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To all Concerned

## NOTICE

It is hereby notified for information of all concerned that the 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of WREU and Central Executive Committee and Working Committee Meetings will be held concurrently at Baroda on 26-27 April, 2021. The Agenda is as under.

1. General Secretary's Report
2. Annual Accounts
3. Resolutions
4. Organizational matters
5. Appointment of Auditors
6. Election
7. Any other matter with permission of chair.

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## NOTICE

In continuation of our earlier notice dated 19.03.2021, it has been unanimously decided in the Working Committee Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, that due to increasing COVID – 19 pandemic situation, now the 100<sup>th</sup> AGM should be held virtually instead of holding at BRC physically. Special CL will be granted to all delegates to the extent possible to attend this meeting virtually. All the delegates are requested to co-operate and give their cell numbers through their branch secretaries for providing you necessary link and password for attending the above meeting.

All are requested to give wide publicity and make it possible for attending the meeting at 11.00 hrs. sharp on 26.04.2021.

The Agenda is again reproduced below :

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2. Annual Accounts
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# WESTERN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' UNION



**Com. J. R. Bhosale, General Secretary is handing over Rs. 52 lacs' cheque to Shri Alok Kansal GM-WR towards Prime Minister Relief Fund**



**Com. J. R. Bhosale, General Secretary is handing over Rs. 25 lacs' cheque to Shri Ajit Pawar Dy. Chief Minister, Maharashtra towards Chief Minister Relief Fund with Com. Sanjay Vadhavkar & Vikas Gupte**

# WESTERN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' UNION



Felicitation of Com. J. R. Bhosale by WREU-BRC on his Election as working President of AIRF



Com. J. R. Bhosale Presenting Cash Awards to Cultural Teams of Natya Mahotsava-2021 at CCG in presence of Shri Alok Kansal GMWR & Mrs. Tanuja Kansal, President WRWWO

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Protest Meeting on 12 Feb. 2021 at Mumbai by WREU-BCT



Blood Donation Camp at Vadodara-P by WREU-BRC



Retirement function of Com. Prakash Savalkar, Divisional Chairman WREU-BCT

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Retirement function of Com. S. B. Shrivastav, Divisional Secretary WREU-RTM



Retirement function of Comrades of WREU-BVP



Retirement function of Com. H. S. Pal, Divisional Secretary WREU-ADI

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Real Corona Warrior



Com. Sanjay Suryabali, Jt. Divisional Secretary, WREU-ADI



Celebration of International Women's Day - 2021 by WREU-ADI



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## GENERAL HOLIDAYS (CALENDAR 2021) RESTRICTED HOLIDAYS

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GENERAL HOLIDAYS OF ALL DIVISIONS & UNITS				OPEN LINE HOLIDAYS (NH) OF ALL DIVISIONS			
Republic Day	26-01-2021	Ganesh Chaturthi	10-09-2021	Republic Day	26-01-2021	Independence Day / Pateti	15-08-2021
Holi (2nd Day)	29-03-2021	Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti	02-10-2021	Holi (2nd Day)	29-03-2021	Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti	02-10-2021
Ramzan Eid / Akshaya Tritiya	14-05-2021	Dasshera	15-10-2021	Ramzan Eid / Akshaya Tritiya	14-05-2021		
Independence Day / Pateti	15-08-2021	Diwali / Laxmi Pujan	04-11-2021				

  

GENERAL HOLIDAYS OF DIVISIONS & UNITS SHOWN AGAINST THEM				OPEN LINE HOLIDAYS (NH) OF DIVISIONS SHOWN AGAINST THEM			
Makarsankranti Pongal / Bihu	14-01-2021	Id-Ul-Zuha (Bakri Id)	21-07-2021	Makarsankranti Pongal / Bihu	14-01-2021	Raksha Bandhan	22-08-2021
Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti	19-02-2021	Janmashtami (2nd Day)	31-08-2021	Mahashivratri	11-03-2021	Janmashtami (2nd Day)	31-08-2021
Mahashivratri	11-03-2021	Deepavali (Dhantryodashi)	02-11-2021	Good Friday	02-04-2021	Ganesh Chaturthi	10-09-2021
Good Friday	02-04-2021	Deepavali (Narak Chaturdashi)	03-11-2021	Gudi Padwa / Cheti Chand	13-04-2021	Dasshera	15-10-2021
Gudi Padwa / Cheti Chand	13-04-2021	Diwali-Bali Pratipada	05-11-2021	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti	14-04-2021	Deepavali (Laxmi Pujan)	04-11-2021
Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti	14-04-2021	Chhat Pooja	10-11-2021	Ram Navmi	21-04-2021	Deepavali (Bali Pratipada)	05-11-2021
Ram Navmi	21-04-2021	Guru Nanak Jayanti	19-11-2021	Maharashtra Day / Labour Day	01-05-2021	Deepavali (Bhaiduj)	06-11-2021
Maharashtra Day / Labour Day	01-05-2021	Christmas	25-12-2021	Buddha - Purnima	26-05-2021	Guru Nanak Jayanti	19-11-2021
Buddha - Purnima	26-05-2021			Id-Ul-Zuha (Bakri Id)	21-07-2021	Christmas	25-12-2021

# WESTERN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' UNION

## Com. President, Distinguished Guests and Comrades,

With immense pleasure, I welcome you all in the 100th Annual General Meeting of Western Railway Employees Union, being held virtually due to COVID-19 situation at Baroda, Gujarat State. I am sorry that we could not organize this 100th AGM physically due to COVID-19 situation and thanks to all colleagues and delegates for their co-operation for attending this virtual AGM. According to our decision we have celebrated our Century programme virtually on 1st August, 2020. We are proud that we have completed 100 glorious years in service of the railway workers on 1st August, 2020. The programme you all have witnessed, was praised by many International Leaders such as of ILO, ITF, ITUC, World level and Asia Pacific Level, majority of the Central Trade Union Leaders in India, President and General Secretaries of HMS and AIRF, all the General Secretaries of affiliates of All India Railwaymen's Federation and many Veteran Leaders of this country through their video messages. Veteran Leaders like Medha Patkar, G.G. Parikh and many others, Shri Piyush Goyalji, Hon'ble Minister of Railway, General Managers and other officers of Central and Western Railways, Divisional Railway Manager, Mumbai Central, Chief Personnel Officers of Central and Western Railways and many others have blessed this function through their video recorded Solidarity and Greetings messages. The detailed report of the celebration is published in this report separately.

## HOMAGE

**Rakhal Dasgupta** (89) fondly called as "Dada", President of AIRF and general Secretary/NFRMU, passed away on 21.12.2020 at Apollo Hospital, Guwahati. He started actively participating in railway trade union movement at national level before 194 strike. He was actively participating in all negotiations at National Level. He was a member of Railway Workers Classification Tribunal (RWCT) during 1976-78 along with other important leaders. He led evidences before 3rd to 7th CPC on behalf of AIRF. Condolence Meetings were organized at all over Western Railway by our Headquarter and Divisional Leaders.





**S. S. Rathore**, ex. Divisional Secretary, WREU/RTM breathed his last on 1-1-2020.

**D.L. Meena**, Guard/ST breathed his last on 07.07.2020.

**Dada Samant** Veteran Trade Union Leader breathed his last on 21.04.2020. He was Divisional Secretary of Mumbai Division for 10 years.

**Nivruti W. Bhujbal**, Father in law of Smt. Chitra Bhujbal, Zonal Women Convener, breathed his last on 25.05.2020.

**S.K. Jadeja**, Branch Secretary, Khambhaliya Branch of RJT Division breathed his last on 25-5-2020.

**Smt. Sushilaben Pundlik Pawar**, mother of Santosh Pawar, DS-BRC and AGS WREU breathed her last on 22.04.2020.

**Smt. Champaben Amrutlal Doshi**, mother of Com. Mukesh Doshi, Divisional Treasurer, BVP breathed her last on 04.05.2020.

**Rajkumar Sharma**, SSE(P.Way) & **Shri Nagesh Shankar Sawant**, T/man of Mumbai Division were knocked down between Santacruz and Khar Road on 07.07.2020

**Rajkumar Singh**, ex-Divisional Vice Chairman, BCT Division breathed last on 3-12-2020.

**Smt. Bhavnaben Mehta**, Wife of Bhavesh Mehta, DOB, Rajkot Division breathed her last on 18.08.2020.

**Smt. Mohini Purohit**, Wife of Late Com. Umraomal Purohit, breathed her last on 17.12.2020. She was an inspiration to late Com. Umraomal Purohitji in his trade union life and always encouraged and supported him. She was a caring personality to all who are associated with WREU/AIRF/HMS. She was a Social Worker and was closely associated with the socialist movement in Mumbai.

**Paresh Trivedi**, Husband of Smt. Sadhana Trivedi, Ex Vice President, WREU and Ex Divl. Chairman, WREU/BRC breathed his last on 30.12.2020.

**Dattatray Chitre** (91), Father-in-Law of Vikas Gupte, breathed his last on 07.02.2021.

**Smt. Bhavnaben Raval**, Ex Vice President/WREU and President HMS Gujarat breathed her last on 07.04.2021.

**Datta Iswalkar**, Socialist Leader and Founder of 'Girni Kamgar Sangharsh Samiti', breathed his last on 07.04.2021. He organized the badly affected Mill Workers of Mumbai due to 1984 Mill Strike and continuously chased the matter with State Government of Maharashtra for allotting homes to them. He along with his colleagues succeeded in allotting homes to the mill workers.

**Mahesh K. Chhaya**, Ex Vice President and ex Divisional Chairman, Rajkot Division breathed his last on 10th April, 2021.

**M.S.Vora**, ex-Branch Secretary, Dhola Branch and ex-Divisional Vice Chairman, BVP Division breathed his last after short illness on 10th April 2021.

**C. C. Rana**, Ex DC-BVP Division, breathed his last on 05.12.2020 and his wife **Shantaben C. Rana** breathed her last on 08.12.2020; they were father and mother of P. C. Rana of WREU-BRC,

**C. D. More**, Chairman, Traffic branch, BRC div. breathed his last on 20.09.2020.

**Meena Baxi**, Chairperson, WREU Women Wing, BRC breathed her last on 21.12.2020.

**Smt. Sulochana Y. Kamble**, Mother of Vishal Kamble, Youth leader, BRC, breathed her last on 10th April, 2021.

**P. N. Jadhav**, Jt. Secretary, ADI-TFC Branch breathed his last on 10th April, 2021.

**Radheshyam Singh**, AEN, Godhra sleeper factory and Ex. Divisional Office Bearer breathed his last on 12.04.2021.

**Mehboobkhan A.** Jt. Secretary, SUNR Branch breathed his last on 10-4-2021

**A.Sethuraman**, ex-Divisional Chairman, Rajkot breathed his last on 13-4-2021

**Smt. Anjali Vinayak Jamsandekar**, mother of Praful Jamsandekar, Treasurer, Parel workshop branch expired on 19-4-2021 due to short illness.

**Chandrakant Parab**, father of Ajay Parab of Parel Mahalaxmi Branch expired on 16-4-2021.

**Jayesh Patel**, Chairman, WREU, BL Branch breathed his last on 21-4-2021.

More than 1,75,000 persons died due to Corona Pandemic. Hundreds of persons laid their lives in natural calamities and armed force personnels while protecting our nation.

## **CENTENARY CELEBRATION OF WESTERN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' UNION**

On completion of 100 years of establishment, Western Railway Employees' Union, earlier known as Bombay Baroda & Central India Railway Employees' Union celebrated a grand centenary celebration on 1st August 2020. Although WREU decided to celebrate this occasion at Shanmukhananda Hall Mumbai, along with Annual General Meeting of WREU and AIRF together, but due to prevailing COVID-19 pandemic, the celebration was organized through virtual mode on Zoom App and the program was telecasted live on YouTube channel.

The session of celebration presided over by Com. R.C.Sharma, President was started at 11.00 hrs. Before start of proceedings, the condolence motion was moved and all the delegates paid homage to the employees and their family members who left for heavenly abode due to COVID-19, by observing two minutes silence. The celebration started with union song and presenting shawl & bouquet to Com. R. C.Sharma, Com. J.R.Bhosale, President and General Secretary, WREU and Com. Venu P. Nair, General Secretary, NRMU-C.Rly& AGS-AIRF. While welcoming other distinguished guests, Com. J. R. Bhosale, General Secretary specially welcomed Shri.SharadPawar ji, President NCP and Ex. Central Minister of Defence, Agriculture & Ex-Chief Minister–Maharashtra by presenting shawl and bouquet and requested him to inaugurate the Centenary Celebration. Shri. Sharad Pawar ji, in his inaugural speech expressed heartening on completion of 100 years of WREU. Completing 100 years of service to Railwaymen in different political and social situation is a great achievement, he mentioned. In his address he remembered late Com. Umraomal Purohit, late Com. Jagdish Ajmera, S. M. Joshi, S. R. Kulkarni, Manohar Kotwal, Dr.Shanti Patel, BhauPhatak, Madhu Dandavate and many other leaders, who contributed a lot in the national trade union movement in general and railway in particular.

After inauguration a documentary containing 100 years' history of WREU in brief, was released. General Secretary Com. J. R. Bhosale, on being called spoke about the struggle, sacrifices of leaders and cadre and achievements of WREU since its establishment, which has been instrumental in social, economic development of railway employees and improvement in working conditions with respect to changes in industry in the past. WREU leadership led the trade union movement in railways and nationally and internationally made WREU an ethical organization, he added. Com. Bhosale remembered legendary leaders viz. Shri Rai Saheb



Chandrika Prasad Tiwari, Shri. S.H. Jhabwala, Shri Jamanadas Mehta, Shri Bhikundas Master, Kumari Maniben Kara, Shri Jagdish Ajmera, Shri Umraomal Purohit, Shri. J. P. Chaube, Shri S. Guruswamy, Shri D. D. Vashistha, Shri T. N. Bajpai, Shri.Priya Gupta, Shri C. S. Menon and others who have wrapped up their lives for services of Railwaymen through WREU and founded the golden history.

The recorded video of solidarity and greeting messages received from International organizations, on the occasion, have been released, which includes, Brother Guy Ryder, Director General ILO, Sister Sheron Burrow, General Secretary, ITUC, Brother Stephen Cotton, General Secretary, ITF, and Brother Shoya Yoshida, General Secretary, ITUC-AP. Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Railways, in his message categorically mentioned that completing 100 years by a trade union in an organization like railways is very name worthy. He appreciated the functioning of leaders. In addition, the messages received from Shri Anand Khati, DG-HR, Railway Board, Dr. G.G. Parikh, veteran socialist leader, Shri Raja Shridhar, President, HMS, and Shri Sanjay Mittal, General Manager, Central Railway have also released.

