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### From the Desk of Editor





### Dear Subscribers and Railwaymen,

I hope this finds you and your family in good health. Publication of Railway Sentinel could not be done timely due to COVID-19 situation prevailing

everywhere in India in general and in Mumbai and Maharashtra in particular. We feel sorry for delay in communicating in latest developments during this entire period. We have tried to continue our communication by way of whatsapp messages and circulars through our website. We have conducted number of ONLINE activities including the sports and other non bargaining activities on the eve of 7<sup>th</sup> Death Anniversary of Late Com. Umraomal Purohit ji and while remembering Late Com. C.S.Menon ji, Jagdish Ajmera ji, J.P.Choubey ji and others. Railway Sentinel congratulates Western Railway Employees' Union for its contribution of Rs. 52 lacs towards Prime Minister Relief Fund and Rs. 25 lacs to Chief Minister of Maharashtra Relief Fund, celebrating its Centenary function successfully on 1st August, 2020 and distributing the souvenir of Wrist Watches to all its members. We also congratulate all the Railwaymen for their contribution by way of one day salary towards Prime Minister Care Fund for fighting with COVID-19 situation in the Country and helping the COVID affected families. I also congratulate all my division and branch leaders and activists for involving themselves in distributing the Ayush medicines, sanitization material, mask, supply of food to migrant workers, sanitization of railway colonies, conducting the vaccination camps for providing Covishield / Covaxin to the railwaymen and their family members and retired railway men and their families. The railway officers and

employees deserve congratulations for their noble contribution in operating the railway services for the benefit of citizen of the countries and migrant workers during this entire period. Their work is commendable. We have already congratulated General Manager, Principal Chief Medical Director and Team of railway workers through whatsapp messages on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2020 and again in the month of April, 2021 when Western Railway was honored by Railway Ministry by awarding "COVID-19 Shield" for providing very good services in dealing with COVID-19 patients. Our earnest request to all of you is to please take all precautions, guide and help others for taking such precautions for maintaining good health and in fight against Corona Virus.

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. AIRF and WREU is continuously fighting for achieving these pending demands and held number of agitations during this period. Railwaymen are responding to the call of Union. As per the directives of AIRF. We are forming the committies at station levels consisting of all the stake holders including Rail Users, the eminent personalities of that area, journalists, NGO's etc for better mobilization to stall the efforts of government to Corporatize / Privatize Indian Railways. 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.

With immense pleasure I am publishing this special issue of Railway Sentinel after a gap of 14 months. We pay rich tribute to all those who left for heavenly abode during this period due to normal death as well as succumbed to COVID-19 and pray almighty to grant eternal peace to the departed souls. We assure you that we will try to publish our monthly magazine regularly in future.



#### 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 and the program was telecast live on You Tube channel.

The session of celebration started at 11.00 hrs. Com. R.C.Sharma. President presided the function. 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 welcomes Shri.Sharad Pawar ji, President NCP and Ex. Central Minister 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 Aimera. S.M.Joshi, S.R.Kulkarni, Manohar Khotwal, Dr.Shanti Patel, Bhau Phatak, Madhu Dandavate and 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 it's 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, Shri. S.S. Jhabwala, Shri Jamanadas Mehta, Shri Bhikundas Master, Kumari Maniben Kara, Shri Jagdish Ajmera, Shri Umraomal Purohit, Shri. J.P.Chaubey, 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 life 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 Ridder, Director General ILO, Sister Sheron Burrow, General Secretary, ITUC, Brother Steave Cotton, General Secretary, ITF, and Brother Shoyya Yoshida, General Secretary, ITUC-AP. Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Railways, in his massage 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.

S/Shri Alok Kansal, General Manager, Western Railway, while addressing critically analyzed the union song and said we the railway man can truly change the world. He also mentioned the contribution of WREU in maintaining industrial relation and overall functioning



of western railway. Com. Rakhaldas Gupta, 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 appeal 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. Umraoml 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.Raghhvaihya, 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. Shakuntla Waval, President-AISC/STA, Shri N. Kannaiya, 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-AIOBC-WR, have been released on screen.

On this occasion video messages of greeting received from Shri Abdul Gani Serang, 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-Maharastra, 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 beloved departed comrades and short film of their photos shared on screen.

In the conclusion Com. J.R.Bhsoale, 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 accommodate in such a short documentary and assured to expand the same by including leftover history. He narrated in short 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 normalized. Com. Bhosale narrated regarding 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 branch secretaries, divisional secretaries and their team 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 for 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 WREU history is golden history and evidence of sacrifices, struggle and achievements. Now it is our turn to make history for 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 grand success and joined by more than 250 and witnessed by about 1500 on You Tube channel.

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 18-03-2021 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.



### THE 100<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION OF WESTERN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' UNION



The 100<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Western Railway Employees' Union, Central Executive Committee Meeting, General Counsel and Working Committee meeting were concurrently held from 26<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Although WREU decided to organize AGM at Baroda, but due to prevailing COVID-19 pandemic, the convention was organized through virtual mode on Zoom, first time in the history of WREU.

#### **Open Session**

The open session of 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention started at 11.00 hrs. on 26th April 2021, Com. R.C. Sharma, President-WREU, presided over the open session. The convention started with union song. Among the distinguished guests, who have joined the convention on Zoom, were Com. Shiv Gopal Mishra, General Secretary - AIRF, Smt. Alka Mishra, AM-HR, Rly. Board, Com. Harbhajan Singh Sidhu, General Secretary, HMS and Shri Alok Kansal, General Manager Western Railway, Shri Surendra Kumar. PCPO, Com. Abdul Gani Serang, General Secretary, NUSI, Com. Ch. Shankar Rao, Treasure-AIRF & GS-SCRMU, Com. Mukesh Mathur, GS-NWREU, Smt. Praveena Singh, Convenor Woman Wing-AIRF, Shri Sharif Khan Pathan, President WRMS, Shri P.J.Shinde, President, NRMU-C.Rly and Shri S.K.Tyagi, President, NRMU.

