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Dear office bearers and members of IRTSA,

Minutes of 59th All India Annual Conference & Central General Body (CGB) Meeting of Indian Railways Technical Supervisors Association (IRTSA) held on 27th December 2024 at Community hall, Rail Coach Factory, Kapurthala.

- 1) The 59th All India Annual Conference and Central General Body (CGB) meeting of Indian Railways Technical Supervisors Association (IRTSA) was held on 27th December 2024 at Community Hall, Rail Coach Factory (RCF) Kapurthala. IRTSA RCF Zone hosted the conference and CGB.
- 2) CGB meeting was followed by "Executive Committee Meeting" held in the evening. General Manger RCF graced the Seminar on topic "Improving Performance of Indian Railways Focus on Passenger Business" as Chief Guest. PHODs, Officers, Union office bearers of RCF and IRTSA members graced the Seminar. Felicitation programme for Er.Darshan Lal Central Working President on his superannuation from Railway Service was graced by General Manager RCF, PHODs, Officers of RCF, President, General Secretary & Office bearers of IRTSA and family members of RCF.
- 3) **Procession**: On 27th December morning, before the inauguration of the CGB, a procession was held from RCF campus main gate to conference venue. Delegates and members of RCF participated enthusiastically.
- 4) **Flag hoisting**: Flag of IRTSA was hoisted by Er.M.Shanmugam Central President IRTSA amidst "IRTSA Zindabad" slogans.
- 5) **Welcome**: Er.K.V.Ramesh General Secretary IRTSA on behalf of CEC welcomed the delegates. General Secretary appreciated the delegates commitment to attend the meeting dispite of long journey and sever weather conditions.
- 6) Welcome by Chairman Conference: Er.Darshan Lal Central Working President and Chairman Conference committee welcomed Central President, General Secretary, delegates from various zones and members of RCF. He recalled his long journey of 38 years in Railway service. He said that, his involvement with IRTSA and Employees Union of RCF gives him immense satisfaction and said he will continue to work for the betterment of Rail Engineers and Railway men far ever. He thanked all his IRTSA colleagues and union office bearers for making his service more purposeful. He appreciated the hard work done by IRTSA RCF zone office bearers for making this Conference & CGB successful.
- 7) **Condolences for Dr.Mohmohan Singh**: CGB observed two minutes silence as a mark of respect to Former Prime Minister, distinguished economist Dr.Manmohan Singh passed away of 26th December. IRTSA remembered his contribution to the national development by making India as vibrant economy.
- 8) Chairman's Message: Er.Harchandan Singh who couldn't attend the meeting send the following message, "I heartily congratulate Er.Darshan Lal on the eve of his retirement after 38 long years of unblemished service to the railways. During this period Er.Darshan Lal had all along been dedicatedly, tirelessly & very actively leading in the struggles & activities of IRTSA & Railwaymen at large from the grassroot level at RCF, Kapurthala to national level. The Engineers as well as Railway men at RCF & at national level have benefitted as a result of focussed leadership of Sh. Darshan Lal".
 - "CGB of IRTSA is being held at RCF Kapurthala to honour Er. Darshan Lal on his retirement. We face many challenges ahead like Group 'B' for Sr. Technical Supervisors & Restoration of Old Pension

Scheme to Central Government Employees. We are sure that Er. Darshan Lal will continue to be a part of the struggle to meet the challenges ahead. I very much wanted to attend this function but since We all pray for Er. Darshan Lal's long, happy, healthy & peaceful retired life & all my best wishes are with him. With best wishes to you all".

9) **President Address**: Er.M.Shanmugam Central President IRTSA in his presidential address explained the struggles and achievements of IRTSA over the years. He provide an over view on activities for achieving 50% upgradation of SSE, CMS & CDMS from level-7 to level-8. He recalled Team IRTSA meeting with Railway Minister, Minister of State for Railways, Minister of State for Finance, Union Finance Secretary, Special Secretary Department of Expenditure, Chairman & Members of Railway Board and many other officers at Finance Ministry and Railway Ministry. President said there are unfinished task out of RBE No.155/2022. He added that there should be 100% upgradation from level-7 to level-8 and there should not be restriction on NFU to level-9 from level-8.

