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General Managers. All Indian Railways

Sub: Safety directives by Hon'ble Minister for Railways.

In the safety review meeting (through video conferencing) on 29-12-2016, Hon'ble MR had expressed serious concern on the rising trend of accidents and deterioration of safety in the train operations. Hon'ble MR had stressed that the safety of train operations is non-negotiable. Hon'ble MR and CRB had issued the following instructions for immediate compliance:-

- 1. In the next 7 days, detailed safety inspections to be carried out covering all stations and assets, fixed and moving, and all installations by all GMs and their officers / supervisors in their respective zones to compile the observations and take remedial actions to meet the deficiencies noted therein.
- 2. There should be zero tolerance on quality of inspections and maintenance of assets. All officers and staff should complete their full quota of inspections.
- 3. All mail/express trains in the zones should be footplated by officers/ Sr. Supervisors during night for the next ten days and deficiencies detected by the footplating officers should corrected within 24 hours. Detailed report of these inspections should be given to the respective DRM daily. Exception reports should be forwarded to the respective GMs.
- 4. Railway Board had instructed all DRMs/HODs/PHODs to carry out special safety inspections for one month w.e.f. 23-11-2016. GMs should list out the shortcomings observed in these inspections and send a report within a week to Railway Board giving a timeframe for elimination of deficiencies noticed.
- There should not be any deficiencies of safety items for track and rolling stock on the zone for procurement of which General Managers have been adequately empowered.
- 6. Action taken on the above may be sent to the undersigned to the keep the Board and the Hon'ble MR apprised.

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