Shri Alok Kansal, General Manager, Western Railway, while addressing critically analyzed the union song and said we the railway men can truly change the world. He also mentioned the contribution of WREU in maintaining industrial relation and overall functioning of western railway. Com. Rakhal Dasgupta, President, AIRF, Com. Harbhajan Singh Sidhu, General Secretary, HMS, Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary, AIRF, have mentioned of challenges ahead due to government policies and appealed to be ready for struggle. Com. Venu P Nair, General Secretary, NRMU, Shri G.V.L. Satya Kumar, DRM-BCT has also addressed the meeting. Shri Vijay Purohit, younger son of L/Com. Umraomal Purohitji blessed the organization on the occasion on behalf of his mother Smt. Mohiniben Purohit.

The written messages received from leaders of prominent organizations of country viz. M. Raghavaiah, GS-NFIR, Shri Alok Kumar, AGM-WR, Shri M.N. Dadabhoy, AGM-C.Rly., Shri Sanjay Suri, PCPO-WR, Brother Dagmar Walter, Director, ILO, Shri Shankar Shah, GS-AIUTUC, Shri Birjesh Upadhyaya, GS-BMS, Smt. Amarjeet Kaur, General Secretary-AITUC, Shri Amar Singh Thakur, GS-MUI, Shri Vidhyadhar Rane, GS-ASSR & GW, Shri Kishor M Kotwal, President, T&DW Union, Shri J. G. Mahurkar, GS-WRMS, Smt. Shakuntala Waval, President-AISCSTREA, Shri N. Kanniah, Working President-AIRF & GS-SRMU, Smt. Jaya Agarwal, Women leader-AIRF, Shri Shankar Rao, GS-SCRMU, Shri A.M.D'cruz,

GS-SWRMU, Shri Amit Ghose, GS ERMU, Shri Gautam Mukharjee, GS-SERMU, Shri K. L. Gupta, GS-NERMU, Shri P. K. Patsani, GS-ECRSU, Shri S.P.N.Shrivastva, GS-ECRKU, Shri S. K. Tyagi, President-NRMU, Shri Suresh Nair, Finance Secretary, AIIT, Shri Ramnath Patil, President-AIOBCREA-WR, have been released on screen.

On this occasion video messages of greeting received from Shri Abdul GaniSerang, General Secretary, NUSI & Executive Board Member of ITF, Shri Sayyad Sultanuddin Ahmed, ILO-DWT South Asia, Shri P. K. Walanj, GS-HMS-Gujrat, Shri Sanjay Vadhavkar, GS-HMS-Maharashtra, Shri Govindlal Sharma, General Secretary-HMS-Madhya Pradesh, Shri Mukesh Galav, GS-WCREU, Shri Mukesh Mathur, GS-NWREU, Shri R. D. Yadav, GS-NCRMU, Col. Ranade Retd. Sainik Welfare Association, Dr. A. K. Sinha, PCPO-C.Rly, Shri Sangam Tripathi, ITF-Delhi and messages from many other organizations have also released.

During centenary celebration WREU remembered the bellowed departed comrades and short film of their photos shared on screen.

In the conclusion Com. J. R. Bhosale, General Secretary mentioned that WREU though decided to celebrate this centenary by hosting AIRF Annual General Meeting but due to pandemic and restrictions imposed by government this could not made possible for us. Com. Bhosale, mentioned the names of comrades and said that we wanted to facilitate all such comrades those who are alive and contributed in the functioning of WREU but due to prevailing situation this could not be possible. He further spoke on documentary released that, the 100 years history of WREU is of rich and cannot be accommodated in such a short documentary and assured to expand the same by adding leftover pages of history. He narrated in brief total history of BB & CI Railway Employees Union and Western Railway Employees Union and sacrifices of our earlier generation in increasing the height of this union in labour movement of the world. Com. Bhosale said the centenary celebration would be organized physically when the situation is normalized. Com. Bhosale described his own contribution from active worker in 1965, branch treasurer, zonal treasurer to General Secretary in WREU and Treasurer of AIRF/HMS and Internal Auditor in ICFTU/ITUC for more than 15 years. He further spoke regarding the demands of Railway men such as scrapping of NPS, opposing the multi skilling and merger of cadre, payment of DA and DR for the period of 1.1.2020 to 30.6.2021, filling up of all vacant posts, creation of adequate cadre for new assets and many other pending issues. Com. Bhosale thanked all headquarter Office Bearers, Divisional Chairman, Secretaries and entire team of leaders, Branch Chairmen, Secretaries and all activists and

youth and women leaders and their team at all levels in WREU for their hard work for giving successful services to the Railway men during last 100 years. He also congratulated the entire cadre for their preparation and celebration by organizing number of programs at division and branch level by decorating the union offices on the completion of 100 years' service at branch, division, workshop, stores level all over the western railway and other branches of AIRF affiliated Unions more particularly branches of NWREU and WCREU and NCREU which were the part of WREU before the new zones came to existences on 1.10.2002. He thanked all the distinguished guests and participants for their support. He mentioned that the history of WREU is a golden history of evidence of sacrifices, struggles and achievements. Now it is our turn to make history for the time to come, he added. He appealed the entire cadre to be ready for ensuing struggle against privatization of Indian Railways and other anti-labor policies of present government.

At the last Com. R. C. Sharma, President had again thanked all distinguished guests and participants. The function was concluded by shouting slogans WREU Zindabad, Centenary Celebration Zindabad.

The celebration was a grand success and joined by more than 250 and witnessed by about 1500 on YouTube channel.

## **THE 99th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF WESTERN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' UNION**

The 99th Annual General Meeting of Western Railway Employees' Union, Central Executive Committee Meeting, General Council and Working Committee meeting were concurrently held at New Railway Institute Sabarmati from 21st to 22nd December 2019.

### **PROCESSION**

A largely-attended procession of Railwaymen, belonging to different divisions, workshops and other branches, across the Western Railway, was taken out from Sabarmati (MG) Railway Station in the afternoon on 21st December 2019, wherein around 3000 Railwaymentook part. The participants' carrying placards depicting the demand – "Scrap NPS – restore Old Pension scheme, stop privatization of Railways, restore LARSGESS, etc." and were shouting the slogans.

The entire path of the procession was well decorated with Flex Banners, Patakas, Red flags and decorated gates en route. The procession after passing through Old, New Railway Colony and Divisional Railway Hospital, culminated in a mass meeting at New Railway Institute Sabarmati.

## **OPEN SESSION**

The open session of 99th Annual Convention started at 16.30 hrs.in the beautifully decorated huge Pandal at New Railway Institute Campus, Sabarmati on 21st December 2019.Com. R.C. Sharma, President–WREU, presided over the open session. Distinguished guests, Com. Shiv Gopal Mishra, General Secretary – AIRF, Shri. B. K. Bihani, CPO (IR), Sh. Deepak Kumar Jha, DRM – Ahmedabad, Sh. P.N.Shinde, ADRM, Com. J R Bhosale, General Secretary – WREU, Com. Mukesh Mathur, General Secretary – NWREU, Com. Jayanti Panchal, General Secretary – Gujarat Mazdoor Panchayat, Com. Nandu Deshpande, Co-coordinator Central Govt. Trade Unions in Gujarat, Sh. Sushil Bishnoi, Sr. DPO-Ahmedabad were present on the dias. The open session was inaugurated by dignitaries jointly by lighting the Lamp. Com. H.S.Pal Divisional Secretary-ADI, the host division, welcome all the distinguish guests, Central Office Bearers, Divisional Secretaries & Chairman, Secretaries/Chairman Workshops, Zonal Chairperson & Convener Youth & Woman wings present on the dais and felicitated them by garlanding.

Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, in his inaugural speech, expressed his serious concern on Privatization/Outsourcing/Corporatization in the Railways. While speaking, he mentioned that higher operating ratio and loss to Railways are result of impractical policies made by Government. Whereas, every year more than 400 Railwaymen sacrifice their lives to move wheels of the railways, he added. He further spoke about earlier attempts to privatize the Railways, but the consistent strong protest of AIRF foiled Government tirade. He spoke on recently held Parivartan Sangoshti in Railway Board, amendment in the Labor Laws, NPS, Secret Ballot Election, non-filling up of large number of vacancies, promotional avenue of the staff particularly staff in Level-1, LARSGESS and other pending demands of Railwaymen. Com. Mishra mentioned that in the AIRF AGM held at Chennai the Government has been warned to withdraw the policy of privatization and unanimously decided to go for halt the wheel of Railways. He appealed for all out preparation to meet with challenge ahead. Com. Mukesh Mathur, General Secretary-NWREU also addressed the open session and appealed to be ready for struggle to save Railways.



Sh. Deepak Jha, DRM–ADI expressed his happiness on grand and successful of open session. CPO-IR, Sh.B.K.Bihani, mentioned that any of demand put before by WREU is always taken seriously and made efforts to resolve within frame of prevalent rules. Shri Jha and Shri Bihani both congratulated WREU and wished all success to 99th convention. Com. J.R.Bhosale, General Secretary narrated in brief the history, and functioning of WREU.

Thereafter, Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, Sh. Deepak Jha, Sh. B.K.Bihani, and other distinguished guests jointly released a beautiful souvenir published on this occasion. General Secretary thanked all the dignitaries who attended the open session and graced the function.

### **DELEGATE SESSION**

The delegate session was held at the same venue on 22nd December 2019. Com. R.C.Sharma, President – WREU was in chair. Before start of proceedings, the condolence motion was moved and all the delegates paid homage to the comrades who left for heavenly abode since last AGM, by observing two minutes silence. Com. Harbhajan Singh Siddhu, General Secretary, Hind Mazdoor Shabha, who joined the session, was honored by garlanding and presenting memento Com.Harbhajan Singh Siddhu while addressing the session said that WREU is one of the oldest and strong union in Railways, Late Shri Umraomal Purohit leaded the national and railway trade union movement for decades, he added. Com. Sidhu criticized the Government policies which resulting the entire working class is facing worsts ever phase and their hard earned worker’s trade union rights are onslaught through labor laws reforms. He mentioned in detail about the Industrial Relation Code 2019, allowing 100 percent FDI and PPP / privatization in Indian Railways, national economic condition, unemployment etc. He appreciated the decision of indefinite general strike in the recently AGM of AIRF held at Chennai. Com. Harbhajan appealed the cadre of AIRF / WREU to support one day nationwide General Strike on 8th January 2020 called by All Central Trade Unions. Shri. Mahendra Sharma, Ex Secretary – ITF (Asia Pacific) and Com. P K Walanj, General Secretary, HMS – Gujarat and Western Railway Contractor Employees’ Union have also joined and graced the session. Com. P.K.Walanj during his address mentioned the fundamentals of socialism and stressed upon to support unorganized labor struggling for their livelihood. He remembered his long association with WREU and gave best wishes. Shri



Mahendra Sharma also addressed the gathering. General Secretary Com. J. R. Bhosale on being called, placed his report, followed by Account and appointment of Auditor for the year 2020 by Treasurer Com. Vikas Gupte. While placing his report, Com. Bhosale mentioned that report is though brief, but includes all important events and activities of all divisions, workshops and non-divisional branches during the year. He thanked one and all for their total co-operation and support during entire period. Com. Vivek Kamble and Com. Geeta Pandoria, Zonal Conveners of Youth and Women wings, WREU placed activities conducted by Youth and Women wings during the year.

After presentation of General Secretary's report, Accounts, following Resolutions, which were unanimously passed in 95th Annual Convention of AIRF held at Chennai on 4-6 December 2019, were proposed and seconded by comrades listed below:

Resolution No.1 - Save Railway-Save Nation, No.2 - Withdraw Industrial Relation Code-2019, No.3 - National Scenario, No.4 - Secret Ballot Election, No.5 - Stop disinvestment of the CONCOR, No.6 - Unorganized Workers and No.7 - Save BSNL, were moved by Com. Santosh Pawar and seconded by Com. Nikhil Joshi.

Resolution No.8 - Charter of Demands was moved by Com. S.B.Shrivastva and seconded by Com. S.K.Shrivastva.

Resolution No.9 - Indefinite Strike was moved by Com. P. Rajan and seconded by Com. Dinesh Panchal.

Resolution No.10 - Capacity building of Women Fraternity was moved by Com. Perin Sophia Harsh and seconded by Com. Ranjeeta.

Resolution No.11 -Clarion Call to Young generation of the Railwaymen, moved by Com. Javed Haldarva and seconded by Com. Dikshant Pandya.

14 delegates participated in the deliberation, viz. Com. H. S. Pal, Niraj Nirala, Bharat Makwana, Ghanshyam Yadav, Manoj Pandey, Ravikant Baghel, Parul Rajvi, R. V. Mehta, Bhavesh Mehta, Gopal Pradhan, Dhananjay Dangi, Nagabhushanam, Harendra Pandit, and Harkesh Meena.

The convention appointed Election Tribunal comprising Com. Vinod Manjrawala as convener, Com. Dinesh Panchal and Com. Vivek Kamble as members. This was not election year, however, against one vacant post of Central Office Bearer Com. Nikhil Joshi, Divisional Secretary/Rajkot was unanimously elected as Vice President.

Com. President and General Secretary in their concluding address thanked all the guests, well-wishers, decorator, caterers, print and electronic media. They also thanked delegates, visitors and WREU activists for their active participation and co-operation. The convention also thanked administration in general and DRM Ahmedabad and his team in particular for their co-operation in successful conducting of the Annual General Convention. The convention specially thanked Com. Dinesh Panchal and Com. H.S.Pal Divisional Chairman and Divisional Secretary Ahmedabad respectively, all divisional office bearers, volunteers from different branches, Youth and Women Wings for their tireless services for making excellent arrangements for delegates and visitors and WREU activists for successful conduct of the Convention. The meeting was concluded with a vote of thanks to the chair and shouting slogans- WREU-AIRF-HMS Zindabad.

### **ZONAL WOMEN CONFERENCE**

The Zonal women conference was held concurrently with the 99th AGM of WREU at Sabarmati on 21st December 2019 in the morning. The conference was presided by Com. Seema Kaushik, Vice President-WREU. Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, GS-AIRF, Com. Mukesh Mathur, GS-NWREU, Com.R.C.Sharma, Com.J.R.Bhosale President and General Secretary of WREU respectively and Com. Perin Sophia Harsh, AGS-WREU jointly inaugurated the conference by lighting Lamp. Distinguished guests were felicitated by presenting bouquet. Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra in his inaugural speech said that women conference is truly important as strategy and speed of movement will be lined by them and women comrades should be prepared to lead the movement. He mentioned that AIRF has been fighting for women rights, better working conditions and achieved a lot, still AIRF is committed for the same in changing working conditions. Com. Mukesh Mathur General Secretary-NWREU while addressing, stressed upon effective participation of women in union activities and said WREU is the leading union in providing opportunities to women for leadership.