While briefing about achievements like grant of 1st class pass to all JEs, introduction of incentive to SSEs, revision of incentive rates etc, Central President asked the zonal secretaries to organise zonal meetings and sub unit meetings. He appealed for contribution for struggle fund by all members to carry out persuasion activities. He said Team IRTSA will once again take the support from Members of Parliaments to achieve important demands of IRTSA. He appreciated good arrangements made by IRTSA RCF zone for the conference.

- 10) **Com. Singh General Secretary RCF EU**, Guest of honour, in his address expressed his gratitude to IRTSA RCF zone for extending support at all times. He said along with IRTSA, RCF EU will struggle for the betterment of RCF and Indian Railway employees.
- 11) **General Secretary's Report**: Er.K.V.Ramesh General Secretary submitted his report on various activities of IRTSA. The report briefed about economic conditions & improved revenue of Government of India, challenges as Railway men & Railway Engineers and IRTSA meeting held with Ministers, Member of Parliaments, Railways and Finance Ministry officials, Federation leaders and many others.

General Secretary explained about IRTSA's memorandum and video conference meeting held with "Committee to examine the issues relating to Supervisory categories". General Secretary briefed about important decision taken by Government during this period. Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) and grant of notional increment (as due on 1st July / 1st January) for the pensionary benefits to those employees who had retired on 30th of June/ 31st of December before drawing the same were explained.

General Secretary briefed on meetings organised by various zones and sub units during the visit of Central President and General Secretary. GS report also briefed about memorandum submitted on various demands of IRTSA, status of court case filed in CAT Chennai on higher pay level for JE & SSE.

Filing a fresh Court Case: General Secretary explained about necessity to file a court case at Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) against Railway Boards order RBE No.216/2019 and classifications issued thereon on eligibility conditions for Group-B PQ (70% quota) selection, which aggravates stagnation of Technical Supervisors further.

Tasks before the Category: While concluding his report GS IRTSA expressed urgent need for struggle fund and legal fund apart from submitting annual membership subscription. He appealed to all the office bearers to visit various sub units of IRTSA to activate them.

- 12) **Balance Sheet on Account**: Er.Surjit Kumar Central Treasurer IRTSA submitted accounts balance sheet.
- 13) **Demands Resolution**: Er.K.V.Ramesh General Secretary proposed resolution on demands. Demands on recognition of IRTSA, justified Pay Levels, earlier implementation of cadre restructuring, classification of all Posts of SSE, CMS, CDMS & SE(IT) in Group B Gazetted, Withdrawal of National Pension System (NPS) and restoration of benefits of old Pension Scheme, Proper Career Planning & Time Bound promotions, exclusive designation for L-8 & L-9 posts, 100% upgradation from level-7 to level-8 w.e.f.

