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The Chief Security Commissioners / RPF  
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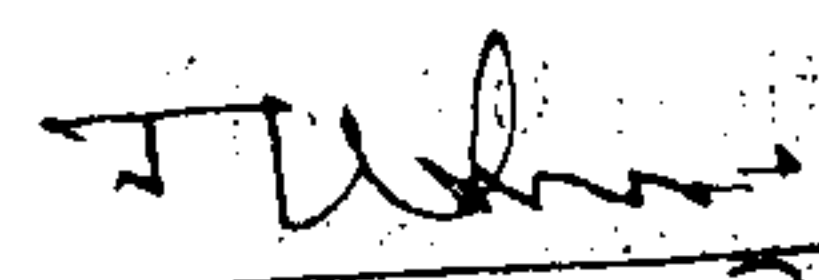
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It has been brought to my notice that there is some confusion about the role to be played by RPF in regard to security of MR traveling by Special Train. Needless to mention, the present MR is provided with 'Z Plus' security cover by Ministry of Home Affairs as per laid down norms in the 'Yellow Book'. It is agreed that although it is primary responsibility of Union Ministry of Home Affairs and State Governments to provide security cover to Hon'ble M.R, however, with the Amendments to the RPF Act and the Railways Act, RPF has been entrusted with the responsibility of providing security to Railway passengers as well as passenger area in addition to Railway property. It is, therefore, desirable to take necessary precautionary measures at Railway Stations and in MR Special train in coordination with the local Police, GRP, Railway Administration and State Intelligence agencies to avoid any untoward incident. The following guidelines are issued for escorting of MR Special Train :-

1. The concerned CSCs will ensure escorting of MR Special in their respective jurisdiction by a joint team of RPF and GRP personnel in consultation with their counter parts in State Police / GRPs. The RPF escort party should be headed by a G.O not below the rank of ASC / AC.
2. SIB Wing of RPF should be detailed to liaise with their counter parts in State and Central Intelligence Units as well as collect Intelligence on their own and submit report about any objectionable activity leading to agitation, picketing, Dharnas, etc. at any Railway Station / Section, through which MR Special will pass. Intelligence inputs related to terrorist / insurgent / Naxalite activities should also be shared. Such Intelligence inputs should immediately be passed to concerned State Police and RPF authorities for taking necessary precautionary measures to ensure safety of MR.
3. Arrangements may also be made with the neighbouring CSCs to ensure that there is proper handing over and taking over and continuous escorting of MR Special.
4. Anti-sabotage checks of MR Special should be ensured at originating station by concerned CSC in consultation with GRP authorities.

5. The escorting party should be preferably divided in 3 parts and each detachment should have at least 2 walkie-talkie sets for maintaining effective communication among themselves.
6. The escort should be thoroughly briefed regarding the duties to be performed and should be equipped with modern weapons like INSAS, Carbines, etc. and should also carry Dragon Search Lights to keep watch especially during night time.
7. The escort party should be provided with riot gears like body protectors, steel helmets, canes, Loud hailers, Nylon Rope, etc. which can be kept in the coach allotted to them at a pre-determined place and may be utilized to meet unforeseen law and order situation enroute.
8. The DSCs / ASCs should be advised to identify vulnerable Railway Stations / Sections in their respective jurisdictions and deploy armed pickets / patrolling in these areas.
9. Post / Out-Post In-Charges should be instructed to remain alert and maintain utmost vigil at platform especially during the arrival and departure of MR Special. No unauthorized person should be allowed to board the train.
10. In the event of any unscheduled halt, the RPF men should take position to protect MR Special and the VIP.
11. RPF escort parties should not sit in AC Coach as it restricts visibility.
12. All passengers and crew members should be screened and authenticated with the help of GRP and authorized railway supervisors.

  
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