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The Chairman Railway Board
Ministry Of Railways
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Sub: Regarding prevention of trespassing of Railway track.

Ref: Unfortunate incident of run over of persons in Nanded Division on date.

It is with a heavy heart that I solicit your kind attention to the unfortunate incident of around 14 to 16 persons run over by a goods train between Badnapur-Karmad section of Nanded division today at around 6.18 hrs. As discussed with you, statutory inquiry by CRS has been ordered into this incident.

Now that such an incident of migrant or other persons walking along the track leading to consequent deaths have come to notice, all out efforts must be made to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future. Apparently, the affected persons had gathered along the track under the impression that the train services have been suspended due to COVID-19 lockdown. Furthermore a false sense of security may have come into their minds about there being no trains on run whereas freight, Parcel specials have been running from before and now migrant specials have also started plying.

Under such circumstances, **as an abundant precaution**, it is essential that all Railway personnel connected with train operation, maintenance and patrolling activities should be cautioned to immediately communicate any such occurrence of persons walking along the track, if noticed by them, to the nearest station so that necessary action like Caution Order to all passing trains in accordance with G.R. 4.09 may be taken. Duties of all Railway Servants under the Indian Railways (Open Line) **General Rules, 1976 under Rule 2.05, Rule 2.11 and Rule 6.07 (enclosed as Annexure)** clearly mandate such an action, which needs to be reiterated.

In view of the aforesaid, it is requested to immediately issue suitable directions to all Zonal Railways to avoid recurrence of such unfortunate incidents in future.

Encl: As above


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2.05. Prevention of trespass, damage or loss.-

- (1) Every railway servant is responsible for the security and protection of the property of the Railway Administration under his charge.
- (2) Every railway servant shall endeavour to prevent -
 - (a) trespass on railway premises,
 - (b) theft, damage or loss of railway property,
 - (c) injury to himself and others, and
 - (d) fire in railway premises.

2.11. Duty for securing safety.-

- (1) Every railway servant shall-
 - (a) see that every exertion is made for ensuring the safety of the public.
 - (b) promptly report to his superior any occurrence affecting the safe or proper working of the railway which may come to his notice, and
 - (c) render on demand all possible assistance in the case of an accident or obstruction.
- (2) Every railway servant who observes-
 - (a) that any signal is defective,
 - (b) any obstruction, failure or threatened failure of any part of the way or works,
 - (c) anything wrong with a train, or
 - (d) **any unusual circumstances likely to interfere with the safe running of trains, or the safety of the public,**
 - (e) **shall take immediate steps, such as the circumstances of the case may demand, to prevent accident; and where necessary, advise the nearest Station Master by the quickest possible means ;**
 - (f) Provided that in the case of a train having parted, he shall not show a stop hand signal but shall endeavour to attract the attention of the Loco Pilot or Guard by shouting, gesticulating or other means.

6.07. Report of conditions likely to affect running of trains to Controller or Centralized Traffic Control Operator.-

- (1) **Loco Pilots, Guards and Station Masters shall advise the Controller or the Centralised Traffic Control Operator of any known conditions or unusual circumstances likely to affect the safe and proper working of trains.**
- (2) The Controller or the Centralised Traffic control Operator, on becoming aware of such defect or failure, shall inform the same to the railway servant responsible for the maintenance of the equipment and other railway servant concerned.

4.09. Caution Order.-

- (1) **Whenever, in consequence of the line being under repair or for any other reason, special precautions are necessary, a Caution Order** detailing the Kilometres between which such precautions are necessary, the reasons for taking such precautions, and the speed at which a train shall travel, shall be handed to the Loco Pilot at the stopping station immediately short of the place where such precautions are necessary, or at such other stations and in such manner, as prescribed under special instructions.