Com. J.R. Bhosale, General Secretary welcome all the distinguished guests and requested Com. S.G.Mishra, General Secretary AIRF to inaugurate the convention. Com. S.G.Mishra 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 Aimera and other leaders, who contributed a lot in the national trade union movement in general and railway in particular. Com. Mishra specially mentioned about the present COVID-19 pandemic and said that railwaymen are contributing in moving of the wheel of railways at the cost of their life. He has mentioned about efforts being made by AIRF to provide maximum relief to workers in these hard days. Com. Mishra further spoke on pending rightful demands of railwaymen raised by AIRF. He categorically mentioned the government views on freezing of DA/DR, regularize Course Completed Act Apprentices, upgradation of 50% posts of GP-1800 and other demands. He appealed to all railwaymen to work with their safety by following COVID protocol. Smt. Alka Mishra, AM-HR, Rly. Board while speaking remembered her experience of working on western railway and praised the approached and functioning of WREU leaders. She mentioned about the steps being taken by Ministry of Railways/Railway Board to ease



the working conditions of railway staff in this situation. She congratulated WREU on completion of 100 years of glorious services to railwaymen and contributing in the development of railway industry. General Secretary HMS, Com. Harbhajan SingH Sidhu, in his speech criticized the government policies of privatization of public sector units including railways. He mentioned that drastically increased in unemployment in the country is result of faulty policies of government. He also spoke on proposed reforms of labour laws and said that all Central Trade Unions are jointly opposing the move of government through out the country. He appealed all to be unite to join movement to save our hard won rights. Shri Alok Kansal, General Manager, Western Railway in his address applauded the employees of western railway for their hard working in this pandemic which resulted in western railway could increase 5% freight traffic. Shri Kansal spells out the administrative action taken to meet with present challenge of pandemic and to provide maximum assistance to employees. WREU always stood for the help of employees, he added. He appealed all employees and officers to follow guidelines issued in order to prevent from infection. He congratulates WREU for completing 100 years. Shri Surendra Kumar, PCPO-WR also congratulate WREU for holding 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention through virtual mode and shared his little experience of working on western railway. He praised the functioning of WREU. Shri Sharif Khan Pathan, President-WRMS, Shri Mukesh Mathur, GS-NWREU, Shri P.J.Shinde, President-NRMU-C.Rly., Shri S.K.Tyagi, President-NRMU, Shri V.K.Sharma, Ex. Vice President, WREU-BVP and Smt. Praveena Singh have also addressed the convention.

The video clips of greetings messages for the 100<sup>th</sup> AGM of WREU sent by Com. Venu P. Nair, General Secretary, NRMU (Central and Konkon Railway), Com. A.M.D'cruz, General Secretary, SWRMU, Com. Govindlal Sharma, General Secretary, HMS-MP and Com. Sanjay Vadhavkar, General Secretary, HMS-Maharashtra were shown. Messages of Shri Suneet Sharma ji, Chairman cum CEO, Railway Board, Com. N. Kannaih, President, AIRF, Com. Ramnath Patil, President, AlOBCREA, Western Railway were read out by General Secretary.

Com. J.R. Bhosale, General Secretary narrated in brief the history and functioning of WREU and mentioned that on this historical 100<sup>th</sup> AGM of WREU we have decided to distribute a souvenir to our members. Thereafter, Com. R.C.Sharma, President thanked all the dignitaries who attended the open session and graced the function. General Secretary briefed about the WREU history of 100 years. He thanked all the members and activists of the union. He also thanked Chairman cum CEO, Railway Board, General Manager, Western Railway, AM(HR), PCPO, General Secretary, AIRF, General Secretary, HMS, all ex. office bearers, divisional secretaries who participated in this meeting and all and all other distinguished guests and visitors and all those who have helped in making this virtual meeting successful.

#### **DELEGATE SESSION**

The Delegate Session was held virtually by Zoom aap in the afternoon. Com. R. C. Sharma, President/WREU, was in chair. Around 145 delegates have attended the conference virtually in the beginning. After paying homage to the comrades who left for heavenly abode since last AGM by observing two minutes silence, Com. Bhosale placed the General Secretary's Report followed by Accounts and proposal of appointment of Auditors for the year 2021-2022 by the Treasurer. While submitting his report, he narrated complete details of the agitations on Western Railway since last AGM as per the directives of and AIRF and HMS. He further narrated activities of WREU including Youth, Women Wing, Educational & Nonbargaining activities and also all major achievements during the period as a result of PNM meetings held with General Manager. Com. General Secretary gave detailed report on all activities conducted by Divisions, Workshops and other Branches during the period. He also narrated all activities conducted by WREU including non-bargaining, education, sports, Trade Union Education Classes, etc. while explaining the Non bargaining activities he informed that Union has donated Rs. 52 lacs to Prime Minister Relief Fund and Rs. 25 lacs to Chief Minister Relief Fund of Maharashtra. He narrated all the activities done by the branches, divisions, HQ for helping migrant workers, unorganized workers, railway employees detained at destination due to sudden declare of lockdown by distributing the sanitizers, masks, food packets, Ayush medicines. He also narrated guidelines given to the railway employees for maintaining social distance and other precaution while working in railway essential services. He thanked one and all for their total cooperation and support during the entire period, especially for enrollment of membership, collection of grievances and wide publicity of all activities during



this pandemic period. He specially mentioned about the help extended to the railwaymen and their family members by the Leaders and Activists of WREU by all means. The General Secretary thanked all those who have helped him in functioning of the union, preparation of reports and management of successful virtual conference. Thereafter 2 resolutions were placed:

#### **DRAFT RESOLUTION NO. 1**

- 1) Demand of withdrawal of 4 Labour codes.
- 2) Conducting of Secret Ballot for recognition of the Unions
- Payment of Dearness allowance and Dearness Relief to Central Government employee and Pensioners for a period 01-01-2020 to 30-06-2021
- 4) Charter of other Demands.

