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SER ACHIEVES 100% ELECTRIFICATION OF ITS NETWORK AS THE SECOND ZONAL RAILWAY

South Eastern Railway has reached the landmark of 100% electrification of its total Route Kilometres on 9th February 2022. South Eastern Railway is the second Zonal Railway after West Central Railway to achieve 100% electrification.

Aiming towards energy efficient and pollution free transportation, SER has always remained in the forefront of Green Initiatives. The completion of 100% electrification work will reduce the carbon foot print in the environment. This will also help to establish seamless train operation in SER jurisdiction.

With the electrification of Rupsa-Bangriposi section of Kharagpur Division, this 100% electrification goal has

been achieved by SER. The electrification work of Bhanjpur-Bangriposi (34km) portion has been completed on 09.02.2022. Earlier, the Electrification work of Rupsa-Bhanjpur Section (55 km) was completed on 30.03.2021. Rupsa-Bangriposi (89 km) Electrification Project in Kharagpur Division was sanctioned in the year 2018-19 at a cost of Rs.94.89 crore.

Sri S. Mitra, Commissioner of Railway Safety, South Eastern Circle inspected the Bhanjpur-Bangriposi Section on 9th February, 2022 along with Sri Ishaq Khan, Principal Chief Electrical Engineer, SER, Sri M. Pradhan, Divisional Railway Manager, Kharagpur and a team of officers from SER Headquarters and Division. ■



Goods and Passenger Trains are on move in the electrified network of South Eastern Railway

RAILWAY MINISTER FLAGS OFF MEMU PASSENGER AND INAUGURATES A NUMBER OF DEVELOPMENTAL WORKS AT BALASORE TO STRENGTHEN THE RAIL CONNECTIVITY IN ODISHA

Sri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister for Railways, Communications and Electronics & Information Technology, Govt. of India, inaugurated a number of passenger amenities and developmental works at Balasore on 7th January, 2022. Shri Bishweswar Tudu, Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Tribal Affairs & Ministry of Jal Shakti and Shri Pratap Chandra Sarangi, Hon'ble MP were present at the programmes.

From Balasore station, the Hon'ble Railway Minister Flagged off 08411 Balasore - Bhubaneswar MEMU Passenger. Shri Vaishnaw has also laid the Foundation Stone for the work of Opening of Passenger Services between Balasore and Gopinathpur. Later, Hon'ble Minister has visited the Basta Station to inaugurate the Developmental Works. He also laid the Foundation Stone of the New Station Building at Jaleswar.

While addressing the gathering at different places, Hon'ble Railway Minister stated that inauguration of the MEMU train will ensure better connectivity of Balasore with the State Capital, Bhubaneswar. Extension of rail network in Balasore and adjoining remote areas will enable passengers for travelling towards major stations

like Bhubaneswar and Bhadrak. Giving importance to the passenger amenities, he said that development of station building and other facilities at Basta and Jaleswar will be immensely helpful for the local people. He added that, Government is committed to fulfil the aspirations of the people of Odisha and as a major step in this regard there has been substantial increase in allocation of funds during the recent time for expansion of Railway Network in Odisha. Mentioning Jaleswar as the gateway of Odisha, the Minister said that he would personally monitor the station development work including its design at Jaleswar. Hon'ble Minister also laid stress on timely completion of all ongoing railway projects.

Hon'ble Members of Legislative Assembly and other dignitaries were present at different venues. Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway welcomed the guests at the functions. Sri Manoranjan Pradhan, DRM/ Kharagpur and other principal officers of South Eastern Railway also attended the programmes. ■



Sri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister for Railways, inaugurating the Developmental Works at Basta station on 07.01.2022.

Sri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister for Railways, flagging off 08411 Balasore - Bhubaneswar MEMU Passenger at Balasore on 07.01.2022.



SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY CELEBRATES 73rd REPUBLIC DAY



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway unfurling the National Flag on the occasion of 73rd Republic Day Celebrations at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach.

The 73rd Republic Day was celebrated at South Eastern Railway's Headquarters, Garden Reach with due solemnity. The whole programme was organized with strict compliance of COVID-19 Health Protocols.

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway unfurled the National Tri-colour and took salute at the ceremonial parade presented by the contingents of Railway Protection Force, Civil Defence and St John Ambulance.

