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Publication of 'Integral News' by ICF Staff Club gives fillip to the essential communication requirement. I am glad about selection of the contents published in Integral News and I hope in times to come, Integral News will emerge as an encyclopedia of current development and future vision in coach manufacturing and staff welfare activities on Indian Railways.

"Once a railway man always a railway man". I have immense pleasure in being a part of ICF family. More so, at a time when all time high production target of 1510 coaches of different varieties has been set. It is a big challenge which I am sure will be achieved with mutual co-operation and taking pride in our work.

I further take this opportunity to extend my warm greetings to one and all of ICF family for a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year 2012. May God bless our ICF family and give us strength to withstand the economic compulsions imposed on the country and emerge victorious in these testing times.

My compliments and best wishes to Integral News team for their good work.

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Annual Day function of "KARUNA" was held on 20<sup>th</sup> Dec. Sri Abhay K Khanna, GM/ICF, graced the occasion as the chief guest.



St John's ambulance annual celebration was conducted at ICF Hospital in which GM/ICF was the chief guest. GM gave awards to brigades who have performed commendable work during the last year.



✓ On Dec 6th, on the eve of Mahaparinirwan Divas, Sri Hemant Kumar, CME/ICF, garlanded Dr Ambedkar's statue at the administration building.

### OFFICIAL POSTINGS

Name S/Shri/ Smt	Previous	Present
N.K.Toppo	CPM	CPM+CVO
Rajendra Prasad	CE	DFCCIL
M.Selvaraj	S.Rly	CE
D.Holkundi Vittappa	ACMT	CMT/RWF
V.Jayapragash	WM/A/F	WM/S
R.Rajasekaran	AWM/M2/S	AME/DPD
N.Kamaraj	SSE/TTC	AWM/A/F
K.Sudalaimani	SSE/30	AWM/M2/S

### Person of the Month

	
Aug' 11: Shell B.Manohar, Tech-2/Shop16	Aug' 11: Fur S.Sridharan, Tech-1/Shop28
	
Sep' 11: Shell R.Kumar, JE/Shop10	Sep' 11: Fur A.Sundarraaj, JE/Shop54
	
Oct' 11: Shell T.Balan, Tech-1/Shop40	Oct' 11: Fur R.Kalaiselvan, Pointsman/30

### STAFF INFLOW - LAST MONTH

Sl	Name S/Shri	Design	Shop
1	Gokulnath.R	Asst Cook	Canteen
2	Sundar.M	Vendor	Canteen
3	Mandayohan	Helper	RRM
4	Sreekumaranpillai.N	Helper	RRM
5	Jothikumar.C	Helper	Engg
6	Gopakumar.V	Helper	Engg
7	Harikrishnan Nair.B	Helper	Engg
8	John.RK	Helper	Engg
9	Thalurprakashkumar	Helper	Engg
10	Narendra Prasad	S.B. Lascar	M&P
11	Valsakumar.TP	Helper	42
12	Ravindran.KK	Helper	48
13	Sundaramoorthy.G	Helper	48
14	Gnanagurusamy.R	Helper	88
15	Sanilkumar.T	Helper	88
16	Joseph.KU	Helper	88

### WE DEEPLY MOURN THE SUDDEN DEMISE OF THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES

Sl	Name S/Shri	Designation
1	R.Sridharan	Sr Cashier
2	G.Guruswamy	SrTech/30

## CIRCULARS:

AC53: If the PAN no. is not given or incorrect, income tax will be deducted at the rate of 20%.

AC54: Payment of family pension at enhanced rate to the widowed/ divorced/ unmarried daughters beyond 25 years of age.

AC55: Grant of family pension to the dependant family members of a Railway servant / pensioner reported missing.

AC56: List of holidays for the year 2012.

### Last date for submission of application:

- ✓ SIE/AIE (Electrical) posts in RITES = 05.01.12.
- ✓ SSE/CTI/STI posts in TTC = 12.01.12.
- ✓ Tech-3 in road transport = 03.01.12.