(Proposed By Prashant Kanade, AGS and DS/BCT and seconded by Dinesh Panchal, DS/ADI).

#### **DRAFT RESOLUTION No. 2**

This Annual Convention empowers the Working Committee for taking decision for appointment of Honorary Member and Central Office Bearer in case of exigencies when it is impossible to conduct physical Annual Meeting, subject to approval of the next Annual General Conference.

(Proposed by **Rajan P.**, Divisional Chairman / BCT and Seconded by **P. B. Bhargava**, Assistant General Secretary)

7 delegates participated in the deliberations, viz., 1) Shri G.N.Jadeja, Branch Secretary- SUNR and Director JCCS 2) Shri Jitendra Singh, Divisional Treasurer-BCT 3) Shri Rajendra Shukla, Lower Parel Workshop 4) Shri Sanjay Pawar, Joint Divsional Secretary-BRC 5) Shri Harful Kumawat, Branch Secretary-GIM 6) Shri R.V.Mehta, Divisional Vice Chairman-RJT & 7) Shri K.Nagabhushanam, Branch Secretary-CCG Station Branch.

Com. Bhosale while replying the debate clarified the doubts on some of the issues raised by delegates. General Secretary's Report was adopted, Accounts for year ending 31.12.2019 and 2020 was unanimously passed. M/s. Ashok Dalal & Co., Chartered Accountant, was appointed as Auditors for next 2 years. After thorough deliberations, both resolutions was unanimously passed.

#### **ELECTION**

Com. Mukesh Mathur, General Secretary/NWREU, Election Officer, declared the nominations received. Com. R. C. Sharma, Com. J. R. Bhosale, Com. R. P. Gupta and Com. Santosh Pawar were elected as honorary members. The following office bearers are unanimously elected as Central Office bearers of WREU:

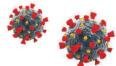
Com. R. C. Sharma - President Com. Nikhil Joshi - Vice President Com. Ajayrajsinh R. Gohil - Vice President Com. Seema Kaushik - Vice President Com. Perin Sophiya Harsh - Vice President Com. J. R. Bhosale - General Secretary Com. R. P. Gupta - Asst. General Secretary Com. P. B. Bhargava - Asst. General Secretary Com. Santosh Pawar - Asst. General Secretary Com. Prashant Kanade - Asst. General Secretary Com. P. Rajan - Asst. General Secretary Com. Vikas Gupte - Treasurer

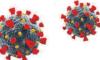
The Election Tribunal was appointed comprising of Shri R. P. Gupta as Convener and Shri Shyambabu Shrivastava and Smt. Sudhaben Joshi as members.

Com. President and General Secretary in their concluding remarks thanked all the guests. They also thanked Delegates, for their active participation and co-operation. The meeting was concluded with vote of thanks to the chair and shouting loud slogans–WREU-AIRF-HMS Zindabad - Kamgar Ekta Zindabad.

The conference was continued on 27-04-2021 virtually. A documentary film was shown to all delegates and visitors regarding the functioning of BBCI Railway Employees Union since 1<sup>st</sup> August 1920 to 5<sup>th</sup> November, 1951 and Western Railway Employees Union from 5<sup>th</sup> November 1951 till date. A message from Smt. Tanuja Kansal, w/o Shri Alok Kansal, General Manager & President WRWWO was also shown alongwith left over messages of Shri P.K.Waluni, General Secretary, HMS-Gujarat state and Shri Ramnath Patil, All India OBC Association. The President and General Secretary appreciated the support of all members and activists during this period and thanked all of them for their continuous participation in the conference. The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the chair







#### **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 9<sup>th</sup> 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 Nikuni 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 1<sup>st</sup> worker special train started on 1<sup>st</sup> 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 litres 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 Jacs to Chief Minister Relief Fund (Maharashtra) on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2020. The cheque was handed over to Shri Ajit Pawarji, Dy. Chief Minister, by Com. J.R.Bhosale, General Secretary-WREU, Treasurer Com. Vikas Gupte and Shri Sanjay Vadavkar, General Secretary-HMS, Maharashtra. Shri Ajit Pawar ji 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.

WREU requested the General Manager in the PNM meeting held on 09-04-2021 for starting of one COVID ward in all the Divsional 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.

#### **SEMINAR ON "RAIL BACHAO-DESH BACHAO"**

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 hrs to 18.30 hrs through 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 any political parties ruled this country previously and presently ruling 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 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> 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:

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

- 9. 3rd June 2020 central trade union meeting
- 10. 27<sup>th</sup> June 2020 central trade union meeting
- 11. 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2020 nationwide protest day
- 12. 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020 central trade union meeting
- 13. 18<sup>th</sup> July 2020 central trade union meeting
- 14. 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020 central trade union meeting
- 15. 9th August SAVE INDIA DAY by CTUS
- 16. 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020 central trade union meeting
- 17. 31st August 2020 central trade union meeting
- 18. 23<sup>rd</sup> 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. 2<sup>nd</sup> October national convention workers by CTUS
- 22. 16<sup>™</sup> November 2020 central trade union meeting
- 23. 26<sup>th</sup> November 2020 Countrywide general strike by CTUS
- 24. 19<sup>™</sup> December central trade union meeting
- 25. 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021 Meeting in MOLE on OSH Rules and Code
- 26. 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021 central trade union meeting
- 27. 20<sup>th</sup> 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. 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021 central trade union meeting

### **ALL INDIA RAILWAYMENS FEDERATION**

AIRF, General Council was to be held on 31<sup>st</sup> July and 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Minsitry of Privatisation of number of activities including production unit and RDSO. AIRF held 1<sup>st</sup> ONLINE standing committee meeting on 15-05-2020 for reviewing the situation and pending demands of railway men. 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

# CONTRIBUTION TO CHIEF MINISTER AND 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 Fund with Com. Sanjay Vadhavkar & Vikas Gupte.

