural Competition

Shri B.Vinod Babu, the well known singer and Nandi Awardee, working on South Central Railway (SCR) added yet another feather to the cap of the Zone by bagging the first prize in Semi Classical Singing (Vocal – Male) at the 63rd Railway Week All India Inter Zonal Cultural Competition held at Udaipur, Rajasthan from 8th to 10th March, 2018.

The competition saw 12 artistes representing various Zones of Indian Railways participating in the event, with the winners SCR being followed by Western Railway as Runners up and East Coast Railway, as the third placed team. The SCR team also earned honours in the group dance (folk) category by bagging the third place.



SCR conducts Brain Train All India Railways Quiz Competition as part of the 63rd Railway Week Celebrations

The All India Inter-Zonal Quiz Competition to mark the 63rd Railway Week Celebrations of Indian Railways was held on March 7, 2018 at Rail Kalarang, Secunderabad. The first ever such event on Indian Railways was conducted by South Central Railway.

The Quiz Competition saw participation of 16 teams representing various Zones and production units of Indian Railways, including the host South Central Railway. The day long Quiz Competition which comprised of a preliminary round involving all teams followed by two semi-finals of 6 teams each and the finals comprising of the top six teams which qualified in the Semi-finals. The internationally acclaimed Quiz Master, Shri Gautam Bose conducted the entire competition, which built up tempo at each stage, reaching the climax in the tough finals.

Southern Railway, represented by the three member team of Shri P V Manoj, Shri P R Girish Kumar and Shri R Ramachandran were the winners, followed by the North Eastern Railway team of Shri Jagadamba Prasad, Shri Shashwad Gupta and Shri Sanat Jain as the runners up. The third Place went to Western Railway, while Chittaranjan Locomotive Works stood 4th, while South Central Railway and Indian Railways Organisation of Alternate Fuels (IROAF) stood jointly in the 5th position.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, SCR who inaugurated the Competition in the morning and was the Chief Guest at the concluding function, presented the prizes to the winners, runners up and the other teams which made it to the finals. Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager, South Central Railway joined him on the dais to felicitate the teams.

Earlier, Shri M Umashankar Kumar, Chief Public Relations Officer, SCR welcomed the gathering and detailed the format of the tournament. The winners and runners up team were felicitated at the main National Level function at Bhopal on 11th April, 2018. The other four finalists were awarded at the regional function held at Secunderabad in April, 2018.



South Central Railway celebrates 63rd Railway Week

South Central Railway (SCR) has provided the best passenger and freight services without a single unusual incident, pointed out General Manager Vinod Kumar Yadav on Wednesday and complimented officers and staff for the "remarkable" performance in 2017-18.

Providing safe journey to passengers should remain top on the agenda of every railway employee, he said at the 63rd Regional Railway Week Celebrations

held at Rail Kalarang, commemorating the first train run on Indian soil. The GM released two books — Railu Kathalu, a compilation of stories in Telugu, and Pilgrim and Tourist Places in SCR edited by CPRO, Shri M Umashanker Kumar.

GM's efficiency shield for over all best performance went to Secunderabad Division with DRM, Shri Amit Varadan receiving the shield. The division also received commercial and operating

performance shields whereas the civil and finance performance shields went to the Vijayawada division.

He presented 33 zonal level efficiency shields to various departments and divisions, including best security shield to RPF Senior Divisional Security Commissioner K. Senthil of Hyderabad division and 102 other individual awards for meritorious contribution.



SCR's Achievements during 2017-18 Fiscal

South Central Railway has registered an extremely satisfying performance in the last fiscal 2017-18. Our traffic volume and earnings have shown sizeable growth in the last financial year when compared to the previous year. The gross originating earnings recorded Rs.13673.38 Crs, registering a growth of 12.3% over the last fiscal. The freight loading during the year 2017-18 is 103 Million Tonnes which generated revenue of Rs.9260 Crs. In the passenger segment, SCR carried 379.07 millions of passengers, generating Rs.3860.77 Crs, signifying 8.3% increase over last year.

The thrust areas of SCR are safety, security, passenger amenities and infrastructure development. Towards achieving the target of 'No Unmanned Level Crossings', 137 Unmanned Level Crossings and 20 Manned Level Crossings were eliminated during the last financial year.

The pace of execution of Railway infrastructural works on SCR has shown a significant improvement in the recent past. The electrification of Railway lines is in fast progress and a record 600 route kms of electrification has been completed in the last fiscal. This has facilitated seamless running of electric traction trains in important sections like Guntur-Guntakal and Wadi-Guntakal. Commissioning of 139 kms of New line, Doubling and Third line in the last fiscal, is also a record. This includes New line of 73 kms between

Humnabad-Gulbarga, 21 kms between Kadapa-Pendlimarri, 19 kms between Mattampalli-Raghavapuram, 17 kms of Doubling between Parbhani-Mirkhel and 9 kms of 3rd line between Mancherial-Peddampet. SCR has commissioned Rail Bogie Karkhana at Yadgir in a record time.

To cater the ever increasing passenger demands, several measures have been undertaken like introduction of 4 new originating train services which includes 2 prestigious Humsafar Express. In addition, 93 coaches were permanently augmented by 48 trains. To handle extra rush of passengers during holiday and festive season, 1454 special trains were run and 7237 extra coaches were attached.

SCR is committed towards energy conservation. During the last fiscal, 3.3 MWp capacity of solar panels, 6700 LPD capacities of solar water heaters and 125 day light pipes have been provided. All the stations and service buildings over the Zone have been converted as 100% LED-lit stations. These initiatives enabled SCR to save 144.4 lakh units of electrical energy and Rs.10.36 Cr in terms of revenue per annum.

The Zone has taken up water conservation and green initiatives in a big way. In this direction several measures were taken up such as construction of 37 wells, water harvesting pits at 389 stations, roof top

water harvesting at 885 buildings and rejuvenation of 39 old water ponds and 17 heritage wells. All these efforts yielded a saving of Rs.10 Cr. per annum. In recognition for the efforts being made by South Central Railway towards green initiatives, Green Co Rating has been given to Workshops at Lallaguda, Rayanapadu and Tirupati. In addition, Rail Nilayam, Hyderabad Bhavan and Secunderabad station are also certified with Green Co Rating.

In the current fiscal, high speed Wi-Fi facility has been provided at 45 Stations in rural areas in addition to 28 important 'A1' & 'A' category Stations. With this, Wi-Fi facility has been made available at 82 stations on the Zone.

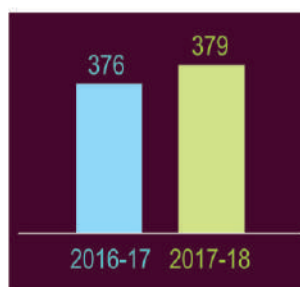
Provision of passenger amenities and facilities to rail users is another important area for South Central Railway. An amount of Rs.63 Cr. has been spent for the provision and augmentation of several amenities during 2017-18. Cleanliness is another aspect which came to the fore. It is targeted to complete the fixing of bio-toilets to all the coaches on SCR circuit by the end of 2018. The On-Board Housekeeping Service (OBHS) has been extended to 67 pairs of trains and proposals are under process for bringing 7 more trains under this scheme. For the convenience of travelling public 'Clean My Coach' SMS service has been implemented for all the trains under OBHS. To increase supply of quality linen by trains two more laundries were commissioned under BOOT model at Tirupati and Kakinada.

Highlights of performance of SCR

The performance of South Central Railway during the last financial year has shown an upward trend in all spheres as compared to the same period during previous year. The Originating Earnings, Number of Passengers Carried and its Earnings, Goods Loading and its Earnings in the last year comparing with previous year are depicted in graphical manner below.



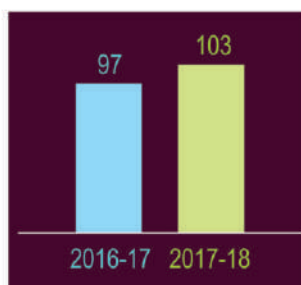
Originating Earnings (in Crore)



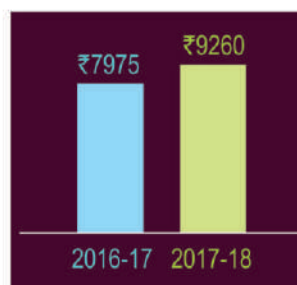
Passengers Carried (in Millions)



Passenger Earnings (in Crore)



Goods Loading (in Million Tonnes)



Goods Earnings (in Crore)

Shri Ashwani Lohani, Chairman, Railway Board Conducts Night Patrolling along with Patrolmen



Rewari Section in the intervening night

Shri Ashwani Lohani, Chairman, Railway Board (CRB) has conducted cold weather night foot patrolling along with patrolmen in Delhi -

of 6th and 7th January, 2018. As the head of the institution, he had firsthand experience and took major decisions in connection with Staff welfare and working conditions.

CRB walked on track in full patrolling beat of 2kms + 2kms in extremely cold weather conditions, with patrolmen and closely watched and experienced firsthand their difficult tasks. He interacted with patrolmen & supervisors and examined their safety equipments, protective clothing, boots and fluorescent jackets.

CRB suggested to carry out changes and passed instructions that -

1. Instead of overcoats, good quality jackets be supplied preferably yearly as against overcoat once in 3 years
2. Supply of good quality industrial boots by procurement, over & above the uniform allowance
3. Supplying high intensity chargeable type torches and
4. LED type HS lamps instead of kerosene based lamps

SCR Tops in the Initiatives for Staff Welfare

- Shri D.K.Gayen, Member Staff, Railway Board



Carrier Progression (MACP) etc. He also spoke on the retired employees liberalized health scheme and instructed to simplify the procedures in vogue to ease the retired employees to take treatment in the Railway hospitals/corporate hospitals.

Shri D K Gayen, Member Staff, Railway Board appreciated South Central Railway for the initiatives taken towards staff welfare. He also stated that several programs initiated on SCR toward betterment of employee services will serve as model for other zones. He visited Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad on February 23, 2018. As part of the visit, he conducted a meeting with Principal Heads of Departments and other senior officials of the Zone.

