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Chief Patron Message

Dear SCRians,

It has been wonderful experience leading Team SCR – one of the most innovative and dedicated workforce of Indian Railways.

The consistent excellence displayed by our Team over the last year has led to our Zone achieving the highest number of Performance Efficiency Shields across Indian Railways. SCR has been bestowed with five All India Performance Efficiency Shields in Security, Civil Engineering, Stores, Medical and Civil Engineering (Construction). The active participation by all of us in 67th Railway week celebrations is also one of the memorable events for me.

The Zone has continued to excel in all fields in the first quarter of the financial year. Our performance in the passenger and freight segments have witnessed the Zone setting new records, while several of the last mile connectivity projects saw completion. Finalizing tenders for redevelopment of Tirupati, continuous progress in electrification, starting new goods terminals and continued excellence in material management among others have all given a big boost to our growth momentum. The launch of "One station One Product" has witnessed good response and it would be extended to some more stations.

During the course of my inspections, I was overwhelmed with the response by the field units and staff. It was a good opportunity for me to interact with our highly motivated staff and to witness their enthusiasm and dedication for railways. Apart from these, SCR has seen a flurry of activities like Yoga Day, Environment day etc which helps us to rejuvenate and gain fresh energy.

I strongly believe that the firm steps taken by the Zone in the beginning of the new fiscal will deliver concrete results during the course of our further journey.

Remember....A job well begun is job half well-done.

Wishing Team SCR will achieve greater heights in the ensuing year.

(Arun Kumar Jain)
General Manager (In-charge)

Chief Editor's Column

SCR had a vibrant takeoff in the new financial year 2022-23, backed by the exceptional performance by the zone during the last financial year. The Zone has excelled in all the fields showing its all-round performance which acts as a motivational force to continue further.

The Zone started the financial year jubilant participation in Railway Week celebrations, which you can read it in cover story. The happiness was doubled when the Zone achieved five All India Performance shields at National level. The Zone has stood to its reputation cementing its position as one of the top performing Zones over IR. This saga is being continued under the dynamic leadership of our beloved General Manager Shri Arun Kumar Jain, who took over charge as new GM (In-Charge) at the beginning of this quarter. Team SCR made a grand welcome to him with the sturdy performance by the Zone.

This edition also covered the inspections conducted by our GM, inaugurations and other variety of events such as Yoga Day, Environment Day etc. The achievements in freight & passenger traffic, novel initiatives by the Zone, Review meetings etc have been featured in this book, which keeps you aware of achievements by our team members across the Zone.

The Team Hum-Dum seeks active contribution by the readers in form of not only suggestions to improve Hum Dum but also in the form of special articles, to make it more participatory with scope for expanding the choice of publication.

Wishing you all success filled year ahead.

(Ch. Rakesh)
Chief Public Relations Officer

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Shri Arun Kumar Jain assumes charge as General Manager (In-Charge), SCR

April 01, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain assumed charge as General Manager (In-Charge), South Central Railway, following Railway Board's order delegating the administrative and financial powers. He belongs to the Indian Railways Service of Signal Engineers (IRSSE), 1986 batch of Indian Engineering Services.

On South Central Railway, he has worked as Principal Chief Signal and Telecom Engineer, Divisional Railway Manager of Hyderabad Division. During his tenure as DRM he was instrumental in augmenting passenger facilities at several stations and the division obtained four performance efficiency shields in various spheres including safety, Security and Transformation. He has undergone Management trainings at INSEAD, Singapore; ICLIF, Malaysia; ISB, Hyderabad; SDA Bocconi, Milan

He holds a bachelor's degree in Electronics engineering from Gorakhpur and a Master's degree in Computer Engineering from Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur.

He started his career in Indian Railways as Assistant Signal & Telecommunications Engineer and in over three decades of service, he held several important assignments on Central, North Central and South Central Railways. He has also worked in Research Designs and Standards Organisation (RDSO), where he was responsible for developing advance signalling systems like Digital Axle Counters, Solid State Block, Train Protection & Warning System (TPWS), Train Collision Avoidance System (TCAS). He has also worked as Chief Vigilance Officer & Group General Manager in RailTel Corporation of India Limited.

South Central Railway Receives 05 All India Performance Efficiency Shields at 67th Railway Week Celebrations

May 28, 2022

SCR bagged 5 All India Performance Efficiency Shields, the highest among all Zones across Indian Railways at the 67th Railway Week Awards function held at Rail Auditorium, Bhubaneswar at the hands of Hon'ble Railway Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw. In recognition of the exceptional performance displayed by the Zone during 2021-22, SCR has been bestowed with All India Performance Efficiency shields for Security; Comprehensive Health Care; Civil Engineering; Stores and Civil Engineering (Construction) Departments.