Com. Geeta Pandoria, Zonal Women convener placed the report of activities since last AGM of WREU. Com. Perin Sophia Harsh, AGS-WREU, placed Resolution "Capacity building of Women Fraternity" which was unanimously passed in Annual Convention of AIRF held at Chennai. She also placed the name of Com. Chitra Bhujbal before house, for the post of Zonal convener. Chairpersons, conveners and activist of WREU Women wing viz. ParulRajvi, Ranjeeta Vaishnav, Jaya Sharma, Kritika Patel, Anjali Korgaokar, Kunda Bokade, Kanak Sharma, Kakoli

Mukharji and Geeta Lodhi took part in deliberation. After deliberation, resolution was adopted and Com. Chitra Bhujbal was elected as new Zonal Convener of WREU unanimously. The conference appreciated the working of Com. Geeta Pandoria as Zonal Convener and felicitated her on being elected as AIRF Working Committee Member. The conference was concluded with thank to Chair and all participants.

## **POLITICAL SITUATION**

The Political and economic situation of this country is not improved, on the contrary it has been worsened due to COVID-19 situation.

## **COVID - 19**

The first human case of COVID-19, was reported by officials in Wuhan City, China, in November 2019. The first case of COVID-19 infection reported in Kerala, India on January 27, 2020. The first case of the COVID-19 pandemic in Maharashtra was confirmed on 9th March 2020. Maharashtra's first death linked to the virus was reported on 17 March, 2020. State officials confirmed 144 new cases at Delhi on 16-03-2020. Janata Curfew was announced from 7 am to 9 pm Sunday, 22 March, to stop the spread of coronavirus. The major spread took place due to gathering in Tablighi Jamaat on 13-03-2020 in which more than 3400 people attended the congregation. Maharashtra Chief Minister, Uddhav Thackeray, imposed curfew in the entire state of Maharashtra on 24-03-2020. Prime Minister addressed the nation on 19-03-2020, 21-03-2020, 31-03-2020, 02-04-2020, 14-04-2020, 26-04-2020 and 11-05-2020 for taking necessary precautions i.e maintaining social distance, use of sanitization and cleanliness. The lockdown was continued till May 2020 and from June onwards series of un-lockdown was continued till better improvement in the states. The passenger traffic on Indian Railway was totally closed during last week of March and April, 2020.

The lockdown was suddenly imposed all over the country from 23-03-2020 which resulted into detention of onboard staff at destination, number of trains where held up at Veraval, Porbunder, Okha and Amritsar. The Western Railway Comrades arranged for food and stay at Veraval, Porbunder, Okha, Rajkot, Surendra Nagar, Ahmedabad, Baroda, Ratlam and also helped onboard staff to reach back to their hometown. Com. Shivagopal Mishra, General Secretary, NRMU and AIRF and his team of workers at Amritsar arranged vehicle for 15 detained



staff of Western Railway at Dera Baba Nanak/Attari border and brought them to Amritsar and made necessary arrangement for stay and food at Amritsar. I thank Com. Mishra and his team of workers at Amritsar for helping Western Railway's staff at Amritsar in difficult time. I also thank Western Railway Employees' Union Comrades for helping in distribution of food packets, water to the migrant workers and detained railway employees at number of places on Western Railway. The Western Railway Employees' Union activist helped the railway men and their families by doing sanitization of railway colonies and distributing Ayurvedic and homeopathic medicines with the help of Staff Benefit Committee. The distribution of mask was done in a very large scale all over the Western Railway during this entire Corona Mahamari period. The effect of Corona Mahamari second wave 2021 is more dangerous than the COVID 2019 all over the world. The Western Railway workers and their families were equally affected and facing this problem in State of Maharashtra, Gujarat, MP and Rajasthan even today. Jagjivan Ram hospital was converted into COVID – 19 hospital and they gave best services which were appreciated by railway Ministry and Government of India.

Since Jagjivan Ram Hospital Mumbai was converted into COVID hospital, WREU represented and succeeded in starting OPD facilities in Rail Nikunj situated in DRM office complex Mumbai Central for Non Covid patients.

The AIRF requested the Prime Minister for starting the passenger trains for helping the migrant workers for reaching to their respective hometown in that difficult situation. The 1st worker special train started on 1st May, 2020. Thereafter some special trains were started with all precautions and restrictions which are still continued. Second attack of corona mahamari again started in the middle of February 2021 and this was at the highest peak in Mumbai and Maharashtra where our HQ office is functioning. Till the time I have written this report no Passenger and Mail Express Trains were started except some special trains in India. The Western Railway gave a very good performance of running Freight Train for the benefit of countrymen for carrying essential goods from one place to other as per the need of General Public. The Western Railway performance for operating the Freight trains, Labour special and Special Passenger trains was much better comparing to another Zonal Railways in India. I have congratulated Shri Alok Kansal ji , General Manager, Western Railway and his team of officers and all Group 'C' and 'D' railway employees who worked very hard for maintenance and running of train services and other activities allotted to them for isolation coaches on 3rd May, 2020.

We all should feel proud for our performance during the Financial year 2020-21 of Western Railway for carrying 80.72 metric ton Freight Traffic i.e 4.7% more than previous year, running of 1027 Special Parcel Trains carrying 3 lac Tons, running of 184 milk special trains carrying 1.35 lacs liters milk, running of 627 Kisan special trains, 125 edited rake carrying 57000 tons, running of 91 Kisan trains carrying 29000 tons, 36128 freight trains with 81.93 metric ton traffic. The Western Railway carried Onion from Madhya Pradesh to Eastern Part of India and Chikoo of Palghar to North India. I once again congratulate Shri Alok Kansal, General Manager, team of officers and railway employees for this remarkable work.

The WREU by taking decision on its working committee held on 31st May 2020 have contributed Rs.25 lacs to Chief Minister Relief Fund (Maharashtra) on 11th June 2020. The cheque was handed over to Shri Ajit Pawarji, Dy. Chief Minister, by me, Treasurer Com. Vikas Gupte and Shri Sanjay Vadhavkar, General Secretary-HMS, Maharashtra. Shri Ajit Pawarji appreciated for contribution of members of WREU and thanked for this contribution for noble cause. The Union also contributed Rs.52 lacs toward Prime Minister Relief Fund. A cheque was handedover to Shri Alok Kansal ji, General Manager, Western Railway at his bungalow for further sending it to Prime Minister Relief Fund through Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Railways on 19-06-2020. The cheque was handed over by Com. Bhosale, Com. P. Rajan and Com. Nagbhushan. General Manager thanked the Western Railway Employees' Union for such good contribution for noble cause and the same cheque was forwarded by him to the Prime Minister Relief Fund.

WREU requested the General Manager in the PNM meeting held on 09-04-2021 for starting of one COVID ward in all the Divisional and Non-Divisional Hospital on Western Railway. The General Manager took the request of WREU seriously and started COVID wards for the benefit of railway men and their families and retired employees at BVP, RJT, ADI, RTM and DHD for starting separate COVID wards. The action of General Manager is highly appreciated by Union and railway men. While writing the report I have again requested General Manager for starting separate COVID wards at GIM- ADI division and BL-BCT division. To treat the patients is a very difficult task for the Doctors and Para Medical staff. 747 Doctors have lost their lives due to this COVID-19 situation. We should thank all the Doctors and Para Medical staff for treating COVID and Non COVID patients successfully. I once again thank all the railway men for their brave work during last one year in COVID 2019 pandemic situation all over the Western Railway.

## MAZDOOR EKTA DIWAS

WREU observed 'Mazdoor Ekta Diwas' on 27th February, 2020 to remember Late Com. Umraomal Purohit, Ex. President, WREU/AIRF/ITF, Ex. General Secretary & Chief Advisor/HMS & Ex Secretary, NC-JCM (Staff Side), on his Sixth Death Anniversary. A Seminar on "Proposed Changes in Labour Laws" was organized in Jagdish Ajmera Sabhagruh, Grant Road (West), Mumbai to mark the occasion. Prior to start of the Seminar, the leaders paid tribute to Late Com. Umraomalji by garlanding his portrait and lighting lamp in front of the portrait. Com. J. R. Bhosale, GS/WREU, Com. Sanjay Vadhavkar, General Secretary, HMS (Maharashtra), Com. P. J. Shinde, President/NRMU, Com. Venu P. Nair, General Secretary/NRMU, Com. Abdul GaniSerang, General Secretary/NUSI, Com. Sudhakar Aparaj, General Secretary, MbPTD&GE Union, Dr. (Smt.) Vijayalaxmi, d/o of Late Com. Umraomalji, were on dais. Com. Arun Manore, Wkg. President NRMU(CR), R.P. Gupta, Vikas Gupte, Pravin Bhargav, Prakash Savalkar, Rajan, Dilip Jadhav, Vivek Kamble, D.Y. Mahale, Ajay Purohit, Vijay Purohit, Amit Shirke (son-in-law of Umraomalji), Geeta Pandoria and large number of WREU comrades were present in the function.

At the outset, Com. Sanjay Vadhavkar briefly narrated about the proposed Labour Codes and what are the draw backs in the proposed legislation and how it will affect the working class in the country. He stated that the Fixed Term Employment proposed in the new Labour Code will take away right of permanency and if the proposed legislation is passed and implemented it will be death knell to the working class. Com. Abdul GaniSerang mentioned that instead of going on telling about danger paused to the trade union movements in every platform, we should formulate some concrete things to do so as to deter the government from pursuing anti-labour policies. Com. Venu P. Nair while talking on the subject remembered the actions of Com. Purohitji as Secretary of JCM (Staff Side) & President/AIRF in guiding workers and compelling the management for stopping their actions against the interest of the industry and railway workers. He also stressed the need of strong action to prevent privatization of Indian Railway in the present circumstances. Com. Bhosale in his speech briefly mentioned about the latest developments and the discussions held in this regard in the meeting held in ILO Office, New Delhi, on 18.02.2020 in which he was also present. Com. Sudhakar Aparaj and Com. P. J. Shinde also expressed their views and highlighted the challenges before the trade unions. The speakers while



expressing their views on the subject remembered Late Com. Umraomalji's contributions for strengthening the trade union movement not only at national level but also internationally through ITF as its President for two consecutive terms and his visionary leadership was appreciated by one and all. Late Com. Umraomalji was always giving importance to youth and women in the activities of the union and following his path, Youth & Women Wings of WREU have taken steps for organizing number of sports activities all over Western Railway to unite the youth to strengthen the solidarity and sportsman spirit amongst them. Com. Prashant Kanade anchored the whole programme.

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**Shradhanjali Sabhas** were also organized by all the divisions and non-divisional units over entire western Railway on 27.02.2021 and WREU comrades paid tribute to Late Com. Umraomal Purohit on his 7th death anniversary. Western railway pensioners association under the leadership of Com. R. P. Gupta organized condolence meeting at Borivali Union Office Mumbai on 28.02.2021 which was attended by large number of pensioners.

## TRIBUTE TO LATE COM. UMRAOMAL PUROHIT ON HIS 6TH DEATH ANNIVERSARY

On 27.02.2020 on the 6th Death Anniversary of Late Com. Umraomal Purohit, WREU comrades all over Western Railway remembered the departed leader by organizing Shradhanjali sabhas and paid rich tribute to Late Com. Umraomalji.

**WREU BRC Division** organized “Shradhanjali Sabha” in Union offices at PRTN Union office. Com. Santosh Pawar, Vijay Sengar, Jayanti Kala, Sanjay Pawar & other DOBs, all Branch Secretaries/Chairman, leaders of Women Wing & Youth Wings and WREU comrades and its supporters were present in Shradhanjali program and paid tribute to Late Com. Umraomalji. Com. Santosh Pawar recalled the sacrifices of Late Com. Umraomal Purohit and lauded the roll of Com. Umraomal Purohit in trade union movement in India and remembered his yeomen service to Railwaymen.

**WREU ADI Division** organised a programme at Divisional Hospital, Sabarmati on 27th February, 2020. The function started by garlanding the photo of Late Com. Umraomalji by Com. R. C. Sharma, President/WREU. Com. Dinesh Panchal, H.S. Pala and other DOBs, WREU activists from the different branches, Dr. Manoj, Dr. Sushant and ANO Smt. Kanta Parmar were present in the function. Com. R. C. Sharma narrated the life sketch of Com. Umraomalji and his valuable contribution in upliftment of the working class in general and railwaymen in particular. Com. Dinesh Panchal and Com. H.S. Pal also spoke on the occasion. All the participants paid floral tribute to Late Com. Umraomalji and observed two minutes silence. The programme was concluded by distributing fruits and napkins to Indoor patients of Railway Hospital.

**Dahod Workshop Branch** in a meeting organized in G.B. Sukhi Sabhakash on 27.02.2020 by all the four branches of Dahod area, the leaders and activists of WREU paid rich tributes to Late Com. Umraomal Purohit.

## LATE COM. UMRAOMAL PUROHIT MEMORIAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT

Youth Wing of Mumbai assisted by activists from BCT Division, CCG-GLO, CCG-Accounts, PL-MX Workshops and EMU Workshop/MX organized a Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament in memory of Late Com. Umraomal Purohit under the aegis of Maniben Kara Foundation at Mahalaxmi Sports Complex from 25th to 27th February, 2020, in which 24 teams from different departments participated. The tournament was inaugurated by lighting lamp and garlanding the portrait of Late





Com. Umraomalji by Shri S. K. Sharma, ADRM(T)BCT and Com. J. R. Bhosale, GS/WREU, in presence of Shri Unmesh Trivedi, Sr.DPO-BCT, Shri Sumit Thakur, Sr.DEN(South)BCT & Hon. Secretary/BDSA, Shri Kalimmuthu, Dy.CME(EMU)/MX, Shri P. K. Yadav, Dy. CEE/PL, Shri Abhinav Bansal, PE, MX Workshop, Shri Chandrashekar, AEN(Track) and Com. R.P. Gupta, Prashant Kanade, Pravin Bhargav, Prakash Savalkar, Rajan, Jitendra Singh, Dilip Jadhav, D.Y. Mahale and other comrades of WREU. This was the sixth year of conducting this tournament in memory of Late Com. Umraomalji and before the opening ceremony at Mahalaxmi Sports Ground on 25th February at 10.00 A.M., two minutes silence was observed for paying tributes to Late Com. Umraomal Purohit.

Semi-final and final matches were played on 27th February, 2020, which were witnessed by Shri Aditya Kumar, CPO(G)CCG, Shri Kalimmuthu, Shri Abhinav Bansal, Com. Amarsingh Thakur, General Secretary, Sudhir Pagar, Secretary, Balkrishna Ranade, PRO respectively of Maritime Union of India, P. B. Bhargav, Dilip Jadhav, Rajan and large number of WREU comrades. Com. J. R. Bhosale, Vikas Gupte, Prashant Kanade and other office bearers of the division and workshop branch and large number of WREU activists. Shri Vijay Purohit, son of Late Com. Umraomal Purohit was also present to witness the final match. In the final match played between teams of Valsad Loco Shed and TL-Lower Parel, the team of Valsad Loco Shed emerged victorious.