WREU by taking decision on its working committee held on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020 have contributed Rs.25 lacs to Chief Minister Relief Fund (Maharashtra) on 11<sup>th</sup> 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.



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

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 12<sup>th</sup> July 2020 by gathering in Shahid Bhavan keeping in mind the social distancing and other protocol of COVID – 19. Com. Sanjay Kapoor, Com. Perin Sophiya 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 ke Shahido Amar Raho", "San Sath Ke Shahido Amar Raho"

#### **MAZDOOR EKTA DIWAS**

WREU observed 'Mazdoor Ekta Diwas' on 27th February 2021, on the occasion of Seventh Death Anniversary of Late Com. Umraomal Purohit, Ex. President, WREU/AIRF/ITF, Ex. General Secretary & Chief Advisor/HMS & Ex Secretary, NC-JCM (Staff Side). On the occasion, a Seminar on "Save Railways - Save Nation" was organized in Jagdish Aimera Sabhagruh, Grant Road (West), Mumbai. In the beginning, the leaders garlanded the portrait of Late Com. Umraomalji and lighted the lamp and all the participants paid floral tribute to Late Com. Umraomal Purohit. Com. R. P. Gupta, Prashant Kanade, P.B. Bhargava, Vikas Gupte, Rajan P. and Com. Jitendra Singh were present on dais. Com. Vivek Kamble, Mangesh Ratna Singh, Vinod Mourya expressed their views. The speakers while expressing their views on the subject remembered Late Umraomalji's contributions for the labour movement not only in the country as also to the world at large as President of ITF. Late Com. Umraomalji was always emphasizing importance of youth and women in the organization and a single Central Trade Union in the country. The speakers highlighted the ongoing privatization of Public Sector Undertakings including Indian Railways in piecemeal and the efforts of AIRF leadership in strongly protesting against it and organizing series of agitations throughout the year even during the lockdown period, which resulted into fruitful discussions at various fora. The programme was concluded by observing two minutes silence to pay homage to Late Com. Umraomalji.

**Shradhanjali Sabhas** were also organized by WREU-Vadodara, Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Bhavnagar and Ratlam Divisions and their branches and also by Lower

Parel, Sabarmati, Dahod and Bhavnagar Workshops on 27.02.2021 and WREU comrades paid tributes to Late Com. Umraomal Purohit on his 7<sup>th</sup> Death Anniversary. Western Railway Pensioners Association under the leadership of Com. R.P. Gupta organized condolence meeting in Borivali Union Office on 28.02.2021, which was attended by large number of pensioners.

# LATE COM. UMRAOMAL PUROHIT MEMORIAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT

Youth Wing of Mumbai assisted by activists from BCT Division, CCG-GLO, CCG-Accounts and Parel & Mahalakshmi Workshops organized a Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament in memory of Late Com. Umraomal Purohit with the aegis of Maniben Kara Foundation at Mahalaxmi Sports Complex from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26th February, 2021, in which 32 teams from different departments participated. The tournament was inaugurated by lighting lamp and garlanding the portrait of Late Com. Umraomalji by Shri G.V.L. Satyakumar, DRM-BCT, Com. J. R. Bhosale, GS/WREU, Shri Tarun Huriya, CWM-PL, Shri Arun Kumar, CWM-MX and Shri V.K. Yadav, Dy.CEE-MX in presence of Com. Prashant Kanade, Div. Secretary, Pravin Bhargava, Rajan P., Shyam Achrekar, Sanjay Girkar and other leaders and large number of WREU activists from BCT Division, EMU-MX and PL Workshop. Before the opening ceremony, two minutes silence was observed to pay tribute to Late Com. Umraomal Purohit.

Semi-final and final matches were played on 26th February, 2021, which were witnessed by Shri Rajkumar Lal, PCCM & President, WRSA, Shri G.V.L. Satyakumar, Shri Kalimuthu, Dy. CME-MX, Shri Justin, Sr. Sports Officer, Com. R. P. Gupta, Prashant Kanade, P.B. Bhargava, Vikas Gupte and Com. Rajan P. and a very large number of WREU activists. One Exhibition match was played between two women teams, one led by Mangesh Ratna Singh and other led by Kumkum Dongre. Final match was played between Valsad XI and Lower Parel XI in which Valsad XI emerged victorious.

The trophies/ prizes and cash awards were distributed by distinguished guests, viz. PCCM, DRM and Com. R. P. Gupta, Com. Vikas Gupte and Com. Prashant Kanade to Winner, Runner-up, Man-of-the-Match, Man-of-the-Series, Best Batsmen, Best Bowler and Best Fielder, etc. Medals were also presented to all the members of the winner and runner-up teams. Com. R. P. Gupta thanked PCCM and DRM for attending the final match and prize distribution function and encouraging the sport activity.



Com. Vivek Kamble, Zonal Youth Convener with the support of Youth Wing activists, viz.Mukesh

BRC DIVISION: On 09/03/2021 team WREU, as usual arranged International Women's Day Celebration at PRTN Auditorium. Program start at 11.30 hrs. and about 300 to 350 women employees of entire BRC Division as well as PRTN/W Shop attended this function.

DRM-Shri Amit Gupta, Sr.DCM-Smt. Zenia Gupta, Sr.DPO-Shri R.K. Upadhyay, GS/HMS-Com.P.K. Walanj, DS/WREU-Com.Santosh Pawar, DC/WREU-Shri Vijay Sengar, Jt.DS/WREU Com.Sanjay Pawar, all DOB's Branch Chairman/Secretary, Women Wing-Chairperson-Smt. Kunda Bodke, Smt. Haresha Patel-Convener-Women Wing, and Youth Wing team were present.

DRM/BRC while addressing the gathering appreciated team WREU for taking initiative for creating awareness programs and social welfare activities. DRM assured that he will resolve the grievances pertaining to women employees working in BRC division whenever brought in the notice.