Speaking on the occasion, he opined that the Indian Railways are a manpower intensive organization and man power is the biggest asset for Railways. He advised the personnel department officials to treat the employee welfare as a moral duty to take care of this biggest asset. He also advised the personnel department officials to attend the grievances of the employees with open mind set and positive attitude. Further he discussed on the issues related to court cases, compassionate appointments, cadre planning, re-deployment of medically de-categorized staff, staff uniform issues and issues related to Modified Assured

Later, Shri Gayen attended the valedictory function of the 5 day program on Training of Trainers for Indian Railways and handed over the certificates to the participants at Administrative Staff College of India, Bella Vista, Hyderabad.

Member Staff also launched the service record/leave balance mobile app and inaugurated lunch-cum-rest room for women employees at CPO office, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad. He also visited 'Manakosam - A Facilitation Hub' at Rail Nilayam and appreciated the services provided for the benefit of serving and retired staff. He interacted with representatives of various Trade Unions, Associations and received representations.



Director General (Railway Stores), Railway Board visits SCR



Shri Ashish Kumar Goel, Director General (Railway Stores), Railway Board made a visit to South Central Railway and participated in the Review Meeting held on March 9, 2018 at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad conducted by Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager.

Speaking on the Occasion, Director General (Railway Stores) emphasized to adopt transformational changes in Railways by upgrading technology in thrust areas. He stressed that Online Monitoring system, Mobile App based management being developed in the Stores department is to be utilized for all the Supply works. Shri A K Goel advised Stores department to make 100% Digitalization in contracts management.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav while addressing the meeting said that SCR excels all the Zones over Indian Railways especially in stores procurement and material Management. He added that SCR has achieved 9 National Efficiency shields in stores category for the last 10 years.

Shri John Thomas, Addl. GM; Shri P K Sangewar, PCMM and all other Principal Heads of the Departments, DRMs of Secunderabad and Hyderabad Divisions were amongst the officials present during the meeting.



General Manager conducts Annual Inspection of Vijayawada Division

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager undertook the Annual Inspection of Kakinada-Rajahmundry-Vijayawada Section on Vijayawada Division on January 5, 2018. Commencing from Kakinada Railway Station, the inspection covered all the major Railway Stations enroute till Vijayawada. Shri R Dhananjayulu, DRM, Vijayawada Division accompanied him throughout the Inspection.

The inspection commenced with the review of Coaching Depot at Kakinada Port Railway Station. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inaugurated Mechanized BOOT Laundry and participated in tree plantation program as a part of green initiatives. Shri V Venkateswara Rao, Hon'ble MLA met the General Manager at Kakinada Town Station and discussed rail developmental plans in his constituency. The General Manager took up a window trailing inspection of the Sarpavaram-Samalkot Section. He stopped at a Manned Level Crossing Gate in this section and carried out a thorough examination of the essential safety equipments available at gate cabin, approach roads, track visibility and first aid availability, etc. He also planted saplings at LC Gate and inspected minor bridge in the section.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inspected traction substation at Samalkot Railway station and interacted with

staff of Gang Unit No.7 and checked the safety procedures followed by them. He also carried out a speed test between Samalkot-Dwarapudi stations.

At Rajahmundry, Shri M Murali Mohan, Hon'ble MP, Shri A Satyanarayana and Shri G Butchaiah Chowdary, Hon'ble MLAs along with other public representatives met the General Manager discussed on various rail developmental issues, later they inaugurated two lifts on Platform No. 1 & 2 and interacted with media personnel. The

General Manager also carried out a detailed inspection of West Railway Colony and inaugurated Children's Park. He inspected Permanent Way Depot, Health Unit and inaugurated Health Education Room. The General Manager went round the entire circulating area of the station and had a look at all the facilities, the building façade, Accident Relief Train & Medical Relief Van etc. Later, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inaugurated Speed Indicator Digital Display at Crew Lobby and inspected the facilities available.

The General Manager inspected Tadepalligudem Railway station. Shri P Manikyala Rao, Hon'ble Minister AP met General Manager and discussed about various developmental plans at the Railway station. He also conducted a detailed inspection of Eluru Railway Station, Health Unit and inaugurated Children's Park. Later, General Manager inspected Manned Level Crossing and Minor Bridge between Vatlur-Nuzvid stations. At Vijayawada Railway Station, Shri K Narayana Rao, Hon'ble MP, Machilipatnam met General Manager and discussed rail developmental plans in his constituency.

Principal Heads of the Departments and other Officials also accompanied the General Manager and conducted department wise inspections.



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager conducts Annual Inspection of Guntur Division

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager undertook inspection of Nandyal-Guntur Section of Guntur Division on January 17, 2018. He was accompanied by PHODs and Ms. V G Bhooma, DRM, Guntur Division.

The General Manager began his inspection with the Nandyal Railway Station, Running Room, Crew Lobby, Stores etc. At Nandyal, he planted saplings at Running Room as part of Green Initiative and inaugurated Children's Park. He also inaugurated 'Employees Digital Hub VISION 2040' developed by Personnel Department of SCR. The General Manager inspected the Railway colony, staff quarters and interacted with the occupants. He also

inspected Health Unit and enquired about facilities provided for employees. Shri Bhuma Brahmananda Reddy, Hon'ble MLA met Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav and discussed Rail Developmental issues in his area. The General Manager interacted with media and informed about developmental plans in Guntur Division.

The General Manager conducted a window trailing inspection from Nandyal, passing through Nandipalli, Gazulapalli and Chelama Railway Stations. Later, he conducted the inspection of the Bogada tunnel, which is the longest tunnel on SCR measuring 1.54 Kilometers. He conducted a thorough scrutiny of Minor Bridge No.304

near 'Bogada Tunnel' and checked the 'Emergency Communication Sockets' situated there. He made several suggestions to the engineering staff for good upkeep of the tunnel and interacted with the Gang Staff. He also inspected circulating area and carriage watering management at Diguva Metta Railway station.

At Markapur, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inspected station premises, platforms and inaugurated new Railway Employee Quarters & Children's Park. Shri J Venkata Reddy, Hon'ble MLA, Markapur met the General Manager and discussed about the rail developmental plans.



General Manager undertakes Annual Inspection of Guntakal Division



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager undertook inspection of Dharmavaram-Gooty-Pendekallu-Nandyal Section on Guntakal Division on January 18, 2018. He was accompanied by Shri Vijay Pratap Singh, DRM, Guntakal Division.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav commenced inspection from Dharmavaram Railway Station covering entire Circulating Area and Waiting Halls. He also conducted an extensive inspection of 'Accident Relief Train', 'Medical Relief Van' along with Engineering officers and Medical officers and checked the alertness of the staff. He checked the entire medical equipment provided in Medical Relief Van and enquired about the procedure to be followed during emergency situations. He inaugurated Renovated Crew Rest room, Renovated IPF Office, Ladies TTE Rest room, Smoke detection & fire alarm systems over Guntakal Division, Stores Management and Asset Record Terminal and Mobile App for 'TrD Asset Maintenance' on the platform. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav also launched a

Massive Tree Plantation program at Dharmavaram Station Yard which was taken up in an area of 20 acres as part of Green Initiative during his Annual Inspection.

The General Manager conducted a speed test between Dharmavaram-Zangalapalle stations. He inspected interlocked Level Crossing Gate No.124 between Zangalapalle-Prasannayana Palli and checked the working system and inspected the safety equipment available with Gateman. He also inspected Gang No. 4 & 5 and interacted and enquired about the essential equipment provided and safety precautions that need to be taken during their working.

At Anantapur, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inspected the station and inaugurated new Passenger Reservation Office, Lift on Platform No.1. Later, the General Manager interacted with media at Anantapur station and informed about developmental plans in Guntakal Division. He conducted the inspection of major Girder Bridge No.45 between Kalluru-Pamidi Stations.

At Gooty, the General Manager inaugurated Community Hall and Synthetic Shuttle Court in the Railway Housing Colony and appreciated the Officers, Staff of Diesel Loco Shed for getting 'APPLIED 5S-LEVEL 1' Certificate for implementation of Work Place Management System in the shed. He carried out inspection of BOXN Wagon Depot at Gooty Railway Station. He also planted saplings at Wagon Depot towards green initiative.

At Dhone, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, inspected Running Room, Permanent Way Depot, Platforms, Circulating Area and Passenger Amenities provided in the station. He also inspected Railway Colony, Health Unit. Shri B Rajendranath Reddy, Hon'ble MLA, Dhone met the General Manager and discussed about Rail Developmental issues in his area.

Senior Officials also accompanied the General Manager and conducted department wise inspection.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager undertakes Annual Inspection of Nanded Division

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, South Central Railway undertook inspection of Parli-Nanded-Mudkhed Section on Nanded Division on January 23, 2018. He was accompanied by Shri Trikalagya Rabha, DRM, Nanded Division.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav commenced Annual inspection with Manned Level Crossing Gate between Parli-Wadgaon of Nanded Division. He interacted with Gateman and checked the working system and inspected the safety equipment available with Gateman. At Gangakher, General Manager inspected Railway Station covering entire Circulating Area, Waiting Halls, Yard and Railway Colony. He inspected major bridge at Gangakher railway station. He inaugurated Solar Battery Room, Children's Park in the colony and planted saplings as part of green initiative. The General Manager met public representatives and discussed issues at Gangakher railway station.

At Parbhani, the General Manager extensively inspected station premises, circulating area, passenger amenities, CCTV room, Retiring room, Goods shed etc. He



briefed the media personnel about developmental plans on Nanded Division. He stated that SCR is according high priority to electrification, doubling of Nanded Division. He also stated that additional Road Over Bridge and Ladies Waiting Hall will be constructed soon. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav reviewed ongoing Escalator Works at Parbhani station. The General Manager met public representatives and discussed issues related to Parbhani railway station. He conducted a speed test between Pingli-Mirkhel stations.

At Purna, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inspected station, Divisional Engineering Training Centre, Permanent-Way Office and stores etc. He also inspected Community Hall and launched online web portal for booking of Railway Institutes and Community Hall. The General Manager inspected Combined Crew Booking Lobby and Running Room and checked the facilities made available for Loco Pilots and interacted with staff. Public Representatives from Purna region met Shri Vinod Kumar and submitted their representations.

