

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
रेल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(रेलवे बोर्ड RAILWAY BOARD)

2024/GS/SD-I/9/07/Misc

New Delhi, Dated 21 .05.2024

The General Manager,
All Zonal Railways

Sub: Monsoon precautions for station development works in progress over Indian Railways.

**Ref.: 1. Railway Board's letter no. 2025/Stn. Dev.-I/08/18 dated 08.03.2025
2. Railway Board's letter no. 2025/GS/SD-I/08/03 dated 14.05.2025**

A large number of works are currently under execution at railway stations across the country. These include the projects under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme as well as ongoing works under various heads. Execution of large quantum of such works in critical areas of passenger interface calls for additional efforts in terms of supervision to ensure work quality, safety and passenger convenience, especially during the monsoon season.

2. In view of upcoming Monsoon season, it is imperative that all units involved in the execution of station works as well those responsible for station maintenance, are fully sensitized and take proactive required measures. Special focus must be given to the following items:

- i. Safety at work sites, with respect to passengers as well as staff/ workmen involved, special emphasis being given to barricading, protection of slopes, stability of temporary supports, securing of girders and other structural members, precautions applicable to works in proximity of overhead electrical equipment, use of personal protective equipment by workmen, etc.
- ii. Special precaution while undertaking the heavy lifting works by checking worthiness of equipment, propping of the cranes, competence of operator, proximity to charged equipment/ passenger movement, etc. Launching activities such as Air Concourse, FOBs, etc. must be critically reviewed in terms of design and execution readiness. All necessary safety arrangements, including traffic blocks, barricading, anchoring, and supervision by competent personnel, must be in place before commencement.
- iii. Proactively inspect for and eliminate leakages in roofs, false ceilings, canopies and water pipelines. Ensure that there are no unsecured or loose sheets. Additionally, check that platform shelter gutters, roof gutters, drains, pipes and water discharge systems are thoroughly de-choked and fully functional.

- iv. Station development works should not infringe upon or obstruct yard drainage arrangements, ensuring that water flow is not impeded and there is no backflow or stagnation in yard or track areas.
- v. Earthing/ safety arrangements of all the equipments and places which come in direct contact with the passengers including high masts, water coolers, mobile charging points, and panels, Distribution boards, etc should be ensured. It should also be ensured that there are no open junction boxes as well as exposed or punctured cables at any such locations in and around the station premises.
- vi. Availability of fire safety equipments, emergency lighting, backups, etc shall also be ensured. Provisions in place ready to address emergent situations like standby pumps with operators, etc
- vii. Cleanliness at sites and proper housekeeping of construction material and prompt disposal of debris/ released materials, etc.
- viii. Worksites may also be checked with above ref. letter dated 08.03.2025.
- ix. Any other item as considered appropriate.

3. Railways are, therefore, advised to undertake inspection of all worksites and station areas and immediately address the gaps or weaknesses observed in any aspect.

4. Action taken with respect to above may be advised to Railway Board by 31.05.2025 positively. Compliance of above ref. letter dated 14.05.2025 may also be sent.


21/05/2025

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