67th Railway Week Celebrations of South Central Railway

April 20, 2022

67th Railway Week Celebrations were held at Rail Kalarang, Bhoiguda, Secunderabad with the huge gathering of Railway officers and staff. Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-charge) addressed the Occasion as the Chief Guest. He stated that SCR is scaling new heights of performance with enthusiastic and committed efforts of the team members during the financial year 2021-2022. The Principal Heads of the Departments and Divisional Railway Managers also participated in the program.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain also stated that the Zone has registered gross earnings of Rs.14,265 crore in the financial year 2021-22, a whopping 44% growth as compared to the previous year. The calibrated approach of the zone towards resumption of train services has given rich dividends with the number of passengers again crossing 100 million and passenger earnings growing by 205% to Rs. 2,975 crores. The zone registered one of its highest freight loading of 117.8 Million Tonnes (MTs) and freight revenue of Rs.12,317 crores. It is also worth mentioning that the zone has achieved its best-ever parcel revenue of Rs. 206 crores. The General Manager added that the indigenously developed Automatic train protection system namely KAVACH has been deployed for 859 Kms stretch. Further, a record 344 Kms track has been added to the SCR Rail network. Mission electrification got a major boost in the year 2021-22 with SCR achieving its best-ever performance by completing 770 Rkms of electrification work.

General Manager Over All Best Performance Efficiency Shield was Presented to Secunderabad and Nanded Divisions jointly by Shri Arun Kumar Jain. The Shield was received by Shri A.K Gupta, Divisional Railway Manager, Secunderabad Division and Shri Upinder Singh, Divisional Railway Manager, Nanded Division. The General Manager also presented 35 other Zonal Level Efficiency Shields to various Divisions and Work Shops of the zone.

Secunderabad Division: Received GM's Shield For Rajbasha (Jointly), Best Utilization of Track Machines, Best Track Shield, Best Maintained ART (Jointly), Best Diesel/Electric Loco Shed (ELS/KZJ), Survey And Construction Shield, Grievance Redressal Machinery Shield, Signal & Telecom Shield (Jointly), Mechanical Shield (Jointly), HRD (Personnel) Shield (Jointly), Commercial Shield, Operating Shield, Civil Engineering Shield And Medical Shield.

Hyderabad Division: Received Inter Divisional Shield For Cleanliness – Stations (Jointly), Best Maintained MRV (Jointly), Best Maintained Running Room, Best Division For Elimination Of Level Crossing (Jointly) And Works (Engg) Shield.

Vijayawada Division: Received Best Energy Efficiency & Conservation Shield, Best Maintained MRV (Jointly), Best Maintained DEMU/MEMU/EMU Shed, Environmental & Housekeeping Shield, Security Shield, Signal & Telecom Shield (Jointly) and Electrical Shield.

Guntakal Division: Received Best School Railway High School/ EM/GTL), Best Maintained ART (Jointly), Scrap Disposal Shield, Best Maintained Long Distance Train, Mechanical Shield (Jointly), HRD (Personnel) Shield (Jointly), And Bridges (Engg) Shield And Best Innovation Shield.

Guntur Division: Received Inter Divisional Shield For Cleanliness - Stations (Jointly), Safety Shield And Finance (Accounts) Shield.

Nanded Division: Received Hindi (Rajbhasha) Shield (Jointly), Best Division For Elimination of Level Crossing (Jointly) And Best Loading Effort Shield.

Lallaguda Work Shop: Best Mechanical Workshop.

G & S Mettuguda: Received Best Stores Depot Shield

During the 67th Railway Week Celebrations 171 Individual Awards and 12 Group Awards were also Presented to the Officers & Staff in Recognition of their Meritorious Contribution.

New RPF Post Lingampalli Station inaugurated by General Manager

April 04, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), SCR has inaugurated the newly constructed Railway Protection Force Post at Lingampalli Railway station of Secunderabad Division. Shri G.M Eswara Rao, Principal Chief Security Commissioner, SCR, Shri A.K Gupta, Divisional Railway Manager, Secunderabad Division and other officials from the Headquarters and Division were also present on the occasion. General Manager (In-Charge) inspected the newly constructed RPF post, which has been equipped with modern technology to monitor round the clock surveillance at a busy Railway station like Lingampalli

General Manager (In-Charge), SCR Inaugurates Digital X-Ray Facility at Five Railway Hospitals across the Zone

April 06, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), South Central Railway virtually inaugurated Digital X-Ray facility at 5 Railway Hospitals across the Zone. This was inaugurated during the review meeting held by the General Manager on safety and freight loading of the zone. Principal heads of the departments and Divisional Railway Managers of all Six divisions Vijayawada, Guntakal, Guntur, Secunderabad, Hyderabad and Nanded also participated in the meeting.

Digital X-Ray inaugurated by General Manager at five locations i.e., Kacheguda Health Unit, Guntakal, CRS Tirupati, Rayanapadu and Nanded Divisional Railway Hospitals is equipped with Computer Radiography facility. Digital radiography produces dynamic, high quality images and is cost effective. A digital radiograph can also be easily copied and emailed. The General Manager appreciated the team for their efforts in installing the new x-ray machines. He stated that Digital radiography is an excellent facility which will help to reduce the exposure of radiation on patients while providing a more intensified x-ray image.