At Nanded, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inaugurated renovated subordinate Rest House, renovated TTE's Rest room in the station. He also inaugurated Renovated Electrical Sub-station and Water Plant for Railway Hospital. He inspected Running Room and enquired about facilities available, CCTV room in the platform. The General Manager declared and announced the Nanded Railway Station as 100% LED lit station. He also inspected Mudkhed railway station and passenger amenities.

Senior Officials also accompanied the General Manager and conducted department wise inspection.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager undertakes Annual Inspection of Hyderabad Division



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, South Central Railway undertook inspection of Mudkhed-Malkajgiri Section of Hyderabad Division on January 24, 2018. He was accompanied by Shri Arun Kumar Jain, DRM, Hyderabad Division.



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav commenced the Annual inspection with safety check at a Bridge between Shivangaon-Umri Stations. The General Manager inspected Umri Railway station and inaugurated 7.5 HP Solar Pump at station which will save 122.53 Kw units per annum. He also planted saplings at station premises towards green initiative. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inspected first Energy Efficient Railway Colony at Umri on SCR and inaugurated a new overhead water tank pipeline system for colony. At Dharmabad, the General Manager inspected railway station and inaugurated Railway Protection Force (RPF) Out Post at station.



At Basar, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inspected station, circulating area, platforms and passenger amenities available at the station. He also inspected facilities specially designed for divyang passengers and advised officials to maintain cleanliness. Shri G Vittal Reddy, Hon'ble MLA met General Manager and discussed on rail developmental issues on his region. He inspected a major bridge on Godavari River between Basar-Navipet stations. He also inspected Manned Level Crossing



Gate between Navipet-Jankampet stations which has been indigenously designed with green ambience and appreciated the gatemen and staff for maintaining such beautiful greenery at the LC Gate. He also inaugurated 'Solar System' for water motor pump and lighting at LC Gate. Later, he inspected Gang and interacted with trackman and awarded all the members in Gang No.13 for performing their duties with dedication.

At Nizamabad, the General Manager extensively inspected station premises, circulating area, passenger amenities, Health Unit, Running Room etc. He checked the quality of food served to the staff in Running Room. He inaugurated website developed for the crew of Hyderabad Division and Fully Air-conditioned 12 bedded additional running room with Meditation and Recreational facilities. Shri B Ganesh Gupta and Shri Baji Reddy Govardan, Hon'ble MLAs met Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav and discussed various issues related to their constituencies. Several public representatives also met the General Manager and submitted their representations. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav interacted with media personnel at Nizamabad Railway Station and briefed on plans relating to upgradation of the Station and other rail developmental plans in Hyderabad Division. He also planted saplings at Running Room

premises as part of green initiative.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav reviewed the developmental plans of circulating area on both sides and extension of Foot Over Bridge at Kamareddi Railway Station and inaugurated live remote monitoring system of LC Gate from Station Manager's room. He unveiled Audio Visual Compact Discs on installation, maintenance and operation of Electrically operated lifting barrier during his inspection. Smt. M Padma Devender Reddy, Hon'ble MLA & Deputy Speaker, Telangana met the General Manager at Mirzapalli station and discussed on rail developmental plans pertaining to her constituency. Shri S Ramalinga Reddy, Hon'ble MLA, Dubbaka also met the General Manager at Wadiaram Station and discussed rail developmental plans in his region.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav inaugurated new office of Senior Section Engineer /Signal at Medchal Railway Station and inspected Permanent Way Depot. He also inspected Malkajgiri Railway Station and inaugurated Solar Plant at the station. Shri Malla Reddy, Hon'ble MP met the General Manager and discussed rail developmental plans in his area.

Other Senior Officials also accompanied the General Manager and conducted departmentwise inspection.

Inspection of Rayanapadu Wagon Workshop by General Manager

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, South Central Railway conducted inspection of Wagon Workshop, Rayanapadu on March 21, 2018. Shri Arjun Mundiya, Principal Chief Mechanical Engineer, Shri R Dhananjayulu, DRM, Vijayawada Division, Shri S K Agarwal, Chief Electrical General Engineer, Shri G V Ramana Reddy, Chief Engineer/ Construction, Shri Birendra Sinku, Chief Workshop Manager / Rayanapadu, Shri Hemsingh Banoth, Chief Workshop Engineer accompanied him.

The General Manager conducted performance review meeting of the workshop and advised the

officials to achieve best output in the day to day activities. He also called upon the staff to further enhance the productivity by hard work and dedication. He announced a cash award of Rs 1.0 lakh for the good work done at workshop.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, inaugurated a new Bay at the Workshop as part of modernization program. He also inaugurated Ladies Rest Room, Electric Sub Station, Computerized Numerical Control (CNC) Wheel Lathe, knowledge centre for Cartridge Tapered Roller Bearing (CTRB) maintenance equipments and

a renovated garden in the premises of workshop. The General Manager appreciated the work at Distributor valve section of Air Brake system which is totally maintained by woman employees. He also announced a cash award of Rs.2000 each for all the women employees working in the Distributor Valve Section.



General Manager meets Hon'ble Members of Parliament

South Central Railway conducted meetings with Hon'ble Members of Parliament belonging to Lok Sabha & Rajya Sabha covering SCR's jurisdiction from the States of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Maharashtra on 9th, 10th and 11th January, 2018 respectively.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager welcomed the dignitaries during the meetings and briefed them on the performance of South Central Railway and various steps initiated for improving the passenger amenities on the Zone. The General Manager stated that the deliberations in these meetings would immensely help the Railways in finalizing the Railway developmental plans for the people of the region. The suggestions and views expressed by the Hon'ble Members would be given due considerations while formulating the proposals for new works / services. Proposals for new works / services which are beyond the powers of the Zone would be forwarded to Railway Board, he added.

The Hon'ble Members of Parliament complimented the initiative of SCR in convening these meetings. During the course of the meetings, the Hon'ble MPs raised several issues related to Railway developmental works / services in their respective constituencies.

The demands raised by the Hon'ble Members included construction of new railway lines, introduction of new trains, extension of existing train services, additional stoppages to existing trains, construction of Road Over Bridges/Road Under Bridges and providing improved passenger amenities etc.

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Hon'ble Members of Parliament – Dr. P Ravindra Babu, Amalapuram; Shri M Srinivasa Rao, Anakapalle; Shri J C Diwakar Reddy, Anantapur; Shri Magantti Venkateshwara Rao, Eluru; Shri Y.S.Avinash Reddy, Kadapa; Shri Thota Narasimham, Kakinada; Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao, Machilipatnam; Shri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao, Narsaraopet; Shri Mekapati Rajamohan Reddy, Nellore; Shri Y V Subba Reddy, Ongole; Shri Maganti Murali Mohan, Rajahmundry; Dr. VVara Prasad Rao, Tirupati and Shri Kesineni Srinivas, Vijayawada – were present in the meeting.



The Hon'ble Members of Parliament who attended the meeting are – Shri Bandaru Dattatreya, Secunderabad; Shri K Kesava Rao, Rajya Sabha; Shri Godam Nagesh, Adilabad; Dr. Boora Narsaiah Goud, Bhongir; Shri Bhagwanth Khuba, Bidar; Shri Konda Vishweshwar Reddy, Chevella; Shri B Vinod Kumar, Karimnagar; Prof. A Seetaram Naik, Mahabubabad; Shri A P Jithender Reddy, Mahabubnagar; Shri Ch. Malla Reddy, Malkajigiri; Shri Nandi Yellaiah, Nagarkurnool; Shri Gutta Sukhender Reddy, Nalgonda; Shri Kotha Prabhakar Reddy, Medak; Shri Balka Suman, Peddapalli; Shri Pasunoori Dayakar, Warangal; Dr. Sunil Baliram Gaikwad, Latur; Shri B V Nayak, Raichur; Shri B B Patil, Zahirabad; Shri Rapolu Ananda Bhaskar, Rajya Sabha; Shri Garikapati Mohan Rao, Rajya Sabha.



The Hon'ble Members of Parliament – Shri Sanjay Shyamrao Dhotre, Akola; Shri Chandrakant Khaire, Aurangabad; Shri Rajeev Satav, Hingoli; Shri Ashok S Chavan, Nanded; Shri Sanjay Haribhau Jadhav, Parbhani and Shri Godam Nagesh, Hon'ble MP, Adilabad took part in the meeting.

Various HR Initiatives

The first ever tour to foreign locations for Group C&D category Employees on Indian Railways



South Central Railway has taken the lead yet another time in optimizing welfare activities for its non-gazetted workforce, by organizing the first-of-its-kind 'Employees Overseas Camp' on Indian Railways, a weeklong tour of Singapore and Malaysia from 28th January to 3rd February, 2018, at a hugely subsidized cost with funds from the Staff Benefit Fund (SBF), allocated by Railway Board for various welfare activities of the non-gazetted employees working on each Railway. The tour was flagged off on 28th January, 2018 from Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad to Shamshabad Airport, Hyderabad in the presence of representatives of Trade Unions and Association.

The 100 strong group of employees for the tour, comprised of Group C&D category employees, with preference given to employees from lower cadres and those nearing retirement. Allocation of number of slots for each Division, Workshop and Headquarters was given basing on their sanctioned strength. This subsidized tour entails 25% of expenditure to be borne by the employees and 75% by Staff Benefit Fund. The itinerary for the tour covered places as Universal Studios, Sentosa, Night Safari, etc. in Singapore and Kuala Lumpur City Tour, Petronas Towers, Batu Caves, Genting Highlands, etc. in Malaysia. Stay was at hotels of repute with good quality of food, transport arrangements, etc.

Program on 'Training of Trainers for Training Institutes of Indian Railways' organised at ASCI

The technological upgradation for Indian Railways is a continuous process to match the customer requirements and organizational goals, said Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager. Technology on Indian Railways is evolving fast and it is the biggest challenge for the Indian railways to upgrade the knowledge and skills of the 13.5 lakh employees in tune with the technological up gradation. He delivered inaugural address in the inaugural session of the first ever unique 5- Day 'Program on Training of Trainers for Training Institutes of Indian Railways'. The training program was organized by Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI), Hyderabad on 19th February, 2018. The Directors, Senior Faculty members of different Centralized Training Institutes / Zonal Railway Training Institutes and other Training institutes all over the Indian Railways participated in the five days program.