The trophies/prizes and cash awards were distributed by distinguished guests, viz. CPO(G) and other distinguished guests to Winner, Runner-up, Man-of-the-Match (Chetan of BL Locoshed), Man-of-the-Series & Best Batsmen (Sharad of BL Locoshed), Best Bowler (Vinayak – TL-Lower Parel) and Best Fielder (Bharat of BL Locoshed), etc. Medals were presented to all the members of the winner and runner-up teams and mementos were given to all the distinguished guests.

Com. Vivek Kamble, Zonal Youth Convener with the support of Youth Wing activists, viz. Com. Agnel, Santosh Jangam, ChandrahasManchekar, Vivek Dhanavade, Rakesh Singh, Kannan, Abbas Rizvi, Shekhar Dhasal, Anand Jadhav, Ravindra Jadhav, Yashwant Patil, Deepak Patil and others under the guidance of Prashant Kanade, P. B. Bhargava, Vikas Gupte, Rajan P., Milind Thakur, Dilip Jadhav and Pramod Birje organized the tournament. S/Shri R. S. Khedekar of CFO Branch/BCT sponsored the Tennis Balls and Caps. Shri Rangaswamy rendered necessary help/facilities for smooth conduct of the tournament. Com. Rajan P. anchored the Opening and Closing programmes and also prize distribution function.

## TRIBUTE TO OUR FORMER LEADERS

In the memory of our former Leaders viz. Late Comrade J.P.Choubey, Ex.-General Secretary, AIRF, Comrades Shri Jagdish Ajmera, Ex.Chief Advisor and Ex. President WREU, Comrade C.S.Menon, Ex. General Secretary, WREU were remembered in small meetings at different places due to COVID-19 situation.

## FELICITATION TO COM. J. R. BHOSALE

In the Online Working Committee Meeting of AIRF held on 28th and 29th December, 2020, Com. N. Kannaiya, Com. J. R. Bhosale and Com. Ch. Shankara Rao were unanimously elected as President, Working President and Treasurer of AIRF respectively.

**Mumbai Division** organized a grand function on 7th January, 2021 in Jagdish Ajmera Sabhagrih, Grant Road (West), Mumbai, for felicitating, Com. J. R. Bhosale on his being elected as Working President of AIRF. Com. Prashant Kanade, AGS-WREU & Divisional Secretary, WREU BCT Division coordinated the function. On this occasion Com. Prakash Savalkar and Com. Prashant Deshmukh were honoured for being nominated as Working Committee members of AIRF and Com. Rajan was also honoured for being elected as Chairman of BCT Division.

Com. Bhosaleji was profusely garlanded and honoured by presenting him Shawl and wearing Turban amidst shouting slogans of WREU-AIRF Zindabad, Com. J. R. Bhosale Zindabad. Branch Secretaries and Chairmen of most of the branches of Mumbai Division/Parel Workshop and Churchgate branches expressed their happiness on elevation of Com. Bhosaleji to important post of the Federation and wished him all success in his future endeavour. Com. R. P. Gupta, Com. Vikas Gupte, Com. P. B. Bhargava in their respective speeches congratulated Com. Bhosale and stated that Com. Bhosaleji deserve the post by all means looking to his vast experience, knowledge, his oratory, ability to collect and analyze various data and skill of presenting it effectively before various fora for solving the grievances of railwaymen, lifting their status in the society and improving their working conditions. The speakers one after other also praised the services rendered by newly nominated W.C. members of AIRF from WREU and Com. Rajan on becoming the Chairman of BCT Division. Com. Prakash Savalkar and Com. Prashant Deshmukh expressed their gratitude towards the highest leadership of WREU for nominating them as AIRF Working Committee members.



Com. Bhosale in his speech thanked all the leaders and comrades for the support he enjoys while working in different capacities in various organizations, WREU, AIRF, HMS and ITUC. He mentioned about Railway Board's various proposals towards privatization and contracterization and exhorted the gathering for strong protests against the same to save Indian Railways. He informed about the proposed Medical Insurance Scheme in place of the present Railway Health Scheme. He also enlightened the participants about various achievements of AIRF and WREU during the COVID pandemic situation and also explained about the pending demands of the Railwaymen.

While concluding the function and conveying vote of thanks, Com. Rajan thanked all for attending the function and expressed his gratitude for his elevation as Divisional Chairman of WREU Mumbai Division.

**WREU BRC Division** felicitate Com. J. R. Bhosale on his being elected as Working President of AIRF on 19.01.2021 in the Pratapnagar Auditorium. DRM-BRC, All Branch Officers, Com. P. K. Walanj, General Secretary HMS – Gujarat, Advovate Jitubhai Pandya, Sr. leader of INTUC- Gujarat attended this function. Com. Bhosale was profusely garlanded and offered shawl and Shreephal. All the speakers congratulated Com. Bhosale and praise his tremendous work done at zonal and federation level for resolving the issues of railwaymen. Com. Santosh Pawar, DS WREU BRC division co ordinated the entire program.

On his arrival at **BVP division** on.24.03.2021 for prize distribution ceremony of Cricket tournament, Com. Bhosale was felicitated in a huge gathering in presence of DRM and ADRM.

Other division were also planning to Felicitate Com. Bhosale on his elevation to the post of Working President of AIRF but could not arrange it due to the second wave of COVID-19.

Comrade of **NRMU (Nortern Railway)** organized a grand felicitation function in T. N. Bajpai Sabhagruh on 25th February, 2021 to felicitate Comrades N. Kanniahas a President on vacancy due to death of Late Shri Rakhhal Dasgupta, Com. J.R. Bhosale, working President against the vacancy of Com. N.Kanniahand Shri Shankara Rao, Treasurer and Shri Aashish Vishwas as Assistant General Secretary. Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary/AIRF was the chief guest.

## PRESENT SCENERIO OF INDIAN RAILWAY

On 09.08.2020, Western Railway Employees' Union (WREU) protested against privatization of Indian Railways and observed **"Save Railways – Save Country"** programme all over Western Railway. In Mumbai, WREU activists participated in protest programme of all Central Trade Unions held at Grant Road Railway Station (West). Com. J.R. Bhosale, General Secretary/WREU & Treasurer/HMS joined the delegation of trade unions' leaders for paying tribute to martyrs of 1942 Quit India Movement at August Kranti Maidan, Gowalia Tank, Grant Road, Mumbai.

WREU organized a Seminar on the subject **"Rail Bachao – Desh Bachao"** on 09.08.2020 from 15.00 hrsto 18.30hrsthrough Video Conference. The Seminar was presided over by Com. R. C. Sharma, President/WREU. All were welcomed by Com. J. R. Bhosale, General Secretary/WREU. The Seminar was inaugurated by Com. Rakhal Dasgupta, President/AIRF. Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary/AIRF, Com. Harbhajan Singh Sidhu, General Secretary/HMS, Com. Raja Sridhar, President/HMS, Com. R.C. Sharma, President/WREU, Com. J.R. Bhosale, General Secretary/WREU, Dr. G.G. Parikh, veteran socialist leader, Smt. Medha Patkar, social worker, Shri Yogesh Mishra, ZRUCC Member, Shri Kiran Shah, leading advocate, Shri Kamal Mishra, Editor, Mumbai Mirror, Shri Mahendra Sharma, Ex ITF Regional Secretary, participated in the discussion.

All the speakers pointed out that privatization of railways will not only affect railway workers but also will badly affect the common public using railways as an economic mode of transport, which is the cheapest in India and general public cannot afford other mode of transport. There will be no alternative transport system available to the general citizen of India. They opined that since Indian Railways is a public utility service, it should not be treated as a commercial undertaking.

Since privatization of railways is against the interest of rail users and none of the political parties ruled this country previously and which presently rules this country have not taken opinion of the citizen of this country either as a part of their manifesto or by referendum, unilateral decision of the present government to privatize Indian Railways is deplorable. Therefore, it is proposed to request the President and General Secretary of HMS and AIRF to have detailed discussion



in their Working Committee meetings for approaching to Members of Parliament and Railway Users for creating pressure on the present Government that they should not privatize Railway system being a public utility service keeping in view experiences of other countries of the world where privatization of railway has miserably failed, such as U.K. Australia, New Zealand, etc. General Secretaries of HMS and AIRF have highly appreciated the discussions took place in the Seminar and assured that they will discuss this issue in their respective working committees for taking this issue before general public.

## **HIND MAZDOOR SABHA**

Hind Mazdoor Sabha held its working committee in Delhi on 15th and 16th February, 2020. It has been unanimously decided to postpone Annual General Convection proposed to be held in Nagpur due to prevailing situation. The HMS all India working committee meetings were held on 17-05-2020, 29-06-2020 and 04-10-2020 for discussing the Labour problems, increase unemployment situation due to COVID-19, changes in Labour Laws, Non maintenance of assurances given by Labour Minister on 02-01-2020 which meeting was presented by Shri Harbhajan Sidhu, Genl. Secy and J.R.Bhosale, Treasurer, Privatization in Railway Defense Pole and many other Public Sector Industries. The number of major Central Trade Union meetings and Press Conferences were held in support of Agitations All over the Country by Railway Defense and other employees.

More details regarding functioning of HMS during this COVID alongwith 10 major Central Trade Union organization and Nation Wide Agitation are as under:

1. Meeting with Central Trade Union with Ministry of Labour and Employment on 2nd January 2020
2. National General Strike on 8th January 2020
3. 15-16 February 2020 National Working Committee Hind Mazdoor Sabha
4. 5th February 2020 central trade union meeting
5. 12th Feb 2020 Santusht meeting Central Trade Union with Ministry of Labour and Employment
6. Standing committee meeting on Industrial relation code on 27th February 2020
7. 17th May 2020 virtual Working Committee of HMS
8. 22nd May 2020 Hunger strike and nationwide protest day

9. 3rd June 2020 central trade union meeting
10. 27th June 2020 central trade union meeting
11. 3rd July 2020 nationwide protest day
12. 8th July 2020 central trade union meeting
13. 18th July 2020 central trade union meeting
14. 27th July 2020 central trade union meeting
15. 9th August SAVE INDIA DAY by CTUS
16. 14th August 2020 central trade union meeting
17. 31st August 2020 central trade union meeting
18. 23rd September 2020 mass demonstration at new Delhi
19. 1st October 2020 central trade union meeting
20. 3-4 October 2020 virtual Working Committee of HMS
21. 2nd October national convention workers by CTUS
22. 16TH November 2020 central trade union meeting
23. 26th November 2020 Countrywide general strike by CTUS
24. 19TH December central trade union meeting
25. 12th January 2021 Meeting in MOLE on OSH Rules and Code
26. 19th Jan 2021 central trade union meeting
27. 20th Jan 2021 tripartite consultation in MOLE on draft rules
28. 1st March 2021 central trade union meeting
29. 24-26 march 2021 Dharna and rally by CTUs
30. 23rd March 2021 central trade union meeting

## **ALL INDIA RAILWAYMEN'S FEDERATION**

AIRF, General Council was to be held on 31st July and 1st August, 2020 alongwith WREU's Century Celebration in Mumbai could not be held due to COVID -19 situation. The AIRF observed protest week from 02-01-2020 to 08-01-2021 against the proposal of Railway Ministry of Privatisation of number of activities including production unit and RDSO. AIRF held 1st ONLINE standing committee meeting on 15-05-2020 for reviewing the situation and pending demands of railwaymen. A Video conference was held on 17-07-2020 by Ministry



of Railway in which all working committee members and AIRF office bearers participated. The theme was “What will be the bad effect of Privatization on Indian Railway and travelling public”. The AIRF as per the decision of the working committee observed Jan Jagran Week from 14-09-2020 to 19-09-2020. A webinar were held on 16-09-2020 for scrapping of New Pension Scheme and Protest against changes in Labour Laws. The issue of payment of Dearness Allowance to serving employees and Dearness Relief to Pensioners from 01-01-2020 to 30-06-2021, Stop Privatization, Save Railway Save Country were highlighted during this Jan Jagran Week.

AIRF organized a Webinar on “Art of Living and importance of Indian Railway by involving Shri Shri Ravi Shankar ji and his institution. Shri Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary, AIRF and Shri J.R.Bhosale, Treasurer AIRF/HMS also participated in this panel discussion.

The AIRF cadre also gave moral support on 03-07-2020 during the Nation Wide Protest Day for workers strike.

AIRF in its standing committee meeting held on 2nd week of October, 2020 decided to observe Bonus day on 19-10-2020 due to delay in announcement of Productivity Link Bonus for the year 2019-20. The AIRF working committee and standing committee had a decision of taking direct action on 22-10-2020 if PLB payment announcement is not made upto 21-10-2020. You know that due to pressure of AIRF, PLB for 78 days was declared on 21-10-2020 by Ministry of Railway and payment was made before Durga Puja. A National Youth coordinator webinar was held on 17th and 18th October, 2020 on Zoom and discussed on Catch up for campaigning the skills, Laying Skills.

AIRF Standing Committee was held on 28-10-2020 on Zoom. The working committee of AIRF was held on 29-12-2020. The working committee unanimously decided to elect and elected Comrades N.Kanniah as a President on vacancy due to death of Late Shri Rakhil Dasgupta, Com. J.R. Bhosale, working President against the vacancy of Com. N.Kanniah and Shri Shankara Rao, Treasurer and Shri Aashish Vishwas as Assistant General Secretary subject to approval of General Council meeting. Shri Prashant Prabhakar Deshmukh, SSE, Parel workshop and Shri Prakash Sawalkar were elected as working committee members from WREU.

## **CONTRIBUTION TO CHIEF MINISTER RELIEF FUND AND PRIME MINISTER RELIEF FUND**

WREU by taking decision on its working committee held on 31st May 2020 have contributed Rs.25 lacs to Chief Minister Relief Fund (Maharashtra) on 11th June 2020. The cheque was handed over to Shri Ajit Pawarji, Dy. Chief Minister, by me, Treasurer Com. Vikas Gupte and Shri Sanjay Vadavkar, General Secretary-HMS, Maharashtra. Shri Ajit Pawarji appreciated for contribution of members of WREU and thanked for this contribution for noble cause.

The Union also contributed Rs.52 lacs toward Prime Minister Relief Fund. A cheque was handed over to Shri Alok Kansal ji, General Manager, Western Railway at his bungalow for further sending it to Prime Minister Relief Fund through Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Railways on 19-06-2020. The cheque was handed over by Com. Bhosale, Com. P. Rajan and Com. Nagbhushan. General Manager thanked the Western Railway Employees' Union for such good contribution for noble cause and the same cheque was forwarded by him to the Prime Minister Relief Fund.