- 01.01.2016, NFU to level-9 on completion of four years in level-8 without any restriction, etc were detailed in main demands resolution. Demands on incentive bonus, special pay, yardsticks & bench marks, anomalies of MACP scheme, demands on general allowances & allowances specific to the category, demands on working conditions, hours of work & over time allowance, demands on pension & retirement benefits, demands on privilege, other passes & PTO, demands on staff welfare, general amenities, etc were listed in the resolutions.
- 14) Zonal Secretaries' Report: Zonal Secretaries and CEC members of IRTSA presented their report on the activities of their zones, including important reports by Er. K.Gobinath, Zonal Secretary ICF, Er. M.A.Thousif Khan, SCR, Er. Suresh Zonal Secretary SWR, Er. R.B.Singh Zonal Secretary WR, Er. Akhlilesh Vishwakarma Zonal Secretary NR, Er. Ashoke Chowdhury Zonal Secretary CLW, Er. Jagtar Singh Zonal Secretary RCF, Er. Ramanuj Gupta NER, Er. S.Marimuthu SR, etc.
- 15) **Organisational Resolutions & Resolution on line of action**: Er.K.V.Ramesh General Secretary proposed Organisational Resolutions & Resolution on line of action. Resolutions adopted by the CGB is detailed in the minutes of CEC meeting.
- 16) General Secretary report, accounts balance sheet for the year ending 2023, resolutions of demands, organisational resolution and resolution on line of action were adopted by the CGB.
- 17) On behalf of ICF zone, host of 60th CGB at Chennai, Er.K.Gobinath Zonal Secretary ICF welcomed all the members for the CGB meeting going to be held at Chennai in 2025.
- 18) **Vote of thanks**: General Secretary thanked all the delegates who have come from all over India for attending this Conference inspite of long journey. He thanked the host, Team IRTSA RCF headed by Er.Darshan Lal for making all the arrangements for the success of CGB & conference. Earlier on behalf of host Er.Darshan Lal thanked all the delegates for their participation and member of IRTSA RCF for making the conference a memorable one.
- 19) Seminar on topic "Improving Performance of Indian Railways Focus on Passenger Business"
 - Shri.S.S.Mishra General Manager, ICF RCF graced the seminar as Chief Guest. Sri.Ravi Kumar PCME, Sri.Ramesh Kumar Jain PCEE and Sri.Bhupeshwar Attri PCPO Rail Coach Factory graced the seminar as Guest of Honour. Er.K.V.Ramesh GS IRTSA presented PPT "Improving Performance of Indian Railways Focus on Passenger Business", giving suggestions for improving passenger earnings.
 - In his address, Shri.S.S.Mishra appreciated IRTSA's efforts and expressed hope that the genuine demands of IRTSA would be fulfilled. He said Railways is giving lot of chances to even employees at lower level to learn and work and advised all to adopt for the changes and update the skill and knowledge. GM also wished happy retired life to Er.Darshan Lal.
- 20) Glittering felicitation to Er.Darshan Lal Central Working President: Er.Darshan Lal Central Working President IRTSA superannuate from Railway Service on December 2024 was felicitated in a glittering manner. Sri.S.S.Mishra GM RCF, Er.M.Shanmugam President IRTSA, Er.K.V.Ramesh GS IRTSA, Com.Singh General Secretary RCF EU and Office bearers of IRTSA felicitated Er.Darshan Lal and his family. Shri. Sarvjeet Singh General Secretary RCF Employees Union appreciated dedicated work of Er.Darshan Lal for the betterment of Technical Supervisors and RCF, on behalf of entire RCF families he wished Er.Darshan Lal happy retired life. Earlier Er.M.Shanmugam expressed his desire for continuance of Er.Darshan Lal as office bearer of CEC IRTSA and IRTSA RCF zone. Er.Rajesh Jatana Organising Secretary, Er.Inderjeet Singh Executive Member and Er.Suraj Singh Executive Member IRTSA retiring in the same period were felicitated by IRTSA.

Thank you, Long live IRTSA.

K.V.RAMESH General Secretary, IRTSA

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Dear office bearers and members of IRTSA,

Minutes of Central Executive Committee (CEC) Meeting of Indian Railways Technical Supervisors Association (IRTSA) held at Community Hall, Rail Coach Factory, Kapurthala on 27th December 2024.

- 1) CEC meeting of IRTSA was held at Community Hall, Rail Coach Factory, Kapurthala on 27th December 2024 in conjunction with 59th CGB meeting at same venue.
- 2) Er.M.Shanmugam Central President briefed about the challenges ahead of the category and necessity to take vigorous line of actions.
- 3) Er.K.V.Ramesh General Secretary explained following line of action adopted by CGB.
 - a. Authorising the Chairman, President and the General Secretary IRTSA to continue to pursue all the demands and to decide on the Line of Action as required especially in view of the developments in respect of the main demands and other demands of IRTSA.
 - b. Observation of demands day by all Zones and Sub units on January last week or February 1st week.
 - c. Organising Mass Dharana at New Delhi on August 2025.
 - d. Filing a court case at CAT Chennai against Railway Boards order RBE No.216/2019 and classifications issued thereon on eligibility conditions for Group-B PQ (70% quota) selection, which aggravates stagnation of Technical Supervisors further. Chairman, Central President & General Secretary were authorized to file OA demanding to hold PQ 70% Group-B selection as per seniority order of SSEs in 1:3 ratio or in any suitable manner ensuring zone of consideration only among SSEs in the order of their integrated seniority.
 - e. Intensive drive for Membership of IRTSA @ Rs.400 PA & Struggle Fund Rs.500 PA and complete the same within 2 months and send the Central Quota. Collection of minimum Rs.500 as legal fund from every member.
 - f. Continuing of existing CEC office bearers till the next Central General Body meeting to be held at Chennai.
 - g. Holding 60^h Annual Conference & Central General Body Meeting of IRTSA at ICF in the month of November 2025.
- 4) CEC IRTSA resolved to carry out the line of action.
- 5) General Secretary IRTSA proposed vote of thanks.

Thank you,

Long live IRTSA.

K.V.RAMESH General Secretary, IRTSA