Speaking on the occasion, he said that this is a unique program, first-of-its-kind on the railways and formulated for capacity building of the trainers in partnership with ASCI intends to promote motivational leadership in Indian Railways. He also stated that the centralized training institutes of Indian Railways impart training to the employees at regular intervals to upgrade their skills. However, there is a gap between their skill levels and the field requirements, this gap is required

to be bridged by the capacity building of trainers.

The General Manager also stated that, the program is designed to teach the trainers on how to train and impart skills to their trainees. He opined that, this program will immensely help all the trainers to get a different perspective in designing training programs and evaluating the effectiveness of the same, besides enabling to adopt new methods in the profession. Further, he also advised trainers to utilize the program to develop their competency levels and imbibe the latest trends in training methodology in the next five days session to become effective teachers.



Earlier, Shri Gajanan Mallya, Director, Indian Railways Institute of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, Jamalpur spoke on the occasion and briefed about training in Centralized Training Institutes. He stated that the program will help in developing new training methods, effective presentation, skills and practices etc. Shri G Mohan, Professor, ASCI welcomed the dignitaries and presented welcome address on this occasion. Shri N V Ramana Reddy, Principal Chief Personnel Officer and delegates of ASCI were also present.



for Officers and Staff

Seminar on Right to Information—Legal Perspective held

South Central Railway organized a seminar on Right to Information Act-2005 (RTI Act) on February 21, 2018 at Rail Nilayam Auditorium. Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager, SCR was the Chief Guest on this occasion. Dr G B Reddy, Professor, Department of Law, Osmania University, Hyderabad was the Guest of Honour. Sri N V Ramana Reddy, PCPO, SCR was also present.



Speaking on the occasion, Shri John Thomas opined that responsibilities of the Government employees have increased with the implementation of RTI Act and everyone should discharge their duties with utmost sincerity. He reminded that the time limits prescribed to provide requisite information in the Act needs to be strictly adhered.

Delivering the key note address, Dr. Reddy elaborated on the evolution of Right to Information Act, the scope and limitations of implementing the Act for achieving a transparent and democratic society. He said that right to information is essential to form an opinion by the individuals and strive for the reforms towards better society. He spoke on importance of information dissemination to eliminate corruption from public life. He also spoke on principles of Natural Justice – Rule of Fair Hearing, Nature and object of RTI, Development of Information Acts all over the World, Exceptions and Restrictions of Information Disclosure, Role Of Appellate Authorities, Implementation of RTI Act and Contentious Issues etc.

First-of-its-kind Leadership Development Workshop for Officers of SCR at Indian School of Business, Hyderabad

South Central Railway has taken up another first-of-its kind initiative on Indian Railways by conducting a three day Leadership Development Workshop from 23rd to 25th March, 2018. This workshop was held in collaboration with Indian School of Business (ISB), Hyderabad which was attended by 52 Top and Middle Level Officers of various departments from the Zone. The Workshop is being conducted as part of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between SCR and ISB to collaborate Capacity Building and Research.



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, SCR in his address during the Inaugural session held on March 23, 2018 laid emphasis on improvement of organizational strength for its service delivery capabilities and management towards making the Indian Railways, a driving force. He stated that, MoU is envisaged for holding capacity building workshop for Railway officers in the areas like performance management, strategy management and change management by ISB. It will go a long way for the organizational efficiency of Indian Railways in the future and immensely contribute to the



transformational change in the organization, he added. He called upon the officers to take advantage from the workshop and focus on Human Resource Development.

Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager expressed optimism that the Lectures, Sessions and Research activities being conducted during these workshops by ISB will infuse a fresh dynamism on SCR and inculcates new perspectives of Management towards success. Shri N VRamana Reddy, PCPO also addressed the gathering of Officers and motivated them.

Prof. Milind Sohain, Deputy Dean, ISB in his address stressed on Research, Inquiry and Managerial Action as the key elements that enable multi disciplinary thinking, to build up an Organization. He espoused the learning philosophy of the Business School, Leadership lessons and value creation.

The three day Leadership Development Workshop broadly covered topics on Indian Railways' Customer and Brand Centricity; Understanding the Economic Environment of Policy Making in India; Excellence in Leadership and Change Management and Financial Management. Shri M Umashankar Kumar, Chief Public Relations Officer, SCR and other Officials were also present during the inaugural session.



Inculcate Sports Culture to Achieve Best Performance

- Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, GM/SCR

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager and Chief Patron, South Central Railway Sports Association (SCRSA) called upon to inculcate competitive and healthy sports culture amongst the children of railway employees and sports quota recruits to reach National and International levels. He held a sports council review meeting with all the Members of SCRSA and Divisional Railway Managers of the Zone at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad on January 29, 2018.

Addressing the meeting, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav advised the sports officials to encourage the children of railway employees with an objective to attract towards sports and motivate them to participate in sports by utilising the international standard infrastructure facilities available at Railway sports

complex, Secunderabad. He instructed the officials to provide proper environment to the sports quota staff to practice well and to develop their skills to reach to National and International level. He instructed all the DRMs to take personal interest on further development of infrastructure and facilities. He complimented all the sports fraternity for their achievements and performance.

Shri E V Krishna Reddy, FA&CAO/C/SCR and the General Secretary, SCRSA made a detailed presentation on the achievements, further needs of improvement in sports infrastructure. The General Manager was

briefed on SCR's achievements during the recent times, besides the details pertaining to hosting of various All India Railway Championships. The General Secretary also updated General Manager on the recruitment position, infrastructure availability at railway sports complex and major works under progress related to sports etc.



SCR Women Kabaddi Team Wins All India 'A' Grade Kabaddi Tournament

South Central Railway Women Kabaddi Team won the All India 'A' Grade Kabaddi Tournament held at Mumbai from 13th to 17th February, 2018.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager complimented the team members for their victory. He advised the Kabaddi team to put their best efforts and bring laurels to South Central Railway and Indian Railways also.

South Central Railway Team beat Punjab Police by 44-20 in the quarter final and entered into Semi final and beat SMVK, Tamilnadu team with the score 39-27. In the finals SCR team had tough fight with Palam, Delhi and defeated them by 34-20 score and won the tournament. Total 16 teams participated in the Tournament.



SCR Wins All India Railway Tennis Championship for Men



South Central Railway has successfully organized All India Railway Tennis Championship for men for the first time from 19th to 23rd March, 2018 at Railway Sports Complex, Secunderabad.

A total of eight teams from different Zonal Railways and Production Units have taken part in this championship. SCR won the Championship, whereas Integrated Coach Factory stood second.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager graced the closing ceremony and gave away the prizes to the Winners and Runners. He complimented the SCR team for putting up their best efforts and bringing laurels to Zone and Indian Railways also.



25 Women Employees Felicitated by SCR On the Occasion of International Women's Day Celebrations

South Central Railway (SCR) felicitated 25 Women Railway employees of the Zone for their Outstanding service on the occasion of International Women's Day Celebrations at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad. Smt. Archana Yadav, President, SCR Women's Welfare Organisation was the Chief Guest and Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager was the Guest of Honour.

Addressing the packed gathering, Smt. Archana Yadav congratulated Outstanding Women Railway employees who were felicitated and said that Women are the Pillars of Society and capable of balancing their role at home and workplace smoothly. She appreciated the work culture on SCR, which values its women

workforce upliftment and takes care of issues concerning their welfare. She wanted the women Railway employees to put efforts for the uplift of women in the society, with their knowledge and awareness. Issues as Female illiteracy, Child trafficking, minor labour, female foeticide should be eradicated, Smt Archana Yadav said.

The General Manager, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav spoke on the fact that the women employees on SCR have performed exceedingly well, which contributed to SCR's success. He said that the entire women workforce has been working excellently and it has been tough to identify a few of them for recognition. Women employees have also been

handling critical tasks in Railway Workshops, Loco Sheds etc with utmost results, proving that they are equal to their counterparts. The General Manager stated that issues related to women employees empowerment and welfare should be continuously reviewed and action taken to resolve the same. He added that, several steps such as separate Rest Room for Lady Ticket checking staff and Loco pilots, health checkups at office premises etc are already taken on SCR.

Shri N V Ramana Reddy, PCPO; Smt. Bina Anna John, Vice-President, SCRWWO also spoke on the occasion. Shri John Thomas, AGM; Dr. M Raghavaiah, General Secretary, NFIR and Dr. Sankar Rao, General Secretary, SCR MU were amongst the officials present.



'All Women Stations' on South Central Railway

With a view to empower the women workforce in Railways and to develop their morale and self confidence, South Central Railway took initiative to make Chandragiri Railway Station in Guntakal Division, a 'All Women Station' by deploying women staff to handle all the day-to-day activities including train operations, ticketing, security and other relevant duties.

Continuing with this endeavour, three more Railway Stations on SCR i.e., Begumpet on Secunderabad Division which is one of the busiest suburban stations in Hyderabad City, Vidyanagar in Hyderabad Division and Phirangipuram on Guntur Division have also become 'All Women Station' coinciding with 'International Women's Day'.

At Chandragiri Railway Station, the women staff comprise of 4 Assistant Station Masters and 3 Points Women. During the course of inspection of Chandragiri station, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager appreciated the staff for rendering

their duties with full dedication and commitment.

At Phirangipuram railway station, it is planned to post a total of 11 women staff which includes 3 Assistant Station Masters, 6 Points Women and 2 Railway Protection Force Constables.

On March 8, 2018 at Begumpet Railway Station the General Manager inaugurated a Sanitary Napkin Vending Machine installed at waiting hall of Begumpet Railway Station, for the convenience of Women rail users. Later, the General Manager interacted with the media present at Begumpet and detailed them

about the steps being taken by SCR for enhancing convenience of Women rail users. While Sanitary Napkin Vending Machines have already been installed at several railway stations, with a view to meet the special needs, "Baby Feeding Centres" have been provided at Secunderabad, Kacheguda, Nanded and Aurangabad Stations. Security of Women passengers is heightened by deployment of Nirbhaya Squads comprising of lady ticket checking and Railway Protection Force personnel in suburban trains in the city, he added.

Begumpet station is maintained by deploying 8 women Commercial Clerks, 4

Enquiry-cum-Reservation Clerks, 6 Constables and a Sub-Inspector of Railway Protection Force to handle the day-to-day operations and to provide smooth and hassle free service to passengers.