Addressing the staff and officers of SER, Ms. Archana Joshi said that railway employees have been rendering commendable service during the Covid 19 pandemic. Keeping in view the nation-wide crisis during the COVID pandemic, SER arranged to run 281 Oxygen Special Trains to fulfill its social commitments and responsibilities. Moreover, to ensure uninterrupted supply of oxygen at SER Central Hospital, Garden Reach, an Oxygen Tank of 13,000 liters capacity along with central medical gas pipeline have been installed.

General Manager stated that SER's Freight Loading performance in 2020-21 had been spectacular and this railway loaded 175.8 million tonnes of freight which was the highest ever loading after trifurcation of this railway. In the current financial year, S E Railway has loaded 143.31 million tonnes of freight upto December, 2021 which is about 15% more than the loading achieved during the corresponding period of last financial year.

In the year 2020-21, SER further expanded its network with 102.3 km Doubling/tripling of railway tracks. During the current financial year i.e. 2021-22, Bisra-Bondamunda third line work and Balsiring-Lodhma double line work have been completed. General Manager added that with the electrification of Tatanagar-Badampahar section, SE Railway has completed electrification work of 98.8% of its Railway Track.

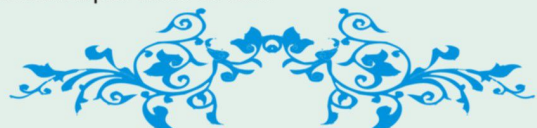
With a view to provide more amenities to the passengers, during the last financial year (2020-21) and till the month of December, 2021 of the current financial year, platforms have been raised at 25 stations and extended at 5 stations. Apart from this, 24 new Foot Over Bridges have been constructed including the modern 6 metre wide FOB at Santragachi and Kharagpur stations.

In addition, the circulating area at 11 stations has been improved. Moreover, as a part of Digital India Mission, high speed Wi-Fi connectivity has been provided at 247 stations.

General Manager stated that safety and security of the travelling passengers is of paramount importance. Keeping in view the safety and comfort of the passengers, 54 rakes of 42 long distance trains have been replaced with LHB coaches. Moreover, during the current financial year altogether 27 Manned Level Crossings have been eliminated by constructing Limited Height Subways(LHS), Road Over Bridges(ROB) and through diversion of road traffic.

South Eastern Railway has installed 1781 CCTV cameras at 53 stations to keep close vigil in and around stations. In addition, "My Saheli" and "Nanhe Farishte" security initiatives have proved to be of immense benefit for the security of women and children. Moreover, special emphasis has been laid on escorting of night trains and ladies coaches.

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. Republic Day was also celebrated at the Divisional Offices at Kharagpur, Adra, Chakradharpur and Ranchi.



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SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY ORGANISES ZRUCC MEETING

The 102nd Meeting of Zonal Railway Users' Consultative Committee (ZRUCC) was held under the Chairmanship of Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway at Kolkata on 18.02.2022.

The ZRUCC Meeting was attended by Dr. Subhas Sarkar, Hon'ble Minister of State for Education, Govt. of India, Sri Saumitra Khan, Hon'ble MP, Sri Bidyut Baran Mahato, Hon'ble MP, Sri Sunil Kumar Mondal, Hon'ble MP, Sri Mathura Prasad Mahato, Hon'ble MLA, Sri Shyamal Mondal, Hon'ble MLA and other Hon'ble Members representing various fields including Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Passenger Associations, Consumer Guidance Association etc. from three States viz. West Bengal, Odisha and Jharkhand which fall under the jurisdiction of S E Railway.

Representatives from State Governments were also present at the meeting. Altogether 17 Hon'ble Members of ZRUCC attended the meeting.

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, S.E.Railway apprised the Hon'ble Members of the recent achievements and developmental activities of SER inspite of the challenges faced due to COVID-19 pandemic. She mentioned about the initiatives in passenger amenities, progress of construction work, improvement of safety measures, growth in freight loading etc. General Manager also stated about phase

wise restoration of train services which were suspended due to outbreak of pandemic.