Shri P.K. Walanj, General Secretary/HMS Gujrat state laud the importance of women & stated that each & every women should stand for their right as Government of India has taken decision for allocation of 30% Reservation for women but, till date not implemented and every women should take benefit of this facility.

Sr.DCM/BRC-Dr. Zenia Gupta thank WREU for giving opportunity to meet women employees of BRC division at one place on eve of International Women's Day. She described how women employees struggle to take care of household work and after completing this task get ready for office where she continuously work from morning to evening and after completion office work, again reach home and start their routine work. this shows the "Naari Shakti" and sacrifice of women employees for their family and Railway. Sr.DCM said she is always ready to help women railway employees and stand up with them for their rights.

DS/WREU while his speech salute women of BRC Division who attend in good number. He told that WREU is always ahead to resolve problems of Women employee. He gave detail of item raise at Divisional Level & HQ Level for women welfare. He further told that WREU is one of the oldest Independent, Nonpolitical Trade Union in Indian Railway which has completed 100 years.

WREU/Women Wing-Chairperson-Smt. Kunda Bodke pointed out the problems faced by Gang



### Women and women employees working at different stations and demanded that:

- Separate Tiffin Room/Change Room should be provided as per Railway Board guidelines which are still not provided on entire Division except some locations.
- 2) Lunch Room, Sitting arrangement may be arranged for Gang Women.
- 3) As per Board guidelines where there are 05 and above women employees working at that place Toilet/Bathroom should be provided. But, still at some places of Division Office and other locations these facilities are not provided.
- 4) On top floor of DRM Office where women employees are working in large number, the centralized A/C system is require to be provided for them as summer season is started.
- 5) Grievances related to women's working on entire Division should be resolved on top priority by administration.

From 15.30 hrs. to 17.30 hrs. Cultural Program was arranged which was enjoyed by one and. WREU/Women Wing Convener Smt. Haresha Patel thank entire Women Wing team and team WREU for supporting and making this function a grand success. The programe concluded with vote of thanks by Smt. Kunda Bodke.

ADI DIVISION 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. International Women's Day (8th March) was celebrated in all Divisions and Units by maintaining social distancing and by organizing meetings of Women's employees

All the Divisions of WREU and Workshops and Non Divisional Units of WREU conducted online Trade Union Education Programmes in the month of December, 2020. President Com. R. C. Sharma, General Secretary Com. J. R. Bhosale and Com. Dinesh Panchal guided the participants in most of the programes. WREU BCT and RTM Divisions organized TUEP physically at Grant Road, Udhana and Indore respectively.

Zonal TUEP was also conducted online from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2020. President, General Secretary and Zonal Educator - Com. Dinesh Panchal attended the programme full time and enlightened the participants on various important topics. Around 40 participants who are important leaders of Divisions and Units attended the Zonal Programme. After detailed deliberations, planning was made for Membership drive for coming 5 years as per the JPO issued by the Administration. It is expected that Secret Ballot Election for the recognition of Trade Unions on Indian Railways will be held somewhere in the months of May/June, 2021. Looking to this aspect, detailed discussions were held and important organizational matters were also discussed. Com. Rajendra Giri, Acting Director, Maniben Kara Institute presented a PPT on the topic 'Team Building" and Com. Panchal presented PPT on "Goal Setting".

WREU/BRC Youth Wing organized Blood Donation Camp on 19.01.2021 at BRCP Saloon Siding, which was inaugurated by Shri J. R. Bhosale, GS/WREU, Shri. Devendra Kumar, DRM/BRC, Dr. Krishnakant, ACMS/PRTN and Shri Vijay Shah of Indu Blood Bank. Com. Santosh Pawar, Com.Vijay Sengar, DS & DC respectively of WREU-BRC and Branch Secretary, other DOB attended the inaugural programme DRM/BRC Shri Devendra Kumar in his inaugural speech appreciated WREU for organizing various non-bargaining activities such as Blood



Donation Camps, Sports & Cultural activities, Safety Seminars, Trade Union Classes, etc. and

The prize distribution function as a non bargaining activity was done by BVP division on 25/01/2020 in Community Hall BVP, 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.

#### **C.S. MENON CRICKET TOURNAMENTS**

- **15**<sup>th</sup> **C. S. Menon Cricket Tournament** organized by WREU/BVP on 10-2-2020 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.
- **16**<sup>th</sup> **C. S. MENON Cricket Tournment** 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.

As there is tremendous increase in COVID – 19 cases, Com. Sanjay Kapoor, Secretary, Dahod W/shop branch, in GM PNM held on 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, raised the issue of difficulties faced by railwaymen and their family members in getting admitted and treatment at Municipal Covid Centre or other nominated hospitals and they are running from pillar to post for getting the necessary treatment. Com Bhosale in his outset submission before General Manager raised this issue in detail. This issue was also discussed in the local PNM before CWM and CMS and as a result of this, 10 beds each for men and women were converted in COVID care centre. This has given a great relief to the railwaymen of Dahod area.



## WREU DAHOD W/SHOP BRANCH ORGANIZED TESTING CAMPS

Due to the resurgence of COVID Cases in Dahod Area, railwaymen and their family members are stranded in the long queues on the Municipal Testing Centers for testing themselves. Looking to this situation and to gave relief to tem WREU Dahod W/shop branch organized Rapid and RTCPR testing camps at Shahid Bhavan from 14.04.2021 from 11.00 am to 13.30 pm. Daily 15 RTCPR and 50 Rapid antigen tests were conducted and reports were handed over to them next day.

The WREU Pensioners wing is functioning with many restrictions of COVID-19 and trying to help the needy Sr. Citizens for medical helpWREU 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. Mahendra Gangurde, 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.

As per the call of AIRF, WREU observed Call Attention Day on  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  February 2021 to highlight the long pending demands, viz. (1) Pay NDA to all eligible employees and remove its ceiling; (2) Release DA with arrears immediately; (3) Scrap NPS and restore Old Pension Scheme, etc.