Patriotic fervour marks 69th Republic Day Celebrations on SCR



South Central Railway celebrated the 69th Republic Day with gaiety and patriotic fervour at Railway Sports Complex Grounds, Secunderabad on January 26, 2018. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager who was the Chief Guest on the occasion, unfurled the National Flag and received the Guard of Honour presented by contingents of Railway Protection Force, Civil Defence, National Cadet Corps, Scouts and Guides etc. A big gathering of Railway Officers and Staff, their family members and the public were

present on the occasion.

Delivering his address after inspecting the Parade, the General Manager stated that the Republic Day offers SCR an opportunity to reaffirm its commitment to serve the Nation as a core transport service provider. On the occasion he shared the performance and achievements of SCR in the current fiscal. A host of cultural events signifying patriotism, Dog squad show etc., marked the culmination of the program.

SCR Women's Welfare Organization Celebrates 69th Republic Day



South Central Railway Lalita Kala Samiti organized a cultural program 'Hasya Kavi Sammelan & Comedy Nite' on December 22, 2017 at Rail Nilayam Auditorium, Secunderabad.

The eminent Hindi Poets like Shri Kamalakhar Dilair, Shri Kailash Bhatnagar, Shri Munawar Ali, Shri Suresh Jain, Shri W P Qaderi and Shri N Rai, popular comedians like Shri Shabbir Khan, Shri Suraj Khan and Smt. Noorjahan participated in the program.

Shri A A Phadke, Principal Chief Electrical Engineer & Mukhya Rajbasha Adhikari will be the Chief Guest, Shri B Vijaya Bhaskar, President SCR Lalita Kala Samiti & Chief Commercial Manager (Freight Service) presided over the function and Shri YSS Syamala Rao, General Secretary, SCR Lalita Kala Samiti coordinated the function.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager holds meeting with Hon'ble Member of Parliament to discuss various Rail developmental works pertaining to their respective constituencies.



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager held a meeting with Shri C. Laxma Reddy, Hon'ble Minister of Health, Telangana and MLA, Jadcherla; Shri A P Jithender Reddy, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Mahabubnagar and several MLAs of the area at Jadcherla on January 20, 2018. The Meeting was held to discuss various issues concerning Rail development in the area.

The MLAs who also attended the meeting are Shri Anjaiah Yadav, Shadnagar; Shri S. Rajender

Reddy, Narayanpet; Shri C Ram Mohan Reddy, Makthal and Shri V Srinivas Goud, Mahabubnagar.

The SCR Officials present along with General Manager included Shri Arun Kumar Jain, DRM, Hyderabad Division and Shri Vijay Agarwal, CAO (C). Shri D Ronald Rose, District Collector, Mahabubnagar and Ms. B Anuradha, Superintendent of Police, Mahabubnagar were also present.

Later, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav made a visit to Jadcherla Railway Station.



Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager held a meeting with Shri Mekapati Rajamohan Reddy, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Nellore and Other MLAs from Nellore and Kavali on January 22, 2018. The Meeting was held to discuss various issues concerning Rail development in the area including redevelopment of Nellore Railway Station.

The General Manager briefed the Public Representatives and interacted with media on the developmental works being

undertaken by SCR in the Nellore area.

The MLAs who also attended the meeting are Shri P Anil Kumar, Nellore (Rural) and Shri R Pratap Kumar Reddy, Kavali.

Earlier, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav made a visit to Nellore Railway Station along with Hon'ble MP, MLAs and Shri R Dhananjayulu, DRM, Vijayawada Division and undertook a detailed inspection with a view to improve the facilities further.

7th Railway Electrical Engineers Day celebrated at Electric Loco Shed, Lallaguda



The members of Institute of Indian Railway Electrical Engineers, South Central Railway Chapter celebrated 7th Railway Electrical Engineers Day at Electric Loco Shed, Lallaguda, South Central Railway on February 3, 2018. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager was the Chief Guest and Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager was the Guest of Honour.

The Electrical Engineers Day is celebrated as a mark of its remembrance for the 1st ever electric train was run on February 3, 1925 from Boribander (Now known as Mumbai CST) to Kurla on 1500v DC on Great India Peninsula Railway.

Speaking on the Occasion, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav stated that Electrical Engineering has got bright future ahead in the Railways as emphasis is laid in the recent Budget for Railway Electrification all over the Railway network. The General Manager stated that the Hon'ble Minister for Railways and the Chairman, Railway Board are taking positive view for the introduction of semi Hi-Speed trains and Hi-Speed Trains Network. He also appealed to the Officials of Electrical department to rise to the requirements of large scale railway electrification projects and ensure timely completion from concept to commissioning. SCR is placed



at top position over Indian Railways in terms of achieving Energy conservation awards continuously for three years with the efforts made by Electrical Department and should maintain the same in forth coming years, he added. The General Manager also visited the Electric Loco Shed, interacted with the staff and planted a sapling in the premises.

Earlier, Shri John Thomas, Additional General Manager spoke on the occasion and said that Electric Engineers have to face the challenges ahead to achieve the targets of electrification projects completion.

Senior Officials and delegates from RVNL, L&T Electrical and Automation, Siemens India Pvt. Ltd also participated in the seminar.

S&T Officers on Railways shall keep abreast of continuous Technology changes – Shri Akhil Agrawal, DG (S&T), Railway Board

Indian Railways Institute of Signal Engineering and Telecommunication (IRISET), the premier training institute involved in imparting training in the specialized area of Signalling and Telecommunications on Railways Internationally, celebrated its Diamond Jubilee – 60th Annual Day on November 24, 2017 at its premises in Secunderabad.

Shri Akhil Agrawal, Director General (Signal & Telecom), Railway Board, New Delhi was the Chief Guest. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, South Central Railway and Dr. Vidya Sagar Reddy, Chief Post Master General, Telangana Circle and Shri N. Kashinath, Additional Member, (Signal), Railway Board were the Guests of Honour on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Agrawal stated that the courses and teaching methodology of IRISET bears the hallmark of a tremendous job, to keep the rail wheels moving safe. Signal Engineering which underwent a change from Mechanical to Electrical, has now taken the fast track to adopt Electronic Signalling system. This pace of change is resulting in distances getting nearer by time, in other words, the Geography is turning into History. With the involvement of major contracting agencies in infrastructure works on Railways, IRISET should contemplate introducing Contract Management Course too.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager in his address lauded IRISET and stated that it belongs to the league of the most premier

institutes all over the world, involved in imparting high quality training in the specialized area of Signaling and Telecommunications. It is a matter of pride that IRISET has proved capable of handling the advanced training needs of Indian Railways, which is imbibing state-of-the-art signaling technology, in order to modernize its system. Sharing his thoughts for the future, the General Manager wanted IRISET to come up with suitable online training modules to reach to the entire Signaling manpower.

Shri L P Sinha, Director, IRISET in his welcome address, briefed on the achievements of IRISET which is undertaking courses for probationers of Indian Railways, besides those from other foreign railways, PSUs and private sector companies involved in the field of Signal Engineering and Telecommunication. Shri N Kashinath also spoke on the occasion.

A Special Postal Cover to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of IRISET, brought out in association with the Postal department was released by all the dignitaries including Dr. Vidya Sagar Reddy, Chief Post Master General, Telangana Circle. A special issue of the Technical Magazine of IRISET "Gyandeep" was also released. Prof. V. Manga, Dean, IRISET proposed the Vote of Thanks.



'Well Baby Show' held at Central Railway Hospital



South Central Railway Women's Welfare Organization (SCRWWO) organized a 'Well Baby Show' at Central Railway Hospital, Lallaguda, Secunderabad on March 24, 2018. Smt Archana Yadav, President, SCRWWO was the Chief Guest and gave away the prizes to healthy baby contest children who were adjudged as winners of the show. Other Executive committee members of SCRWWO, Doctors & Staff of Central Railway Hospital were amongst those present on the occasion.

68 toddlers took part in the "Well Baby Show" which saw a keen competition. First, second and third prizes were given to children in 6 months to 1 year; 1 to 2 year and 2 to 3 year categories who were judged by a team of two child specialists (Pediatricians). The Doctors examined the babies according to the age group for their nutritional status, general health growth pattern, immunization status and family welfare status of parents to decide upon the first, second and third winners. Apart from these, prizes were also given in different age groups for 'well dressed', 'social active' and 'lucky child' babies by the Chief Guest.

Smt. Archana Yadav while congratulating the parents said that the show was organized with an aim to educate them about proper health, nutrition habits for the children and adoption of family planning. Later, Smt Archana Yadav inaugurated two cool water dispenser machines at Central Hospital premises.

Dr. Ch. Padma, Senior Divisional Medical Officer (Health & Family Welfare); Dr. Srikanth Mahapatra, and Dr. M D Naik, Chief Staff Surgeon, Central Railway Hospital, Lallaguda, Secunderabad were amongst those present during the program.



Lift provided at Manchiryal Railway Station

In order to facilitate passengers, SCR provided passenger lift at Manchiryal Railway Station on March 20, 2018. Manchiryal Station is one of the important 'A' category station on Balharshah – Vijayawada route. Manchiryal Railway station, which registers around 10, 240 footfalls and handles 26 pairs of daily express trains and also 9 pairs of non-daily express trains per day. Provision of lift at this station will be beneficial to the passengers especially Senior Citizens and Divyang persons. The lift was installed on Platform No.1.



"Sanitary Napkin Dispenser" installed at Kacheguda Railway Station

South Central Railway has been on the forefront in providing special facilities for the women passengers. As part of the new initiative towards providing much needed emergency amenity a "Sanitary Napkin Dispenser" is installed in Ladies Waiting Hall at Kacheguda Railway Station on March 2, 2018. This facility was inaugurated by a women employee in the presence of Shri Arun Kumar Jain, DRM, Hyderabad Division, Smt. Vaishali Jain, President, SCR Womens' Welfare Organisation (SCRWWO) and Shri A Sridhar, Sr. DCM, Hyderabad Division.

This facility is provided as a part of initiative taken by Indian Railways to provide special facilities to its women passengers. Kacheguda Station is an A-1 category station with a considerable number of female employees. On an average 17, 000 women passengers commute daily at Kacheguda. Keeping in view the health and hygiene of women passengers, SCRWWO, Hyderabad Division has come forward to sponsor these machines at Kacheguda. This would be extremely helpful to the women commuters, apart from women employees at Kacheguda Railway station.

