

7. When any Patrolman, who has become aware of an obstruction or breach meets a villager through whom information may be sent to the Gangmate, the Patrolman shall, after protecting the line in accordance with para 14.3.1. to 14.3.5 above, give a message to the villager, but no time shall be wasted in waiting for a villager. On reaching gang quarters, if any, he shall inform the Gangmate. The Gangmate shall proceed at once with available Gangmen to the affected kilometreage and take action as the situation demands.
 8. A Patrolman who becomes aware of an obstruction or breach shall (irrespective of whether the line has or has not been protected in accordance with paragraph 15 and 16 below) take all steps to stop any approaching train by means of Stop hand signal and to advise the Guard and the Loco Pilot of the train.
 9. The Patrolman, where only one is employed, noticing an obstruction or breach shall act as quickly as possible to protect the line. On seeing the train approaching too near, he shall place on the line one detonator or three detonators, as the case may be, without attempting to reach the prescribed 600 metres or 1200 metres point on the BG or 400 or 800 metres point on the MG from the obstruction or breach.
 10. The Patrolman shall, on his way to the nearest station, inform the Gatemen at the level crossing, if any, and the clerk in-charge at the class 'D' station if any, on the block section. The Gateman and the clerk in-charge shall, if provided with telephone connection, pass on this information promptly to the adjacent block stations.
- 15. When the line is unsafe but not actually breached and the Patrolman can cross the damaged place:**
- 15.1. If there are two Patrolmen—**
1. One Patrolman shall proceed in the up direction and the other in the down direction each plainly showing his Stop hand signal to stop approaching trains, to a point 600 metres on BG or 400 metres on MG from the obstruction and place on the line 1 detonator and then proceed to a point 1200 metres on BG or 800 metres on MG from the obstruction and place on the line 3 detonators about 10 metres apart..
 2. After protecting the line as laid down above, the Patrolman on the side of the obstruction, in which the nearer station lies, shall proceed to that station, advise Station Master, return to the obstruction and remain there until relieved by the Gangmate.
 3. After protecting the line as laid down above, the Patrolman, on the side of the obstruction in which the farther station lies, shall return to the obstruction and remain there until relieved by the Gangmate.

Note: On the double line, the Patrolman proceeding in the up direction shall place the detonators on the down line and the Patrolman proceeding on the down direction shall place the detonators on the up line so that both the up and down lines on which trains will approach may be protected.

15.2. If there is only one Patrolman—

1. **On the single line-** The Patrolman shall place a hand signal lamp showing red light in a prominent position at the obstruction to warn a train which may approach from one direction and then proceed in the opposite direction from which he expects the first train and protect the line as laid down in para 15.1.1 above. He shall then return to the obstruction and protect the other side also in the same way.
2. **On the Double line—**the Patrolman shall place a hand signal lamp showing red light in a prominent position at the obstruction to warn the train which may approach

from one direction and then proceed along the other track in the opposite direction from which he expects the first train and protect the line as laid down above. He shall thereafter return to the obstruction and protect the other line (i.e., the line for which the red lamp was exhibited) as laid down above.

3. The Patrolman shall return to the site of obstruction, after protecting the line in both the directions on single line and direction wise on double line and shall remain at the place of obstruction and send message / oral communication to the Station Master of the nearest station about the danger through the first railway employee or other persons he is able to contact at the spot itself.

16. When the line is breached and the breach cannot be crossed:

16.1. If there are two Patrolmen on the same side of the breach—

1. A hand signal lamp showing red light shall be placed in a prominent position at the breach to warn trains approaching from other side of the breach and one of the Patrolmen shall proceed in the direction from which he came and protect the line as laid down in para 15.1.1 above. The other Patrolman shall remain at the breach and try to communicate with the Patrolman on the opposite side and shall not leave the place until relieved by the Gangmate.
2. The Patrolman, who has proceeded to protect the line, shall after doing so, proceed to the station on his side of the breach, advise the Station Master, return immediately to the breach, and remain there until relieved by the Gangmate.

16.2. If there is only one Patrolman—

1. He shall place a hand signal lamp showing red light in a prominent position at the breach to warn trains approaching from the other side of the breach and proceed in the direction from which he came and protect the line as laid down in para 15.1.1 above. He shall then return to the breach and try to communicate with the Patrolman on the opposite side.
2. If the Patrolman is not able to communicate with the Patrolman on the opposite side he shall not leave the breach but shall exhibit a Stop hand signal in the direction across the breach. On seeing or hearing a train, coming in either direction, he shall try to attract the attention of the Loco Pilot and stop the train.
3. If the Patrolman is able to communicate with the Patrolman on the opposite side, the former shall, after doing so, proceed to the station from which he came, advise the Station Master, return to the breach and remain there until relieved by the Gangmate.

- 17.1. The Patrolman on the other side of the breach shall on realizing the situation through the Patrolman who noticed the breach immediately answer the signal, by showing a Stop hand signal and then proceed to protect the line as laid down in para 15.1.1 above.
- 17.2. After protecting the line as above, the Patrolman shall proceed to the station, report to the Station Master that he has seen a Stop hand signal, return at once to the breach to find out what the danger is and remain there until relieved by the Gangmate.
- 17.3. If there are two Patrolmen on the other side of the breach, one of them shall proceed to the breach and remain there until relieved by the Gangmate and the other shall carry out the procedure laid down above.