Shri Soyam Bapu Rao, Hon'ble MP, Adilabad, met General Manager on April 12, 2022

Shri Dharmapuri Arvind, Hon'ble MP, Nizamabad met with General Manager on May 02, 2022

Shri Pasunuri Dayakar, Hon'ble MP, Warangal and
Shri D. Vinay Bhaskar, Hon'ble MLA, Warangal (Urban) met with General Manager on June 27, 2022

Shri Venkatesh Netha, Hon'ble MP, Peddapalli and
Shri Durgam Chinnaiah, Hon'ble MLA, Bellampalli met General Manager on June 30, 2022

SCR Celebrates 131st Birth Day of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar

April 18, 2022

SCR celebrated the 131st Birth Anniversary of Bharat Ratna, Baba Saheb Dr. B.R. Ambedkar at SCR Headquarters, Rail Nilayam Auditorium, Secunderabad. Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager, SCR was the Chief Guest on the occasion and Shri Rajiv Kishore, Principal Chief Personnel Officer was the Guest of Honour. PHoDs and other senior officials also participated in the program.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Arun Kumar Jain stated that the Celebrating the day provide us an opportunity to remember the thoughts espoused by Baba Saheb Ambedkar. A firm believer in Liberty and Equality amongst all the countrymen, Baba Saheb sought respect to all citizens of the country, irrespective of their caste, creed or religion.

Shri Rajiv Kishore, PCPO, SCR stated that Baba Saheb struggled a lot in his life time but determination made him to achieve the greatest heights. Baba Saheb was instrumental in making the Indian Constitution one of the best in the world. Representatives of Trade Unions and Welfare Associations also participated in the program.

SCR Celebrated the World Environment Day

June 06, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, GM (In-Charge), SCR was the chief guest on the occasion. Principal Heads of the Departments and senior officials also participated in the program. World Environment Day is celebrated on June 05, 2022 across the globe; this year's theme was #Only One Earth with focus on "Living Sustainably in Harmony with Nature". All the Departments presented report on their contribution towards the keeping the Environment clean and greener.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), SCR called upon each one of the Railway staff to plant one sapling, which is the need of the hour and help nurture its growth. He also urged that every individual to take oath for making the earth a better to live for our future generations. Make all efforts to enable and create a greener environment and produce cleaner energy. He advised to maximize the use of alternate forms of clean energy and minimize the carbon foot print in Railways. He complimented all the departments for playing a key role towards reduction of pollution.

Later, General Manager presented mementos and cash prizes to winners of drawing competition on the theme of #Only One Earth with focus on "Living Sustainably in Harmony with Nature" for the children of Rail Nilayam employees as part of the World Environment event, which was held on June 02, 2022. General Manager (In-Charge), SCR and other senior officials also participated in the signature campaign.

Primary Focus should be on Ensuring Safety and Punctuality of Train Operations

April 26, 2022

General Manager, SCR conducted a review meeting on safety, punctuality and freight loading of the zone along with Principal heads of the departments at Rail Nilayam. DRM of all six divisions participated in the meeting through video conference.

GM laid primary focus on the safety and punctuality of train operations over the zone. He discussed various action plans to avoid untoward incidents that might affect the punctuality of the trains. In this regard, he instructed the officials to have a focused approach and impart regular training to all the safety staff such as conducting field level seminars, simulated training for the loco pilots and assistant loco pilots, etc. In addition, he also advised the officials to set up individual counseling sessions for the field staff on adherence of safety guidelines so that they avoid taking recourse to any shortcuts, while strictly following the safety procedures.

Focus on Enhancing the Mobility of Coal Transportation

May 10, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), South Central Railway conducted a review meeting on freight loading and safety of train operations over the zone along with PHoDs at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad. Divisional Railway Managers of all six divisions participated in the meeting through video conference. He held a detailed review on freight loading performance of the zone.

General Manager laid primary focus on enhancing the mobility of goods trains transporting coal to meet the demand of thermal power stations in super critical category. He directed the supervisors to conduct frequent inspections at sidings and monitor the loading as per the time schedules in order to avert delays. Further, he advised the team to identify bottlenecks in the freight transport routes and improve the speed in the sections.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain GM (In charge), SCR Holds Review Meeting

May 24, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain General Manager (In-Charge), SCR conducted a review meeting on Safety, Freight loading and Punctuality of the Zone from Rail Nilayam, PHoDs; DRMs of all the six divisions participated through web conference.

GM reviewed the status of safety drives being conducted over the zone for smooth running of trains and safety of workmen. He emphasized that during the course of the safety drives the officers, supervisors as well as the construction staff should be sensitized on all aspects of safety. He instructed the field officials to ensure worksite safety requirements without fail. He also instructed the officials to intensive the counselling sessions involving the staff who are related to train running operations. The General Manager reviewed the safety action plans prepared by the zone and reiterated strict adherence to the guidelines and safety measures.