## **MARTYRS' DAY**

In memory of the comrades who laid their lives during Central Government Employees Strike in the year 1960, viz. Late Com. Ranjit, Sakharam, Khaderan, Sitaram and Kripashankar, by braving the bullets of Gujarat Police with courage, the railwaymen under the auspices of WREU observed "Martyrs Day" on 12th July 2020 by gathering in Shahid Bhavan keeping in mind the social distancing and other protocol of COVID – 19. Com. Sanjay Kapoor, Com. PerinSophiya Harsh, Com. I. J. Ramvani, Com. Malik and all office Bearers and Committee Members by laying rose petals on the Shahid Bhavan and observing 2 minutes silence paid reach tribute to the Martyrs amidst slogan shouting "Dahod keShahido Amar Raho", "San SathKeShahido Amar Raho"

## **MUMBAI DIVISION**

WREU Mumbai Division under the leadership of Com. Prashant Kanade, P. Rajan, Jitendra Singh and others are functioning well. On retirement on superannuation of Com. Prakash Sawalkar on 30.10.2021, Com. P. Rajan has elevated to the post of Divisional Chairman. Division has vigorously organized various protests and





agitation programmes including All India protest day against privatization, Bonus protest day etc., at Branches and Divisional level on the clarion call of WREU/AIRF.

During the **lockdown period** from 21.03.2020 they have distributed mask, sanitizers at various units and depots at branch level. They have successfully distributed face shields along with mask and sanitizers with the help of NGO to the Trackmen at Suburban Units. They have successfully distributed Homeopathic medicine Arsenic Album-30 a advised preventive medicine against COVID-19 pandemic and an Ayurvedic preventive medicine to all employees at work places and all Railway Colonies. They have successfully distributed food to the contractor workers at Goods yard Valsad regularly during lockdown period. They have distributed food packets to contract workers at Coach Care depots at BCT and BDTs. They have successfully organized Blood donation camp at Valsad, Virar and Dadar after opening of lockdown and restoration of train services partially. During lockdown 22 Trackmen at Amalner were suspended on the allegation that, they have requested for duty which may enable to maintain social distancing. This has been brought to the notice of GS-WREU immediately, due to his time intervention at appropriate level suspension of all Trackmen has been revoked immediately. Valsad I & II branches handed over memorandum for staff grievances to General Manager on 19.12.2020 on his visit at BL. over a **memorandum to PCE-CCG** and Chief Engineer (TMC) on his visit at BL. Amalner and Nadurbar branches have been handed over memorandum for staff grievances to the **General Manager** on his visit on 02.02.2021 at AN and NDB. Youth wing WREU Mumbai Division organized **Com. Umraomal Purohit Memorial Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament** from 24.02.2021 to 26.02.2021 at Western Railway Sports complex at Mahalaxmi Sports Ground which was inaugurated by the General Secretary on 24.02.2021 in presence of DRM, CWM-PL and CWM-MX. PCCM-CCG and DRM Mumbai Central and Divisional and Non-Divisional Officers including senior leaders of WREU handed over trophies, medals and cash awards to the winner and runner up team. In the memory of beloved comrade Umraomal Purohitji, Car-shed branch BCT organized under-arm tennis ball cricket tournament and Caroms-board tournament.

Women's wing WREU Mumbai Division has successfully organized **Tilgud Samarambh** in the month of January 2021 at DRM office, Coach Care Depot BCT, Signal & Telecom complex BCT, Carshed BCT & Virar, Bamy, Andheri and Borivali branches in which Com. J.R. Bhosale, Prashant Kanade, P. Rajan, Jitendra Singh, Geeta Pandoria & Chitra Bhujbal were the guest of honour.

Smt. Mangesh Ratna Singh, Chief OS working in DRM office Mumbai is elected as I Women Convener at Zonal Level.

Youth team of Carshed Virar under the leadership of Com.Rajesh Mhatre and others have organized **Rapid Antigen test** for Covid-19 for the entire staff and officers of Carshed Virar with the help of Civil authorities. Moreover they have helped employees, their families and retired employees for their admission in JRH by arranging ambulance from Virar to JRH on each occasion by contributing among themselves. Administration had appreciated their compassion and care shown towards staff and their families during the pandemic situation. Maniben Kara foundation has appreciated and rewarded the branch for their noble work.

## **BARODA DIVISION**

Under the Leadership of Comrade Santosh Pawar Divisional Secretary and Comrade Vijay Sengar Divisional Chairman Vadodara Division along with all DOBs Branch Secretary/Chairman is functioning very well.

Youth Wing and Women Wing are functioning well and conducted various Union as well as non bargaining activities during the year. Baroda division celebrated **100th years function** in division office and in all branches by decorating the Union offices and gathering at all places.

During **COVID-19** Pandemic period team of WREU/BRC distributed Water Jugs, Masks, Soaps & Sanitizers to staff working during Pandemic. Moreover colonies of BRC Division were also sanitized WREU/BRC Division team from 28-06-2020 to 21-07-2020 in all branches. In all 3918 masks and soaps were distributed. 100 gloves were also distributed to TRD staff.

On the clarion call from AIRF, **protest weeks** were observed at Anand, TRS Shed and at PRTN divisional office on 02-01-2020, 04-01-2020 and 07-01-2020 14-09-2020 to 19-09-2020, Various **Awareness programme** were arranged regarding Pending demand at all the branches during 02-06-2020 to 08-06-2020. Mashal Rally on 19-09-2020 during the night time in PRTN Railway colony.

As per Directives of AIRF **Dharnas** were organized from 14-09-2020 to 19-10-2020 at TRD Depot, BRCP Lobby, TRS Shed, BRCY Hump Yard, PRTN division office and **“Mashal Rally”** was held on 19-09-2020 during night time in PRTN Railway colony. On 20-10-2020 a protest meeting was organized for achieving local pending demands and observing Bonus day.

**Shradhanjali meetings** were organized for paying rich tribute to our beloved Leaders, Com. Umraomal Purohit, Com. J.P.Choubey, Com. Rakhil Dasgupta, President, AIRF, Com. C.S.Menon and Com. Jagdish Ajmera.

**Shradhanjali Sabhas** were also conducted for paying tribute to 40 CRPF Jawans, Com. Meena Bakshi, Chairman, Women wing and Com. C.C.Rane, Ex. Divisional Chairman, BVP division and his wife, Shri Paresh Trivedi, husband of Smt. Sadhana Trivedi, Ex. Divisional Chairman, BRC division.

**Com. J. R. Bhosale Volley Ball Tournament** was organized at BRCY on 28-02-2020. A Trade Union education programme was conducted at BRCP from 16th to 18th December, 2020.

**U. M. Purohit Cricket League** was organized from 15-02-2021 to 03-03-2021. 42 Teams participated. BRC Loco was winner team and RPF team was runner up. A prize distribution was held on 03-03-2021 at Madhavrao Scindia Cricket Stadium in which DRM-BRC, President – WREU and 7 Local Corporators praised the Sports person. A Care Group of Baroda and Maniben Kara Foundation contributed for encouragement of Sports activities during this tournament.

The Baroda division organized 4 **camps of vaccination** for COVID-19 at PRTN Union office on 07-04-2021, MEMU Shed-BRCY on 09-04-2021, BRC Yard Union office on 10-04-2021 and TRS-BRC on 12-04-2021. Around 1000 employees took the benefit of these camps.

## RATLAM DIVISION

Com. S. B. Srivastav, Divisional Secretary retired on 30-06-2020. New team of DOB formed and Com. Manohar Bharat has been nominated as a Divisional Secretary. Ratlam division is functioning well under the guidance of Smt. Seema Kaushik, Vice President, Shri S.S. Sharma, Divisional Chairman and Shri Shailendra Tiwari, Divisional Treasurer and other Comrades. The division has distributed 5 lacs mask to the railway employees and their families during COVID-19. **Labour Day** was observed by hosting the flag. They have organised all the programmes decided by Hind Majdoor Sabha and AIRF in whole division. They have given a grand farewell on 02-07-2020 to Shri S. B. Srivastava on his retirement. The division as usual observed **Death Anniversary of Late Radheshyam Tiwari** on 17-07-2020. Ratlam division celebrated 100 years in Ratlam division office and in all branches by decorating the Union offices



and gathering at all places. A grand meeting was arranged on 14-09-2020 in Diesel Shed Ratlam. A **protest meeting** was held in front of DRM office against the changes in Labour Laws. 17th December to 19th December, 2019 a 3 days **Educational programme** was organized at Indore. A **Divisional conference** was held on 28-12-2020 in Officers Club at Ratlam which was addressed by Com. J.R.Bhosale, General Secretary. A condolence meeting was also held for paying tribute to Shri Rakhal Dasgupta, Ex. President, AIRF. On 12-02-2021 in support of Act Apprentices a programme was held at Shambhupura. A protest meeting was held on 24-02-2021 for withdrawing Line boxes of running staff. On 27-02-2021, one day Cricket tournament between DRM-11 and SP-11 was organized to remember Com. Umraomal Purohit ji. Maniben Kara Foundation contributed Rs. 5000/- for motivating sportsperson. A memorandum was given to General Manager on his visit to Ratlam on 28-02-2021. A programme on the eve of International Women's Day was organized on 08-03-2021. A virtual meeting of Youth was organized on 27-03-2021 in which Shri Pawan Srivastava, Trackman- Indore and Shri Rohit Deshbandhu, Pointman-Ratlam were elected as Divisional Youth Chairman and Divisional Youth Convener respectively.

## AHMEDABAD DIVISION

ADI division under the leadership of Com. Dinesh Panchal, Com. Ghanshyam Yadav and their team is functioning very well under guidance of Com. R. C. Sharma, President. Com. Baldhari Mahaur and Com. Dhananjay Kumar Dangi have elevated as divisional office bearers are also actively functioning. Summary of the activities during the period is as under:

Corona Pandemic was on highest pick during 2020 in Gujarat State particularly in Ahmedabad area. During lockdown period WREU – ADI was in forefront in helping Covid-19 affected railway employees and their family members. Due to the efforts of WREU – ADI, advance payment for treatment of Corona patients was introduced. Com. Sanjay Suryabali, Joint Divisional Secretary gave commendable services to almost all the Covid-19 patients of ADI Division and other employees at ADI which was highly appreciated by one and all including DRM–ADI. During lockdown period, WREU distributed ration-kits and food-packets to all needy people, many activists prepared face-masks at their own and distributed amongst the railway workers and family members.

On the call of WREU/AIRF massive demonstration was held on 17-1-2020 at the time of flagging off ceremony of Tejas Express, an IRCTC operated train. While staging demonstration outside ADI Railway station large number of activists about 35 activists including Com. R. C. Sharma, President, Com. Dinesh Panchal, Com. H. S. Pal were detained by Gujarat Police. At the call of WREU/AIRF staged a protest meeting at DRM Office ADI during lunch hours, large number of railway employees including women employees participated. Com. R. C. Sharma and Com. Dinesh Panchal addressed the gathering.

**Death Anniversary of Com. Umraomal Purohitji** Death Anniversary of Com. Umraomal Purohit observed on 27-2-2020 with a Shradhanjali Sabha in Sabarmati Railway Hospital. Com. R. C. Sharma, President, Com. Dinesh Panchal, Com. H. S. Pal, Dr. Manoj Kumar, ACMS, numbers of employees paid tributes by laying rose petals before the portrait of Com. Umraomal Purohitji. Fruits were distributed to all indoor patients in the hospital. Similar Shradhanjali Sabha organized in Sabarmati and Gandhidham Railway Hospitals and distributed Stainless steel insulated water bottles to all indoor patients of the hospital.

**International Women's Day** International Women's Day was celebrated on 9-3-2020 in the Auditorium of DRM's Office at Ahmedabad with various cultural programme under leadership of Smt. Parul Rajvi, Smt. Kamla Sharma, Mrs. Bhavna Joshi, Smt. Sangeeta Desai and other activists of women's wing. Com. R. C. Sharma, President, WREU in his inaugural speech narrated about Ms. Maniben Kara, former President who led railway workers of whole Indian Railway. A colorful cultural program and quiz competition organized by women's wing in DRM's office at ADI on 4-3-2021. Large number of women employees from various units of ADI area attended. Com. R. C. Sharma, President, WREU inaugurated program by lighting lamp in presence of Com. Dinesh Panchal, Com. Ghanshyam Yadav, Smt. Kantaben Parmar, ANO and Smt. Shinde, Vice President and other members of WRWWO-ADI. Com. Kiran Verma ably conducted entire program. Similar programme was organized on 5-3-2021 at VTA and honored all women employees of VTA Diesel Shed, with rose bouquets and greetings for women's day.

Similar function was organized at GIM on 8-3-2021. Around 55 women including women railway officers participated in the function and talked about women empowerment. Com. Harphool Kumawat, also addressed the function and thanked all participants.

In the **JCCS election** for the year 2020 Com. Sanjay Suryabali as an only candidate for contesting the election, every activist worked hard for campaigning all over the division and created atmosphere and as a result of sheer hard work by the activists, Com. Sanjay emerged victorious in the election.

Memorandum to General Manager Com. GhanshyamYadav, Com. B. P. Gadhvi, and others met General Manager on 10-3-2021 at Bhildi and handed over memorandum containing 14 issues of various departments of ADI Division. GM gave patience hearing and discussed all the issues in presence of DRM – ADI, all PHODs and officers of ADI Division.

### **BHAVNAGAR DIVISION**

The team of Divisional Office Bearers, under the leadership of Com. S K Shrivastava-DS, Com. Ajayrajsinh Gohil-DC & Vice President HQ are functioning unitedly. The discussions are being held regularly for deciding the strategy to discuss the organizational matters and planning out various activities.

A get-together programme with dinner was organized in the well decorated campus of (Menon Bhavan) WREU office BVP on 31-12-2019 on the eve of New Year-2020. On this occasion various competitive games were organized for various age group children of Railwaymen and their family members. Prizes were distributed to the winners by the union. In this programme as a special guest DRM/BVP, ADRM/BVP attended the program and wish to all railway men and their family members for new year and also congratulated for their hard work in last year. In this programme this year more than 500 union activists and their family members are joined.

Flag hosting programme were organized on the occasion of Re-Public Day and Independence Day.

The prize distribution function as a non bargaining activity was done by BVP division on 25-01-2020 in Community Hall BVP, which Com. R C Sharma and Shri Prateek Goswami, DRM/BVP gave their blessings for successful conducting of meeting. President Shri R C Sharma announced Rs.25000/- to the division from HQ/Maniben Kara Foundation.

On special call of AIRF along with WREU a mass protest was organized on dtd 06-01-2020 at W.shop Gate at closing time against the privatization of Indian Railway in various sectors, specially for TEJAS Train along with various staff

related matter. In the evening protest was also organized by all local branches at BVC Station on the time of Train movement 12972 when public was gathered at platform.

