



भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
रेल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(रेलवे बोर्ड) RAILWAY BOARD



No. 2023/Elect.(TRS)/113/Safety Misc.

New Delhi, Dated: 21.12.2023

General Managers (Elect.),

All Zonal Railways
(including KRCL)

Sub: Rolling down of locomotives/train.

Ref: (i) Derailment of Brake van of Long Haul train on 21.11.23 on SGO station of WCR (SIMS ID 20231116003)

- (ii) Rly Board's letter no. 2023/Elect(TRS)/113/Safety Misc. dt. 18.03.21
- (iii) Railway Board's letter No. 2007/Elect(TRS)/113/7 dt. 19.01.2012
- (iv) Rly Board's letter No. 2017/Elect(TRS)/113/Safety Misc. dt. 13.11.17
- (v) Railway Board's letter No. 2012/Safety(A&R)/19/1 dt. 24.02.2012
- (vi) Railway Board's letter No. M(Safety)/7/31 dated 13.11.1995

Incidences of trains/locomotives rolling down/back on graded sections continue to occur. In recent past, there have been two cases of derailments of Brake van on the rear point where the trains rolled back after stopping at station/yard. Prima facie, proper instructions and procedures were not followed by the crew.

Instructions to avoid rolling down/back of locomotive/train and stabling vehicles/loads/trains/locomotives at the station/yards, issued by Railway Board in the letters referenced above, need to be followed diligently. A summary of the instructions is reiterated below:

- (i) Loco Pilot while on duty should not leave locomotive unmanned;
- (ii) Application of SA-9 and A-9 brakes; physically check if brake application has actually taken place.
- (iii) Also, apply locomotive independent brakes on the banking locomotives, if the train is banked.
- (iv) Application of hand brake and parking brake;
- (v) In case, the detention is likely to be of more than 30 minutes, wedging of wheels of locomotives using wooden wedges as per RDSO's approved design, provided on locomotive, should be done, along with application of Guard's brakes to avoid rolling down of the train;

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- (vi) Hand brake/parking brakes of locomotive should be ensured in working condition.
- (vii) In case train/loco stalled in block section due to accident, failure, obstruction or any other reason, instructions contained in para 5 of Board's letter under reference (v) should be followed.

Copies of the letters under reference are available on the 'e-LocoS' website.

In order to sensitize again, it is advised to take a drive to counsel all the running staff through CLIs/supervisors/officers on the issue.

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