

## Mechanized Cleaning System at Railway Stations

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One of the initiatives taken to maintain cleanliness standard at station premises is introduction of mechanized cleaning at most of the stations over Indian Railways. The mechanized cleaning system is used for comprehensive cleaning of all platforms, circulating area, foot over bridges, retiring rooms, waiting rooms etc. in the stations premises where conducive surface like tiles/kota stone is available. The station cleaning activities are carried out through mechanized means by using High pressure water jets, mechanised floor scrubber, vacuum cleaner, flippers, Battery Operated Puch Scrubber, Battery operated Ride on Scrubber, High Pressure Jet, Wet & Dry vacuum cleaner, Ride Flipper etc. along with the requisite manpower. The activity is outsourced to professional agencies to maintain high standard of cleanliness on the Railway station and its premises. In order to have effective waste disposal system, concrete washable aprons on platform tracks with jet cleaning arrangements are provided at important stations where long distance trains stop in the morning hours, to facilitate cleaning of nightsoil by washing into side drains and its subsequent discharge away from stations.

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