The Hon'ble Members while appreciating the developmental measures taken by S.E.Railway, offered their valuable suggestions for further improvement of train services, passenger amenities and better connectivity. Suggestions and demands of the members included extension of services, additional stoppages of trains, increase in frequency of trains, restoration of pre-pandemic train services, construction of new lines etc.

They also mentioned about the need of more passenger amenities at stations like lift, escalator, platform shed etc. Issues like connectivity between adjoining Zonal Railways, construction of under-pass, change in timings to suit the needs of commuters etc. were also discussed during the meeting. Moreover, discussion was also held to facilitate in moving of traffic through railways.

General Manager, Ms. Archana Joshi in her address said that all due importance would be given to the suggestions and demands of the Hon'ble Members. General Manager also spoke about the need of co-operation of the Hon'ble Members for speedy implementation of railway projects.

Sri Atulya Sinha, Additional General Manager and other Principal Head of Departments of SER were present in the meeting. ■



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway holding meeting with Hon'ble Members of Zonal Railway Users' Consultative Committee (ZRUCC) at Kolkata on 18.02.2022.

ZRUCC MEETING AT KOLKATA



GENERAL MANAGER FELICITATES ASSISTANT SECURITY COMMISSIONER, RPF, A RECIPIENT OF INDIAN POLICE MEDAL 2022

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway felicitated Sri Sanjay Joshi, Assistant Security Commissioner, Railway Protection Force (RPF), South Eastern Railway, who has received the coveted Indian Police Medal, 2022 for his exemplary service and devotion to duty. The felicitation function was held at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 25-01-2022. Sri D B Kasar, IG-cum-Principal Chief Security Commissioner and Sri Ashish Kumar, DIG-cum-Chief Security Commissioner, RPF/South Eastern Railway were also present on the occasion.

Indian Police Medal is awarded by Ministry of Home Affairs every year on the occasion of Republic Day.

Sri Sanjay Joshi joined Railway Protection Force as a Sub-inspector in the year 1992. With his law back ground, he has guided others through his legal acumen and solved a number critical cases during his dedicated

And disciplined service. In recognition of his outstanding and meritorious service in Railway Protection Force, he was recommended for this National level award. ■



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, SER felicitating Sri Sanjay Joshi, Assistant Security Commissioner/RPF, recipient of Indian Police Medal, 2022 at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach.

GENERAL MANAGER FELICITATES RPF CONSTABLES CONFERRED WITH JEEWAN RAKSHA PADAK BY HON'BLE PRESIDENT OF INDIA

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway felicitated Sri Sanjeet Kumar Ram, Head Constable and Sri B.N.Rao, Constable Railway Protection Force (RPF), South Eastern Railway for being conferred with the Uttam Jeewan Raksha Padak and Jeewan Raksha Padak, 2021 respectively by the Hon'ble President of India. The felicitation function was held at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 08.02.2022.

Sri D B Kasar, IG-cum-Principal Chief Security Commissioner, South Eastern Railway was also present on the occasion. The RPF constables have been selected for the Jeewan Raksha Padak in recognition to their conspicuous acts of valour beyond the call of their duty endangering their own lives in order to save the precious lives of others.

On 20.07.2021, Head Constable, Sri Sanjeet Kumar Ram of RPF Post Bishnupur under Adra Division of South Eastern Railway was on duty at Bishnupur

Railway Station. In course of his duty at about 11.00 hrs, he noticed that one person aged about 30 years was trying to jump on the track with the motive to commit suicide in front of an approaching goods train. When the train was about 100 metres away, Sri Sanjeet Kumar Ram noticed the person. He immediately rushed towards the spot and pulled him out from Railway track without caring for his own life thereby saving the life of person who was going to commit suicide.

On 12.02.2021, Constable, Sri B N Rao of RPF Post, Bankura, Adra Division of South Eastern Railway was on duty at Bankura Station. During his duty period at about 19.30 hrs, one male person aged about 22 years suddenly jumped in front of approaching Train No. 08027 Asansol-Kharagpur Passenger. Immediately on duty RPF Constable, Sri B N Rao, jumped and pulled him out from the track risking his own life and saved the said person from the jaws of death. ■



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GENERAL MANAGER INAUGURATES TWO GYMNASIUMS AT SOUTH COLONY OF SER HEADQUARTERS

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurated two "Open Gymnasiums" at South Colony of SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 23-02-2022. The gymnasiums are being developed for the benefit of railway employees residing at Railway Colony, Garden Reach.