❖ The following persons have been nominated for issue of emergency Pass/PTO. (Ph No 9003 149 \*\*\*)

- Sri V.Jayaraman, SSO, 7/1, East Colony (056)
- Sri V.Ravichandran, SSE, 175/4, West Colony (521)
- Sri S.Elango, CDMS, 302/3, North Colony (279)
- Sri V.Sivaguru, SSE, 577/4, South Colony (193)

### **EMPLOYEES RETIRING ON 31<sup>st</sup> Jan'12**

1	NAGESWARAN .S	SrTech/FGL	11
2	GURUSWAMY .P	Tech-	12
3	PARAMANANDAM.G	SrTech/Weld	14
4	VENKATESAN .D	SrTech/Weld	20
5	BALAN .K	Tech-	20
6	PANDIAN .R	Tech-1/FGL	20
7	SRIDARAN.S	JE	21
8	SUGUMARAN .G	Tech-1/Weld	21
9	PONMOZHIL.M	Tech-	21
10	UDHAYAKUMARUDU	SrTech/FGL	23
11	ARUMUGHAM .K	Tech-	25
12	KASTHURIS	SrTech/FTR	41
13	NARAYANAN .V	SrTech/MTR	41
14	XAVIER .P	SSE	42
15	MADHIVANAN .A	Ch.OS	TO/S
16	RAJAKUMAR.D	SSE	Engg
17	VIJAYAKUMAR A.R .	Hd.Constable	RPF
18	RAMACHANDRAN.G	SSE/D&D	D&D
19	VENUGOPALAN .M	Ch.OS	TO/F
20	MOHAN .M	SSE	30
21	NATARAJAN.T	SrTech/FGL	30
22	ARJUNAN.E	SrTech/Carp	30
23	DEVARAJ .A	Tech-1/FGL	30
24	RADHAKRISHNAN .G	Tech-1/FGL	30
25	CHANDRAN.S	Tech-3/FGL	30
26	ANBU .G	Tech-1/Weld	33
27	SAMPATH KUMAR .D	Tech-	36
28	KRISHNAMURTHY.E	JE	36
29	VARADARASAN.R	SrTech/Paint	54
30	NATARAJAN .J	Tech-	54
31	PURUSHOTHAMAN	Tech-	80
32	KANNAN .A	Tech-1/Elec	85

We wish them A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL RETIRED LIFE.

## **SPORTS**



ICF colony basketball association under the guidance of Sri M.K.Shahul Hameed, OS/Engg, Jt Secy, Tamilnadu Basketball association, conducted club matches at ICF south colony ground in which 30 teams participated. Sri.M.E.Srinivasan, DyCME/F cum Secretary ICF Sports association was the chief guest. Velammal Matriculation school emerged the winner of the under 14 trophy. Selvi, P.Rubiya, D/o.Palani, Tech/18, captain of the Vayudoot team won cash prize of Rs.4000/-. In the Anju trophy Sri R.Karthikeyan was adjudged the best player and won cash award of Rs.6000/-. He has played as a guest player for ICF team in the Jeppiar all India tournament and won the best player award.



ICF colony team won the under 16 category match. Sri Sai Pradeep, S/o.T.Manoharan, Stores/FD, Captain of the team, was awarded the best player of the match. Sri Rajasekar, MD/Rajathi exports, Sri Senthil Thiagarajan, Sathiya jothi films, Sri Gandhi Maheswaran, Physical director, ICF HS School and Sri Bernard Philips, treasurer, Chennai district basketball association, were the chief guests.



Sri Mathew Satyababu, Retd OS/ICF, Former captain of Indian basketball team, Sri T.Manohar, President, South Colony Welfare Association and Sri Sainath, President, Chennai district basketball association, witnessed the matches.



Selvi.S.Boomika, D/o.Sri K.Sedhuraman, SSE/D&D, has obtained I position in the cadet girls team event of the New India Assurance 73<sup>rd</sup> cadet & sub junior national and inter state Table tennis championship held at Cochin.