This "Happy Nari" Napkin Vending machine can dispense 75 napkins in a single refill and the cost of two napkins is Rs.5 only which is cheaper and affordable. The incinerator machine can dispose 200 used napkins per day. This is first of its kind at Railway stations in the twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad.



General Manager inspects Railway Stations to monitor arrangements for Festival Rush

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Railway inspected Secunderabad and Kacheguda Railway Stations on January 13, 2017 to check on various additional facilities provided to cater extra rush of passengers travelling from twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad to various destinations in view of Sankranti Festival.

Commencing the inspection, General Manager inspected Booking Counters, Catering Stalls, Cleanliness of station premises and in Visakhapatnam bound Express train coaches, crowd management measures taken, Security arrangements, & monitoring of rush by Railway Protection Force (RPF) personnel round-the-clock. The General Manager interacted with passengers and enquired about the facilities and amenities at stations and in trains. He also enquired regarding catering arrangements available at stalls and in trains. During his inspection General Manager inspected a newly commissioned Lift at Platform No. 10, Secunderabad Railway Station which has been installed by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited under CSR activity at a cost of Rs.55 Lakhs. He was accompanied by Shri Amit Varadan, DRM, Secunderabad Division who detailed the General Manager on additional facilities being provided for hassle free travel of passengers at Secunderabad station. Secunderabad Divisional Officials were also present during the inspection.

Later, the General Manager also inspected Kacheguda Railway Station which also caters to several passengers who travel towards Rayalseema region of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka State. General Manager inspected extensively facilities provided for rail users such as ATVMs, ticket booking counters, catering stalls etc. He also inspected Kacheguda – Bangalore express and interacted with passengers and took their feedback for improvements. He was accompanied by Shri Arun Kumar Jain, DRM, Hyderabad Division during the inspection along with other officials of the division.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav who had a detailed discussion with officials of both the Divisions expressed satisfaction on the arrangements made to handle extra rush of passengers. And he advised officials to monitor the situation from time to time and to ensure smooth flow of traffic at stations and also to facilitate the passengers while boarding the trains to avoid any hardships especially in general compartments. General Manager also advised for making frequent announcement through public address systems and to display the train details on arrival/departure boards at entrance and on platforms for in time dissemination of information to passengers.

Shri M G Sekharam, PCCM; Shri G M Eswara Rao, Additional CSC and Senior Railway Officials accompanied General Manager.



SCR rises to the occasion. Increases its special train services to handle huge rush of Passenger Traffic for festive season. GM monitors all special arrangements

The spirit of Sankranti, the harvest festival in the two Telugu states of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, which sees a huge flow of people travelling to their native places from the urban centers, drew the best out of SCR. Rising to the challenge of passenger demands on its network during the Sankranti vacations, SCR has been successfully implementing a well planned strategy to cater to the rush of rail users, transporting them to their destinations without inconvenience. The entire plan is being implemented from 1st to 20th January, 2018 which will see people travelling between various destinations, since the Sankranti vacations fall in that duration.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager, South Central Railway held several meetings with senior officials of the Zone involved in train operations and instructed them to run as many number

of special trains as possible, in addition to strengthening of all other passenger need based utility services, so as to make travel comfortable. Besides intensively monitoring the passenger traffic pattern on a day to day basis, the General Manager himself visited Secunderabad and Kacheguda Railway stations in Hyderabad city on January 13, 2018 during the peak rush hours in the evening to personally monitor the arrangements and interact with passengers to seek their suggestions and response. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav has also directed the Divisional Railway Managers and Additional Divisional Railway Managers of the Divisions to continuously keep a check on the traffic requirements and monitor the situation extensively.





Be Cautious when accepting credit card offers over phone

It is common nowadays that you keep receiving phone calls from telemarketers marketing various credit cards. If you really are serious to pick up a credit card, just be a little cautious and make sure of the fine print. That will make you remain safe.

GO FOR AUTHENTIC PROOF OF OFFER

Often, the credit card sales pitch contains an offer that may sound too good to be true. It's your right to know that what's being offered is real, and will be beneficial to you. Sometimes, customers may not understand an offer completely and buy a card that doesn't suit their finances or lifestyle. They may even be mis-sold a card, i.e., they may get card minus the offer that was verbally promised. For example, you may get a verbal assurance of zero annual charges, only to be shocked by a large charge in your statement later. It's not enough to settle for the verbal assurances of the telemarketer. Ask for proof of the offer. Also verify the offer with online listings of the same card.

KNOW YOUR BUY

The sole objective of the telemarketer is to make the sale. You must ascertain in what he's selling will actually be beneficial to you. For example, you may be on the hunt for an air miles card because you're a frequent flier. But the telemarketer is telling you to pick a lifestyle card where you get discounts and rewards for shopping and eating out. Make sure you get a card that helps or improves your lifestyle.

SAY NO TO A SIGNATURE IN HURRY

The marketer may offer to send a person over to your home to get your signatures and collect your documents. But you should not agree to this in a hurry. A credit card application requires the issuing bank to check your

credit history. This is what we call a hard inquiry in to your credit history. With each new hard inquiry initiated by the bank, your credit score comes down a little bit (it will rise again with regular repayments of your loans and credit cards). This process is initiated only when you sign the card application. Therefore sign off only when you're convinced about the card.



CHECK FOR ANNUAL FEE

Often, you'll get the offer of a lifetime free card. This means you don't need to pay an annual fee for holding the card. Typically these fees are applied on high-end premium credit cards which are feature rich. Sometimes the annual charges are also waived off in certain conditions. If the offer is for a life time card, double-check it.

MAKE A NOTE OF THE INTEREST RATE

When you use your credit card for PoS or online transactions,

you have interest free period in which you will be charged no interest on your dues. After this period if you haven't paid dues, you will be charged a hefty interest rate. Annualised, this rate of return can easily be upwards of 30 per cent. Therefore, check if the interest rate on the card you are being offered is competitive with other credit cards.

GIVE A LOOK TO THE PENALTY CLAUSE

Don't be taken aback by the various penalties and charges that come from using a credit card. Take time to understand the charges. For example, there's a hefty interest rate if you use your credit card to withdraw cash from ATM. There may be a charge if you shoot your spending limit.

There may be late payment penalties if you fail to make the minimum payment on your dues. If you use the card abroad there may be a Forex charge. Taking half an hour out of your time to study these charges would save from hassles later.



SCR Develops first-of-its-kind Foldable Ramp and Wheelchair facility for the Convenience of Divyang Passengers

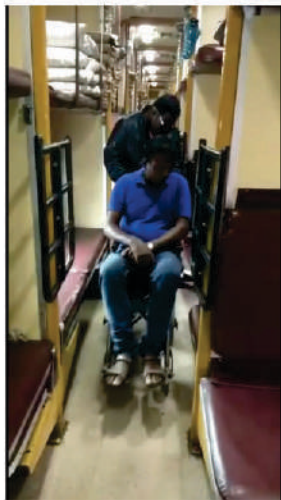
South Central Railway has taken up a significant step forward in making trains more accessible to Divyang (differently-abled) passengers, aged and passengers with limited mobility. Wheelchairs are provided in all the stations on the Zone to facilitate needy passengers boarding and de-boarding the trains. But many of the passengers still face the challenge of boarding into the trains and reaching to their allotted seats.

Towards this, an initiative has been taken up on Guntur Division, to address the issue and to provide a more comfortable and hassle free access to needy passengers by developing a user friendly proto type ramp which further perfected in consultation with the industries working in this sector. This ramp will help to push the wheel chair into the coach and then worked on a wheel chair which

will have access into the narrow aisles of all coaches. The real big challenge was to make a wheel chair comfortable to the Divyang (differently-abled passengers) and enters the doors of all coaches especially 3AC coaches which are normally little narrow.

This service commenced from January 18, 2018 on Train No.12747 Guntur- Vikarabad Palnadu Express being the first train to be equipped with the facility. Passengers can

seek the assistance of wheel chair or meet the Station Master on duty and ask for wheelchair with seat access. They will also have to mention their alighting station so that information is passed on in advance to the concerned station and guard. The On-Board House Keeping Staff on train will assist passengers to alight in the particular station. The facility is available at nominal charges.



First Ever Executive Lounge on South Central Railway Opened at Vijayawada Railway Station

The first Executive Lounge on SCR is commissioned at Vijayawada Railway Station, Platform No. 1 on January 24, 2018 in the presence of Shri R Dhananjayulu, DRM; Shri M V S Ramaraju & Smt. G Sumana, ADRMs, Vijayawada Division and Shri D Narasing Rao, Group General Manager, Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation (IRCTC). The initiative has been jointly under taken by SCR and IRCTC.

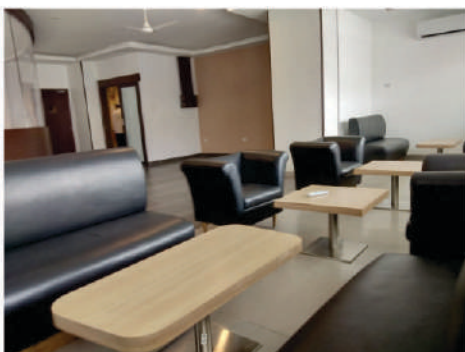
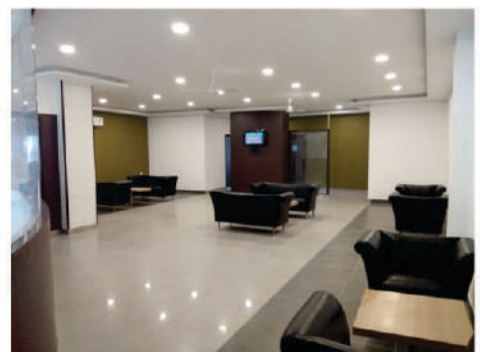
The Executive Lounge is equipped with a host of facilities to provide comfortable waiting facility for the rail commuters. The

lounge includes facilities like free Internet, soft beverages, hot beverages like tea, coffee, news papers, magazines, TV, instrumental music, wash room, locker and luggage rack etc. A separate waiting room is provided for lady passengers. The entry charges to the Executive Lounge will be Rs.150 for first two hours and each additional one hour will be charged at Rs.50.

