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South Eastern Railway

CHAIRMAN & CEO, RAILWAY BOARD VISITS CHAKRADHARPUR DIVISION OF SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY

Shri V.K. Tripathi, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Railway Board visited Chakradharpur Division of South Eastern Railway on 9th and 10th July, 2022. Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway, Shri V K Sahu, Divisional Railway Manager, Chakradharpur and other senior officers accompanied Shri Tripathi on his two-day visit.

On the first day, i.e. on 9th July, 2022, Shri Tripathi inspected Jharsuguda station premises including different passenger amenity measures like Waiting Lounge etc. While expressing his satisfaction about the different facilities available to the passengers at Jharsuguda station, he advised steps for development of Jharsuguda Passenger Yard. At Jharsuguda station, Shri Tripathi visited the "One Station One Product" stall exhibiting Tribal Textile Products. He also inspected West Cabin Panel Room and Combined Crew & Guard Lobby at Jharsuguda. Later, he visited Sardega and held a meeting with senior officers of Mahanadi Coal Fields Limited regarding Coal loading. He also reviewed the progress of third line work between Rourkela and Jharsuguda.

On 10th July 2022, the next day, Shri Tripathi held discussion on different passenger amenity measures at Rourkela Station and gave instructions for further Development of different facilities available to the passengers. On that day, Chairman visited Rourkela Steel Plant and interacted with the officials of RSP regarding loading/unloading facilities inside the Steel Plant. At the Rourkela Steel Plant, Shri Tripathi visited Hot Strip Mill and Raw Material Handling Plant. Later, he inspected the Bondamunda Railway Yard and Centre of Excellence at Rourkela. CRB also met with public representatives, other dignitaries and media persons at Rourkela Station.



Sri V. K. Tripathi, Chairman and CEO, Railway Board inspecting Jharsuguda Station on 09.07.2022. Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, SER and other Principal officers were also present during the inspection.



Sri V. K. Tripathi, Chairman and CEO, Railway Board interacting with officers of Rourkela Steel Plant during his visit to the Steel Plant on 10.07.2022. Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, SER was also present.

Sri V. K. Tripathi, Chairman and CEO, Railway Board inspecting Centre of Excellence at Rourkela on 10.07.2022. Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, SER and other Principal officers were also present during the inspection.

HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER LAYS THE FOUNDATION STONE OF RANCHI STATION REDEVELOPMENT

Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated /dedicated to the Nation/laid the Foundation Stone of a number of infrastructural projects in Jharkhand from Deoghar on 12-7-2022. This included foundation stone laying of Redevelopment of Ranchi station.

Simultaneously a programme was held at Ranchi Station to mark the occasion. Shri Rameshwar Oraon, Hon'ble Minister of Finance, Planning & Development, Commercial Taxes, Food, Public Distribution and Consumer Affairs, Govt. of Jharkhand, Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble MP, Smt. Mahua Maji, Hon'ble MP and Shri Chandreshwar Prasad Singh, Hon'ble MLA were present at Ranchi Station during the function and addressed the gathering.

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway welcomed the distinguished guests at Ranchi Station. Shri Pradeep Gupta, Divisional Railway Manager, SER, Ranchi and other Senior Railway Officers were also present on the occasion.

Ranchi station will be redeveloped at an estimated cost of Rs 447 crore. The features include world-class passenger amenities with Food Court, Executive Lounge, Cafeteria, Air-conditioned Waiting Halls, Retail Outlets etc.

The redeveloped station building will have adequate surface parking space for smooth entry and exit and will ensure better integration of the city with the Ranchi Railway Station.



Programme held at Ranchi Station on the occasion of Foundation Stone Laying of Ranchi Station Redevelopment on 12.07.2022.

Seen on the dais (From left) Shri Chandreshwar Prasad Singh, Hon'ble MLA, Shri Rameshwar Oraon, Hon'ble Minister, Govt. of Jharkhand, Smt. Mahua Maji, Hon'ble MP, Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble MP, Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway and Shri Pradeep Gupta, Divisional Railway Manager, Ranchi.



SER CELEBRATES "AZADI KI RAIL GADI AUR STATIONS" AS A PART OF 75 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE

South Eastern Railway celebrated the iconic week of "Azadi Ki Rail Gadi Aur Stations" from 18th to 23rd July, 2022 to commemorate 75 years of Independence. On the inaugural day i.e. on 18th July, 2022, Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway flagged off a Motorcycle Rally by SER/RPF from SER Headquarters towards Champaran, Bihar. General Manager also inaugurated the "Har Ghar Jhanda" Stall set up by Khadi Gramodyog Bhavan near the Staff Canteen, SER Headquarters, Garden Reach during the inaugural ceremony. On the inaugural day, General Manager also held a Press Conference on the theme of "Azadi Ki Rail Gadi Aur Stations" and mentioned the important role of Railways in the history of Indian freedom struggle.

