

- 12.2. Where the opening of temporary diversions or bridges requires the issue of special working instructions, necessary action shall be taken by the DOM

13. Works resulting from accidents:

- 13.1. An abbreviated procedure, to be adopted in case of accidents, laid down in section 24 of the Railways Act, 1989 is reproduced below:-

Temporary suspension of traffic:-

When an accident has occurred on a railway resulting in a temporary suspension of traffic and either the original lines of rails and works have been restored to their original standard or a temporary diversion has been laid for the purpose of restoring communication, the original lines of rails and works so restored, or the temporary diversion, as the case may be, may, without prior inspection by the Commissioner, be opened for the public carriage of passengers, subject to the following conditions, namely-

1. the railway servant in-charge of the works undertaken by reason of the accident has certified in writing that the opening of the restored lines of rails and works or of the temporary diversion will not in his opinion be attended with danger to the public; and
2. a notice of the opening of the lines of rails and works or the diversion shall be sent immediately to the Commissioner.

- 13.2. The certificate shall be signed by the representative of the works branch in charge of the work before opening it. This certificate shall be despatched to the officers concerned. The Engineering representative shall hand over a copy of the certificate to the representative of the Transportation (Traffic) branch at the site of the accident; and the latter shall not permit the passage of traffic over the restored line or the diversion, until he is in possession of the Certificate.

14. Opening of new works within station limits:

- 14.1. On receipt of sanction to open a new work, the DEN or the DSTE shall arrange with the DOM, the date on which the new work is to be handed and taken over. After the new work is handed over, the DEN or the DSTE shall advise the CE.
- 14.2. When the work is important and affects a running line, the DOM as well as the Engineering and/or Signal officer(s) should be present at the time of handing over.
- 14.3. When the work is not important and does not affect a running line, the Engineering and/or Signal officer(s) may authorise the PWI and/or the Signal Inspector to hand over the work and the DOM may authorise the Traffic Inspector or Station Master to take over the work.

Note: - (i) The Transportation officer or Inspector, who takes over a new work, should satisfy himself that the knobs/buttons, signals, points and connections work freely and properly and that the installation fulfils its object. He should also see that the signal lights are properly focused, that the back lights are clearly visible from the place required by the rules, and that the electric repeaters, where provided, correctly represent the indication of the signals which they repeat.

- (ii) Before issue of the certificate and taking any interlocking installation, the Transportation officer or Inspector should instruct the station staff responsible for working the interlocking installation and test them in their knowledge of the diagram of the arrangements exhibited at the station and of the rules and working instructions in connection therewith.