TRO DRIVE NO. 02 /2025

Sub: Intensive counseling of loco running staff for safe train operation.

Ref : PCEE's L.No.L.326.OP/Circular/23 dated 15.01.2025

It has been observed that running staff about working procedure to be followed in different working conditions for safe train operation. In this regard, loco running staff to be counseled properly, covering following items:

- 1. Before starting the train, crew should ensure that signal has been given or Proper authority has been provided for his train.
- 2. While starting the train, LP must ensure proper reverser position i.e. forward/reverse direction. Reverser should always be kept in desired direction of the train movement (if wrong reverser position is selected by LP, it should immediately be detected by LPIALP, before/during starting of the train and urgent action to be taken accordingly).
- 3. Crew should whistle before stating the train and must follow all the whistle codes during train operation.
- 4. Adopting shortcut methods during train operation e.g. following instructions on Walkie-Talkie during shunting etc., (list of probable shortcut methods likely to be adopted during train operation, circulated vide letter no. L.253.AC.136.C dated 20.04.2023, to be brought into notice and corrective actions to be taken to stop such shortcuts).
- 5. During simulator training, special emphasis should be given on abnormal conditions faced by crew in their routine working.
- 6. BFT/ BPT to be conducted on first opportunity, as per load & road conditions in the section rigidly. LP feels that, if the brake power is not satisfactory, he should inform to Train Manager / TLC immediately and will keep the train under control.
- 7. Shunting operation should always be carried out from leading driving cab only.
- 8. Counselling of crew shall be done in the cases, where inter signal distance is less than usual to concentrate on location of the coming signal and to keep his train under control, if previous signal is passed at yellow.
- 9. Crew, who is habitual offenders and overconfident, should be identified by Controlling Officers/CLIs during foot plate. Ambush checks on such crew should Be Conducted to assess improvement and if not, crew shall suitably be warned or taken up.
- 10. To improve clear understanding of authorities in abnormal working, each & every authority should be shown to running staff by CLIs, salient features of that authority to be highlighted and counsel them on following items:

- a) After receiving authority, same to be read carefully by loco crew and ensure that he has understood the authority properly, which was given to him. Crew to ensure that all the details have been filled up and there is no ambiguity.
- b) Before starting the train/loco, LPIALP should ensure that they have properly read the speed restrictions, which are mentioned on the authority.
- c) In case of any confusion regarding authorities issued enroute, LP to confirm from authority issuing personnel. LPs may also contact their respective
- 11. ALP to keep watch, as Loco Pilot is reducing speed proportionately in case Signal aspect is restrictive and not presuming the aspect of next signal. 12.
- ALP must keep hand on RS flap valve, while passing Yellow signal and continuously calling that signal ahead is RED.
- LP and ALP should not start the packing their belonging before reaching terminal 13. station/relieving point.
- List of Signals should be provided for each Loco Running Staff, where multiple 14. diversions are available due to which Loco Running Staff may get confused. Emphasis must be given on this during written examination or during oral examination.
- ALP must keep signal location booklet in open condition on the desk as per 15. working section. In the extreme case, due to any reason, if crew fails to locate any signal due to any obstruction, he should stop his train and then proceed cautiously up to next signal and ensure the signal aspect and work further.

In view of above, TRO drive is launched for 15 days from 16.01.2025 to 30.01.2025 . Hence all CLIs are instructed to monitor/counsel LP/ALPs.

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All CLI

For counseling to all running staff.

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To impart in training.

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