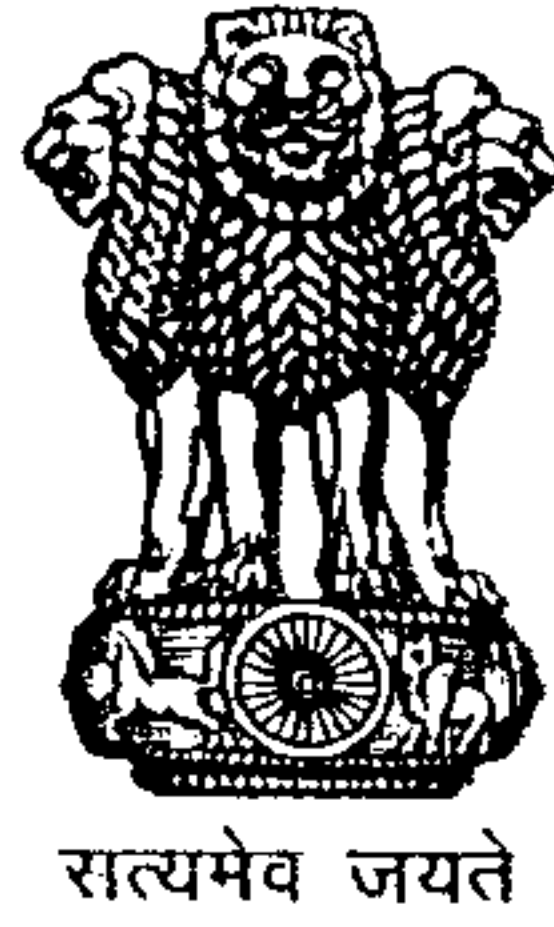


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My dear *Shubhanshu*,

**Sub:- Strengthening of the Safety organization in Zone/Divisions.**

Railway Safety Review Committee while reviewing the efficacy of existing Safety Organisation on Indian Railways has recommended that "Safety department should be made broad based and suitable officers from Traffic, Civil, Mechanical, Signaling and Electrical departments should be posted as safety officers at all levels." This recommendation was accepted by the Board and instructions for broad basing the safety organization was implemented over the Indian Railways.

To implement RSRC recommendations, department wise distribution of posts of Chief Safety Officers in the Zonal Railways was issued by the Board and department wise distribution of the divisions was mostly done by the Zonal Railways in consultation with the Railway Board.

In view of the present spurt in the train accidents especially derailments over IR, it is pertinent to understand the efficacy/shortcomings of the safety organization in the Zones/Divisions and strengthen the system. One of the important aspects is that a person with right attitude towards safety should be at the helm of affairs in Zonal Railways. For framing a suitable policy guideline, views of CSOs on the following points is sought:-

1. Any structural changes to improve the effectiveness of the safety organization in the Zones/Divisions.
2. Procedure for posting of Sr.DSOs/Dy. CSOs in the Zonal Railways.
3. Are you satisfied with the performance of the present incumbents (Sr.DSOs/Dy.CSOs). If not, please indicate the officer's name and efforts made to replace him.
4. Your opinion on shuffling the departments of Sr.DSOs within the Zone.
5. Your opinion on changing the nominated department of CSOs in Zonal Railway.
6. Methodology for performance evaluation of safety officers.
7. Any other suggestions to improve safety organisation in Zonal Railways.

I invite your comments on the above points before 22.09.2016 so as to enable Board in framing suitable policy guidelines.

*With best wishes,*

**Yours sincerely**

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