The 15th C S Menon Cricket Tournament organized by WREU/BVP on 10-2-20 in railway stadium, BVP. Com.J R Bhosale General Secretary-WREU inaugurated in esteem presence of DRM/BVP, ADRM/BVP were present. **37 teams** participated.

Memorandum were handed over to General Manager and CWE/CCG on their visits to the division and BVP workshop on 03-03-2020.

All the branches actively helped the migrant workers and COVID-19 affected Railway workers by distributing masks, food packets and sanitization material. PBR and VRL branches helped detained Railway and contract workers in the last week of March 2020 by making their stay and food arrangements.

The International Women's Day (8th March) was celebrated in BVP Division on 08/03/2020 and at VRL branch.

Two Trade Union Education programmes were conducted online in the last week of December 2020.

The Election of JCCS for the year 2020 held on 26/11/2020. Com. A R Gohil and Com. Naynaben Chauhan emerged victorious. 16th C. S. Cricket Tournament was organized from 12-03-2021 to 24-03-2021. 32 teams participated. Amreli team won the match. RPF-BVP was runner team. Prize distribution was done on 24-03-2021 by General Secretary and Shri Sunil R. Barapatre, ADRM-BVP and all his branch officers i.e Sr. DPO, Sr. DCM, Sr. DEE(Power), Sr. DEN(Co.), Sr. DME.

## **RAJKOT DIVISION**

Rajkot Division is functioning well under the leader ship of Comrades Nikil Joshi, Jitendra Satapara, Abhijit Shah and others. Activities carried out by the division during the period 2020-2021 is as under in brief.

They have enrolled about 79% of annual member ship and conducted numbers of non-bargaining activities during the above period. Team Rajkot had submitted memorandum to the General Manager, Western Railway Shri Alok Kansal duirng his visit at RJT on 02.03.2021on various staff matters. On the call of WREU/ AIRF, they have conducted mass Dharna in front of DRM office on 01.02.2021



and 12.02.2021 to protest against privatization of Indian Railways. Similarly they hold mass protest meetings at Morvi, Surendra Nagar, Hapa and Rajkot Railway stations on 04.10.2021 from 12.30 hrs to 14.00 hrs protest on the delay of PLB and against privatization of Mail/Express trains.

A team of Comrades including womens wing RJT under the leadership of Nikil Joshi and Jitendra Satapara had visited Sadbhavna Vrudhashram Trust at Rajkot an old age home where more than 90 old age ladies and gents are residing. WREU had arranged lunch for all inmates and distributed Diapers to them. On the occasion of International Womens Day comrades of Womens wing led by Smt. N. Padmaja Chair Person have been visited Railway Hospital RJT on 08.03.2021 and distributed fruits to all indoor patients.

WREU Hapa branch had distributed Masks and Sanatizer to all Running Staff of Hapa as a protest measure to contain spreading of Covid-19.

Womens wing RJT had organised various programmes in union office on 08.03.2021 on eve of International Womens Day. Smt. N. Padmaja, Ch. Matron & Chairperson, Smt. Rupal Dholakia, CRS-Rajkot & Secretary and Smt. Pushpa Dave, Ch.OS, DRM Office and large numbers of women employees including contract employees participated.

Retired employees Cell of WREU Rajkot, Jamnagar, Surendra Nagar ably organizing with the guidance of by S/Shri A.N. Dave, Ex-Divl. Chairman Shri H B Vachharajani ex. Divisional vice Chairman WREU-RJT. Shri. R. N. Lunagaria, Shri. M. C. Dave, Shri. Bhupatsinh Jadeja and others are giving their honorary services and special attention along with S/Shri. H. R. Dholakiya, Ex. Vice President, Shri. D. B. Sharda & Shri. S. K. Shah, Retired CBS-JAM retired Comrades giving their services to working and the retired employees everyday by fully devoting their time.

## **NON - DIVISIONAL BRANCHES**

**PAREL & MAHALAXMI WORKSHOP Branch** is functioning well under the Chairmanship of Shri Shyam Ashtekar and Shri Pravin Bhargav. Com. Dilip Jadhav retired on 28-02-2020. Branch has organized number of demonstrations and gate meetings as per directive of HMS and AIRF. They have also organized Education camps on Railway Bachao and DeshBachao, New Pension Scheme, Protest against Non payment of Dearness Allowance, Changes in Labour Law,





Recruitment of Act Apprentices, Payment of incentive Bonus to all supervisors, Filling up all the vacant promotion post-DPC. Branch have helped workers during the lockdown period by distributing the mask, by making arrangements of tea and snacks during the work of alteration for isolation coaches for adequate medical facilities in Parel dispensaries. The Youth and Women's are actively participating in all programmes. Smt. Rupali Meshram from Parel has been elected as a Vice Chairman of Zonal Youth Committee. Shri Prashant Deshmukh has been elected an AIRF working Committee member.

**DAHOD WORKSHOP Branch** is function well under the leadership of Com. I. H. Malik and Com. Sanjay Kapoor as branch chairman and branch secretary respectively.

The branch has organized and conducted lot of Bargaining and Non bargaining activities round the year. Gate meeting on the clarion call from AIRF were conducted on 07.01.2020. Another gate meeting was organized on 19.09.2020 under observance of awareness campaign which was observed from 14.09 to 19.09.2020. In protest of privatization, a gate meeting was organized on 01.02.2021. On the call from AIRF/WREU a protest meeting was organized on 12.02.2021 demanding absorption of Course Completed act apprentices, Abolition of NPS and for other pending demands.

Memoranda containing burning issues of the workshop staff were handed to over to CWE-CCG and to GM-CCG on 14.01.2020 and on 14.02.2021 respectively.

Women wings of Workshop and E&M branches organized the International Women Day jointly on 8th March 2020 and visited the 'Nishra Old Age Home' at Dahod and extended help to the needy persons. This year the team of ladies wing visited hostel of blind school and spend the time with blind students and also donated 5 ceiling fans.

As done every year, from 08.01.2020 to 13.01.2020 the branch organized the 5th Late comrade Umraomal Purohit Memorial Open Badminton Tournament successfully.

During the visit of General Secretary Com. Bhosaleji, a meeting of Office Bearers and activists of all the 4 branches was held on 13.03.2020.

A gate meeting was organized on 20.03.2020 at workshop gate to make awareness about the Corona Pandemic Situation and for distributing an informative leaflet on the subject amongst the staff.

The Branch conducted Shradhanjali Sabhas to remember and to pay rich tribute to our beloved leaders Late Comrade Umraomalji, Mama Menon and Jagdish Ajmeraji on their death anniversaries.

Various activities conducted by Branch to extend help to the railwaymen and their family members in this pandemic period and to impart training to the aspirants of various departmental exams are covered in this report under the heading Non bargaining activities

**PRATAPNAGAR WORKSHOP BRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. Mukesh K. Master, Chairman and Com. Ramesh Zala, Secretary. Following activities are done by WREU PRTN workshop during last year.

- (1) Mask manufactured/prepared and distributed free of cost to w/shop/ store and other surroundings including staff & officers.
- (2) New Youth wing formed & Youth day celebrated on WREU 12.01.2021.
- (3) All India protest day observed on 12.02.2021.

**SABARMATI WORKSHOP BRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. Dinesh Panchal, Chairman and Com. Rajeev Menon and their team. The branch took part in all the agitational activities very actively.

**BHAVNAGAR WORKSHOP BRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. Manish D. Parmar, Branch Chairman, Com. Ramraj Meena, Secretary and their team. The activists of the branch took part in all the agitational activities jointly with BVP Division.

**DAHOD (E&M) BRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. I.J. Ramwani, Chairman, Smt. Perin Sophia Harsh, AGS & Branch Secretary and a team of very active members. Apart from participating in all the agitational programmes very actively, the branch has observed 115th and 116th Birth Anniversary of Late Com. Maniben Kara by distributing Fruits to all indoor patients of Railway Main Hospital, Dahod on 13th February 2020 & 2021; conducted HIV/AIDS Awareness Program on World's AIDS Day, i.e. on 1st December, Observed Nurses Day, etc.

**GLO-CHURCHGATE BRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. Nasir H. Shaikh, Vice President, Com. Mahendra Rathore, Branch Chairman and Com. Vikas Gupte, Branch Secretary & Zonal Treasurer and their team. Til Gud Programme were conducted in 2020 and 2021 in very enthusiastic manners by

women wing. One week Adhar Card helpdesk programme was organized from 14.02.2020 with the help of Postal Department. Similarly one day Kidney Disease Awareness Programmewas also held on 12.03.2020. The branch actively came forward in the pandemic situation and extended help to the frontline staff by distributing them Hand Gloves, Sanitizers, Face masks and Soaps. The Branch also conducted TUEP in December, 2019 and 2020 and also conducted Pre Promotion training Classes. Com. Naveen Lobo emerged victorious for consecutive 3rd time as Director JCCS in the election held on 26th November, 2020.

**CHURCHGATE ACCOUNTS BRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. J.S. Vagaria, Chairman and Com. R. K. Menon and their team. GLO CCG and Accounts branches jointly organized a Gate Meeting in the porch of General Manager’s Office on 20.10.2020 during All India Bonus Demand Day.

**EMU-POH/MXBRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. N. K. Mistry, Chairman and Com. Sanjay Girkar and their team. The branch took part in the agitational programmes either independently or with Mumbai Division.

**PRINTING PRESS & STORES-MX BRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. Sneha Madhavi, Chairman and Com. C. M. Tiwari, Secretary.

**SABARMATI STORES BRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. N. P. Poduval, Chairman and H. M. Verma, Secretary.

**DAHOD STORES BRANCH** is functioning well under the leadership of Com. N. K. Sharma, Chairman, Com. J. M. Rathod, Secretary and their team.

**AJMER ACCOUNT & DELHI KISHANGANJ (DKZ) BRANCHES** are also functioning well under the leadership of Com. Basant Kumar Jha, Chairman, Com. Satish Kumar Goyal, Secretary and Com. Narinder Sahota, Chairman, Com. Srikant Baxi, Secretary, respectively.

## NON-BARGAINING ACTIVITIES

A summary of the Non-bargaining activities carried out during the period under review is given below:

### TWO DAYS T.U. EDUCATION CLASSES:

Unit/Divn.	Place	Date	Remarks
GLO - CCG	CCG	23-24 Dec. 2020	15 participants

### THREE DAYS T.U. EDUCATION CLASSES

Divn.	Place	Date
BVP	Online	22-24 March, 2020
ADI	Online	20-22 Nov. 2020
BRC	BRCP union Office	16-18 Dec.2020
RTM	Indore	16-18 Dec. 2020
RJT	Online	22-24 Dec. 2020
BCT	GTR	23-24 Dec. 2020
BCT	Udhana	28-29 Dec. 2020

### ZONAL TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR W/SHOP STAFF AND FOR ALL ZONE

Place	Date	Remarks
Online	22-24 dec. 2020	20 New entrants from all Workshop
Online	23-24 December 2020	40 Senior leaders all over Western Railway

### BLOOD DONATION & HEALTH CHECK-UP CAMPS:

Place	Date	Remarks
BRC Division	19.01.2021	Blood Donation Camp for Railway men& their families
Dahod Workshop	04.04.2021	Covishield Vaccine to Railwaymen& their families members
Dahod Workshop	14.04.2021	RC PTR test camp 30 people tested
BRC Division	From 07.04.2020 to 16.04.2020	6 Free Corona vaccine camp in which 1600 railwaymen and their family members benefitted
Mumbai Division-Valsad	6-4-2021 to 8-4-2021	737 persons vaccinated in 3 different Free Corona Vaccine camps

## TRAINING ARRANGED FOR THE LDCE ASPIRANTS

Place	Date	Remarks
Dahod Workshop	03.01.2020 to 30.01.2020 & 05-01-2021 to 19-01-2021	Aspirants of LDCE 25% Quota for JE
CCG GLO Branch	January 2020 & 08-03-2021 to 12-03-2021	Aspirants of Jr. Clerk under 33.1/3% quota.

Apart from this every Branch has conducted **one day information classes** "Online" round the year in this pandemic situation for getting feedback from each other and for sharing information of the activities conducted by WREU at zonal level.

WREU has distributed **1100 Water Jugs** of 20 liters to each Gang on entire Western Railway for providing facility of Drinking Water at workplaces of Trackmen.

WREU in its working committee meeting held on 20-03-2021 decided to distribute Souvenir to all members in memory of completion of 100 years. Accordingly, it was decided to distribute Gents and Ladies Wrist Watches to all members of the Union. I hope our activists will make all out efforts to deliver this souvenir to our members.

## YOUTH WING

Youth wing is involved in all activities for helping the needy migrant workers, COVID -19 effected railwaymens. The detailed report is already included in the reporting of respective divisional reports. A Zonal Youth virtual conference was held on 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2021. The conference was inaugurated by Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary, AIRF.sThe conference elected Com. Harkesh Meena, Trackman Veraval has been elected as Zonal Youth President, Smt. Rupali Meshram, Kh, PI workshop and Com. Ramukumar were elected as Zonal Vice president and Com. Vivek Kamble as Zonal Youth Convener.

Two educational programs were virtually conducted for youths. Now the newly elected committee is functioning very well. Various sports activities organized by youth wings are also included in the respective unit's activities reports.

## **WOMEN WING**

WREU Women Wing is functioning well during this period. Smt. Shabana Shaikh, Chairperson, Smt. Chitra Bhujbal and at present Smt. Mangesh Ratna Singh as Convener, Smt. Seema Kaushik, Vice president, Smt. PerinSophiya Harsh,Asstt. General Secretary and Miss Geeta Pandoria, Working Committee Member, AIRF are taking keen interest in organizing women employees on Western Railway through online platform as well as physically wherever possible. They are maintaining close contact with the Chairpersons and Conveners of all divisions and Non Divisional units. Some of the major activities are as under :

**Virtual Conference of WREU Women Wing with WRWWO** – a Virtual conference of Women Wing of WREU with the Western Railway Women Welfare organization (WRWWO) was held on 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 in which executive committee members of WRWWO and more than 100 women leaders and activists of WREU participated. Leaders of WREU Women wing felicitated Smt. Tanuja Kansal, President WRWWO, Presidents of WRWWO of all Divisions and Dr. Savita Gangurde by offering them Shawl and Bouquet.

Smt. Tanuja Kansalexpressed her sentiments towards the railwaymen and their family members who lost their life in this pandemic situation and assured that every help will be extended to the needy persons according to the situation by using all the available resources of Western Railway. She further in brief narrated various activities conducted by WRWWO at all levels and also a documentary was shown of some of the activities. Com. Geeta Pandoria placed the report of the activities conducted by Women Wings in this pandemic period which was appreciated by the President of WRWWO.

Com. Seema Kaushik, Vice President of WREU informed that on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2020 this union has completed glorious 100 years of dedicated service to the railwaymen and we in WREU are proud of it.