In Mumbai Division, WREU cadre from all the 20 Branches from Churchgate to Amalner observed Attention Day on  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  February 2021 by wearing Black badges while on duty in all departments.

#### WREU RJT HELD DEC MEETING

The DEC meeting of WREU-RJT was held on 23-10-2020 in the Officers Club. Com. J.R.Bhosale, General Secretary guided all DEC members about the present situation of COVID-19 and demand of PLB. He also explained the latest position of changes in Labour Laws and demand of Payment of Dearness Allowance, Dearness Relief, Night Duty Allowance, Filling up the vacant post, Implementation of Trackmaintainers CRC, Abolition of New Pension scheme and all pending demands, Conference was addressed by Shri Naresh Khatwani, Divsional Chairman, Shri Nikhil Joshi, Divisional Secretary and explained the position of local problems. After the discussion and unanimity, the names of following comrades were placed before General Secretary for advising the same to General Manager.

- 1. Shri Jitendra Satapara, CLI-SUNR as Divisional Chairman:
- 2. Shri R.V.Mehta, SSE(Drawing) as Divisional Vice Chairman;
- 3. Shri Mayur Dhavj Gadvi, JAA as a Treasurer and
- 4. Shri Hitesh Soni, Booking Supervisor, OKHA as a Joint Divisional Secretary.

The HQ office has accepted the unanimous recommendation of the conference and advised their names to  $\mathsf{GM}(\mathsf{E})$  -  $\mathsf{CCG}$ 









# COM. SANTOSH PAWAR ELECTED AS HONARARY MEMBER AND AGS OF WREU



In the 100<sup>th</sup> AGM of WREU held on 26-27<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, **Com. Santosh Pundlik Pawar** was elected as Honorary Member of WREU and was elected as Assistant General Secretary. We wish him all success for his future assignments.

Com. Santosh Pundlik Pawar, Ch.OS under Sr.DSO/BRC was superannuated from the railway service on 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 after 34 years service in Railway. He born at Dondaicha (Maharasthra) on 14.04.1961 and after completing his education, was appointment in railway as Junior Clerk at BRCY. He join as Active Member of WREU at Division Office i.e., PRTN - II Branch. He was elected as Office Bearer in 1990 & then DOB in the year-2001. He has successfully worked as Divisional Secretary since July, 2007 to April, 2021. During 34 years of service he shouldered responsibilities of various posts in organization, such as, Assistant General Secretary, WREU since 2008, Divisional Secretary/WREU/BRC from 2007, Working Committee Member/AIRF, Treasurer - Western Railway Contractor Employee's Union, Convener - Sanyukt Kamdar Samiti and Member of Staff Benefit Fund (CSBF-Mumbai).

# OUR NEW DIVISIONAL CHAIRMEN AND SECRETARIES



Com. RAJAN.P, Jt. Div. Secretary of BCT Division has been nominated as Divisional Chairman from 01.11.2020 on retirement of Com. Prakash Savalkar, the then Divisional Chairman of BCT division. He was a member of Western Railway Foot Ball

team since his appointment against Sports Quota (Talent Quota-Foot Ball) in October 1986. He became member of WREU since 1987 and active in Union since 1995. He was elected as a Joint Secretary of PL

& MX Branch in the year 1997. He has joined as a WLI in BCT Division in 2004 and presently working as a CWLI. He became Joint Secretary of DRM-JRH Branch in 2008 and elevated to the post of Joint Divisional Secretary of Mumbai Division in the year 2009 and thereafter to the post of Divisional Chairman in November 2020. He was elected as Asst. General Secretary in the 100th AGM of WREU held on 26.4.2021. He was one among the first batch volunteers from WREU/AIRF for HIV/AIDS campaigning trained under Dr.I.S.Gilada of Indian Medical Association Mumbai. He has trained from IIWE Mumbai; helps employees as Defense Counsel in DAR/Vigilance cases. He has studied Labour Laws well versed with IREM and IREC. He is on full time deputation with the Union since 2010. He is very helpful and popular among the cadre. Railway Sentinel wishes him all the best.



Com. Dinesh Panchal has taken over charge of Divisional Secretary of WREU ADI on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021. Born on 2nd July 1964 at Ahmedabad has done B. Sc. He is active in WREU from the day of his appointment as a Guard. He worked as Joint Secretary, Treasurer and Branch

Secretary of DOK Branch of WREU BVP Division. He worked as Joint Divisional Secretary of BVP Division from 1995 to 2004. He continued the same post in ADI Division from 2004 to 2016. He was Divisional Chairman - ADI since March 2016. He has served as a Branch Chairman of SBI Engineering branch since 2011 successfully. He is Editor of Gujarati and Hindi Railway Sentinel from 1998 and 2004 respectively. He has taken keen interest in DAR cases and helped the needy employees. He worked as a Trade Union educator for last 25 years. He participated in National and International seminars held in India and also at Singapore, Bangkok, Turin, Italy, London (UK) etc. He also actively participated in Youth activity at WREU and HMS Level. He has a very good experience of working in unorganized sector being a working committee member of HMS-Gujarat. Railway Sentinel wishes him all success in his new assignment as Divisional Secretary.





Com. Ghanshyam Yadav has taken over charge of Divisional Chairman of WREU ADI on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2021. Born on 5<sup>th</sup> August 1970 at Parahit, Machhali Shahar, Jaunpur (UP) has done B. E. (Electrical) from Lucknow. He was appointed as JE(C&W) in BRC Division. Presently he is working as

DCWI in ADI Division. He was Joint Divisional Secretary of WREU-ADI division from 2016 to 2021. He is very active amongst his colleagues and very helpful. Railway Sentinel wishes him all success in his new assignment as Divisional Chairman.