Sri M. Leo Sachin, S/o. Martin Samuel, Constable/RPF/CIB, has been selected to represent Tamilnadu Cricket team as captain in under 14 category matches conducted by the School Games Federation of India.

#### STAFF OUTFLOW - LAST MONTH

Sl	Name S/Shri	Design	Mode
1	Shivaji Suryavanshi	Liaison Insp/74	Transfer
2	Alok Kerketta	Trainee/41	Dismissal
3	Sahadevan Kaniyal	Stores	Resigned
4	J.Shekar	Tech-1/10	Removal
5	Pedda Yengaiah.N	Tech-3/20	Removal
6	Kanarakaj.M.K	Helper/10	Removal
7	Sai Murugadoss.K	Helper/18	Removal
8	Parameswaran	Helper/21	Removal

#### 5-in-1 vaccine to the children of TN

Tamil Nadu has become a pioneer in the use of the pentavalent vaccine as it has been launched in the state on 17<sup>th</sup> Dec at Vellore. The vaccine, which will provide protection from diptheria, pertussis, tetanus, Hepatitis B and hib (haemophilus influenza type b), will replace the DPT and Hep B vaccines that are part of routine immunization in India. The state has received 12 lakh doses of the pentavalent vaccine that will also prevent diseases such as pneumonia, meningitis, bacteremia, epiglottitis and septic arthritis, which are caused by the Hib virus. The field immunization was started on 21<sup>st</sup> Dec. More than 8,500 village health nurses have been trained to administer the vaccine to around 90,000 children in the first month. This multiple vaccination will be given at 2, 3 and 4 months of age, the same as its predecessor. The Department of Health thinks that IPV (inactivated, injectable) Polio vaccine is safer than OPV (oral) Polio vaccine because the chance of passing on Polio through inoculation is less than with the live oral type.

#### ASIA'S BIGGEST SOLAR POWER PLANT

Sri Narendra Modi, the hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat, inaugurated the Asia's biggest solar power plant in Kankrej, the world's largest solar park to change face of arid north Gujarat region, on 14<sup>th</sup> Oct. CM said that the State is set to become the Solar Capital of the World. He was inaugurating the 30 MW solar power project near Gunthawada village in Kankrej taluka in Banaskantha district, bordering the Rann of Kutch. The plant set up by Moser Baer Green Energy Company on 320- acre at a cost of Rs.465crore in the private sector was commissioned in four months. Gujarat has set up four such projects, including one at Charnaka.

#### New Production Units for Electric/Diesel Engines

The project for setting up of electric locomotives manufacturing unit at Madhepura, Bihar, was included in Rail Budget 2007-08. For diesel locomotive unit at Marhowra, Bihar, tender for request for Qualification has been opened. Two firms have been shortlisted. Electric engine unit at Madhepura and diesel engine unit at Marhowra, are scheduled to be completed by the selected bidder within 36 months from the date of the agreement.

#### Railway body seeks land for bio-diesel plant

The Indian Railways Organisation for Alternative Fuels (IROAF) has written to Eastern Railway, asking it to identify 2-3 acres for a bio-diesel plant. The Railways propose to set up four bio-diesel plants across the country at a cost of Rs 120 crore to meet its demand for the green fuel. Each plant is expected to produce 30 tons of bio-diesel per day. Indian Railways has already experimented with a combination of high speed diesel (HSD) and bio-diesel in its locomotives and the results have been positive. One 'green' locomotive is already operational in Howrah and is used primarily for shunting.

#### X-Ray Scanners at Railway Stations

X-ray scanners are sanctioned for installation at sensitive stations under Integrated Security System. At present, baggage scanners have been installed at important stations to detect suspicious items and to provide visual clues of arms and ammunition, suspected explosive items, wires etc. that may be carried by a person in the luggage.