Other paid services of the Executive Lounge, which covers an area of 370 square metre done with Mezzanine Floor, includes a Shower Room which along with a Shower

Kit (tooth brush, paste, tongue cleaner, shaving razor, shaving foam, bath soap and bath towel) will be accessible for use at a charge of Rs.150. The Combo Break-fast will be served at Rs.150, the Snacks Combo at Rs.150, Lunch and Dinner Combos (Veg. / Non Veg.) at Rs. 250 & 275 per person. It is planned to provide facilities like 'Business Centre' (Printing / FAX etc), concierge service, travel desk etc. in due course.

The 'Executive Lounge' is built with an expenditure of Rs.1 crore with capital support extended by IRCTC.



Digital Technology at Dharmavaram and Anantapur Railway Stations to promote local tourist attractions

In a first-of-its-kind initiative on Indian Railways, Guntakal Division of SCR has started a novel mechanism in association with noted Kalamkari artist Shri Niranjana for promoting local tourist attractions near Dharmavaram and Anantapur Railway Stations, bringing to use digital technology.

The mechanism is to depict a picture of tourist locations along with a QR code at vantage locations in the premises of the two railway stations. All that a passenger who alights or visits Dharmavaram and Anantapur has to do, is to scan the QR bar code present on the picture of the tourism spot, which will take them to a page giving



a brief description of the location and the available train connectivity. In addition, a 3D virtual tour of the tourist attraction is also available.



The two Railway Stations have also been beautified with Kalamkari paintings to present aesthetically pleasing ambience.

Shri A. Sitaram Naik, Hon'ble MP, Mahabubabad and P Srinivas Reddy, Hon'ble MP, Khammam Flag off Newly Extended Manuguru – Kolhapur Express Train

Shri A. Sitaram Naik, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Mahabubabad, Shri P Srinivas Reddy, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Khammam and Shri P Venkateswarlu, Hon'ble

MLA, Pinapaka flagged off the newly extended Train No.11303 Manuguru – Kolhapur Express at a function held at Manuguru Railway Station on March 15, 2018.



All Unmanned Level Crossings eliminated over Secunderabad Division

Secunderabad Division of SCR has become the first Division on the Zone to eliminate all Unmanned Level Crossings (UMLC) on all routes in its jurisdiction. The Division, with a length of 1,490 route kilometers, is the biggest on SCR and amongst the top earners on Indian Railways.

In order to enhance safety and to avoid loss of human lives due to accidents at UMLCs, Shri Ashwani Lohani, Chairman Railway Board (CRB) has advised all Zonal Railways to complete the elimination of all UMLCs by March, 2018 on 'B' Route (Main Trunk Routes) Level Crossings and on other routes by September, 2018.

In accordance with these directions, all UMLCs on Secunderabad Division have been eliminated on 27th February, 2018 i.e. one month before the target date. In the current financial year, 14 UMLCs have been eliminated through various measures like Manning the gates, Construction of Road Under Bridges/ Limited Height Subways and by Diversion of road traffic.

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager expressed his appreciation of the achievement of Secunderabad Division and complimented Shri Amit Varadan, DRM, Secunderabad Division and other Officials for the same. He also expressed optimism that the other Divisions in the Zone will also adhere to the targets set in totally eliminating UMLCs on SCR.

Upgraded Version of 'HYLITES' App On live train running info in Hyderabad city comes into use

'HYLITES' (Hyderabad Live Train Enquiry System), the first ever Android based smart phone App on Indian Railways, which shows real time information on the running of trains in twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad, has been upgraded and released for use. The app, which was launched in February, 2014 has become hugely popular for rail commuters in twin cities. The App provides information on Live running status of MMTS trains in the city, Live status of Arrival/Departure of trains at Secunderabad, Hyderabad and



Kacheguda besides general information on public facilities.

The upgraded Android version of the App is available for use. A new feature which has been added to the HYLITES App is Push Notification. This provides information about delay/cancellation of MMTS trains in Hyderabad city through a notification to all mobile users who have downloaded this App. This will be displayed in the notification bar of the mobile phones.

South Central Railway registered another remarkable achievement in energy conservation. It remained in the forefront towards adopting various energy conservation measures and attained the status of becoming the 1st Zone on Indian Railways to complete 100% LED lighting at all the Railway Stations. Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager complimented the Officers and Staff for the outstanding performance. He advised them to march ahead in progress and bring laurels to the Railways and Nation.

All the 733 Railway Stations on the zone have been provided with 100% LED lighting duly replacing 75681 numbers of different wattage LED fittings in place of conventional light fittings. Division-wise details of LED

SCR becomes 1st Zone on Indian Railways with 100% LED Lighting at all Railway Stations

Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Railways congratulated the General Manager, South Central Railway, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav for achieving the challenging task of providing 100% LED lighting on all the 733 Railway Stations on the Zone, thereby earning the coveted status of being the first Zone on Indian Railways to achieve the feat.

In a communiqué addressed to the General Manager, the Rail Minister expressed happiness that this initiative of SCR will result in saving 32 lakh units of electricity per year, resulting in a saving of 2.70 crore per annum to the Zone.

The Rail Minister expressed confidence that the dedicated team of SCR officials will also finish the task of providing LED lighting of the balance service buildings and residential quarters on the entire Zone, to attain 100% completion in these two segments too, much before the targeted date of June 30, 2018.

stations includes Secunderabad – 162, Hyderabad – 100, Vijayawada – 158, Guntakal – 157, Guntur – 76 and Nanded – 80 Stations as on February 6, 2018.

This provision of LED lighting is expected to save a total 32 Lakh units of electrical energy and an amount of Rs. 270 Lakhs per year. The division wise details of energy savings are Secunderabad – 8.8 Lakh units, Hyderabad – 3.5 Lakh units, Vijayawada-8.1 Lakh units, Guntakal-6 Lakh units, Guntur – 2.9 Lakh units and Nanded – 2.7 Lakh units per year. The division-wise revenue savings are Secunderabad-Rs.74 lakhs, Hyderabad – Rs.30 lakhs, Vijayawada – Rs.68 lakhs, Guntakal-Rs.51 lakhs, Guntur-Rs.24 lakhs & Nanded – Rs.23 Lakhs.

General Manager launches Two Mobile Apps and Commissions 400kWp On-Grid Solar Plant at Kacheguda Railway Station

Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav, General Manager launched Rail Station Info & Navigation for Railway Stations (NavRas) android mobile apps and commissioned 400kWp On-Grid Solar Plant at Kacheguda Railway Station on March 22, 2018. Shri John Thomas, AGM; Shri A A Phadke, Pr.CEE; Shri V M Srivastava, Pr.CSTE; Shri Arun Kumar Jain, DRM, Hyderabad Division participated in the program.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Vinod Kumar Yadav stated that Kacheguda Railway Station is a heritage station and a pioneer in harnessing digital technology. Kacheguda Railway station has set the record as first DigiPay railway station on Indian Railways. Now the two mobile apps launched at Kacheguda Railway station will become a role model to South Central Railway and Indian Railways also. South Central Railway is one of the leading railway in utilizing Solar Energy towards energy conservation. At present, the installed

capacity of Solar Power on SCR is 6.4 MW (Megawatt) which is serving Railway Stations, Service buildings, Level Crossing gates, Motor Pumps etc. Today, another significant mile stone is being attained with the commissioning of a 400 kWp On-Grid Solar Plant at Kacheguda, said the General Manager.

Rail Station Information App for Kacheguda Railway Station will provide information regarding various passenger amenities available at Kacheguda, for the convenience of rail users. This App gives information on local train timings including MMTS & Special Trains, passenger amenities, catering stalls, licensed porters, drinking water facilities, retiring rooms, enquiry office, parcel office, booking office information etc., It also provides feedback links with Online complaint management system, Twitter, Facebook, SMS based complaints, Manual complaint book etc.,

NavRas -Navigation for Railway Stations is the first of its kind Indoor Navigation App for a Railway station on Indian Railways. This App gives complete information of all facilities available at Kacheguda and guides the passengers with clear directions to approach their preferred facility. Both these Apps are available for download on I - Phones and Android based smart phones through App Store and Google Play.



दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे में 'प्रोजेक्ट सक्षम' के अंतर्गत प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम का आयोजन

रेलवे बोर्ड के आदेशानुसार हर विभाग के कर्मचारियों को अपने-अपने विभाग के कार्यालयीन कार्य में निपुण और कुशल बनाने के लिए कम से कम पांच दिनों की कार्याशाला का आयोजन किया जाना है। इसी क्रम में दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे द्वारा 22 और 23 मार्च, 2018 को राजभाषा अधिकारियों और अनुवादकों के लिए विजयवाड़ा में एक प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया गया। इस प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम में विजयावाड़ा, गुंतकल, गुंटूर मंडलों और रायनपाडु कारखाना के राजभाषा अधिकारियों

और अनुवादकों ने भाग लिया। इस कार्यक्रम के दौरान अनुवाद सरलीकरण, पारिभाषिक शब्दावली, संसदीय राजभाषा समिति की प्रश्नावली को भरने के संबंध में, राजभाषा अधिकारियों/अनुवादकों के कर्तव्य, लेखा शब्दावली, राजभाषा प्रबंधन, राजभाषा विभाग की समस्याएं/ समाधान विषयों पर उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) डॉ. श्याम सुंदर साहु, सुश्री वीणा तिरकी, राजभाषा अधिकारी, विजयवाड़ा मंडल, श्री शेष चांद बाबा, राजभाषा अधिकारी, गुंतकल मंडल



और श्री एम.के.नागराजु, राजभाषा अधिकारी, गुंटूर मंडल ने कक्षाएं लीं। इस कार्यक्रम का समन्वयन विजयवाड़ा मंडल द्वारा किया गया।

क्षेत्रीय राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक संपन्न



दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे के प्रधान कार्यालय, सिकंदाराबाद में क्षेत्रीय राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की 157वीं बैठक की अध्यक्षता करते हुए महाप्रबंधक श्री विनोद कुमार यादव जी ने कहा कि दक्षिण क्षेत्र में होने के बावजूद इस रेलवे पर राजभाषा में हो रहे कार्य का स्तर काफी ऊंचा है। उन्होंने आदेश दिया कि सभी अधिकारियों को वायस टाइपिंग प्रशिक्षण दिया जाए और मोबाइल फोन का उपयोग करते हुए इसे और सुविधाजनक बनाया जाए। उन्होंने कहा कि फोल्ड यूनिटों के कार्य में भी हिंदी का अधिक से अधिक उपयोग करवाया जाए। निरीक्षणों के दौरान पाई गई वर्तनी संबंधी त्रुटियों को सुधारने के लिए संबंधित कर्मचारियों को प्रशिक्षण दिया जाए।