Com. Manohar Singh Bharat has taken over as Divisional Secretary of WREU RTM division on 01-07-2020. He was born on 25-06-1967. He had joined as T&C on 18-06-1994. He is active in union since his appointment in railway. He has worked successfully as a Branch Chairman of WREU RTM

Traffic branch and as a Joint Divisional Secretary since 2016 onwards. He is functioning successfully as Divisional Secretary from last more than 10 months. Railway Sentinel wishes him all success in his present assignment.



Com. Jitendra Satapara, Joint Secretary, WREU-SUNR Branch has taken over as Divisional Chairman w.e.f 01-12-2020 after retirement of Shri Naresh Khatwani, Divisional Chairman on 30-11-2020. Shri Jitendra Satapara was born on 30-09-1977 and joined railway serves on 28-02-2000 as

Assistant Loco Pilot. He joined the union since his appointment in railway and elected as Office Bearer of SUNR branch as a Joint Secretary in 2010. He was nominated by WREU to attend the ILO Seminar held at Bangkok from 11-09-2018 to 17-09-2018. He has represented AIRF/HMS in the seminar. Shri Satapara

is young, energetic activist and doing very well as a Divisional Chairman and CLI-SUNR presently. Railway Sentinel wishes him all success for his present assignment.

#### **JCCS ELECTION 2020**

In the election held for electing the Board of Directors on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 Com. Naveen Lobo emerged victorious for consecutive 3<sup>rd</sup> term from Churchgate. Com. Ajayrajsingh Gohil and Smt. Nayanaben Chauhan emerged victories for consecutive 2<sup>nd</sup> term from Bhavnagar and Com. Sanjay Suryabali of ADI Division emerged victorious in the election. Com. Ghanshyamsinh N. Jadeja, Dy. CTI-SUNR & Branch Secretary, WREU-SUNR Branch emerged victorious from Rajkot division. We, from WREU and Railway Sentinel congratulate them.

#### **VETERAN RETIRED**

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

Shri. Naresh Khatwani, Ch.OS-Estt. & Divisional Chairman, WREU-RJT retired from Railway service on Superannuation on 30-11-2020. Shri Khatwani joined the railway services on 02-04-180 as Junior Clerk in Personnel department. He has worked as Joint Divisional Secretary in 2015 and as a Diviisonal Chairman since April 2018. We wish him and his family Happy, Wealthy Retired life.

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 hard working and was export 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 by tendering VRS on 31.03.2021. She was very active and participates in all the activities of the branch.

**D.K.Rana**, CWS and Ex. Divisional Office Bearer-BVP retired from Railway Service by tendering VRS on 31.12.2020.

Mohammed Akram, CBS - BVI & Branch Secretary of BVI Branch of BCT division retired from Railway Service on superannuation 31-12-2020. He was appointed as mobile booking clerk (MBC) and confirmed as ACC in 1994. He joined WREU from the day one and was very active and helpful in nature.

#### **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 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> CPC on behalf of AIRF. Condolence Meetings were organized at all over Western Railway by our Headquarter and Divisional Leaders.

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

**Dada Samant** Veteran Trade Union Leader Dada Samant breathed his last on21.04.2020. he was Divisional Secretary of Mumbai Division for 10 years.

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

**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.

**Shri 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

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

Smt. Mohini Purohit, Wife of Late Com. Umraomal Purohit, breather 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.

**Shri Dattatray Chitre,** (91) Father in Law of Vikas Gupte, Zonal Treasurer WREU, breathed his last on 07.02.2021.

**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 9<sup>th</sup> 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,

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

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

**Smt. Sulochana Y. Kambli**, Mother of Vishal Kambli, Youth leader, BRC, breathed his last on 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.

**P. N. Jadhav,** Joint Secretary ADI TFC branch, breathed his last on 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.

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

**Smt. Deviben,** Mother of Shri N.U.Rajai, breathed her last on 15-04-2021

**Shri J.G.Mahurkar,** General Secretary-WRMS and Vice President- NFIR left for heavenly abode after brief illness on 09-09-2020

**Shri Pradeep Kumar Tiwari,** Ex. Branch Secy of MHW(G) of WREU-RTM, DOD-08-09-2021

**Shri E.D.Victor,** Chief Parcel Supervisor, Surat and Treasurer-WREU-Surat DOD-24-01-2021

**Shri M.M.Mallik**, DCTI-Surat and Office Bearer of Surat Branch, DOD-29-03-2021

**Shri Sunil Bavsar**, JE-CFO-BCT and Ex. Office bearer of CFO Branch, DOD-10-06-2020

**Smt. Prabhaben V. Mehta,** Mother of Shri R.V.Mehta, breathed her last on 05-12-2020

**Shri Anupam Dave,** S/o of A.N.Dave, SUNR breathed his last on 21-04-2021

**Smt. Prabhaben Dave,** w/o A.N.Dave, SUNR breathed herlast on 26-04-2021

**Shri Pramod Chemburkar,** Ex. Office Bearer, Parel and MX workshop, breathed his last on 22-04-2021

**Shri Ram Kishore Tripathi,** Secy-HMS, breathed his last on 25-04-2021

**Shri Gopal Mehta,** Ex. Branch Secretary, C&W workshop, Aimer

**Smt. Pushpa Dave,** Ex. Secy Womens Wing RJT, breathed her last on 25-04-2021

**Shri M. H. Vora,** SM and Ex. Vice Chairman – BVP division, DOD-breathed his last on -04-2021

Shri Narayan, Branch Secy, Nandiad,

**Shri Komul** Branch Secretary, Botad Branch, BVP division breathed his last on 02.05.2021. He was SBF member, BVP division and was a very active & matured leader

**Mehbookhan 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. Ruksana,** Wife of Iqbal Sayyed, Treasurer CCG – GLO Branch expired on 14-04-2021

**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



#### **ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**

(Base 2001 = 100)