The Open Gymnasium at Maitry Park is having eleven equipments and Open Gymnasium near Bharat Scouts & Guides' Den is having thirteen equipments for the users. The gymnasiums have been developed at a cost of Rs.18 lakh from the Staff Benefit Fund. The beneficiaries may use this gymnasium for regular exercise to keep themselves physically fit.



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurated "Open Gymnasium" at South Colony of SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 23-02-2022.

RELOCATED COMMERCIAL OFFICE OF SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY INAUGURATED

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurated the relocated office of Commercial Department of South Eastern Railway at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 14.02.2022. Shri Atulya Sinha, Additional General Manager, Sri Md. Owais, Principal Chief Commercial Manager and other Principal Officers were also present on the occasion.

The Office of the Commercial Department of South Eastern Railway has been shifted to New Administrative Building (2nd Floor), S E Railway Headquarters, 11, Garden Reach Road, Kolkata-700043. Previously the office was functioning from New Koilaghat Building (8th-11th floor), 14 Strand Road, Kolkata-700001.

During the inauguration ceremony, General Manager laid stress on proper maintenance of the newly renovated office premises. With the shifting of the Commercial Office, now all the Departments of South Eastern Railway are functioning from SER Headquarters Complex at Garden Reach. This will result in better coordination among the different units of SER



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurating the relocated office of Commercial Department of South Eastern Railway at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach

GENERAL MANAGER INAUGURATES LIFT AT SER HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurated a Lift at SER Headquarters Building, Garden Reach on 28.01.2022. The new Automatic Lift will be of immense benefit not only to the employees but also to the large number of visitors at SER Headquarters specially the aged persons and Divyangjan. The new lift has a carrying capacity of 8 persons and has been installed preserving the heritage structure of the 115 years old SER Headquarters Building.

Sri Atulya Sinha, Additional General Manager, Sri Ishaq Khan, Principal Chief Electrical Engineer and other Principal Officers of SER were present on the occasion.



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurating a Lift at SER Headquarters Building, Garden Reach

NEW SECURITY INITIATIVE FOR LADY PASSENGERS IN SUBURBAN SECTION OF SER

With a view to ensure better security of lady passengers travelling on Howrah-Kharagpur-Midnapur suburban section of South Eastern Railway during night hours (from 20:00 hrs. to 24:00 hrs.), the RPF Team of SER, under the guidance of Sri D B Kasar, IG-cum-Principal Chief Security Commissioner has devised a new security initiative, 'Convoy Night Falcon'.

The procedure is as follows:

■ The lady passengers requiring immediate help may call on Mobile number 9002081727.

■ Lady RPF personnel will provide a google link through which the said lady passenger can join the convoy of around 12-14 lady RPF staff posted at Howrah, Santragachi, Uluberia, Mecheda, Panskura, Balichak, Kharagpur & Midnapur and also mobile lady RPF team.

