

CENTRAL RAILWAY

PCEE'S OFFICE
CSMT

CELE Instruction No.3

No.L.326.OP.MISC/ALL DIVN

Date: 24.02.2023

Sr. DEE (TRO) BB, BSL, NGP
Sr. DME (Fr.& Op) BB
Sr. DME (Op) PA
DME(O & C)SUR

Sub: Instructions for Loco Pilots operating Tower Wagons

Ref: 1. PCSO/CR's letter No. SFT/1/Block working dated 14.02.2023

2. PCEE/CR's letter No. L.574.TRD.Instructions dated 24.02.2023

Following instructions pertaining to safe operation of Tower Wagons should be followed:

1. Competency certificate to drive Tower Wagons should be available with concerned Loco Pilots of Tower Wagon. No Loco Pilot is to work without his valid competency certificate. This competency certificate is issued by Sr.DEE/TRD as per Joint Circular No. L.326.OP. All Divn dated 04.02.04 jointly issued by CELE & CEDE. **(Annexure A)**
2. CLI should be nominated for each such Tower wagon Loco Pilot. The nominated CLI must ensure their LRD, PME & Refresher. Monitoring of Tower wagon Loco Pilots must be done as per the stipulated guidelines of Rly. Board which are in force for Loco Pilots.
3. Tower Wagon Loco Pilot must undergo Breath analyzer test before commencement of Journey. The breath analyzer test must be carried out in presence of concerned Tower Wagon in-charge. Details of the test should be countersigned by Tower Wagon in-charge. All these records should be kept in proper custody.
4. Tower wagons must have speedometer in working condition and SPM data downloading facility should be available. Sr DEE /TROs to liaison this with Sr.DEE/TRDs.
5. Instructions issued by PCSO vide letter under ref-1 & PCEE vide letter under ref-2 to be followed rigidly (Copy enclosed).

This is for information and necessary action.


24/02/2023
(Shalabh Goel)

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NO : SFT/1/Block working

Date : 14.02.2023

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Sub : Steps to ensure safety during block working by Tower Wagons,
Track Machines, Material Trains, and other departmental Vehicles

An unfortunate incident occurred on Bhusawal Division on date 13.02.2023 wherein four Trackmen lost their lives while working in an integrated block. With a view to prevent such incidences in future and to promote safety the following additional precautions must be ensured:

1. Speed Restriction: Tower Wagons, Track machines, Material trains and other departmental vehicles moving in the direction opposite to normal direction of traffic will run at a speed not exceeding 25 Kmph. This is similar to SR 6.02-1(11) i.e., speed restriction for single line working in double line section. This Speed restriction should be endorsed in caution order column of "Block requisition notice and permit"/"Integrated Block requisition notice and permit", in addition to any existing speed restrictions; by Station Master of block permitting station.

2. Whistle freely and Observe Hand Signal: Operators/Pilots of Tower Wagons, Track machines, Material trains and other departmental Vehicles should drive cautiously, whistle freely and observe hand signals to stop short of any obstruction. This should be endorsed in caution order column of "Block requisition notice and permit"/"Integrated Block requisition notice and permit", by Station Master of block permitting station.

3. Switching on of Flasher Light: On Double Line sections, Operators/Pilots of Tower Wagons, Track machines, Material trains and other departmental Vehicles, moving in the direction opposite to normal direction of traffic, should switch on Flasher Light.

4. Communication of block granted: Communication of block granted, number of vehicles, sequence of movement of vehicles into the block section, time when block is granted as mentioned in the block requisition and permit, should be conveyed on mobile phone to all site in-charges, of all departments by the official in-charge(P.Way)/Overall in-charge(integrated block). The same should be conveyed by the in-charges to the workers in the field.


5. Protection of worksite: Work site should be protected adequately as per Para 806(2) IRPWM and Para SR 4.65 -5(iv) & GR 15.09 and SR there on, as applicable.

6. Wearing of Luminous Jackets/Band by all personnel working in the Block: All Personnel should wear luminous (retro-reflective) jackets/Bands, while working in the Block for the entire duration of the block.

7. Implement with immediate effect: Sr. No. 1 to 6 will be implemented with immediate effect.

In the near term the usefulness of remotely activated train warning device/shunt safe device may be advised to this office.

8. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

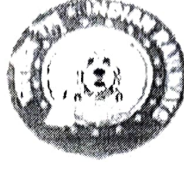

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PCSO/CR
14-02-2023

Secy CR - For kind information of GM

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No.L.574.TRD.Instructions

दिनांक/dated: 24.02.2023

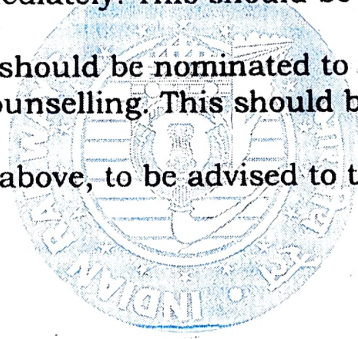
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Sub: Guidelines regarding Tower wagon drivers on duty

Tower wagon drivers reporting to duty should undergo Breath Analyser test at the TRD depot and confirm that it is negative. Each TRD depot having tower wagon should have breath analyser kit, if it is not available procurement of Breath Analyser test kit to be initiated immediately. This should be ensured by each Sr.DEE(TRD).

Loco Inspector (LI) should be nominated to each Tower wagon drivers similar to other drivers for regular counselling. This should be ensured by each Sr.DEE(TRO).

Action taken in the above, to be advised to this office.



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24-2-23

(S.V. Waghmare)

Chief Electrical Distribution Engineer
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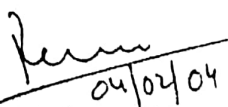
JOINT CIRCULAR

Sub: Guidelines for Tower Wagon driver

Although Tower wagon driver is basically a Goods driver, temporarily given by Loco Operating section to TRD section, and possess all the requirements of a Goods driver, still, following guidelines are issued regarding the competency of a Tower wagon driver :-

1. Options should be called from Goods driver's cadre against the vacancies of Tower wagon drivers, and a suitability test should be jointly conducted by Sr.DEE(TRO) & Sr.DEE(TRD) for forming a panel of TW drivers. No driver should be continued to work as TW driver beyond 3 years.
2. On selection as TW driver, one week's training should be imparted in OHE depot for operation of Tower wagon and a certificate to this effect should be issued by Sr.DEE(TRD), which may be called "Competency of operating Tower Wagon". This certificate must be in the possession of TW driver while on duty.
3. TW driver should also be in the possession of the "driver's competency certificate" issued by Sr.DEE(TRO) in the performance-book of the driver, as per SR 4 21-3.(1)(a).
4. TW driver should regularly undergo refresher course and PME at prescribed interval and should not remain over-due for refresher/PME/ABS competency. A remark to this effect should be available in his performance book, counter-signed by his controlling supervisor i.e. SSE/OHE depot regularly.
5. Each TW driver should be allotted to a L.I. and the nominated L.I. should regularly monitor him as per the extant instructions.


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