As a part of observance of "Azadi Ki Rail Gadi Aur Stations", altogether 75 stations were identified as Freedom Stations throughout the country, of which four stations were in the jurisdiction of South Eastern Railway viz. Chakradharpur, Tatanagar, Ranchi and Balasore.

This apart, 27 trains were identified for spot lighting which were flagged off by Freedom Fighters or their family members. As a part of the celebration of "Azadi Ki Rail Gadi Aur Stations", 12810 Howrah-Mumbai Mail was flagged off by eminent Freedom Fighter, Smt. Jyotirmoyee Ghosh from Howrah Station on 20th July, 2022. Shri Prasun Banerjee, Hon'ble MP was present at the flagging off ceremony. Dr. Mahua Verma, Principal Chief Personnel Officer, South Eastern Railway, Shri Manoranjan Pradhan, Divisional Railway Manager, Kharagpur and other senior Railway Officers were also present at Howrah Station.

12810 Howrah-Mumbai Mail, which was flagged off by Smt. Joytirmoyee Ghosh, is the oldest running train of South Eastern Railway and commenced its maiden journey on 25th September, 1893. The train is in service for more than 128 years connecting Kolkata with Mumbai via Nagpur and has now been upgraded to LHB Rakes.

A number of activities were organised at SER Stations to commemorate the event "Azadi Ki Rail Gadi Aur Stations". Felicitation of freedom fighters and their family members was organised at different stations during the week-long celebrations. Nukkad Nataks, having essence of freedom struggle were staged at different stations. Digital Photo Galleries, Sellfie Points, Photo Exhibitions were set up at Stations related to freedom struggle. Performance of Patriotic Songs was organised at the major stations. Painting competitions were also held among the school students on the subject of freedom movement.

The closing ceremony was held at BNR Auditorium, South Eastern Railway headquarters, Garden on 23rd July, 2022. Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway was the Chief Guest at the closing ceremony. Dr. Mahua Verma, Principal Chief Personnel Officer, South Eastern Railway and other senior Railway Officers were also present during the closing ceremony. In her address, Ms. Joshi mentioned about the activities undertaken by the Headquarters and Divisions during this week-long celebration of "Azadi Ki Rail Gadi Aur Stations". A cultural programme was organised in the Closing Ceremony based on the freedom movement of India and remembering the immortal patriots. Soul stirring patriotic songs and a short skit were performed by the members of Headquarters Cultural Association



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway flagged off a Motorcycle Rally by SER/RPF from SER Headquarters on 18.07.2022 as a part of celebration of "Azadi Ki Rail Gadi Aur Stations" to commemorate 75 Years of Independence.



Smt. Jyotirmoyee Ghosh, eminent Freedom Fighter flagging off 12810 Howrah-Mumbai CSMT Mail from Howrah Station, New Complex on 20.07.2022 as a part of celebration of "Azadi Ki Rail Gadi Aur Stations" to commemorate 75 Years of Independence.

SER CELEBRATES 76th INDEPENDENCE DAY

The 76th Independence Day was celebrated at South Eastern Railway Headquarters, Garden Reach with due solemnity. Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway hoisted the National Flag and took salute at the ceremonial parade presented by the contingents of Railway Protection Force, Civil Defence, St. John Ambulance Brigade and Bharat Scouts & Guides.

Addressing a gathering of railway officers, staff and their family members, General Manager said that SER organised a number of programmes for paying homage to the freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for the independence of the country. The functions were held as a part of celebrating “Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav”, to commemorate 75 years of Independence.

Highlighting the achievements of SER in recent times, General Manager said that in 2021 -22, S E Railway loaded 195.01 million tonnes of freight which was 11% more than the previous year. In the current financial year, till July, SER has loaded 65.10 million tonnes of freight which is higher than the corresponding period of last year.



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway hoisting the National Flag on the 76th Independence Day Celebrations at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach.

Keeping in view the convenience and safety of the passengers, SER has completed the construction work of 7 Road Over Bridges and 25 Foot Over Bridges in the last financial year. General Manager stated that with a view to provide more amenities to the passengers, Platforms have been raised at 24 stations and extended at 9 stations. Apart from this, 6 important stations of South Eastern Railway have been identified for redevelopment as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Minister of Railways.

General Manager added that in the last financial year, SER reached the milestone of 100% electrification of its network. All LHB rakes have been made HOG (Head on Generation) compliant which resulted in saving of HSD oil worth Rs.102 crore. With a view to ensure comfort and safety of the passengers, SER is at present running 62 trains with LHB rakes. Moreover, the service of all Mail/Express trains and more than 90% Passenger trains have been restored which remained suspended during the Corona pandemic.