President WRWWO has appreciated the work done by WREU Women Wing in assisting COVID – 19 patients and awarded prizes to 13 WREU Women

activists for their outstanding performance during COVID – 19 situation, namely, Smt./s Nimuben (KH/RJT); Vaishaliben(RJT);Manu G. Devi (PRTN); Alka Agnihotri (DHD); Sharda Ben and Jyotiben (BVP); Afsana (Trackwomen-BVP); Rupali Yuvraj Meshram (PL Workshop); Ranjana(RTM); Arushi Sharma(IND); Ratna Mehta(ADI); Asha Patel(JRH); Jyoti Satya Pal(JRH) and Milan Jadhav(JRH).

Com. Perin Sophiya Harsh, AGS, WREU stated that Women wing WREU at various places has understood and resolved problems of working women.

Com. Shabhana Shaikh, Zonal Women Chairperson coordinated the entire programme and shared some of the important information and rules which are beneficial to the women employees.

Com. Chitra Bhujbal, Zonal Women Convener delivered vote of thanks of behalf of WREU.

The report of the activities of Women wings of all divisions/units are mentioned in the reports of the respective divisions/units.

## **PENSIONERS WING**

Pensioners Wings are functioning in Union Offices at all Divisions/Units assisted by retired comrades under the guidance of Divisional leaders and General Secretary. It is heartening that Pensioners Wings are giving excellent services in solving the problems of pensioners/family pensioners. The WREU Pensioners wing is functioning from our GTR Office with many restrictions of COVID-19 and trying to help the needy Sr. Citizens for medical help.

### **PENSIONERS GET-TOGETHER**

WREU pensioner's wing organized get-together on 26.01.2021 in J. A. hall. More than 150 pensioners attended by maintain the social distance. Shri Surendra Kumar, PCPO-CCG was the Chief Guest. Dr. MahendraGangurde, ACMD-BBVT and Dr. (Mrs.) Savita Gangurde, Nephrologist/JRH-BCT have guided the Sr. citizens how to keep their life style for maintaining the good health. Com. J. R. Bhosale, General Secretary, WREU also spoke on the occasion. All the guests were honoured by presenting them Shwal and Shreephal and Mementos. Com. J. R. Bhosale was felicitated on being elected as Working President of AIRF. PCPO appreciated the services given by WREU Pensioners Wing

Com. R. P. Gupta thanked all for their co-operation. All the guests were honoured by presenting them Shawl and Shreephal and Mementos. On this occasion, Com. Mahendran T. N., PS-II attached to PREM WREU who is superannuating on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 has been honoured for his long association with WREU and Pensioners' Association.

## **CENTRAL STAFF BENEFIT FUND**

After last AGM, CSBF members were working very efficiently up to lock down imposed in month of March -2020. In between one CSBF member Shri Vinod ManjrawalaSecy PRTN Workshop was retired on 29.02.2020 & Shri Santosh Pawar DS-WREU-BRC was nominated as CSBF Member.

Due to Corona-2019 pandemic lockdown & time to time restrictions imposed by Central & state government CSBF/SBF activities is carried out on virtual modes or available members at HQ stations. In this situation also CSBF/SBF members have made full efforts to help railwaymen as per norms of CSBF committee.

Ayurvedic & Homeopathic dispensaries & Doctors have played vital role in Corona pandemic & served door to door medicines to improve immunities of railwaymen& their family members & still working positively as CORONA Warriors.

1. One Hemo-dialysis machine provided for Corona patients especially in JRH/BCT.
2. All the scholarships claims entertained without college bonofide student certificate & date of submission are extended time to time & still open up to 31.06.2021.
3. HQ CSBF members have sanctioned all the claims of scholarship, PH&MR cases, Re-sanction cases, received in HQ office via any modes.
4. Computer, Laptop, Printer, Scanner grant for HQ SBF sanctioned, similarlyComputer Printer, Scanner grant for remaining SBF Units i.e 1 lakhs to HQ/SBF section & 70000/- to other Units.
5. Help given to Canteens, Children Parks, Institutes, Clubs and Sick employees.

All the three members are discharging their responsibilities very well despite adverse COVID - !9 situation.



## **LARSGESS**

LARSGESS scheme was discontinued due to numbers of Court cases in the year 2017. All the Court cases were clubbed and final outcome was given by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the same has been circulated by the Railway Board vide its letter in 2019. WREU/AIRF raised the issue at different level and lastly with Minister of Railways on 17.06.2020.

General Manager Western Railway considered 18 cases of Rajkot division and offered appointment and remaining cases referred to Railway Board due to non-fulfilling of requisite educational qualification. Now Federation is pursuing Railway Board to start the LARGESS scheme as like earlier.

## **ACT APPRENTICES**

Recruitment of 1961 Act Apprentices as substitute Khalasi under General Manager's power has been discontinued with effect from 21.06.2017. The issue was raised and the Board has agreed to give necessary instructions for giving preference of 20% quota reserved for them in RRB recruitments.

AIRF is demanding that, as they have qualified the examination after completion of their apprenticeship in Railways, there is no need of appearing another exam or a separate exam should be organized for them. Railway Board has not agreed with this. But the Federation is continuously pursuing the issue at Board level.

WREU/AIRF held a nation-wide protest on the issue on 12.2.2021 all over Indian Railways. On western Railway such mass protests successfully organized at Divisional level and Non-divisional units. Efforts are being made by AIRF for their recruitment in Indian Railways.

## **WESTERN RAILWAY CONTRACTORS' EMPLOYEES' UNION**

Western Railway Contractors' Employees' Union is functioning well under the leadership of Com P.K. Walanj & Com. Santosh Pawar with guidance of GS/WREU. However, work to organize Contract workers was not speed up due to Corona pandemic. Team WREU resolves following problems of members of this union.

- (1) Contract staff working in Division Office, BRC being paid a minimum wage of Rs 400
- (2) Existing set of contract employees was continued despite change of contractor.



- (3) Matter of Contract workers of hospital & workshop is raised with ALC-BRC
- (4) Matter of Contract worker of BRCP is pending with ALC.
- (5) Issue of medical facility, uniform allowance, PF deduction etc is under negotiations with Contractors.

Efforts are being made for enrolling more and more contract workers under the leadership of Shri Mahesh Waghela. Union thanked WREU for extending financial support. The issue of delayed payment of contract workers working in JRH, Virar Carshed/BCT and at BDTs is sorted out. Existing workers were re-engaged in BVP Workshop.

### **INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION**

International Trade Union Congress (ITUC) organized a Seminar on 'Trade Union Development Cooperation Network' ("TUDCN Asia - Pacific Meeting") for affiliates of Asia Pacific Countries at Bangkok (Thailand) from 22-23 January, 2020, in which 14 representatives from 9 countries participated. From India, Com. Vikas R. Gupte, OS(Stores)/CCG & Zonal Treasurer/WREU & Secretary WREU GLO Branch, attended the seminar representing Hind Mazdoor Sabha.

### **GM PNM MEETINGS**

During the pandemic 03 PNM meetings are held so-far at HQ level on 10.07.2020, 18.12.2020/24.12.2020 & 09.04.2021. Outcome of PNM meetings are as under:-

ITEM NO. 70/2016 SUSPENSION PERIOD TO BE TREATED AS PERIOD SPENT ON DUTY – CASE OF SHRI. ANIL K.GAONKAR, RETD. CH. OS (W)/CWM-MX

Item has been linked with No.52/2019 and referred to Railway Board.

ITEM NO. 72/2016 GRANT OF FAMILY PENSION–CASE OF SMT. PUSHPAKHANDELWAL, WIDOW DAUGHTER OF LATE SHRI.MOHANLAL GUPTA, EX. AOS-BCT

Case will be put up to the Competent Authority, i.e., DRM-BCT by the Division within one week.

ITEM NO. 29/2017 CHANGE OF CATEGORY – TRACKMAN UNDER 10% QUOTA, NON-COMPLIANCE OF HQ ORDER

Agreed to implement

ITEM NO. 49/2017 DIFFERENT DUTY ROSTER OF STAFF CAR/JEEP DRIVERS ATTACHED TO ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS OF DRM OFFICE ADI AND CPM-ADI UNIT

It has been advised to DRM ADI to conduct fresh JA when the situation becomes normal

ITEM NO. 04/2018 PAY FIXATION IN CASE OF PROMOTION TAKING PLACE IN PRE-REVISED PAY STRUCTURE BETWEEN 01.01.2006 & 29.08.2008–CASE OF S/SHRI.AKHILESHWAR THAKUR, SAGARKULKARNI AND OTHERS OF BCT DIVISION

Agreed and necessary orders issued to BCT division

ITEM NO. 28/2018 INCORRECT DENIAL OF MACP–CASE OF RUNNING STAFF RJT DIVISION  
Union has raised the issue at Railway Board level

ITEM NO. 31/2018 FMA TO SUPERANNUATING RAILWAY EMPLOYEES COVERED UNDER NPS  
Issue is again referred to MOF

ITEM NO. 35/2018 PROPOSAL FOR CREATION OF ADDITIONAL POST OF PRTN WS FOR EXISTING WORKLOAD AS WELL AS 200 BCNHL WAGON PROJECT WORK

Under process

ITEM NO. 43/2018 IMPLEMENTATION OF MODEL SCHEDULE OF POWER (SOP) ON W.RLY AND HARDSHIP TO THE STAFF OF SAFETY CATEGORIES

Agreed to process for issuing revised SOP

ITEM NO. 56/2018 REQUEST TO CONTINUE UNDER OLD PENSION INSTEAD OF NEW PENSION SCHEME – CASE OF SHRI.PURNAMALMEENA TECH GR.I (TMC) SBI

Order issued Shri. PurnamalMeena will cover under old pension scheme

ITEM NO. 63/2018 REVISION OF RATE OF HONORARIUM PAYABLE TO STAFF OF PERSONNEL AND ACCOUNTS DEPT. DEALING WITH PENSION CASES

Under process

ITEM NO. 68/2018 INCORRECT UTILIZATION OF SUPERVISORS FOR SHUNTING DUTY AT CARSHED-KILE

Issue sorted out by DRM-BCT

ITEM NO. 69/2018 PAYMENT OF DRESS ALLOWANCE TO FRONT LINE STAFF APPOINTED AFTER JULY 2018

Referred to Railway Board

ITEM NO. 76/2018 ANOMALY IN FIXATION OF PAY OF MEDICALLY DE-CATEGORIZED RUNNING STAFF APPOINTED ON ALTERNATIVE POST PRIOR TO 01.01.2006 WITH REFERENCE TO THEIR JUNIORS APPOINTED ON ALTERNATIVE POSTS AFTER 01.01.2006 AND DRAWING MORE PAY THAN THEIR SENIORS

Under examination

ITEM NO. 02/2019 HARDSHIP TO SAFETY CATEGORY STAFF ON ACCOUNT OF BREACH OF HOER PROVISIONS

JA will be done in normal situation

ITEM NO. 03/2019 SUPPLY OF POTABLE WATER AT GIM AND NEARBY AREAS

Necessary action taken

ITEM NO. 08/2019 DELAY IN IMPLEMENTATION OF REVISED PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF TRACK MAINTAINERS FOR WANT OF MONEY VALUE/ MATCHING SURRENDER

Agreed to implement 10-20-20-50% up-gradation in Trackman category

ITEM NO. 14/2019 URGENT REPAIRS TO ROOF OF OLD TYPE I,II & III RAILWAY QUARTERS OF DHD WORKSHOP COLONY

Work done

ITEM NO. 21/2019 OPENING OF TEMPORARY CLOSED PRS AT SEJ STATION FOR GENERAL PUBLIC

PRS will be started after opening of BTD-ADI section

ITEM NO. 31/2019 INJUSTICE TO THE FAMILY OF TOTALLY INVALIDATED RAILWAY EMPLOYEE FOR ALL POSTS BY DENYING CG APPOINTMENT TO HIS SON-CASE OF SHRI.V.K.SHRIVASTAVA, EX. CH. OS UNDER DY.CE (CONSTN) RTM

Under consideration

ITEM NO. 34/2019 DELAY IN GRANT OF CORRECT SETTLEMENT DUES AND PAYMENT OF ACCIDENT FREE SERVICE AWARD TO RETIRED STAFF FOR WANT OF SERVICE RECORDS – CASE OF SHRI.NAMDEO N. SAWANT, EX-ELF (TRD) GR.III AND SHRI.NIZAMUDDIN S. SHAIKH, EX.STATION MANAGER – ADH

Finalized

ITEM NO. 38/2019 FILLING UP OF 50% RANKER QUOTA OF CMA-CASE OF SHRI.SANJIVKUMAR, LAB ASSISTANT GR.II IN DIESEL SHED RTM

Under process

ITEM NO. 39/2019 ENHANCEMENT OF MONTHLY LIMIT OF SANCTION OF OTA/TA TA for statutory training period will not be counted for Rs.15000/- ceiling limit order issued by PFA

ITEM NO. 48/2019 PROMOTION TO THE STAFF WORKING IN S&C DEPTT ON NWR HOLDING LIEN WITH W. RLY

Necessary action taken by Western Railway promotion order will be issued by NWR.

ITEM NO. 56/2019 INORDINATE DELAY IN COMPLETING CONSTRUCTION OF TYPE II QUARTERS AT DDR

Quarters handed over to division and remaining work will be attended by Construction/Division.

ITEM NO. 57/2019 DELAY IN MAKING PAYMENT OF ARREARS OF RUNNING ALLOWANCE FOR THE PERIOD FROM 01.01.2006 TO 31.12.2015 AND 01.01.2016 TO 30.06.2017 AND LEAVE SALARY TO RUNNING STAFF

There was another Item for arrears payment of leave salary of Running staff for the period from 01.01.2006 to 31.12.2015, PFA have advised PCPO for making payment manually (Office Order No. E/NG/MISC/Bills/2020-21 dated 15.04.2021). As regard for the period of 01.01.2016 to 30.06.2017 it is under consideration of PFA.

