

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No.2000/Safety(A&R)/19/39 Pt. New Delhi, dated 07.01.2010

Chief Operations Manager
North Central Railway
Allahabad

Sub: Exchange of Private Number between SM and gateman of interlocked level crossing gate in block section.

Ref: COM/NCR's letter No. T/Gen/LC/Inst/04-05 dated 23.12.2009.

Board's letter of even number dated 08.05.2002 has laid down the detailed guidelines in regard to working of manned level crossing gates on Indian Railways. Further clarification was issued under Board's letter dated 04.11.2003. In para (iii) - **Exchange of Private Numbers at interlocked gates** - it has been mentioned that 'it is not necessary to exchange private numbers for operation of gates in case of Engineering and Traffic level crossing gates which are interlocked with signals and are provided with stop signals. However, gateman should be **intimated** in advance by the ASM, Switchman, Cabinman about the movement of the train on the section.'

Thus, the exchange of private numbers by SM with gateman is not mandatory in case of Interlocked Gates, both Traffic and Engineering. So far as exchange of private number between SM and Gateman for a group of trains entering the block section is concerned, the same is within the ambit of the Railway to decide or otherwise.



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RE/Allahabad
Metro Railway, Kolkata

Sub : Working instructions for manned level crossings.
Ref : Board's instructions of even number dated 08.05.2002.

A number of reservations have been expressed regarding feasibility of implementation of instructions concerning operation of L.C.Gate. The matter has been considered and following clarifications are issued :-

- (i) Railway Board's letter No.2000/Safety(A&R)/19/39 dated 08.05.2002, primarily contains general guidelines and modifications thereon can be done by railways depending on local needs and conditions without contravening any of the provisions under G&SR.

- (ii) Placing of banner flag across the track:-

The placement of banner flag across the track has to be ensured only when the gate is kept in open condition at non-interlocked level crossings and during emergencies or obstruction on track at other types of gates. (Item 3(i) of 1.5 has to be implemented during emergencies).

- (iii) Exchange of Private Numbers at Interlocked Gates:-

It is not necessary to exchange private numbers for operation of gates in case of Engineering and Traffic level crossing gates which are interlocked with signals and are provided with stop signals. However, gateman should be intimated in advance by the ASM, Switchman, Cabinman about the movement of the train on the section, (Annexure-1 item 2(i),(ii), Annexure-II item(i), may be amended suitably while framing working instructions for specific gates). The title (Item 2) may be read as ; intimation to gatemen;

- (iv) Permission of Station Master for opening the gate once closed:-

(Annexure V - Item 2 (vi)), Annexure IV- Item 2 (v)) (Annexure III item 2 (v)) - Regarding working of non-interlocked Engineering and Traffic Level Crossing Gates, with normal position Open or Closed to road traffic, guidelines should be read in totality and together for all the steps to be taken. Gate once closed can be opened by the gateman (after passage of trains/train or change in planning of train movement etc.) with the permission of the Station Master, as the

need of opening is known to gateman according to road traffic to be cleared. Obviously, it can be done only after obtaining private number from the controlling Station Master who will ensure that there is no train movement towards the level crossings.

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These contents should be brought to the notice of all concerned.

Receipt of this letter may please be acknowledged.

This disposes off references made by Northern Railway, South Eastern Railway, South Central Railway and Southern Railway.

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