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My dear Dave,

Sub: **Mobility at accident sites – Congestion from ARTs/ARMEs/Cranes**

On a number of Zonal Railways, more than the required number of ARMEs/ARTs/Cranes was ordered subsequent to an accident. As many as 3-4 ARTs (and/or 3-4 ARMEs) have been moved in some cases to deal with one accident; some of these had accordingly to be returned back midway even without reaching the site. A letter expressing Board's concern on the above was addressed to all GMs (copy enclosed) by Safety Directorate in which this aspect was highlighted along with a sample list of such cases.

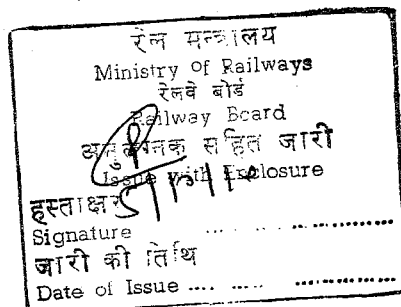
Undue congestion at the site of accident, or at the adjacent stations, leads to delay and affects restoration. Mobility on or near the accident site is the prime concern and responsibility of Operating Officers. The Block Stations adjacent to the site of accident have to be kept free of any train or stabled load, as far as possible, so as to provide faster clearance of derailed wagons/coaches and facilitate reaching of urgently required material/labour at the site. Operating Officers in the field have obviously given up following this age old practice.

In the recent case of collision at Badarwas station of Bhopal Division on West Central Railway on 20.09.2010, as many as 10 ARMEs/ARTs/Cranes were ordered after the accident. A number of high officials also moved by special trains, one of which was taken up to the site rather than up to a major station short of the site, and from there the officials should have been taken by road. This is despite the block section on one side of 50 kms; and on the side of 27 kms length. Most road-side stations on the section are 2 line stations.

The first principle taught to an Operating Officer on "Management of Accident" is to watch that mobility is ensured on and near the site of accident. We need to revive these age old concepts among all Operating Officers down the line.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



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