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**RAILWAY MINISTER FLAGGED OFF GOPINATHPUR NILGIRI-BALASORE NEW MEMU TRAIN SERVICE, DEDICATED TO THE NATION, BALASORE-GOPINATHPUR NILGIRI NEW PASSENGER LINE, LAID FOUNDATION STONE FOR SUBWAY AT BETNOTI AND INAUGURATED PRS BOOKING COUNTER AT BETNOTI STATION**

Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister of Railways, Communications, Electronics & Information Technology, Govt of India flagged off Gopinathpur Nilgiri - Balasore new MEMU train service and dedicated to the nation the Balasore-Gopinathpur Nilgiri new passenger line at a colourful function held at Gopinathpur Nilgiri Railway Station on 13.01.2024.

The Railway Minister congratulated the local people of Gopinathpur Nilgiri for getting the first ever passenger train connectivity upto Balasore. He said that, with a view to extend the Railway Network in the state of Odisha, Indian Railways has fulfilled the commitment of New station Building, New Passenger Line and New MEMU Service for the area. Shri Pratap Chandra Sarangi, Hon'ble MP and Shri Sukanta Kumar Nayak, Hon'ble MLA were present at the inaugural function held at Gopinathpur Nilgiri.

Three pairs of MEMU trains are running over this route daily. The regular run of the MEMU trains will commence from 14.01.2024 and All MEMU Trains have stopages at Sutei Badagan station enroute.

Later, at a function held at Betnoti station, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister of Railways laid the foundation stone for Subway at Betnoti station. The Subway will be constructed as a part of providing more passenger amenities. It will ensure smooth entry and exit of passengers and free movement of local people. He has also inaugurated the New PRS Counter at Betnoti Station. The newly opened PRS Counter will provide convenient and time saving ticket booking facility for the local residents

Shri Bishweswar Tudu, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Jal Shakti and Tribal Affairs, Shri Pratap Chandra Sarangi, Hon'ble MP and Shri Sanatan Bijuli, Hon'ble MLA were present during the function held at Betnoti.

Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway welcomed the Railway Minister and other guests at both the functions held at Gopinathpur Nilgiri and Betnoti. Shri K R Chaudhary, Divisional Railway Manager, Kharagpur and other Principal officers of South Eastern Railway were also present at the functions.



Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister of Railways addressing the gathering at Gopinathpur Nilgiri Railway station of Odisha on 13.01.2024

Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister of Railways unveiling the plaque for New PRS Booking Counter at Betnoti Railway station of Odisha on 13.01.2024



Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister of Railways flagging off Gopinathpur Nilgiri - Balasore new MEMU train service from Gopinathpur Nilgiri Railway station of Odisha on 13.01.2024





## SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY CELEBRATES 75th REPUBLIC DAY

The 75th Republic Day was celebrated at South Eastern Railway's Headquarters, Garden Reach with great enthusiasm. Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway unfurled the National Flag and took salute at the ceremonial parade presented by the contingents of Railway Protection Force (RPF), Civil Defence, St John Ambulance and South Eastern Railway Bharat Scouts & Guides.

Highlighting the achievements of SER in recent times, General Manager said that South Eastern Railway, popularly known as the Blue Chip Railway, is among the top three highest freight loading zones of Indian Railways. During the period from April to December 2023, SER achieved a commendable loading of 154 million tonnes of freight which is about 3.4% higher than the corresponding period of 2022-23. General Manager added that in order to increase operational capacity, 68 km of doubling / 3rd line work has been completed so far this year.

General Manager stated that with a view to provide more amenities to the passengers, 16 lifts and 01 escalator have been commissioned at various stations during the current financial year. Moreover, to ensure safety and convenience of the passengers, the work of 19 Foot Over Bridges have been completed this year so far. These apart, 14 platforms at 9 stations have been raised and 18 bays platform shelters have been provided at 10 stations. During the current financial

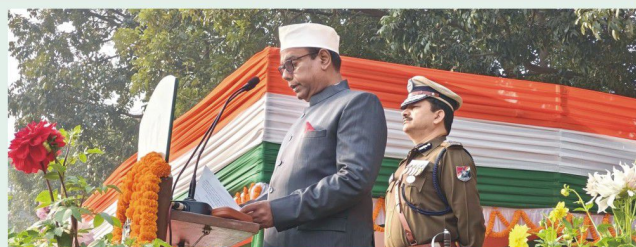
Year, 32 special trains have been run to clear the extra rush of the passengers. During the current financial year upto December 23, 9 pairs of trains including 4 pairs of Vande Bharat Express have been started. He added that 70 stations of SER are being developed under Amrit Bharat Scheme and 47 stalls have been made operational at 45 stations of South Eastern Railway under One Station One Product scheme.

