

भारत सरकार (GOVERNMENT OF INDIA)  
रेल मंत्रालय (MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS)  
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GENERAL MANAGERS,  
ALL ZONAL RAILWAYS.

NEW DELHI, DATED 18.05.2015

NO. 2015/SAFETY-I/3/2 (.) THERE HAS BEEN A SPURT IN LEVEL CROSSING ACCIDENTS (.) HON'BLE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS HAS EXPRESSED SERIOUS CONCERN ON THIS INCREASING TREND OF ACCIDENTS(.) RAILWAYS ARE ADVISED TO IMMEDIATELY LAUNCH FIFTEEN DAYS SAFETY AWARENESS DRIVE AND CAMPAIGN FOR PREVENTION OF LEVEL CROSSING ACCIDENTS INVOLVING NGOs, LOCAL PUBLIC, SCOUTS & GUIDES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS. THE ABOVE DRIVE SHALL INCLUDE ACTIVITIES AS GIVEN IN BOARD'S LETTER NO. 2013/SAFETY(A&R)/ILCAD DATED 05.05.2015 WHEREIN IT WAS ADVISED TO OBSERVE "LEVEL CROSSING AWARENESS WEEK" FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> TO 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2015 AND "INTERNATIONAL LEVEL CROSSING AWARENESS DAY" ON 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2015.

DURING THE DRIVE EMPHASIS SHOULD ON THE FOLLOWING:

- (i) CHECKING THE WHISTLING HABITS OF DRIVERS WHILE APPROACHING THE LEVEL CROSSINGS BY DEPUTING OFFICERS AND SUPERVISORS IN THE FIRST COACH IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE LOCOS AND EMUs.
- (ii) ENSURING AVAILABILITY OF SPEED BREAKERS, WHISTLE BOARDS, ROAD SIGNS AND STOP BOARDS AS PER PROVISIONS LAID DOWN IN THE IRPWM. THE CONDITION OF ROAD SURFACE AT THE LEVEL CROSSING SHOULD BE PROPER.
- (iii) ORGANIZING PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS TO EDUCATE/ COUNSEL VILLAGERS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND ROAD USERS AND MAKE THEM AWARE OF THE PROVISIONS OF MOTOR VEHICLE ACT AND RAILWAY ACT BY DISTRIBUTING POSTERS, PAMPHLETS, HANDBILLS ETC. IN GRAM PANCHAYATS, MARKETS, PETROL PUMPS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES. SMS ON MOBILE TO ROAD USERS STAYING NEAR RURAL AREAS.
- (iv) ENSURING ADEQUATE VISIBILITY FOR BOTH TRAIN DRIVERS AND ROAD USERS AT THE LEVEL CROSSINGS.
- (v) JOINT AMBUSH CHECKS INVOLVING RPF, GRP AND CIVIL AUTHORITIES AT THE LEVEL CROSSINGS AND APPREHENDING ERRANT ROAD USERS UNDER SECTIONS OF MOTOR VEHICLES ACT. AMBUSH CHECKS SHALL ALSO BE DONE BY DRMs/ADRMs AND BRANCH OFFICERS.
- (vi) A REVIEW SHOULD BE DONE TO CHECK THAT RULES REGARDING WORKING OF MANNED LEVEL CROSSING GATES (INTERLOCKED AND NON-INTERLOCKED) ARE IN CONSONANCE WITH G&SRs SPECIALLY PROVISIONS OF GENERAL RULE 3.73 AND 9.15 AS AMENDED VIDE GSR 476 (E) DATED 11.08.2006.

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