General Manger also stated that with a view to create additional capacity, altogether 106 KM of doubling/ third line work has been completed during last financial year and upto July of the current financial year. Safety of passengers is of paramount importance and as a major step towards making the railway network free from level crossing, altogether 66 level crossings have been eliminated in the last year. General Manager stated that as a result of the continuous efforts of officers and staff of RPF, 986 children have been rescued from railway premises in the last financial year. General Manager also mentioned about the selfless services of Railway doctors, nurses and paramedical staff during the Corona Pandemic and achievements of railway sport persons in the recent times. General Manager stated that SER has already implemented the "One Station One Product" scheme as announced in the budget of 2022-23 for the welfare of local artisans, potters, weavers, tribals etc.

General Manager stated that SER celebrated the iconic week of “Azadi ki Rail Gadi Aur Stations” in the month of July to commemorate 75 years of independence. Different programmes like felicitation of freedom fighters or their family members, motor cycle rally etc. were organized. On 20th July, 2022, Smt. Jyotirmoyee Ghosh, eminent freedom fighter, flagged off from Howrah Station 12810 Howrah Mumbai Mail, one of the oldest running trains of SER. Special programmes like light and sound show, photo exhibition etc. were organized at Balasore, Ranchi, Tatanagar and Chakradharpur stations. All employees of SER are associated with the “Har Ghar Tiranga” campaign to mark the 75 years of Independence. General Manager appealed to the employees to join hands to work for the progress of the Nation.

SPECIAL EVENTS TO COMMEMORATE "AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV"



Smt. Shakuntala Devi and Smt. Usha Devi, familly members of eminent Freedom Fighters flagged off 12873 Hatia-Anand Vihar Jharkhand Swarna Jayanti Express from Hatia station on 15.08.2022



12810 Howrah - Mumbai (CSMT) Mail left Howrah on 15.08.2022, hauled by a locomotive painted in tricolour.

GENERAL MANAGER INAUGURATES CYBER CELL OF RAILWAY PROTECTION FORCE AT SER HEADQUARTERS, GARDEN REACH

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurated Cyber Cell of Railway Protection Force at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 17.08.2022. Sri D B Kasar, IG-cum-Principal Chief Security Commissioner, South Eastern Railway and other senior officers of SER were present on the occasion.

Cyber Cell is meant to analyze various crimes over Railways especially for touting cases punishable u/s-143 of Railway Act 1989. It will help to acquire and recover data from seized devices from the unauthorized agents indulged in touting cases with illegal software.

The cell will also work on breaking password of any file which has been encrypted. Moreover, it will be beneficial for monitoring of social media.



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway inaugurating Cyber Cell of Railway Protection Force at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach in presence of Sri D B Kasar, IG-cum-Principal Chief Security Commissioner, South Eastern Railway.

दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे मुख्यालय में सद्भावना दिवस का पालन

दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे मुख्यालय, गार्डनरीच में दिनांक 18.08.2022 को राष्ट्रीय एकता और सांप्रदायिक सद्भाव को बढ़ावा देने के उद्देश्य से सद्भावना दिवस मनाया गया।

सुश्री अर्चना जोशी, महाप्रबंधक, दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे ने दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे मुख्यालय के कर्मचारियों और अधिकारियों को एकता और सद्भावना के लिए कार्य करने और किसी भी हिंसा का सहारा लिए बिना आपसी मतभेदों को संवैधानिक माध्यमों से हल करने ले लिए शपथ दिलाई ।

शपथ ग्रहण समारोह में श्री अतुल्य सिन्हा, अपर महाप्रबंधक, डॉ. महुआ वर्मा, प्रधान मुख्य कार्मिक अधिकारी एवं अन्य विभागाध्यक्षों सहित दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे के कर्मचारी एवं अधिकारी उपस्थित थे ।



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GENERAL MANAGER FELICITATES THREE RAILWAY EMPLOYEES FOR EXEMPLARY SAFETY WORK

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway felicitated three railway employees at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 30.08.2022 for devotion to duty, safety consciousness and commendable performance as frontline staff. The three employees who have been awarded are Shri Siddarth Kumar, Pointsman of Adra Division, Shri S K Choubey, Loco Pilot of Ranchi Division and Shri Aajesh Kumar, Asstt. Loco Pilot of Ranchi Division.

On 24.08.2022, Sri Siddarth Kumar, on duty Pointsman, while exchanging "All right Signal" at Bhowra station of Adra Division detected one Hot Axle wagon in a goods train. Sri Kumar immediately reported the matter to The on duty Station Manager of Bhowra. The train was controlled in Bhowra Santaldih section by informing the train guard. Later, the Hot Axle Wagon was detached from the train. Alertness and sincerity of Sri Siddarth Kumar played a major role to avert an accident.