Mentioning the special efforts of RPF, General Manager sated that this year under "Operation Nanhe Farishtey and Dignity" total 295 minor boys, 231 minor girls have been rescued from train and station premises and handed over to Child Line or their family members. RPF personnel of South Eastern Railway in "Operation Jeevan Raksha" saved the precious lives of 22 male and 15 female passengers by risking their own lives.

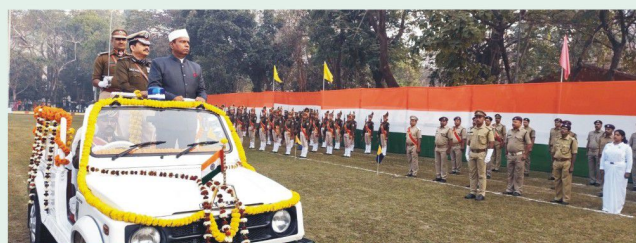
A cultural programme on patriotic theme was organised on the occasion. The programme was presented by the Personnel Department and members of SER Bharat Scouts and Guides. A special Dog Show by RPF Dog Squad was also organised on the occasion. Republic Day was also celebrated at the Divisional Offices at Kharagpur, Adra, Chakradharpur and Ranchi.



Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway unfurling the National Flag on the occasion of 75th Republic Day Celebrations at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach.



Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway addressing the railway employees on the occasion of 75th Republic Day celebrations at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach.



Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway inspecting the Parade on the occasion of 75th Republic Day celebrations at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach.



**PRIME MINISTER LAID FOUNDATION STONE/ INAUGURATED 46 AMRIT STATIONS AND 108 ROAD OVERBRIDGES/UNDERPASSES OF SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY**

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi on 26.02.2024 laid the foundation stone and inaugurated and dedicated to the Nation around 2000 railway infrastructure projects worth more than Rs. 41,000 crores via video conferencing. During this function, Foundation Stone was also laid for 46 stations of South Eastern Railway to be redeveloped under Amrit Station Scheme. Apart from this, inauguration /Foundation stone laid for 108 Road Overbridges and Underpasses in SER. In this connection, functions were organised at 141 locations over all the four divisions, i.e. Adra, Kharagpur, Chakradharpur and Ranchi.

Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan, Hon'ble Governor of Jharkhand attended the function at Tatanagar Railway station. Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager/SER, Divisional Railway Manager/ Chakradharpur, Senior Railway Officers and other dignitaries were also present at the function.

Colourful functions were also organised at other locations over SER jurisdiction and was attended by Hon'ble Ministers, Hon'ble MPs, Hon'ble MLAs, other dignitaries and large number of enthusiastic local people.

In connection with the above programme, competitions were organised by all four Divisions of SER among the students of different schools on the topic "2047 ke Viksit Bharat ka Viksit Rail". More than 1,000 winners were awarded by the dignitaries at different locations.

Foundation Stone was laid for 22 Amrit stations of West Bengal at a total estimated cost of Rs. 597.15 Crores. The 22 stations of West Bengal to be redeveloped under the Amrit Station Scheme are, Adra, Bankura, Bishnupur, Purulia, Joychandi Pahar, Burnpur, Kharagpur, Mecheda, Tamluk, Jhargram, Bagnan, Midnapore, Uluberia, Andul, Panskura, Hijli, Belda, Digha, Haldia, Suisa, Tulin and Jhalida. Moreover, the total estimated cost for 41 Road Overbridges/Underpasses in West Bengal is Rs. 492.05 Crores.

Foundation Stone was laid for 18 Amrit stations of Jharkhand at a total estimated cost of Rs. 578.95 Crores. The 18 stations of Jharkhand to be redeveloped under the Amrit Station Scheme are, Tatanagar, Chakradharpur, Gamharia, Sini, Chaibasa, Dangoaposi, Barajamda, Balsiring, Bano, Gangaghat, Ramgarh Cantt, Govindpur Road, Orga, Muri, Silli, Lohardaga, Tatisilwai and Namkom. Moreover, the total estimated cost for 44 Road Overbridges/Underpasses in Jharkhand is Rs. 546.01 Crores.

Foundation Stone was laid for 6 Amrit stations of Odisha at a total estimated cost of Rs. 240.82 Crores. The 6 stations of Odisha to be redeveloped under the Amrit Station Scheme are, Bimalgarh, Jaroli, Rairangpur, Panposh, Baleshwar and Betnoti. Moreover, the total estimated cost for 23 Road Overbridges/Underpasses in Odisha is Rs. 192.41 Crores.



**Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan, Hon'ble Governor of Jharkhand addressing the gathering at Tatanagar station of Chakradharpur Division on 26.02.2024**



**Shri Bishweswar Tudu, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Jalshakti and Tribal affairs distributing awards among school students at Level Crossing 37 of Kharagpur Division on 26.02.2024.**



**Shri Arjun Munda, Hon'ble Union Minister of Tribal Affairs and Ministry of Agriculture & Farmer's Welfare addressing the gathering on 26.02.2024. He attended the functions at Sini and at Road Overbridge-160 near Mahalimarup of Chakradharpur Division.**



**Dr. Subhas Sarkar, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Education distributing awards among school students at Bankura station of Adra Division on 26.02.2024.**



## SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH, HON'BLE MINISTER OF STATE FOR RAILWAYS HOLDS REVIEW MEETING WITH SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY AND EASTERN RAILWAY AT KOLKATA

Smt. Darshana Jardosh, Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways and Textiles, Govt. of India held a high level meeting to review the performance of South Eastern Railway and Eastern Railway at Fairlie Place, Kolkata on 06.01.2024. Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway, Shri Sumit Sarkar, Additional General Manager, Eastern Railway and other Principal officers of South Eastern and Eastern Railway were present at the review meeting.

Smt. Jardosh, during the meeting, held detailed discussion on different ongoing projects and laid emphasis on timely completion of projects like new line, doubling, third line, road over bridge, passenger amenity works etc. Discussions were also held to enhance passenger safety and security. Smt. Jardosh, reviewed the progress of work under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in South Eastern and Eastern Railway.

Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway informed the Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways about the various developmental initiatives

taken by South Eastern Railway viz. progress of ongoing projects, growth in freight loading, redevelopment of stations, introduction of new trains, security arrangements for passengers and environment friendly measures. He also apprised the progress of safety works initiated by South Eastern Railway and additional passenger amenity works at different stations. He added that SER is presently running four Vande Bharat Express trains for convenience of passengers and tourists.

In the meeting, Shri Sumit Sarkar, Additional General Manager, Eastern Railway apprised Hon'ble Minister regarding various key statistics on performance, safety initiatives, traffic pattern, loading, originating revenue, environment conservation initiatives, passenger amenities etc.

Smt. Darshana Jardosh suggested some improvement measures during the meeting and appreciated the overall performance of South Eastern Railway and Eastern Railway.



Smt. Darshana Jardosh, Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways and Textiles holding a Review Meeting with Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager/SER, Shri Sumit Sarkar, Additional General Manager/ER and other Principal Head of the Departments of SER and ER at Fairlie Place, Kolkata on 06.01.2024.



## SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY CELEBRATES 68th RAILWAY WEEK

South Eastern Railway celebrated the 68th Railway Week-Vishisht Rail Seva Puraskar, 2023 at Kolkata on 9.2.2024.

Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Shri A K Dubey, Addl. General Manager, Shri Abhay Kumar Gupta, Senior Deputy General Manager along with all Principal Head of the Departments attended the function. Divisional Railway Managers of Kharagpur, Adra, Chakradharpur & Ranchi were also present on the occasion.

Altogether, 89 selected railway officers & staff were felicitated in recognition of their outstanding services and devotion to duty during the year 2022-23. The Overall Efficiency Shield was awarded to Chakradharpur Division for the best all round performance. Efficiency Shields in other categories

were also awarded to different divisions, workshops and stations. Ranchi station has been adjudged as the Best Kept Station.

Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager while addressing the gathering mentioned about S E Railway's achievements in freight and passenger sectors. He complimented the railway employees for their sincere efforts and commendable performance in spite of different challenges. General Manager laid maximum emphasis on ensuring safety in train operations. He advised the railway employees to make all out efforts to attain the satisfaction of passengers and freight customers. He also appreciated the cooperation extended by the different Associations and Trade Unions.

During the programme, a colourful cultural show was presented by the Headquarters Cultural Team.



Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway addressing the gathering on the occasion of 68th Railway Week Celebrations-Vishisht Rail Seva Puraskar, 2023 held at Kolkata on 9th February, 2024.

Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway handing over the Overall Efficiency Shield to Divisional Railway Manager, Chakradharpur on the occasion of 68th Railway Week Celebrations-Vishisht Rail Seva Puraskar, 2023 held at Kolkata on 9th February, 2024.





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