Accord Top Priority to Monsoon Precautions for Safety and Smooth Running of Trains

June 10, 2022

GM (In-Charge), SCR conducted a detailed review meeting on according top priority and strict observation of Monsoon precautions over the zone at Rail Nilayam, along with Principal Heads of Departments. DRMs of all the six divisions also participated in the meeting through web conference. He laid emphasis on adherence of safety precautions in view of the ensuing monsoon season. He instructed the officials to strengthen patrolling at identified vulnerable sections such as bridges and locations with heavy rainfall to prevent unsafe conditions. He also informed the concerned officials to ensure cleaning and maintenance of side water drains, catch water drains and waterways to avoid flooding of tracks and ensure smooth running of trains.

SCR Celebrates 8th International Day of YOGA – 2022

June 21, 2022

SCR celebrated the 8th International Day of Yoga at Indoor Stadium, Railway Sports Complex, Secunderabad. Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), Shri Rajiv Kishore, State Chief Commissioner, Bharat Scouts & Guides and PCPO/SCR, Principal Heads of Departments, Officials, Staff and Scouts & Guides took part in the Yoga activity. Live streaming of the program was also relayed in SCR's Social media platforms to enable others too to witness & participate through virtual mode.

Speaking on the occasion Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge) stated that, Yoga improves strength, balance and flexibility to handle day-to-day problems, including in work area. Yoga helps in developing inner peace and leads to less stress levels. He advised the officials and staff of South Central Railway to adopt the teachings of Yoga and practice them regularly. He called upon the gathering to practice Yoga in everyday life to attain good health, sound thinking and spiritual discipline.

'I Love Secunderabad' Selfie-point Installed In the Premises of Secunderabad Railway Station

Southern Regional Level Yoga Fest-2022

June 19 - 23, 2022

As part of 8th International Day of Yoga (IDY), The Bharat Scouts & Guides has organized the Southern Regional Level Yoga Fest at Railway Sports Complex, Secunderabad. The event was hosted by the South Central Railway. The inauguration of the mega event was done by Shri Rajiv Kishore, State Chief Commissioner, SCR Bharat Scouts & Guides and Principal Chief Personnel Officer, SCR.

Shri Rajiv Kishore, speaking on the inaugural occasion welcomed all the participants for this regional level event which being hosted by SCR which has a long history for hosting a number of national events including Railway Jamborees. He emphasized participants to practice yoga and make it as a daily routine and said yoga is the journey of self, through self, to the self. He stressed that yoga keeps us healthy and a healthy body makes healthy mind. He called upon participants who are getting trained in yoga to spread it in their vicinity amongst family and friends circles after going back.

Shri Vikram Gupta, State Commissioner (Scouts) & Chief Engineer, SCR; Ms. Padmaja, State Commissioner (Guides) & Chief Freight Traffic Manager, SCR; Shri A.K.Rawat, State Secretary & Secretary (PG), SCR and Ms. Kumud Mehra, Assistant Director, Southern Region, Bharat Scouts & Guides were also present. Shri T. D. Gowri Shankar Rao, State Organizing Commissioner (Scouts), SCR BS&G presented the Vote of Thanks.

Conclusion of Regional Level Yoga Fest-2022 (Southern Region)

June 23, 2022

The valedictory function of the yoga fest was held Shri Arun Kumar Jain, President of SCR Bharat Scouts & Guides and General Manager (In-Charge), SCR graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Shri Rajiv Kishore, State Chief Commissioner, SCR Bharat Scouts & Guides and Principal Chief Personnel Officer, SCR; Shri R. Krishna Swamy, Executive Director, Bharat Scouts & Guides, National Head Quarters, New Delhi and other Senior Railway Officers & Scout Officials were also present.

General Manager addressing the participants, emphasized to practice yoga in their daily life. He said that yoga helps to keep our mind & body healthy and appealed to participants to spread yoga in their community in line with this year's International Day of Yoga theme of "Yoga for Humanity". He called upon Scouts to undertake community development programs which are the need of the hour. He expressed happiness that Scouts & Guides organization members are reaching out to help the needy and rendering various activities along with Railways. Shri R. Krishna Swamy & Shri Rajiv Kishore also spoke on the occasion and congratulated the participants.

Shri Vikram Gupta, State Commissioner (Scouts) & Chief Engineer, SCR; Ms. Padmaja, State Commissioner (Guides) & Chief Freight Traffic Manager, SCR; Shri A. K. Rawat, State Secretary & Secretary (PG), SCR and Ms. Kumud Mehra, Assistant Director, Southern Region, Bharat Scouts & Guides were also present. Shri A.K Rawat, State Secretary presented the Vote of Thanks.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), SCR Inspects Warangal – Khammam – Motumari – Kondapalli Section

April 22, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-charge), SCR undertook a comprehensive inspection of Warangal – Khammam – Pandillapalli – Motumari – Kondapalli sections. He was accompanied by senior officials from Headquarters and Division.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain commenced the inspection at Warangal Railway station which is an important station of Secunderabad Division. He inspected the station premises including the parcel office and the circulating area. He also reviewed the passenger amenities available at the station and discussed on further developmental plans with the officials. Later, he visited the goods shed at Warangal, wherein he examined the freight loading facilities.