ITEM NO. 59/2019 GRANT OF PRIVILEGE PASS/PTO TO DEPENDENT RELATIVES – NON-INCLUSION OF WIDOW MOTHER IN PRIVILEGE PASS

Union requested for making back reference to Railway Board

ITEM NO. 01.2020 REGULARIZATION OF TEMPORARY POSTS OF GOODS GUARD IN BVP DIVISION

Put up to PCOM for final orders

ITEM NO. 03/2020 PAYMENT OF SETTLEMENT DUES AT THE TIME OF RETIREMENT TO THE STAFF OF DIESEL SHED/HAPA BY RJT DIVISION INSTEAD OF ADI DIVISION

PCPO assured for making settlement payments to Amarasi Devi, Messenger Diesel Shed-HXP and Sudhir Kumar Verma ELF-HXP before 30.04.2021

ITEM NO. 07/2020 IMPLEMENTATION OF REST RULES FOR THE STAFF OF TRACK MACHINE ORGANIZATION

Referred to Railway Board

ITEM NO. 17/2020 REQUEST FOR VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT DUE TO MEDICAL INCAPACITATION

Assurance given for sorting out the matter or reference to Railway Board

ITEM NO. 21/2020 PROCUREMENT OF CHAIRS FOR BOOKING/PRS/UTS CENTERS IN MUMBAI DIVISION

Supply is given; shortfall if any will be complied



ITEM NO. 29/2020 REIMBURSEMENT OF COST OF BRIEF CASES TO MOTORMAN & GUARDS WORKING ON SUBURBAN SECTION

Brief case to Motorman & Guards of Suburban section will be supplied

ITEM NO. 38/2020 IRREGULAR DENIAL OF PAY FIXATION OF TM-IV W/U SSE (PW) SUNR BY NOT GRANTING REGULAR TREATMENT ON 1/1/2017 AS PER RBE NO.93/2016

Orders are issued for giving increment on 01/01/2017 instead of 01/07/2017

ITEM NO. 40/2020 INJUSTICE TO TRACKMAN CATEGORY

S/Shri.Shailendra Singh, Mahendra Prasad, Kailash Kumar, Ashok Kumar Saini and Bharat BhushanMudgal are relieved for IRT and orders for relieving S/ Shri.AshokKundu, Prabhakar Kumar, RamdeenMeena, Amrendra Kumar, Md.ShamshadAlam, Ashok Kumar Verma, Ajeet Kumar and Jitendra Kumar Meena are issued and relieving order for Shri. Bheem Singh will be issued.

ITEM NO. 53/2020 PROMOTION TO HANDICAP KHALASI AS ARTISAN GR.III

In terms of RBE No.178/1987 Handicap Khalasis are promoted as Artisan Gr-III vide SPO(W)PL's letter No.E/1130/CW/TECH.III/All Trade dated 09.10.2019

ITEM NO. 54/2020 GRANT OF TRIBAL ALLOWANCE TO ELIGIBLE STAFF WORKING ON SAH AND PLG TO GVD STATIONS WITH EFFECT FROM 01.01.2004

Necessary orders issued to BCT Division for grant of Tribal Allowance to the eligible staff working on SAH and PLG to GVD stations with effect from 01.01.2004.

ITEM NO. 57/2020 DECLARATION OF RAILWAY QUARTERS AS ABANDONED/UNSAFE AT GIM RAILWAY COLONY WITHOUT STRUCTURAL AUDIT-HARDSHIP TO THE RESIDENTS

Advised ADI Division for allotment of 12 quarters in newly constructed building

ITEM NO. 01/2021 HARDSHIP TO ALP'S ON MUTUAL TRANSFER ON ACCOUNT OF TRACTION CONVERSION TRAINING

Administration replied, it is not prudent to accept mutual transfer with ALP who are not trained in dual traction.

ITEM NO. 02/2021 NON-GRANT OF ACCIDENT FREE SERVICE AWARDS TO THE ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES

Suitable instructions are being issued to DRM-ADI for considering Accident Free service awards to eligible employees. Sr. DFM-ADI vide his letter dated 19.3.2021 has advised that, no case is pending with Accounts.

ITEM NO. 03/2021 CREDITING NPS CONTRIBUTION ALONG WITH ACCRUED INTEREST TO PF ACCOUNTS CASES OF EMPLOYEES WHO ARE GIVEN ONE TIME OPTION TO BE COVERED UNDER RAILWAY SERVICE PENSION RULES 1993

A JPO for dealing with cases relating to shifting NPS employees to PF has been finalized. Necessary requests for refund of NPS amount will be sent to NSDL and amount will be credited to employee's PF ledger as per Railway Board letter No. D-43/12/2018-F(E) dated 3.3.2021.

ITEM NO. 04/2021 POLICY MATTER UNDER DAR – PERMANENT PENALTY IMPOSED IN DAR CASES RESULTED IN TO LIFE TIME LOSS – CASE OF SHRI.ASHWINCHAUHAN CHRI-BVI

The case is under consideration with Sr.DCM-BCT

ITEM NO. 06/2021 PROTEST AGAINST CANCELLATION OF SELECTION OF RANKER QUOTA 60% FOR THE POST OF GUARD BARODA DIVISION

It is agreed to issue a fresh notification for filling up of ranker quota of Guard.

ITEM NO. 13/2021 NON-FILLING UP OF THE POST OF TRACK MAINTAINER GR.IV IN RTM DIVISION

Linked with PNM item No.8/2009

ITEM NO. 15/2021 REVISION OF PPO OF 18 EMPLOYEES IN BVP W/SHOP

Data of 18 cases have been obtained from BVP and send to accounts to include in ARPAN portal so as to enable to processing the revision of PPO's.

ITEM NO. 19/2021 CREATION OF POST FOR NEWLY CONSTRUCTED STATIONS AFTER GAUGE CONVERSION IN BTD-GG SECTION OF BVP DIVISION

Under process at DRM-BVP

ITEM NO. 22/2021 FILLING UP OF THE POST OF LAB TECHNICIAN, LAB SUPERINTENDENTS IN DIVISIONAL RAILWAY HOSPITAL BVP

The post of Lab Technician GP 2800 is controlled at Divisional level. Assessment for 3 posts in GP 4600 is under process. Selection of Lab Superintendent in GP 4200 is ongoing, result has been notified and posting will be done shortly.

ITEM NO. 23/2021 CG APPOINTMENT ON PERMANENT MEDICAL INVALIDATION – CASE OF L/SHRI.KANULAXMANPAGI, EX-TRACKMAN UNDER SSE (PW) GDA

Orders issued for considering CGA

ITEM NO. 25/2021 NON-GRANT OF ACP – CASE OF SMT. DOLIBEN N BHABHOR, JR.CLERK PRESENTLY WORKING AS CH. OS-OCMG GROUP

She was under DAR up to 15.12.2008 and MACP is given

ITEM NO. 27/2021 INJUSTICE TO TRAFFIC STAFF PP/P-MAN CATEGORY DUE TO CONTINUOUS POSTPONING OF DEPARTMENTAL QUOTA SELECTION FOR TE/ACC CATEGORY IN TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT RJT

Administration not agreed for conducting the selection due to acute shortage in operating department. Union requested for conducting selection timely.

ITEM NO. 29/2021 NON-SUPPLY OF QUALITY SAFETY SHOES TO TRACKMAN CATEGORY  
General Manager issued instructions for spot purchase committee at Divisional level and reference has been made for permitting payment of Rs.1400/- to Trackman in lieu of safety shoes

ITEM NO. 30/2021 GRANT OF DUAL CHARGE ALLOWANCE – CASE OF SHRI.PRAVIN KALE OS UNDER SSE (W) AN

Case is pending at HQ for account vetting

## VETERAN RETIRED

**O. C. Thomas**, CTI (HQ), GTR and Treasurer of GTR Branch,retired from Railway Service on superannuation on 11.12.2019.

**Farookh B. Shaikh**, Divisional Vice chairman, BVP Division, retired from Railway Service on superannuation on 31.01.2020.

**Vilayat Hussain**, MCF and Secretary Diesel Shed, Vatva Branchretired from Railway Service on superannuation on 31.01.2020.

**Vinod Manjrawala**, Secretary, Pratap Nagar Workshop Branch and Member, CSBF retired from railway service on superannuation on 28.02.2020. He was an expert of IT technology and habitual of compiling the Railway Board Orders and PS issued by Administration.

**Dilip Jadhav**, Chairman of PL/MX Workshop Branch retired from railway service on superannuation on 28.02.2020. he was a staunch union leader and was a very good organizer. He was involved with various institutions and was involved in social activities.

**Bharatkumar Y. Yadav**, SM Kalol and Secretary, Kalol Branch retired from Railway Service on superannuation on 29.02.2020.



**Ashok Kumar P. Pandey**, CBS and Secretary Dhrangadhra Branch retired from Railway Service on superannuation on 29.02.2020.

**Shyam Babu Shrivastava**, Divisional Secretary, Ratlam Division and Zonal Secretary AIRF, retired from railway service on superannuation on 30.06.2020. He was closely associated with WREU since last 30 years and worked in WREU in various capacities.

**Prakash Savalkar**, Ex. Divisional Secretary and Divisional Chairman WREU BCT division retired from Railway Service on superannuation on 31.10.2020, he was popularly known as 'Bhau' amongst the railwaymen. He was a fighting leader and always remains in forefront in all the agitations.

**Anjani Dixit**, Secretary, SBI Stores Branch, retired from Railway Service on superannuation on 30.11.2020. He was a very balanced leader and was very helpful in nature.

**H. S. Pal**, Divisional Secretary ADI Division retired from Railway Service on superannuation on 31.01.2021. He worked in union for more than 30 years and shouldered the responsibilities of various posts in union. He was Divisional Secretary for almost four and half years. He was very hardworking and was expert in handling DAR cases.

**T. N. Mahendran**, PS II who was working in WREU HQ Office since 2000, retired from Railway Service on superannuation on 28.02.2021. His Contribution in assisting General Secretary/WREU will be remembered forever. He was sober in nature and was very expert in compiling documents for representing the cases.

**Anjali Korgaokar**, OS and Vice Chairman, CCG GLO Branch, retired from Railway Service on superannuation on 31.03.2021. She was very active and participates in all the activities of the branch.

## TASK AHEAD

We are holding our Annual Convention virtually 1<sup>st</sup> time in the history of our Union due to COVID-19 situation. We have to fight with COVID and simultaneously progress as usual. The present Central Government policies are Anti Labour. The amendment in Labour Laws in form of 4 new Labour Codes is a very big challenge to the Trade Union movement of this country. We have



to work hard for our survival in this adverse atmosphere created by COVID-19. To save the Indian Railway from the attack of Privatization, restoring the benefit of old pension scheme to all railway workers by scrapping New Pension Scheme, timely recruitment and promotions to the railway workers, payment of Dearness Allowances and Dearness Relief with arrears w.e.f 01-01-2020, absorption of Act Apprentices in railway services, re-start of LARSGESS scheme for the benefit of railway employees are the major challenges before us in near future. Our demand of timely election for our recognition is also pending. I hope we will improve our solidarity for facing all these challenges in future.

## **RAILWAY SENTINEL**

The Railway Sentinel, the mouth piece of WREU, has been published in three languages English, Hindi and Gujarati. We were able to publish this upto March, 2020 only. Due to COVID situation we could not publish our Magazine. We are planning to publish our Railway Sentinel through e-Magazine. All are requested to co-operate and take advantage of getting our news through Railway Sentinel.

## **THANKS**

I thank S/Shri Sharad Pawar ji, President, All India Nationalist Congress, Com. G.G.Parikh, Veteran Socialist leader, Director General ILO (Geneva) Guy Ryder, Com. Stephen Cotton, General Secretary, International Transport Worker Federation, Sister Sheron Barrow, General Secretary ITUC Brussels, Brother Shoya Yoshida, General Secretary, ITUC-AP Singapore, Shri Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary, AIRF, Late Rakhil Dasgupta, President –AIRF, Shri Raja Shridhar, President, HMS, Shri HarbhajansinhSiddhu, General Secretary, HMS, Shri Govindlal Sharma, General Secretary, HMS-Madhya Pradesh, Shri P.K.Walanj, General Secretary-HMS, Gujarat, Shri Sanjay Vadhavkar, General Secretary-HMS, Maharashtra, Shri Abdul GaniSerang, General Secretary, NUSI, Shri AmarsinghThakur, General Secretary, MUI, Shri Alok Kansal ji, General Manager, Western Railway, Shri Sanjeev Mittal, General Manager, Central Railway, President, General Secretaries of all the Central Trade Unions, General Secretaries of Affiliated Unions of AIRF, All Railway employees, activists, brothers and sisters and all others who have supported us for celebration of Century programme virtually on 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2020.



I thank Com. R.C.Sharma, President and all Head Quarter Office Bearers for their contribution in all respect. I also thank to Branch/ Division Office Bearers for their co-operation and assistance. I am thankful to WREU activist and railway men for their participation in helping migrant workers, COVID-19 affected patients, serving railway employees and their families and retired railway employees and their families in difficulties faced by them during COVID-19 situation in all respect including distribution of masks, supply of food, distribution of Ayush medicines, guiding all for observing the guidelines given by the Central and State Governments for fighting with COVID-19.

I also thank Com. Vivek Kamble, Javed Haldarva, Harikesh Meena, Smt. Chitra Bhujbal, Mrs. Shabana Shaikh and Smt. Mangesh Ratna Singh. I thank all educators for sparing their valuable time and conducting educational programme physically and virtually. I also thank CSBF Members Com. Vinod Manjrawala, Prashant Kanade, G. R. Verma and Santosh Pawar for their contribution. I also thank Com. Dinesh Panchal and his team for timely printing this report in English from Ahmedabad. My sincere thanks to Com. R.P.Gupta, Vikas Gupte, Prashant Kanade, Rajan P., Nagabhushanam, T.N.Mahendran, Smt. Savitha Talashilkar, Santosh Lad, Sanjeev Poojary, Shashi Patel, Shailesh Master, Nitin Sawant, Prakash Sawant, GopalGocharand all those working/assisting in the Union offices at Divisional/Branch levels on entire Western Railway for their contribution in day-to-day functioning. I once again thanks to all our members, comrades and well-wishers.

Yours sincerely



**(J. R. Bhosale)**  
General secretary

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PAREL W/SHOP  
PRTN W/SHOP  
DHD W/SHOP  
DHD E&M  
SBI W/SHOP  
SBI STORES  
DHD STORES  
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COM. SAKHARAM	DAHOD	WESTERN RAILWAY
COM. SITARAM	DAHOD	WESTERN RAILWAY
COM. KRUPA SHANKAR	DAHOD	WESTERN RAILWAY
COM. KHADERAN ALIAS GIRDHAR	DAHOD	WESTERN RAILWAY

### 1968 STRIKE

COM. PARESH SANYAL	BONGAIGAON	NF. RAILWAY
COM. RAMAN ACHARJEE	MARIANI	NF. RAILWAY
COM. KISHAN GOPAL	BIKANER	N. RAILWAY
COM. LACHMAN SHAH	PATHANKOT	N. RAILWAY
COM. RAJ BAHADUR	PATHANKOT	N. RAILWAY
COM. DEBRAJ	PATHANKOT	N. RAILWAY
COM. KULDIP SINGH	PATHANKOT	N. RAILWAY
COM. GHAMA	PATHANKOT	N. RAILWAY
COM. ARJUNSINGH	NEW DELHI	CPWD

### 1974 STRIKE

COM. V.R MALGI	MUMBAI	NRMU (CENTRAL RLY)
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