

CHAPTER IV

REPORTING OF ACCIDENTS

401 Reportable Train Accidents: All accidents falling under the purview of section 113 of the Railways Act of 1989 are termed as reportable train accidents and include the following:

- (a) Any accident attended with loss of any human life or with grievous hurt.
- (b) Any collision between trains of which one is a train carrying passengers
- (c) The derailment of any train carrying passengers
- (d) Accidents which are attended with loss of human life in passenger carrying trains due to train wrecking or attempted train wrecking; cases of trains running over obstructions placed on the line; or passengers falling out of train; fire on train; grievous hurt as defined in the Indian Penal Code; serious damage to railway property of the value exceeding ₹2 crores. Cases of land slides, breaches by rain/ flood which cause interruption of through running on any important route for at least 24 hours, should also be reported.

402 Reporting of Accidents:

402.1 To Zonal Railway:

A telephonic advice should be relayed by Divisional Control to Central Control of Zonal Railway Headquarters immediately after the accident in case of following categories of accidents:

- (a) All train accidents,
- (b) Any yard accident having serious repercussions on movement of traffic on through line resulting in dislocation of traffic, for more than the threshold value as per para 108 of Accident manual.
- (c) Landslides, breaches, OHE break down etc., which result in dislocation of traffic, for more than the threshold value as per para 108.

Note : In addition to this, periodic (monthly) statement of accidents in all categories shall be submitted to zonal headquarters in prescribed pro-forma.

The CHC/ Central Control shall in turn inform all concerned at Headquarters office including GM, PHODs etc in the following order:-

1. CSO
2. CMD (in case of passenger carrying train accidents)
3. Secretary to GM (for information to GM)
4. AGM
5. COM
6. CPTM
7. CTM/G & PP
8. Other department controls in Central Control. The respective departmental controls will in turn inform their PHODs, HODs and other officers/supervisors.
9. CPRO
10. Dy.COM/Chg
11. Dy.CSO/Traffic, Dy.CSO/Electrical, Dy.CSO/Mechanical and Dy.CSO/S&T

On getting information from the Central Control, the Officers Concerned should be present in the Disaster Management Control Room, II Floor, Railnilayam, Secunderabad for getting further information about the accident. As per the need, the DMCR shall be manned with Officers for coordinating relief works under the overall Supervision of COM.

In the same manner, in the Divisional Control Office Dy.CHC (punctuality) shall arrange to inform the Divisional Officers in the following order:-

1. Sr. DSO
2. CMS/Sr.MS/MS (in case of passenger carrying trains)
3. DRM
4. ADRM
5. Sr.DOM
6. Other departmental controls in control office. The respective departmental controls will in turn inform their branch officers and other officials/ supervisors.

402.2 To Railway Board:

In respect of the following accidents, a telephonic advice should be relayed to one of the nominated officers of the Railway Board in the following order of priority by the Chief Safety officer or in his absence by Dy. CSO / Traffic or Dy.CSO / Electrical or Dy.CSO / Mechanical or Dy.CSO / S&T. If all these officers happen to be out of Headquarters, the Dy.COM(Coaching) or STM (Coaching) should report the accident.

- (a) All consequential train accidents,
- (b) Any yard accident having serious repercussions on movement of traffic on through/main line resulting in dislocation of traffic for more than the threshold value as per para 108.
- (c) Landslides, breaches, OHE break down etc., which result in dislocation of traffic for more than the threshold value as per para 108.

Note : In addition to this, periodic(monthly) statement of accidents in all categories shall be submitted to Railway Board in prescribed pro-forma.

Order of priority for reporting of Accidents to one of the following officers of Railway Board :-

Designation	Telephone numbers
1. Director/Safety-I	Railway: 030 – 43667 BSNL : 011 – 23387009, 23303667
2. Director/ Safety-II	Railway: 030 – 43446/22388 BSNL 011 – 23389987, 23345606, 23303446, Mobile : 09810017905
3. Director/Safety-III	Railway: 030 – 43239, 22447 BSNL : 011 – 23385836, 23363789
4. Director/Safety –IV	Railway: 030 – 43574 BSNL : 011 – 23070944
5. Safety Cell	Railway: 030 – 43599, 43776, 43426, BSNL : 011 – 23303426, 23389773, 23303766 FAX : 011 – 23382638, 23383624 Mobile : 09810017905

Note: These telephone numbers are subjected to change from time to time. They need to be updated by the concerned authorities.

402.3 To enable the Headquarters Office to advise Railway Board, it is necessary that full details of the accident shall be furnished by the Division immediately after the occurrence of the accident, followed by further details which were not readily available at the time of sending the first advice.