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OPERATING SAFETY CIRCULAR No: 06/25.

SMRs/SMs, CHC and TMRs.

<u>Sub:</u>- Monsoon Precautions - reg.

Occasions when line patrolling is necessary:

Patrolling of railway line is resorted to under the following circumstances.

- 1. In the event of sudden storm or hurricane during day or night;
- 2. Monsoon patrolling;
- 3. Watch at vulnerable points during monsoons;
- 4. Security patrolling during civil disorders.

Precautions During Monsoon:

- On receipt of weather warning message from the SCOR, ensure that the same verbatim to be communicated to concerned ADENs, SSE/P. Way, SSE/TRD where located headquartered.
- 2. Patrol charts issued by respective DENs according to the time table in-force to be supplied to the respective stations in time.
- 3. Patrol charts to be made available at the station for ready reference for patrolman turn up timings.
- 4. Record timings of arrival and departure of patrolman in the patrol(beat) books and initial them.
- 5. record timings of arrival and departure of Patrolmen with their names in the station diary and TSR and ensure as per patrol chart in-foce.
- 6. Station Masters shall see that the Patrolmen come on duty sober and fully equipped, that their hand signal lamps are trimmed and filled with oil and that they leave for their beats according to time.
- 7. In order that the movement of the Patrolmen can be checked accurately, it is essential that the Station Master on duty should record in the patrol book the actual timings of the arrival and the departure from the station.
- 8. If a Patrolman does not turn up within 15 minutes of his scheduled arrival, the Station Master on duty shall take the following action-
 - Station Master shall stop run through trains proceeding into the block section;
 - > Station Master shall advise the Station Master at the other end of the block section to take similar action and also advise the SCOR, the concerned Gangmate and the SSE/P. Way;
 - Station Master shall issue a Caution Order to all trains proceeding into the block section advising the Loco Pilot to be on the alert and specify a speed restriction of 40 Kmph, until the arrival of Patrolman and reported that the line is safe for passage of trains..

- 9. Trains may be permitted to pass when the depth of water above rail level does not exceed the following values 12 inches for passenger trains and 18 inches for Goods trains, provided in each case the PWI has satisfied himself by walking over and probing that the permanent way is intact and in a fit condition.
- 10. The following precautions shall be observed, in each case trains being stopped dead and allowed to proceed at a speed not exceeding 8 KMPH.
 - a. If water rises over the ballast level but is below rail level, the track should be walked over by two men abreast one at either end of the sleepers before each train and only if the track has not been disturbed, should the train be allowed over the track.
 - b. When water overtops the rail, the PWI should certify by walking over and probing that the track is safe.
 - c. Message shall be sent by the PWI to the AEN and DEN when water rises above ballast level and again when it subsides. This should be followed up with special reports.

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DOM/Gen/SC.

Copy to:

Sr. DOM/SC for kind information please.

All DOMs and AOs for information.

CHC/SC awareness to controllers under clear acknowledgement.

All TIs, SMRs, TMR counselors for counseling under clear acknowledgement and strict compliance.

"Ensure Safety always and in all ways"