GM proceeded onto Khammam goods shed, wherein he examined the facilities including the Hamalis rest room and planted saplings to promote green environment. He also inspected Pandilapalli Railway station, Motumari Railway station and later on proceeded onto inspect Errupalem and Cheruvu Madhavaram Railway stations. Further, the General Manager visited Kondapalli Railway station, where he carried out a thorough inspection of the station premises and also examined the newly constructed relay room.

GM/SCR Inspects Ongoing Infrastructure works between Guntakal - Nalwar

April 28, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-charge), SCR undertook a comprehensive inspection of ongoing infrastructural developmental works between Guntakal – Nalwar Section of Guntakal Division. He was accompanied by Shri K. Venkatramana Reddy, Divisional Railway Manager, Guntakal Division and Senior Officials from Headquarters and Division.

GM conducted Rear Window Inspection commencing from Guntakal to Adoni and later upto Nalwar section to check track maintenance and safety aspects. At Adoni Railway Station the General Manager inspected various passenger amenities, food stalls, circulating area and had a discussion with officials on further development of facilities. Later, he inspected Raichur railway station and Goods shed. He also visited Yermaras railway station and held meeting with representatives of Karnataka Power Corporation Limited. He also inspected Krishna Railway station and Yadgir railway station.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, GM (In-Charge), SCR Conducts Inspection of Pagidipalli – Guntur Section

May 12, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), South Central Railway undertook inspection between Pagidipalli – Guntur section of Guntur Division. He was accompanied by Shri Mohanraja, Divisional Railway Manager, Guntur Division and other senior officials (from both the Headquarters and Division) through out the inspection.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain commenced rear window inspection between Pagidipalli – Chityala section. He inspected Goods Shed at Chityala railway station and conducted meeting with merchants about improvement of loading activity.

Later, the General Manager conducted a detailed inspection of Nalgonda railway station and reviewed the passenger amenities, circulating area, Foot over bridge, Station Manager's room. He also conducted a detailed inspection of Miryalaguda railway station, Nadikude railway station. The General Manager met with Cement customers and reviewed their suggestions and assured them to improve the loading capacity and interacted with public representatives.

The General Manager also inspected several major and minor bridges in Pagidipalli - Guntur section, before proceeding to Guntur.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, GM (In-Charge) inspected Vijayawada Division

May 21, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, GM (In-Charge), SCR held discussions with M/s Adani Krishnapatnam Port and undertook inspection of progress of 3rd line works between Gudur – Vijayawada section. He was accompanied by Shri Shivedra Mohan, DRM, Vijayawada Division and other senior officials from both the Headquarters and Division throughout the inspection.

GM held discussions with the Management functionaries of M/s Adani Krishnapatnam Port to improve freight loading opportunities. Port officials detailed the General Manager on the activities and performance highlights of the Port. He also inspected loading facilities available at Port siding and advised the officials to follow all the safety norms while loading.

The General Manager conducted a detailed inspection of Nellore Railway station and Bitragunta Railway station and reviewed the passenger amenities, facilities at goods siding and Foot over bridges etc.

SCR invites T-HUB for StartUp for Railways Initiative

June 22, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), SCR met Shri. M Srinivas Rao, CEO, T-HUB and his team with regard to Indian Railways "StartUp for Railways" initiative. Indian Railways has introduced this novel concept to promote participation of emerging entrepreneurs in solving some of the critical areas of Indian Railways.

As part of the initiative, as a first-step Railways have identified 11 critical areas wherein solutions from the StartUps are being invited. This number will be progressively increased over a period of time. The activities under this initiative can be accessed at *https://innovation.indianrailways.gov.in/*.

Accordingly, GM (In-Charge) along with his team met the CEO, T-HUB to create awareness of this unique initiative and encourage the Startup/MSME/ Innovator/Entrepreneur and encourage them to join this initiative and be part of making the Indian Railways stronger and help them in realizing their dream of starting a successful venture.

"One Station One Product" launched across all Six Divisions of South Central Railway

The novel initiative of "One station One Product" – aimed at making the railway stations a sales and promotional hub for local products – has been launched across 06 major stations over SCR. Encouraged by the terrific response to the Pilot project at Tirupati Station, it has now been launched for the first time at Secunderabad, Kacheguda, Vijayawada, Guntur and Aurangabad Stations.

The "One station One Product" concept was announced in the union Budget 2022-23. Under this, railway stations – which witness huge footfalls – are envisaged to act as marketing channels to promote the local products, thereby giving a major boost to livelihood and welfare of local artisans, potters, weavers/handloom weavers, Tribals, etc. Accordingly, all the six Divisions of South Central Railway have identified one each major station over their jurisdiction to implement this unique initiative.