प्रारूप लेखन, काव्यपाठ प्रतियोगिता में पुरस्कार प्राप्त होने पर बधाई दी।

इससे पहले बैठक में उपस्थित सदस्यों का स्वागत करते हुए मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी एवं प्रमुख मुख्य विद्युत इंजीनियर श्री अ.आ.फडके ने बताया कि इस रेलवे पर नियमित रूप से राजभाषा संबंधी विभिन्न कार्यक्रमों और प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन किया गया और पिछले कुछ वर्षों से यह रेलवे राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन के क्षेत्र में अग्रणी रही है। इस उन्नत स्थिति पर पहुंचना जितना कठिन है उस स्थिति पर लगातार बने रहना उससे भी अधिक कठिन। उन्होंने इस उन्नत स्थिति को बनाए रखने में

उन्होंने इस रेलवे के तीन कर्मचारियों को अखिल रेल स्तर पर आयोजित हिंदी निबंध, टिप्पण व

सभी अधिकारियों के सहयोग की कामना की।

अपर महाप्रबंधक श्री जॉन थॉमस ने सभी अधिकारियों से कहा कि वे नियमित रूप से अपने-अपने कार्यालयों का निरीक्षण करें और राजभाषा हिंदी में हो रहे कार्य की समीक्षा करें।

बैठक के दौरान उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) डॉ.श्याम सुंदर साहु ने पिछली तिमाही और पिछले वर्ष के दौरान प्रधान कार्यालय, मंडलों और कारखानों द्वारा किए गए कार्यों का ब्यौरा दिया और राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन संबंधी विविध मदों पर कार्यालयों की प्रगति की समीक्षा की। इस दौरान गृह मंत्रालय द्वारा राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन हेतु वर्ष 2018-19 के लिए जारी वार्षिक कार्यक्रम की विभिन्न मदों पर विस्तार से चर्चा की गई।

इस बैठक में सभी प्रमुख विभागाध्यक्ष, अपर मंडल रेल प्रबंधक, मुख्य कारखाना प्रबंधक तथा राजभाषा अधिकारी/अनुवादक उपस्थित थे। धन्यवाद ज्ञापन के साथ बैठक संपन्न हुई।

दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे के प्रधान कार्यालय में अनुवाद सरलीकरण कार्यशाला का आयोजन

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कार्याशाला में उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) डॉ.श्याम सुंदर साहु ने अनुवाद तथा उसके सरलीकरण विषय पर व्याख्यान दिया तथा अनुवाद का अभ्यास करवाया, चूंकि रेलवे का हर कार्य सामान्य जनता से जुड़ा होता है अतः उन्होंने इस बात पर विशेष जोर दिया कि

अनुवाद सरल होना चाहिए ताकि सामान्य जनता की समझ में आसानी से आ सके। रेलवे स्टेशन पर बोर्ड पर सामान्य जनता की सूचना के लिए जो सामग्री प्रदर्शित की जाती है उसे इस प्रकार की सरल भाषा में अनुवाद करना चाहिए कि सामान्य पढ़े-लिखे व्यक्ति की भी समझ में आ जाए।



श्री एम.के.नागराजु, राजभाषा अधिकारी/प्र.का. के धन्यवाद ज्ञापन के साथ कार्यशाला समाप्त हुई।

विनोद कुमार यादव दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे के महाप्रबंधक हैं। उनका जन्म 01 जनवरी, 1960 को उत्तर प्रदेश के बलिया में हुआ। यहीं पर इंटरमीडिएट तक की शिक्षा के बाद उन्होंने इलाहाबाद विश्व विद्यालय से इलेक्ट्रिकल इंजीनियरिंग में स्नातक की उपाधि प्राप्त की। ला ट्रोब यूनिवर्सिटी, ऑस्ट्रेलिया से टेक्नोलॉजी मैनेजमेंट में एमबीए किया। वे 1980 के बैच के रेलवे इंजीनियरिंग सेवा अधिकारी हैं। उन्होंने राष्ट्रीय एवं अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्तर की इलेक्ट्रिक परियोजनाओं पर काम किया भारत सरकार के उद्योग मंत्रालय और यूनिडो में निदेशक रहे। दिल्ली में अतिरिक्त डीआरएम और लखनऊ में डीआरएम रहे। अपने आपको फिट रखने के लिए वे खूब वॉकिंग करते हैं। गोल्फ और बैडमिंटन भी खेलते हैं। सप्ताह के साक्षात्कार के लिए उनके साथ हुई बातचीत के कुछ अंश यहाँ प्रस्तुत हैं -

रेलवे इंजीनियरिंग सेवा में आना इत्तेफाक रहा या फिर ये आपकी महत्वकांक्षा में शामिल था?

यह ग्यारहवीं-बारहवीं कक्षा के दौरान ही तय हो गया था कि इंजीनियरिंग में ही जाना है, क्योंकि गणित में मैं काफी अच्छा था और इंजीनियरिंग की शिक्षा पूरी होने के बाद तो क्लास वन सेवाओं में रेलवे में जाना प्राथमिकताओं में रहता है। मैं गोल्ड मेडलिस्ट था। पहले ही प्रयास में रेलवे सेवा के लिए चुन लिया गया।

कहाँ-कहाँ काम करने का मौका मिला?

आधी से अधिक सेवा में रेलवे से बाहर रहा हूँ। पाँच डेपुटेशन किये। उद्योग मंत्रालय में निदेशक पद पर काम किया। यूनिडो में परियोजनाओं पर काम किया। टर्किश रेलवे इलेक्ट्रिफिकेशन की परियोजना से जुड़ा रहा। लगभग सभी जगह परियोजना निदेशक की जिम्मेदारियाँ थीं। वर्ल्ड बैंक और जाइका फंडिंग के लिए भी काम करने का मौका मिला। दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे में मैं रेल विकास निगम में रहा। मेरे काम में राष्ट्रीय और अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्तर की परियोजनाएँ शामिल रहीं।

दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे में आपके अनुभव कैसे रहे?

यहाँ की कार्य संस्कृति बहुत अच्छी है। लोगों में काम करने की बहुत इच्छा है। उनका सकारात्मक व्यवहार सराहनीय है। इसीलिए कि इसी से कई सारे समाधान निकलते हैं। मैं अपने आत्मसंतोष से कह सकता हूँ कि यहाँ काम करना मेरी जिन्दगी का सुनहरा दौर है। दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे को बेस्ट जोन का शील्ड सात साल के बाद मिला है। 20 क्षेत्रों में अच्छा काम करने पर ये शील्ड मिलती है।

क्या आपको लगता है कि रेलवे सुरक्षा के मामले में हम अधिक सक्षम नहीं हो पाए हैं?

ये बात सही है कि पिछले बीस सालों में जिस तरह से आधारभूत संरचना का विकास होना चाहिए था, नहीं हुआ। दूसरी ओर जनसंख्या में तेजी से वृद्धि हुई है और उनकी मांग के अनुसार नई ट्रेनें शुरू की गई हैं। रेलवे के रूटीन मेंटेनेन्स पर दबाव बढ़ा है। इसमें निरंतर सुधार की आवश्यकता है।

द. म. रे. के महाप्रबंधक श्री विनोद कुमार यादव जी की १३ मई २०१८ को डेली हिन्दी मिलाप, हैदराबाद में प्रकाशित मुलाकात



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कौन-सा काम आपके दिल के बहुत करीब रहा?

इस नज़र से देखूँ तो यूनिडो का काम काफी महत्वपूर्ण रहा। टेक्नोलॉजी के सहयोग से छोटे-छोटे उद्योगों की मदद करने का मौका मिला। कई छोटे उद्योग, विशेष कर खिलौना उद्योग की हालत बहुत खराब थी। ये सन् 2000 के आस-पास की बात है। लुधियाना और अलीगढ़ में इस तरह के बहुत सारे उद्योग थे। वो मेरे लिए उपलब्धि रही है। हमने उन उद्योगों को स्थिर बनाने के लिए उन्हें छोटे-छोटे उपकरण दिए। कई उद्यमियों को शुरू में विश्वास नहीं हुआ कि उनके काम इतने सरल हो सकते हैं। अगर डेपुटेशन के नियम आड़े न आते तो मैं कुछ और साल काम करके उन उद्यमियों के जीवन में परिवर्तन लाने का काम करता।

कौन-सा काम ऐसा रहा जिसे आप चुनौतीपूर्ण मानते हैं?

रेलवे में मेरा अधिकतर काम प्रोजेक्ट्स का रहा है। यह काम निश्चित रूप से चुनौतीपूर्ण ही रहता है। रेलवे के इलैक्ट्रिफिकेशन का काम पहले काफी धीमा चलता था। अपने समय में मैंने तीन साल में 2000 किलोमीटर का काम पूरा करवाया था। उस अनुभव का लाभ मुझे दक्षिण मध्य रेलवे में भी हुआ। हमने पिछले साल 600 किलोमीटर का इलैक्ट्रिफिकेशन का काम किया है। यह एक रिकॉर्ड है। पहले पूरे भारतीय रेलवे में साल भर में सात से आठ सौ किलोमीटर इलैक्ट्रिफिकेशन का काम होता था और हमने केवल अपने एक जोन में 600 किलोमीटर का काम किया।

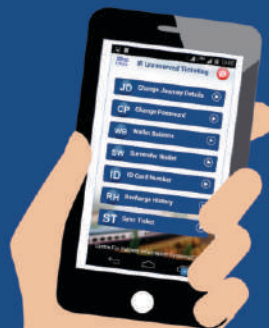
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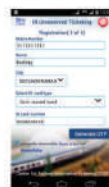
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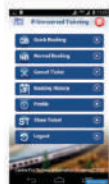
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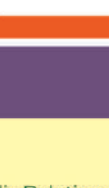
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