On 26.08.2022, when 22838 Ernakulam Hatia Express was approaching Mahabuang in Rourkela- Hatia Section, Shri S K Choubey, Loco Pilot and Shri Aajesh Kumar, Asstt. Loco Pilot noticed that a tractor was stalled on railway track. Immediately they applied the emergency brake to stop the train. Thereby, the passenger carrying train was saved from a fatal collision.



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway felicitating Sri Siddarth Kumar, Pointsman of Adra division at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 30.08.2022 for exemplary Safety work.



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway felicitating Shri S K Choubey, Loco Pilot and Shri Aajesh Kumar, Asstt. Loco Pilot of Ranchi Division at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 30.08.2022 for their alertness and presence of mind. .

SER CELEBRATES NATIONAL SPORTS DAY

South Eastern Railway has celebrated the National Sports Day on 29th August, 2022 to commemorate the Birth Anniversary of Hockey Legend Major Dhyanchand. This year the National Sports Day was celebrated with the theme of "Sports as an enabler for an inclusive and fit society". The aim of celebrating National Sports Day is to raise awareness about the values of sports, discipline, perseverance, team spirit and hard work.

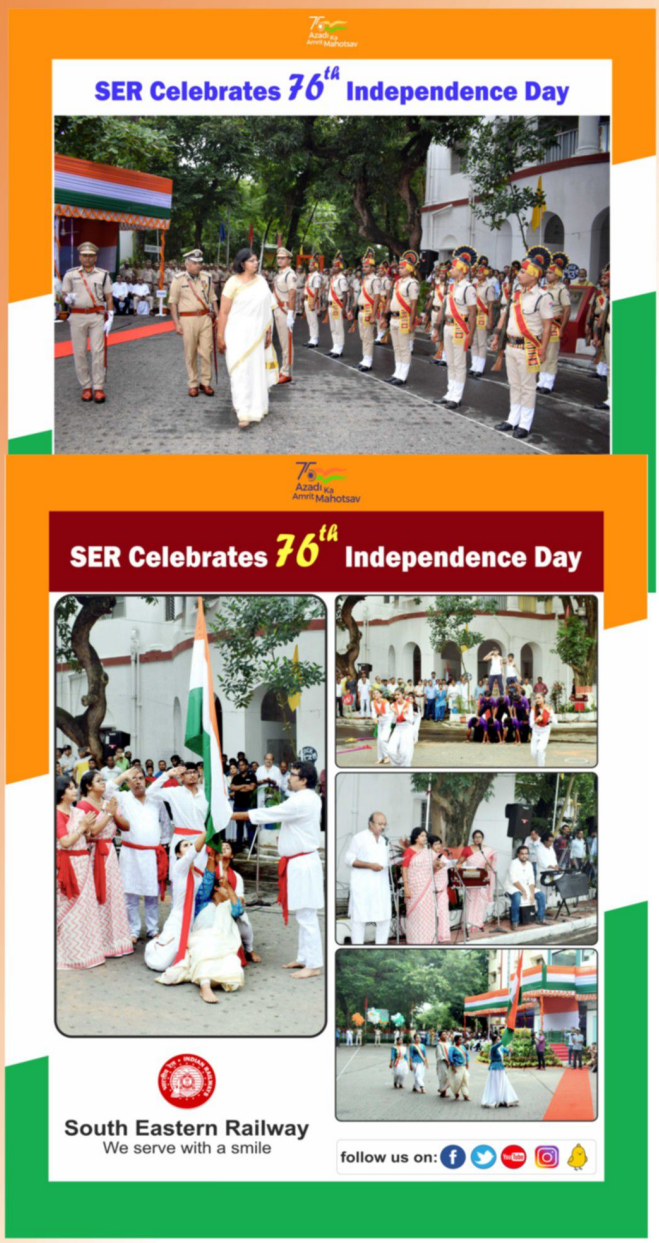
To commemorate the day, South Eastern Railway Sports Association (SERSA) also organised a number of sporting events at the headquarters and divisions involving the railway players as well as their wards and family members. SER organised football matches, body building, power lifting competitions as well as tennis and table tennis events.

Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, SER witnessed the final match of mixed doubles and men's singles Table Tennis event. The winner of the mixed doubles Table Tennis match was Matangini Hazra Team consisting of Ms. Sutirtha Mukherjee and Sri Arjun Ghosh. The winner of the men's singles was Sri Akash Pal. General Manager gave away the prizes to the winners as well as the other contestants of the final matches. During the prize distribution ceremony, Ms. Joshi said that National Sports Day is celebrated to bring the spirit of bonding, unity and inclusiveness. She encouraged the participants and also said that SER will extend all support to the players to excel in their fields. The eminent Table Tennis players Ms. Anindita Chakraborty , Sri Anirban Nandy and Principal Officers of SER were also present on the occasion.



Ms. Archana Joshi, General Manager, South Eastern Railway speaking on the occasion of National Sports Day at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 29.08.2022

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