

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)**

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General Manager
All Zonal Railways including Metro Railway
CMD/Konkan Railway

Sub: Award to Railway Employees for detecting abnormalities/deficiencies endangering safety in train operation.

Apart from initiating Disciplinary action in case of violation of Safety rules/norms, it is also essential that the Railway administration encourages staff who demonstrate safety alertness through their prompt action.

2. There are instances when Trackmen, Keymen, Pointsmen, Gatemen, Cabinmen and on duty ASMs/SMs detect abnormalities/irregularities like Rail fracture, weld failure, hot axle, hanging parts & abnormal sound and report the same promptly to the station manager or the controller on duty. This helps Railways avert accidents. Some of the Zonal Railways have a system of acknowledging it and suitably rewarding such staff. This needs to be emulated by all Zonal railways.

3. To facilitate it, GMs shall modify the SOP and adequately enhance the financial powers of Divisional Officers. The DRMs should ensure, however, that the authority is being used judiciously.



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