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Commissioner of Railway Safety Submits Preliminary Report on Derailment Accident of Train No.18477 Puri- Haridwar Utkal Express

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Shri Shailesh Kumar Pathak, Commissioner of Railway Safety, Northern Circle, held a statutory inquiry into the accident of Derailment of train no.18477 Puri- Haridwar Utkal Express at km.101/3-4 between Khatauli-Mansurpur stations of Delhi Saharanpur section, Broad Guage, Single Line, Electrified section of Delhi Division of Northern Railway on 19.08.2017. As a result of the accident, 22 persons were killed, 40 persons were grievously injured and 66 persons sustained simple injuries.

According to provisional findings of the Commissioner appended with his preliminary report, the accident occurred due to "Failure of Railway Staff".

These findings are under the consideration of the Government.

(Note: - This press release is based on the information made available by the Office of Commission of Railway Safety, NorthernCircle, <u>Ministry of Civil Aviation</u>, Govt. of India)

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