

- b) Submission of the inquiry reports to the CSO by Sr.DSO / DSO : The inquiry report duly accepted by the DRM shall be submitted to CSO within 10 days from the date of accident in all accidents as under:-

All reportable train accidents	3 copies
Other Train accidents	2 copies
Unusual incidences	1 copy

While forwarding the report, the DRM will offer his remarks:-

- i. On the recommendations of the enquiry committee.
  - ii. On other aspects of the enquiry e.g., other Matter Brought to Light and systems improvement, if any.
- c) Submission of the Inquiry report to the PHOD. The DRM, after accepting the inquiry report shall submit the same as early as possible to the Heads of Departments concerned.
- d) Submission of the inquiry report by CSO to Railway Board: The CSO will submit all inquiry reports to the Railway Board on all accidents reportable to Railway Board. If there is any issue in the inquiry report in which it is necessary to obtain views of other PHOD / HODs, the inquiry report shall be sent to the PHOD / HODs concerned to enable the latter to record their views before the report is sent to Railway Board.
- While forwarding the report to the Railway Board, the CSO will state whether the findings are accepted or not and indicate the action proposed to be taken against the staff, if any, held responsible for the accident.
- e) Forwarding the inquiry report to CRS: A copy of the inquiry report of reportable train accident shall be forwarded to the CRS by CSO.

**932 Metallurgical and Chemical investigation of Fractured Rails, broken parts of Rolling Stock or other Equipment:**

- a) The broken material i.e., fractured rails, broken parts of rolling stock or other equipment which may be vital for concluding the cause of the accident will be collected / seized by the Guard / SM /TI present at site and handed over to the Sr.DSO / DSO for further necessary action.
- b) The Sr.DSO /DSO after consultation with the Branch Officer concerned will send the broken material to the CMT/LGD or RDSO / LKO.
- c) On receipt of the investigation report from CMT/LGD, RDSO/LKO, Sr.DSO/DSO will advise the inquiry committee, DRM and CSO.
- d) In the event of breakage of any part of locomotive or other rolling stock of foreign railway, a copy of the report should also be sent to the concerned workshop / Loco shed, CME and CSO.

**933 Norms of Punishments to be imposed:**

The norms of punishments prescribed by Railway Board are given in Annexure-V. The norms should be followed rigidly. The Sr.DSO / DSO shall personally monitor the punishment awarded to the officials responsible for the accident & ensure that it is as per the rules in force. If it is inadequate, he will put the case to the DRM for review. A monthly summary of such cases shall be sent by Sr.DSO / DSO to CSO.

**934 Magisterial Inquiry:**

Whenever an accident, such as is described in section 113 of Railway Act, has occurred in the course of working of a railway, the District Magistrate or any other Magistrate who may be appointed in this behalf by the State Government, may, either