#### NEW BG LINE BETWEEN NAGORE – KARAIKAL

The new BG line between Nagore and Karaikal was opened for passenger traffic on 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. Sri K.H. Muniyappa, Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways, inaugurated the line and flagged off the Karaikal – Chennai Egmore Express. The trains 16175 MS–Nagore Exp and 16866 ERN-Nagore exp have been extended to Karaikal. The abstract timings of the above trains are given below.

Train	Dep	Arr
16866	ERN 22.05	Karikal 12.20
16865	Karaikal 16.10	ERN 06.15
16175	MS 23.15	Karaikal 09.35
16176	Karaikal 19.30	MS 05.15

### **Railway safety is top priority**

On 1<sup>st</sup> Dec, the hon'ble Railway Minister Shri Dinesh Trivedi on Thursday asked GMs to accord top priority to strengthening safety and said there would be "zero tolerance" to those erring in implementing the norms. MR told the GMs in a special meeting that the zonal GMs should accord top priority to strengthening safety, and no leniency should be shown to those erring in implementing safety norms. Underscoring the significance of safety in railway operations, MR said that it is important that the process of inquiries into accidents is completed in time. All necessary follow-up actions like fresh safety instructions, remedial measures and punishment to erring railway staff should be completed expeditiously. He said that this will send a strong signal to all railway men that zero tolerance will be shown for such incidents. The minister added that recommendations of accident-inquiries should be regularly reviewed by General Managers along with safety audits conducted by other zonal railway officials.

### **Sports Meet for Children of Rly Staff by RWWCO**

The Railway Women's Welfare Central Organisation (RWWCO) organised a sports meet for the children of officers and staff working in Railway Board and the PSUs under the Ministry of Railways on 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. Shri Vinay Mittal, Chairman, Railway Board, was the Chief Guest while Smt. Poonam Mittal, President, RWWCO, inaugurated the sports meet. Nearly 200 children in the age of 7 to 15 years participated in the day-long event, which was attended by Railway Board Members, GMs, MDs of PSUs and senior railway officers and staff. 57 children bagged various prizes in various sports events for boys and girls. CRB complimented all the children and their parents for their inspired efforts. Speaking on the occasion, Smt. Poonam Mittal, President, RWWCO, said that main objective of organising such sports event for the children of Railway officers and staff is to encourage sporting talents of the children as well as to create sense of belongingness and togetherness. A souvenir was also released on the occasion.

### **Railway meet keeps track of safety**

All India Railway Traffic Safety Officers conference was held at Bhubaneswar on 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. Traffic officers of all 17 Zonal Railways took part in the two-day conference to discuss train operations and passengers' safety. The conference was inaugurated by Sri. Indra Ghosh, GM/ECOR. Sri.A.S Upadhyay, ED/Safety, Railway Board, attended the conference which discussed a host of subjects, including preparations of accident manual and disaster management plan. Similarly, operating trains during fog also topped the agenda. The conference also expressed deep concern over mishaps occurring at manned and unmanned level crossings. The level of stress on safety officers also figured at the meeting. GM/ECOR said that the conference, hosted for the first time in Railways, will help to minimise mishaps and improve quality of services.

### **Modernisation of Disaster Management on IR**

Corporate Safety Plan (2003-2013), Ministry of Railways, inter-alia suggested for modernization of Disaster Management (DM) on Indian Railways. The main focus area are faster response, better facilities and equipment, expanding resources to meet requirements in major accidents, better customer focus and training and preparedness, etc. For modernization of DM, 18 strategies have been suggested in the Corporate Safety Plan, out of these 13 have so far been implemented as on October 31, 2011 on Indian Railways. Anti-Collision Device (ACD) project was not a part of Modernization of DM strategies. However, ACD has been provided on 1736 Route Kms on Northeast Frontier Railway as a pilot project. A new ACD Version-II [now called Train Collision Avoidance System (TCAS)] is under development and further proliferation will take place only after successful validation and certification to acceptable performance parameters.

