

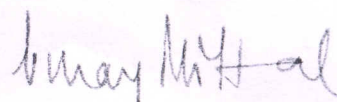
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

DATED 1ST OCTOBER, 2012

THE GENERAL MANAGERS,
ALL ZONAL RAILWAYS

NO.2012/SAFTY-I/3/8 (.) ACCIDENTS AT MANNED AND UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSING GATES HAVE OCCURRED IN THE RECENT PAST CAUSING LOSS OF HUMAN LIVES (.) ONE OF THESE ACCIDENTS AT MANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS HAS OCCURRED PRIMA FACIE DUE TO NON-OBSERVANCE OF GATE SIGNAL ASPECT BY LOCO PILOT (.) SOME OF THE ACCIDENTS AT UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS COULD HAVE BEEN AVOIDED BY PROPER WHISTLING BY LOCO PILOTS (.) THE LOCO PILOTS AND ASSTT. LOCO PILOTS SHOULD BE COUNSELLED TO CALL OUT THE SIGNAL ASPECTS BETWEEN THEM AND OBEY THE ASPECTS OF THE SIGNALS (.) RULES REGARDING PASSING OF GATE SIGNAL AT DANGER AS PER GENERAL RULES 3.73 AND 9.15 SHOULD BE FOLLOWED SCRUPULOUSLY (.) STATION STAFF AND GATEMEN SHOULD BE COUNSELLED ABOUT THE PROVISIONS OF STATION WORKING RULES AND GATE WORKING RULES REGARDING OPENING/CLOSING OF GATES AND EXCHANGE OF PRIVATE NUMBERS (.) THE LOCO PILOTS SHOULD BE COUNSELLED TO WHISTLE FREQUENTLY WHILE APPROACHING LEVEL CROSSING GATES (BOTH MANNED AND UNMANNED) TILL THEY CROSS THE LEVEL CROSSING SO AS TO WARN THE GATEMAN (WHERE PROVIDED) AND THE ROAD USERS THAT A TRAIN IS APPROACHING (.) IT IS REITERATED THAT WHISTLE CODE WHILE APROACHING A LEVEL CROSSING HAS BEEN CHANGED TO INTERMITTENT INSTEAD OF CONTINUOUS (.) AMBUSH CHECKS ON WHISTLING HABITS OF DRIVERS MAY BE CONDUCTED AT UNMANNED LEVEL CROSSINGS AND BY DEPUTING OFFICERS AND SUPERVISORS TO TRAVEL IN THE COACH ADJACENT TO THE LOCO (.) THE RAILWAYS SHOULD LAUNCH A MONTH LONG DRIVE ON THE ABOVE ASPECTS (.) FEEDBACK ON DRIVE AND CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN BE ADVISED TO BOARD (.)

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