For the first time, SCR Awards Commercial Contracts through e-Auction

Ministry of Railways has decided to introduce e-auction facility for awarding revenue earning contracts in commercial wing in place of e- tendering. This concept enables to reduce the time taken for finalization of commercial contracts such as Leasing of SLRs, Advertising, Parking etc. In the initial phase, 11 Divisions have been chosen for implementation of the policy and Secunderabad Division is one among them. Accordingly, for the first time in SCR, two contracts have been successfully awarded by Secunderabad Division by implementing this concept.

Hyderabad Station gets E-Vehicle Charging Facility

As part of Government of India's initiative to reduce carbon emission at all major cities by 2030 and as a major boost towards E-mobility, Secunderabad Division of South Central Railway has awarded a contract for setting up E-Vehicle Charging stations at 32 important Railway stations over Secunderabad Division. The first such facility has been introduced at Hyderabad Station (Nampally) over SCR. In addition to providing an important passenger amenity, the initiative will also generate earnings for Railways.

Hyderabad Railway Station gets 1st Parcel Scanner of SCR

To ensure utmost security of rail transportation and to provide safe and secure rail travel, South Central Railway has introduced scanning facility of Parcel consignments offered for transportation through Rail. In this regard, the first Parcel Scanner has been installed at Hyderabad Station Parcel Office. This is yet another first of its kind initiative over Indian Railways started by Secunderabad Division of SCR.

RPF Director General, Railway Board Reviews Security Performance of SCR at Secunderabad

May 18, 2022

Shri Sanjay Chander, IPS Director General / Railway Protection Force (RPF) / New Delhi visited Secunderabad and conducted Performance Review Meeting with Sri Raja Ram, IG-Principal Chief Security Commissioner / RPF / SCR and other RPF officers at Rail Nilayam. During the review meeting, Director General / RPF emphasized on Security of Passengers and their belongings which has now become the area of prime concern as far as RPF is concerned. He also briefed the officers regarding Security of Women and Children during their stay over railway system.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In charge), SCR Holds Review Meeting on Vijayawada Divisional Performance

June 16, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), South Central Railway conducted a review meeting of Vijayawada Division's Performance at Divisional Conference Hall, Vijayawada along with Shri Shivendra Mohan, Divisional Railway Manager, Vijayawada Division and other senior officials.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain had a detailed review on freight loading performance of Vijayawada Division and congratulated the Branch Officers for exceptional performance in the freight segment compared to the previous financial year during same period and also emphasized to continue to keep up the good work.

He advised the officials that there is lot of scope for further improvement in freight loading like Cement, Coal, Fertilizers, Food grains etc. particularly at Krishnapatnam and Kakinada Port.

Shri R. Dhananjayulu, Principal Chief Operations Manager, SCR and Shri G.V. Ramana Reddy, Chief Engineer, Road Safety Works, SCR were also present during the Review Meeting

In a first-of-its kind initiative, SCR moves Bulk Cement in Specialized Tank Containers

In a first-of-its kind initiative which is likely to be game changer in the transportation of Bulk cement, South Central Railways has loaded Bulk Cement in Specialised Tank containers. The first rake has been loaded from M/s Bharathi Cements siding in Yerraguntla of Andhra Pradesh to Irugur in Tamil Nadu. The container rake is being moved as a single rake consisting of 30 specialized tank containers, each having a capacity of approximately 26 tonnes.

The first rake was virtually flagged-off by Shri. Sanjay Kumar Mohanty, Member Operations & Business Development, Railway Board from New Delhi. Shri. R. Dhananjayulu, Principal Chief Operations Manager, SCR, Shri. John Prasad, Principal Chief Commercial Manager, SCR along with their team participated in flagging-off of the first rake from Yerraguntla.

First Goods Train Chugs into Manoharabad – Gajwel Section

June 27, 2022

The first train into the recently commissioned Gajwel Railway station has been received today. This is also the first freight train to be operated in the Manoharabad – Gajwel section. The Gajwel Station located in Hyderabad Division of South Central Railway has been permitted for commencement of freight operations i.e., loading and unloading of bagged consignments recently. As part of it, the first rake of 21 BCN wagons containing fertilisers booked from Kakinada has arrived at Gajwel station and is placed for unloading at Gajwel Goods shed, marking the commencement of the freight operations in the station. 1,844 tons of fertilisers have been transported through the first rake that has been arrived at Gajwel station.

The initial rake has been loaded with fertilisers with tonnage of 1844 tonnes from Nagarjuna Fertilisers and Chemicals Siding, Kakinada and has reached Gajwel Station. The distance covered by this goods train is 632 Kms.

South Central Railway Observes Anti-Terrorism Day

Anti-Terrorism Day was observed by South Central Railway at its Zonal Headquarters at Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-charge), South Central Railway administered pledge to Principal Heads of the Departments and other officials and staff participated in the program from their respective office locations.