For implementing the strategies for modernization of DM, the following measures have already been taken:

Disaster Management Plans have been made at Corporate→ Level, Zonal and Divisional Level and dovetailed with State/District DM Plans.

Tie-up with reputed private/civil hospitals.

Provision of rescue ambulances and Collapsible coffins→ in each Divisional hospital.

Taking assistance of armed forces including Air-Force→ for assistance whenever required during disasters.

Provision of emergency escape route and emergency→ automatic lights in all coaches.

Delegation of adequate financial powers to concerned→ officers for quick rescue operations.

Minimum one 140 Tonne breakdown crane have been→ provided in each Broad gauge division and all Accident Relief Trains (ARTs) have been provided with Air-brake stock.

Pending recommendations like manufacturing of Self Propelled Accident Relief Trains (SPARTs) amounting to Rs. 235 crore, Emergency Rail cum Road Vehicle, setting up of Railway Disaster Management Institutes etc. are long lead recommendations requiring Research & Development and policy related work.

### **KRCL bags excellence award of CSI**

The Konkan Railway Corporation Limited has bagged the Computer Society of India 2011 award for 'Excellence in Information Technology', in the category of travel, tourism and hospitality. The KRCL had participated in 'Travel, Tourism and Hospitality Sector' with its entry on 'KR Net Revamp', for which a presentation was made by the KRCL officials on 1st Dec at Ahmedabad during the 46<sup>th</sup> annual CSI National Convention 2011. The KR was adjudged the winner in the above category. Sri Ajay Kumar Bhatt, (ED-S&T) and Bindu Murlidharan, Dy chief manager (IT), received the award on behalf of KRCL.

### **New Locos from Parel**

The 132-year-old Parel workshop has manufactured more than a century of locomotives, the only repair workshop to do so. Parel Workshop was established in 1879 as a steam locomotive repair unit. Over the years, the shop has diversified into carrying out different functions like diesel locomotive maintenance, accident relief and breakdown crane maintenance. It now manufactures locomotives for broad and narrow gauge networks. "Parel Workshop has manufactured 128 BG diesel locomotives since March 2007. Of these, 72 locomotives have been manufactured for private firms like SAIL, Tata Steel, NTPC, Jindal Steel and Adoni Port. 56 locomotives have been manufactured for the Indian Railways. On an average, the factory is able to roll out at least three BG Locos, which are used to haul the wagons. These Locos are custom-made for industrial use. The workshop refurbished a 94-year-old steam engine to haul the train on the Neral-Matheran route. In 2006, two locomotives were manufactured for the Neral-Matheran section of the Central Railway. Buoyed by the success, four locomotives rolled out for the Kalka-Shimla section of the Northern Railway in 2008-09. Impressed with the results, the Railway Board told officials of Parel Workshop to manufacture 16 more locomotives -11 for Kalka-Shimla section of Northern Railway, three for North Central Railway's Gwalior section and two for Darjeeling's Himalayan Railway.

### **GM/DLW flagged off the first AC 4500 HP Loco**

On the occasion of his retirement from railways service, Shri K.K.Saxena, GM/DLW, flagged off first air-conditioned 4500 HP WDP-4B locomotive in a simple ceremony held at Loco Assembly Shop on 17<sup>th</sup> Oct.



Speaking on this occasion, Shri Saxena highlighted the achievements of DLW during the last two years as well as the progress of design. It is worthwhile to mention here that the first time DLW had manufactured AC cab locomotive in EMD design with indigenous technology. Equipped with most modern features, this passenger loco has the facilities of cooling and heating both having a cooling capacity approx. 1.75 tonnes and a heating capacity 2.94 kW as well as its air conditioning system is free of battery drainage and maintenance. Its condenser filter, return air filter and fresh air filter need to be changed after 90 days. This flower bedecked locomotive no.-40070 decorated in resplendent colour scheme was sent to Tughlakabad shed of Northern Railway.