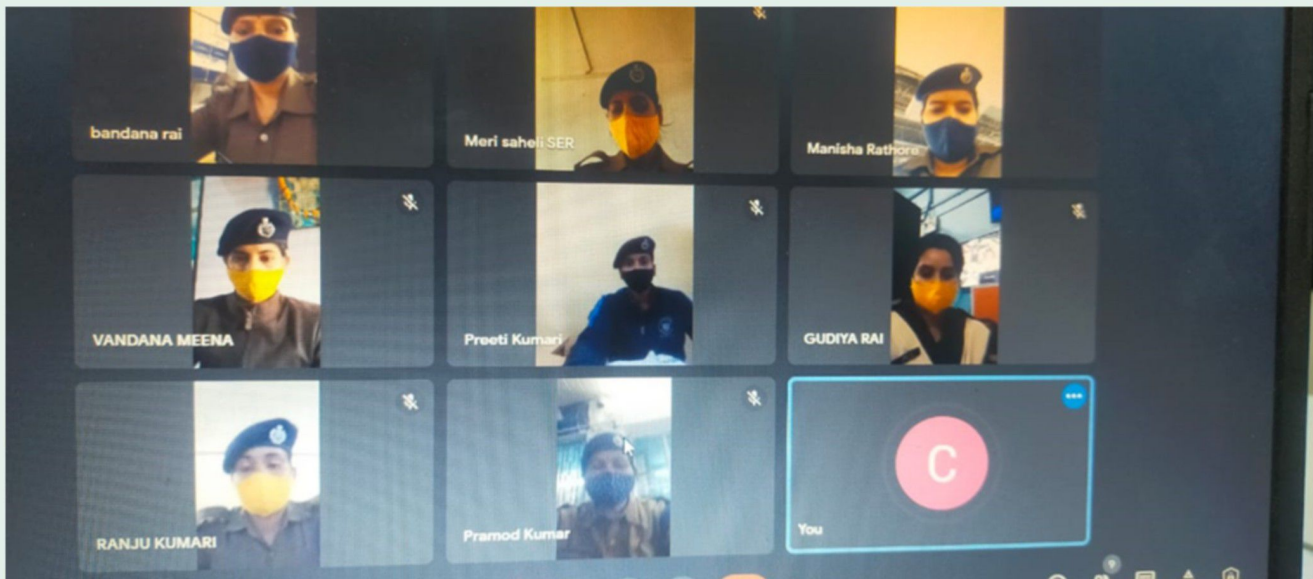
■ They all will be visible to each other, the passenger can show the inside situation of the coach.

■ If required, RPF staff will attend.

■ The lady passenger can continue with the convoy till she feels secure or till she reaches her destination station.

Joining of lady passengers with the RPF convoy of 12-14 lady staff spread over the entire suburban jurisdiction will provide a sense of security and psychological comfort. The online availability of security help and immediate presence of RPF will act as deterrent to the nuisance creators/criminal minded persons.

▼ On line realtime monitoring being on progress .



दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे क्षेत्रीय रेल राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक

दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे क्षेत्रीय रेल राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की वर्ष 2022 की पहली बैठक दिनांक 10.02.2022 को सुश्री अर्चना जोशी, महाप्रबंधक, दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे की अध्यक्षता में संपन्न हुई। इस बैठक में सभी विभागों के प्रधान विभागाध्यक्ष एवं सभी मंडलों के अपर मंडल रेल प्रबंधक वर्चुअल मीडिया के माध्यम से सम्मिलित हुए। श्री इसहाक खान, मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी ने सबका स्वागत करते हुए कार्यक्रम को आगे बढ़ाया। मुख्य राजभाषा अधिकारी ने कहा कि ई-ऑफिस में हिंदी का प्रयोग अधिक-से-अधिक करें। महाप्रबंधक के वार्षिक निरीक्षण के समय मंडल से संबंधित स्टेशनों पर स्टेशन संचालन नियम की प्रति द्विभाषी रूप में अवश्य रखें। बैठक का संचालन श्री पी सी डांग, उप महाप्रबंधक (राजभाषा) ने किया। इस बैठक में दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे पर हो रहे राजभाषा कार्यों की समीक्षा की गई।

महाप्रबंधक महोदया ने अपने संबोधन में कहा कि दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे में राजभाषा के प्रयोग-प्रसार सराहनीय रूप से हो रहे हैं। उन्होंने राजभाषा के प्रयोग-प्रसार के लिए कुछ महत्वपूर्ण सुझाव दिए जिस पर अमल किया जाएगा। क्षेत्रीय स्तर पर आयोजित हिंदी निबंध व टिप्पण और प्रारूप लेखन प्रतियोगिता के सफल प्रतिभागियों को महाप्रबंधक महोदया द्वारा पुरस्कृत किया गया। बैठक में राजभाषा विभाग, दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे की "बीएनआर हिन्दी ई-पत्रिका" के चतुर्थ संस्करण का महाप्रबंधक के कर-कमलों द्वारा विमोचन किया गया। बैठक में चिकित्सा विभाग द्वारा 'जीवन शैली जनित रोग' विषय पर प्रस्तुति दी गई जिसकी महाप्रबंधक महोदया द्वारा सराहना की गई। अंत में श्री प्रेमचंद डांग, उप महाप्रबंधक (रा.भा.) द्वारा धन्यवाद ज्ञापन के बाद बैठक की कार्यवाही संपन्न हुई।



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