125 Railway Employees Felicitated by SCR Women's Welfare Organization *May 01, 2022*

South Central Railway Women's Welfare Organization (SCRWWO) felicitated 125 Railway employees and contract workers of the Zone in recognition of their meritorious and dedicated services. The function was conducted at Vidya Vihar High School, Chilkalguda, Secunderabad. Smt Usha Jain, Secretary, Smt. Madhavi Vijay Kumar, Joint Treasurer, Smt. Aruna Vishwanath, Joint Secretary, Smt. Aparna Eswara Rao, Executive Committee member of SCRWWO participated in the program.

Addressing the gathering, Smt. Usha Jain appreciated the employees for their hard work and commitment towards Indian Railways. She stated that every employee deserves respect and the right to lead a dignified life and this felicitation would be a salute to them for their contribution. She said that the staff deserves due recognition for their efforts in ensuring smooth working of the Railway system.

Performance of SCR during the First Quarter (April - June) of Current Financial Year 2022-23

Gross Originating Revenue

Passengers Carried in Millions

Passenger Revenue in Crore

Freight Loading in Million Tonnes

Freight Revenue in Crore

SCR Registers Best-Ever Performance in May for both Passenger and Freight Segment

- ***Both Passenger Revenue and Freight Revenue in May 2022 are the highest for any month over the Zone, since its inception***
- ***While 11.713 MTs of Freight were loaded, 21 Million passengers transported in May, 2022.***

The originating passenger revenue of Rs. 423.98 Crores registered during May, 2022 is the highest-ever earnings, the previous best being Rs.414.48 Crores. Similarly, the Zone registered Rs. 1,067.57 Crores in Freight revenue in May 2022 – the highest ever in a month.

Contract has been awarded for Upgradation of Tirupati station

Ministry of Railways has put a special focus on 'Redevelopment of important Railway Stations'across all the zones, for providing first class amenities complying with green norms, elegant look and feel. Railway board has instructed South Central Railway to take up the redevelopment of Tirupati station under the head "Major upgradation of Railway Stations".

Accordingly, SCR has conceptualized a master plan to integrate the station complex with other infrastructure facilities and passenger amenities to provide a seamless experience to the rail users. Contract has been awarded to the various works under EPC mode.

Tenders have been floated for Upgradation of Secunderabad Station

As part of the efforts of the Ministry of Railways to transform the Stations with World-Class facilities, A major step for the development of Secunderabad Railway Station has been taken by the Zone. Notice inviting tender for Station Upgradation of Secunderabad has been floated at an estimated cost of approximately Rs. 653 Crs. The project is being invited in EPC Mode and the construction is expected to be completed within 36 months from the date of awarding of tender. The major objective of the station Upgradation is to redevelop and regenerate City core area by redevelopment of the Railway station, Multi modal integration and seamless transfer of passenger from one mode to other mode, better connectivity and mobility of rail passengers across the station, convenient pick up and drop off areas for the passengers & to provide adequate parking facility etc.

As part of the Secunderabad station Upgradation, Several facilities will be coming up like - New Station Building with G+3 floors and the existing South-side building will be extended and developed with G+3 floors, a Mutli-Level (Five levels) parking at the North-side of the Station, Double storey Sky concourse,a separate underground Parking on the South Side of the station, two Walkways (7.5m) along with Travelators at North & South side buildings, separate Entry & Exit Blocks (Drop off & Pick up locations) to avoid cross movements of Arrival & Departure passengers and vehicular movements, Solar power plant of 5000 KWp etc.

Bhadrachalam Road - Sattupalli New Rail Line section Completed

May 28, 2022

The first train from Sattupalli with Coal has been started and is destined to Kothagudem Thermal Power Plant for Genco (KTPG). This is the first train to operate in the Bhadrachalam Road – Sattupalli section.

Bhadrachalam Road –Sattupalli New Rail Line is one of the prestigious ongoing projects on South Central Railway (SCR). This new line is being jointly laid by SCR and M/S. Singareni Collieries Limited (SCCL)for transporting coal from the nearby mines of SCCL located at Sattupalli area. As a part of this,laying of entire railway line from Bhadrachalam to Sattupalli has been completed. On the other hand, electrification has been completed between Bhadrachalam –Bhavanapalem, with only another small stretch between Bhavanapalem to Sattupalli pending (approx 15 kms).

SCR Completes Vijayawada - Gudivada - Bhimavaram- Narsapur; Gudivada - Machilipatanam; Bhimavaram - Narsapur Double Line project

SCR has completed and commissioned 221 Kms of Double Line project between Vijayawada - Gudivada - Bhimavaram- Narsapur; Gudivada - Machilipatanam; Bhimavaram - Narsapur Double Line project along with elecrtfication except for 34 kms of electrification between Nidadavolu - Aravalli. The project was sanctioned in the year 2011-12 for a distance of 221 Kms at an estimated cost of Rs. 3,000 Crore, and is being executed by RVNL (Rail Vikas Nigam Limited).