### **Tatkal facility for Duronto Trains**

The Ministry of Railways has decided to extend the facility of existing 'Tatkal' scheme in all Duronto Express Trains also. Necessary instructions to this effect have been issued to all the Zonal Railways. The facility will become available in all Duronto Express Trains for journeys starting on 1st April, 2012. The extent of accommodation and charges to be realized for 'Tatkal' accommodation in different classes in Duronto trains will be the same as applicable to the mail/express trains.

### **The Incredible Magdeburg Water Bridge in Germany**



The Magdeburg Water Bridge (near Berlin) is a navigable aqueduct in Germany that connects the Elbe-Havel Canal to the Mittelland Canal, and allows ships to cross over the Elbe River. At 918 meters, it is the longest navigable aqueduct in the world. Construction of the water link was started as early as in the 1930s but due to the World War 2 and subsequent division of Germany the work remained suspended till 1997. The aqueduct was finally completed and opened to the public in 2003. This bridge joins the former East and West Germany.

Now there is a question: Did that bridge have to be designed to withstand the additional weight of ship or just the weight of the water?

### **Hitachi plans rail car JV in India**

Hitachi Ltd plans to sign a joint venture agreement with an Indian firm early next year to assemble rail cars, Japanese business daily Nikkei reported. The conglomerate plans to export India-made rail cars to Southeast Asian nations, such as Thailand and Vietnam, where it now sells cars made at its Yamaguchi plant.

### **New Year's gift to Mysore: A mini railway layout**

On the lines of a miniature railway layout in Wonderland, Germany, tourists visiting Mysore will witness a mini-railway layout of the region. Mysore division of SWR has embarked on this novel project, a first-of-its-kind in the country, which is all set to be inaugurated in the first week of January. It will be a New Year's gift to the people, especially train commuters. This project is the brainchild of Sri. BB Verma, previous DRM and Sri. Anup Dayanand Sadhu, Sr DCM, and will cost nearly Rs 13 lakh to Rs 14 lakh. Apart from the place, railways are not investing money on this project. The project is taken up by Sriram Associates.

### 50 more Kendriya Vidyalayas on Railway land

The Ministry of Railways has signed an MoU with the Ministry of Human Resource Development for setting up 50 new Kendriya Vidyalayas during the 11th and 12th Plan periods. Now the Ministry of Human Resource Development has sanctioned seven new Kendriya Vidyalayas respectively at Carriage Repair Workshop/ Harnaut (Bihar), Cast Wheel Plant/ Bela (Bihar), Railway Campus/ Nanded (Maharashtra), Railway Campus/ Rangiya (Assam), Freeland Ganj Railway Colony/ Dahod (Gujarat), Krishnarajapuram Diesel Loco Shed Colony/ Bangalore (Karnataka) and Shakurbasti/ West Punjabi Bagh (Delhi). The new Kendriya Vidyalayas have become partially functional in temporary/alternative accommodation.

### Shifting of WR-HQ to Ahmedabad not feasible

The Government admitted in the Lok Sabha that they have received a request from the Gujarat Government for shifting of the Western Railway (WR) headquarters from Mumbai to Ahmedabad. The hon'ble Minister of State for Railways, Sri K.H.Muniyappa, said that the location of the HQ of a railway depends on operational and administrative requirements, consistent with the needs of economy and efficiency. The proposal to shift the WR's headquarters from Mumbai to Ahmedabad was examined in the light of the above and has not been considered feasible.

### CR moots new terminal near Ghorpadi

On 20<sup>th</sup> Dec, Sri. Subodh Jain, GM/CR, visited the Pune railway station and inspected the platforms, the Janata Khana provided at the station, equipment used for maintenance work, the linen bed sheet supplied in the trains and the battery operated vehicle at the station for physically challenged persons and senior citizens. After the inspection, while speaking to media persons, he said that the stations are generally used up to 80% of their capacity and 20% is kept for emergency. But in terms of Pune railway station, we have already crossed the saturation point and now, the station has reached such a level that it will not be able to sustain any growth in terms of passengers. There are 127 trains that pass from Pune railway station daily and there are only five platforms for these trains as the sixth platform is only for 18 coaches. Hence, on an average, 25 to 30 trains arrive on each platform which is very difficult to manage. He said that the railways are planning some expansion to ease some pressure at the Pune railway station and also planning to build a new terminal near Ghorpadi, so the trains coming to Pune from Saswad can be terminated at that station. Also, there is a plant to build a new platform for local trains at our existing parcel office.

