

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

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**General Manager
All Zonal Railways and
CMD/KRCL**

Sub: Provision of appropriate number / types of diesel locomotives for use with ARMEs

CRS/Central Circle, in the final inquiry report regarding the derailment of 12 coaches of 11061 DN, Pawan Express on 03.04.2022 in Bhusaval Division of Central Railway, has emphasized the need to convert all the ARMEs to self-propelled dedicated units so that medical help can be provided at site at the earliest. In the said case, time was lost in locating a diesel locomotive for ARME, since the locomotive available was in shut down condition. Further the locomotive was a shunting locomotive fit to run up to maximum 65 kmph. Self-propelled coaches can help to arrange medical services at site promptly.

The matter has been considered by Board (M/T&RS) and it has been observed that every division and zone may plan for easy availability of appropriate number/types of diesel locomotives to cater for disasters where OHE gets disturbed. Self propelled vehicles are under regular production, but that is not the only issue.

Zonal Railways are requested to take immediate action as above and confirm the same to this office.

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