Hingoli Deccan – Washim Railway Line Electrified as part of Akola – Purna electrification project

The section between Hingoli Deccan – Washim for a distance of 46.30 Route Kms has been completed and commissioned as part of Akola – Purna electrification project. With this, a continuous stretch of 126 Kms between Akola – Hingoli Deccan stations stands electrified, enabling seamless connectivity of rail lines. Electrification of Akola - Purna section for a distance of 209 Kms has been sanctioned in the year 2017-18 with an estimated cost of Rs 277 Crores.

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), SCR inaugurated First of Its Kind Beach Volleyball Court at Railway Sports Complex, Secunderabad

May 25, 2022

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), South Central Railway inaugurated the Beach Volleyball Court at Railway Sports Complex, Secunderabad. Shri J.K.Jain, President, SCRSA & PCME/SCR, Sri A.K.Singh, General.Secretary, SCRSA & CEE/Con/SCR and other officers were also present on the occasion.

South Central Railway Sports Association, Secunderabad has the best infrastructure facilities available at Railway Sports Complex, Secunderabad.

It will be worth mentioning here that all the grounds are available at one place and now Beach Volleyball court is added now with an approximate expenditure of Rs. 4 lakhs. The newly inaugurated Beach Volleyball Court dimensions are 92 feet x 52.5 feet x 0.8 inch with provision of Flood Lights.

This Beach Volleyball Court inaugurated is First of its Kind facility made available for players on Indian Railways.

Passing out Function of 32 IRSSE Probationers – 2019 Batch held at IRISET

April 07, 2022

Thirty Two Probationers of Indian Railways Service of Signal Engineers (IRSSE) of 2019 batch passed out from the portals of Indian Railways Institute of Signal Engineering and Telecommunications (IRISET) at the Passing out Function held at the Institute. The probationers after the completion of the Institutional training will be posted as Assistant Divisional Signal and Telecommunication Engineer (ADSTE) at various Zonal Railways.

Shri Sudhir Kumar, Director General, IRISET while addressing the trainee officers congratulated all the probationers on their successful completion of Institutional training. He emphasized that the Signal & Telecommunications department has been in the forefront for adopting the new technologies for safe and efficient running of trains and the young officers have to shoulder the responsibility. Shri P. Venkata Ramana, Additional Director General, IRISET while addressing on the occasion, stressed that the probationers should act as the bridge between the new technologies being adopted and the human resources. Awards were presented to the meritorious probationers in various events.

क्षेत्रीय राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक का आयोजन महाप्रबंधक महोदय श्री अरुण कुमार जैन की अध्यक्षता में वर्चुअल माध्यम से

दि.23.06.2022

महाप्रबंधक महोदय ने कहा कि वेबसाइट पर सामग्री अंग्रेजी के साथ ही हिंदी में भी अपलोड की जाए. स्टेशन संचालन नियमों को हिंदी, अंग्रेजी में तथा फाटक संचालन नियमों को स्थानीय भाषा, हिंदी, अंग्रेजी में साथ-साथ जारी किए जाएं.

क्षेत्रीय राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक में इस रेलवे की हिंदी गृह ई-पत्रिका **'रेल सुधा'** का विमोचन किया गया.

दि.23.06.2022

उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) ने दि.07.04.2022 को प्रधान कार्यालय के विद्युत विभाग में राजभाषा संबंधी मदों का निरीक्षण किया तथा अधिकारियों व कर्मचारियों को ई-ऑफिस में हिंदी में काम करने के संबंध में जानकारी दी.

उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) ने दि.08.04.2022 को प्रधान कार्यालय के कार्मिक विभाग में राजभाषा संबंधी मदों का निरीक्षण किया तथा अधिकारियों व कर्मचारियों को ई-ऑफिस में हिंदी में काम करने के संबंध में जानकारी दी.

संसदीय राजभाषा की दूसरी उप समिति द्वारा दि.17.06.2022 को सिकंदराबाद स्टेशन का निरीक्षण किया गया.

संसदीय राजभाषा समिति की दूसरी उप समिति द्वारा दि.18.06.2022 को लालागुडा कारखाना का निरीक्षण किया गया.

नगर राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक का आयोजन महाप्रबंधक महोदय श्री अरुण कुमार जैन की अध्यक्षता में वर्चुअल माध्यम से

दि.22.06.2022

नगर राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति के सदस्य कार्यालयों के अधिकारियों व कर्मचारियों के लिए हिंदी पुस्तक समीक्षा प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन

मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी एवं उपाध्यक्ष, नराकास श्री जे.के.जैन की अध्यक्षता में दि.28.04.2022 को

मुख्यालय के वाणिज्य तथा लेखा विभाग के कर्मचारियों के लिए हिंदी कार्यशाला का आयोजन दि.30.05.2022 को

Shri Arun Kumar Jain, General Manager (In-Charge), SCR and Principal Heads of Departments South Central Railway with All India Performance Efficiency Shields - 2021