### TRAIN SERVICES TO CONTINUE FROM MS

According to SR press release, the present south bound services will continue to originate from Chennai Egmore and presently there are no proposals to shift these services to Tambaram. However, because of growth potential being limited at Chennai Egmore, some of the additional trains which will be introduced in future will originate/terminate at Tambaram.

### Unmanned level crossings to be phased out in 5 years

Southern Railway is planning to convert all unmanned level crossings into manned in another 5 years with a multi-pronged approach. This was announced by Sri A K Goel, DRM/MDU on 3rd Dec. He made a surprise inspection to unmanned LC in Silaiman. He also stressed the need for safety along the railway tracks. Elaborating on the multi-pronged approach, ADRM, Sri. T.Venkatasubramanian, said that the existing manned level crossings would also be replaced with rail over bridges (ROB). The SR will focus on maintaining just 30% of the manned LCs and abolish rest of the 70%.

### Fire and Smoke Detection System in Trains

As a pilot project, Indian Railways has installed early fire and smoke detection system on one rake of New Delhi-Bhubaneswar Rajdhani train. Based on this initial trial, technical specification of the system will be reviewed. After successful field trials and design validation, further action will be planned.

The following steps have been taken/proposed by the Railways to check the re-occurrence of fire accidents in future:

- (i) In Railway Carriages, fire retardant cable and multi-tier electrical protection systems are provided to prevent incidents of fire due to electrical defects.
- (ii) Introduction of fire retardant furnishing materials in coaches and regular upgradation of specification to international norms to delay fire propagation in coaches.
- (iii) Provision of fire barrier and thermic lock in vestibule doors to delay fire propagation in Linke Holfmann Busch (LHB) type of coaches.

### Railways to Accept "Aadhaar" as ID Proof

As "Aadhaar" is covered under the heading 'Photo Identity Card Issued by Central/State Government', the Ministry of Railways has decided to specifically incorporate and indicate "Aadhaar" as one of the proofs of identity acceptable for undertaking journey on e-tickets as well as under Tatkal scheme.

### Answer for river bridge question

It only needs to be designed to withstand the weight of the water! Because a ship always displaces an amount of water that weighs the same as the ship, regardless of how heavily a ship may be loaded.

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Orders issued for revision of rates of stipend to Rs.9300 PB + GP-Rs.4200 to apprentices and trainees and the order no is RBE 151-2011. See copy on [www.irtsa.net](http://www.irtsa.net)

**ICF- ATTENDANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR 2012**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CL= 8 Days , LAP = \_\_\_\_\_+15+15 Days, LHAP = \_\_\_\_\_+10+10 Days

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1					<b>P7</b>							
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28												<b>P20</b>
29								<b>U11</b>				<b>P21</b>
30												
31												<b>P22</b>

P1- Thiruvalluvar Day	P7- May Day	P13- Gandhi Jayanthi
P2- Republic Day	U8- Avani Avittam	U14- Ayudha Pooja
U3- Telugu New Year	P9- Independence Day	U15- Bakrid
U4- Good Friday	P10- Ramzan	P16- Deepavali
P5- Tamil New Year	U11- Onam	P17- Christmas
P6- Dr Ambedkar's Birthday	U12- Vinayaga Chaturthi	P18 to H22-Factory Holidays

P-PAID, U-UNPAID, For Outdoor Staff : Holidays 1,2,5,6,7,8,9,10,12,13,14,16,17 only, all are PH.