

## **SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN MARCH 2021**

- South Eastern Railway in the month of March, 2021 has loaded 18.23 million tonnes of freight as against 15.23 million tonnes loaded in March, 2020 registering a growth of 19.7%.

Revenue generation from freight loading in March, 2021 has been Rs. 1519.2 crores as against Rs. 1298.07 crores in March 2020, registering a growth of 17.04%.

During the financial year 2020-21, SER has loaded 175.8 million tonnes of freight as against 171.96 million tonnes loaded during the last financial year registering a growth of 2.23%. Freight loading of 175.8 million tonnes achieved in 2020-21 is the best ever loading performance of this railway since its trifurcation in the year 2003.

Earnings from freight loading in 2020-21 have been to the tune of Rs.14489.97 crores which is Rs.30.75 crores more than that of the previous year.

The main commodities of freight loading of SER have been Iron Ore, Coal, Pig Iron & Finished Steel, Cement, Food Grains, Fertiliser etc.

- International Women's Day was observed by South Eastern Railway at its Headquarters Garden Reach and its four Divisions viz. Kharagpur, Adra, Chakradharpur and Ranchi with great enthusiasm on 08.03.2021.

General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurated the programme held at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach. The whole programme was organised maintaining the Covid health protocols.

On the occasion, 12 outstanding women employees of S E Railway were felicitated by General Manager for exemplary job during Covid-19 pandemic. An Interactive Session on "Women in Leadership: Achieving an equal feature in Covid-19 World" was also organised on the occasion.

As a part of celebration of International Women's Day, a special initiative was taken to run a number of all women's train over SER's jurisdiction. On that day, 38807 Howrah-Midnapur EMU Local was run with all ladies crew. Loco Pilot, Guard and other staff in the train were all women. A Goods Train was also run from Kharagpur to Andul with all women crew. In Chakradharpur Division, 03288 Patna-Durg Special was run fully by lady staff viz. Train Ticket Examiner, Loco Pilot, Guard, Security Personnel etc. Similarly in Ranchi Division, the Ranchi-Tori MEMU was run with all women crew and staff.

Seminar and talk show on women empowerment was also held at different places in SER's jurisdiction on International Women's Day. A Cross Country Run for women empowerment was organised by Railway Protection Force of Chakradharpur Division.

- General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurated the First Lok Adalat of Railway Claims Tribunal, Kolkata Bench on 16-3-2021. Additional General Manager, Eastern Railway and other Senior Railway Officers were also present on the occasion.

This Lok Adalat was held from 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2021. Vice Chairman of Railway Claims Tribunal, Kolkata Bench chaired the Lok Adalat in which 27 identified cases were heard.

The object of the Lok Adalat is to provide speedy justice to railway users by way of expeditious decisions through payment of compensation to the victims or their families of untoward incidents during the course of their journeys by Indian Railways and to those whose goods are lost or damaged during railway transit. The Lok Adalat was attended by applicants, advocates and presenting officers from the railway side.

- Sri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble MP, inaugurated the following Passenger Amenity works at Ranchi Station in presence of Sri C. P. Singh, Hon'ble MLA on 21.03.2021
  - \* Raising and resurfacing of Platform no.1 & 1A
  - \* Expansion and renovation of Upper Class Waiting Room
  - \* Installation of lift in concourse for retiring rooms at the first floor
  - \* New Parcel office and Godown
  
- Zonal Railway Rajbhasha Implementation Committee Meeting was virtually held on 03.03.2021. General Manager, South Eastern Railway presided over the meeting. All Principal Head of the Departments virtually attended the meeting. During the meeting, General Manager released the first issue of “BNR Hindi E-Patrika” of Rajbhasha Department.
  
- An intensive awareness drive was launched all over Indian Railways about precautionary measures to be adopted in case of fire incidents in trains or at railway premises. SER also took initiatives to educate all the stakeholders i.e. rail users and railway/non-railway employees working at stations and in trains about precautions to be taken against fire incidents like enforcing “No Smoking”, preventing “Carriage of Inflammable Materials” through rail etc.
  
- South Eastern Railway launched the COVID-19 vaccination session at all its four divisions as well as at headquarters for its frontline staff viz. health care personnel, security personnel (RPF), loco pilots, guards, etc as well as retired employees. Till 31<sup>st</sup> March, altogether 11,214 doses of the vaccine were administered at SER Central Hospital, Garden Reach and four Divisional Hospitals at Kharagpur, Adra, Ranchi and Chakradharpur. With effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2021, vaccination started for employees above 45 years of age.
  
- Commissioner of Railway Safety, South Eastern Circle inspected Rupsa-Bhanjpur Section (56 KM), first phase of Rupsa-Bangriposi Railway Electrification Project (89 KM) on 30-3-2021 and also inspected Tatanagar-Aunlajori- Gorumahisani Section (65 KM) of Tatanagar-Badampahar Electrification Project (89 KM) on 31-3-2021.

- As a major safety initiative and for hassle free journey of both rail and road users, a total number of 3 manned level crossings have been eliminated in the month of March 2021. The manned level crossings which have been eliminated during the month are :

LC No. 60 in Kalaikunda Yard in Kharagpur-Tata section of Kharagpur Division

LC No. 51 between Jaleswar-Amarda Road stations in Kharagpur Division

LC No.109 between Soro and Markona stations in Kharagpur Division

- In the month of March, 2021 Kharagpur Wagon Workshop turned out 22 LHB coaches (19 AC and 3 Non AC) thus achieving the best ever figures. The highest ever outturn of 397 pairs of LHB wheels was also achieved by the shop in March '21

- Electronic Interlocking Systems were commissioned at 3 stations in the month of March, 2021—Bero, TISCO Valatand and Jamadoba

- A 15 days special drive on 'Fire Safety in Trains' was conducted from 16.3.21 to 30.03.21 in all coaching depots of SER during which 496 Pantry Car and contractor's staff have been counseled regarding fire safety.

- 712 PGPRS POS Machines were allotted to ticket checking staff of SER during 2020-21 leading to digital transaction to the tune of Rs.2.55 lakh by ticket checking staff, out of which, digital transaction during March 2021 was Rs.54,668/-.

- Rebuilding of Road Over Bridge – 20A (1x24M) between Damodar-Mohishila was completed and commissioned on 29-3-2021.

- 26 cases have been registered under RP(UP) Act with arrest of 36 offenders and recovery of railway property worth Rs.97,460 /-

- 28 minor boys and 37 minor girls were rescued by the RPF personnel in the month of March 2021 and were handed over to the parents or Child Help Line.

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