(Da3C 2001 100)							
Month / Year	Base year 2001=100 Average	Total of 12 Months	12 Monthly Average	%Increase Over 261.41* for DA			
Feb. 2020	328	3852	321.00	22.79			
Mar. 2020	326	3869	322.41	23.33			
April 2020	329	3886	323.83	23.87			
May 2020	330	3902	325.16	24.38			
June 2020	332	3918	326.05	24.72			
July 2020	336	3935	327.91	25.43			
Aug. 2020	338	3953	329.41	20.01			
Sept. 2020	340	3971	330.91	26.58			
Oct. 2020	344	3990	332.05	27.19			
Nov. 2020	345	4007	333.91	27.73			
Dec. 2020	342	4019	334.91	28.11			
Jan. 2021	340	4029	335.75	28.43			

\*Average Price Index for January 2001



### CHART OF RAILWAY BOARD ORDERS WITH PS NOS. FROM MARCH 2020 ONWARDS

Sr. No.	P. S.No.	Railway Board's letter No.	RB Date	RBE No.	Issue Date	Subject
1	018/2021	D-43/14/2019- F(E)III	10-Mar-2021	18/2021	03-May 2021	Pension Scheme on Railways and Retirement Benefits on Retirement benefits on absorption in public Sector undertakings Autonomous Bodies.
2	017/2021	E9NG0I/2020/PM I/8	05-Apr-2021	26/2021	26-Apr-2021	Eligibility criteria for selection to the post of the Chief Law Assistant in Level-7.
3	017/2021	E(NG)I/2020/PM 1/8	05-Apr-2021	26/2021	21-Apr-2021	Eligibility Criteria for Selection to the post of Chief Law Assistant in Level-7
4	016/2021	E9&A)/2020/PM I/8	13-Apr-2021	30/2021	26-Apr-2021	Modifications in the rates of Risk Allowance in Consonance with DO&T¿S orders dated 03/11/2020 under 7 TH CPC.
5	015/2021	E(W)2020/PS5- 1/9	13-Apr-2021	29/2021	26-Apr-2021	Clarification regarding Pass/Travel entitlement.
6	014/2021	D-43/12/2018- F(E)III	07-Apr-2021	27/2021	20-Apr-2021	Coverage under Railway Service (Pension) Rules 1993 in place of National Pension System of those railway employees whose selection for appointment was finalized before 01.01.2004 but who joined Railway service on or after 01.01.2004- reagrding.
7	013/2021	E(NG)I-2020/TR/2	31-Mar-2021	25/2021	01-Apr-2021	Cancellation of Periodical Transfer of the staff.



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8	012/2021	E(MPP)2021/1/13	25-Mar-2021	NIL	31-Mar-2021	Creation of Non Gazetted of safety posts.
9	011/2021	F(E)III/2005/PN 1/32	08-Mar-2021	17/2021	26-Mar-2021	Eligibility criteria for selection to the post of the Chief Law Assistant in Level-7.
10	010/2021	2016/F(E)III/1(1)8	09-Mar-2021	19/2021	26-Mar-2021	Revision of limits of two family pension payable to a child in respect of both the parents after the 7th CPC regarding.
11	009/2021	E(W)2020/PS5-1/3	17-Mar-2021	23/2021	01-Apr-2021	Special Dispensation for issuance of Privilege pass surrender certificate PPSC of the year 2020 in the year 2021 for availing special cash package.SCP
12	008/2021	E(NG)I/2020/PM I/8	15-Jan-2021	05/2021	18-Mar-2021	Eligibility criteria for selection to the post of Chief Law assistant in Level 7.
13	007/2021	E(D&A)2021/RG 6-7	15-Mar-2021	22/2021	19-Mar-2021	Imposition of Incorrect/Unintended penalty by Authorities. (Disciplinary /Appellate/Revisionary)- reg.
14	006/2021	E(NG)I-2018/CFP/5	04-Mar-2021	16/2021	10-Mar-2021	Eligibility criteria for Selection to the post of Commercial Clerk-cum Ticket Clerk GP 2000 (Level-3) against 33- 2/3% and 16-2/3% against.
15	005/2021	E(NG0I/2010/PM 1/19	23-Feb-2021	11/2021	09-Mar-2021	Filling up Non Gazetted posts on Railway Clarification of posts as Safety Categories in Traffic Department.



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16	004/2021	2020/E(LL)/HER/	02-Feb-2021	NIL	23-Feb-2021	Exemption from duty to employee with Disabilities during Pandemic Period Complaints filed by Shri Arun Kumar Singh Secretary General Rashtiya Vikalang Manch and S.K. Rungta Secretary General, National Federation of the Blind.
17	003/2021	E(NG)//2017/PM 1/11	13-Jan-2021	04/2021	05-Mar-2021	Filling up the post of Instructors in Recognized Training Institutes-Uniform Guidelines.
18	002/2021	Nil	01-Jan-0021	NIL	21-Jan-2021	Modified Assured Career Progression Scheme MACP for the railways Employees reg Averging of ACRs.
19	001/2021	2020 E RRB 23/07	04-Jan-2021	NIL	26-Mar-2021	Proposal for Induction Diversion of unutilized panels of RRBs References made by zonal railways.
20	109/2020	PC-VI2018/MACP/ 1(SM)	03-Dec-2020	105/2020	14-Jan-2021	Grant of financial upgradation under MACPs to Station Master.
21	108/2020	E(W)-2020/PS5- 2/7	28-Dec-2020	114/2020	30-Dec-2020	Crediting back of Pass PTOs already drawn but could not used even during the extended validity period.
22	107/2020	E(NG)II/2020/RC -4/2(Pt. 2)	29-Dec-2020	113/2020	29-Dec-2020	Re-engagement of retired Railway employees in exigencies of service.
23	106/2020	2020/TT-1/76/ STAFF/2	08-Dec-2020	Nil	29-Dec-2020	Syllabus for 70% Selection from Group C to Group B post in the



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						Traffic (Transportation &Commercial) Departmental of Railway.
24	105/2020	2020-E(SCT)/124/ 1	03-Dec-2020	106/2020	29-Jan-2021	Nomination of Liaison Officer for SCs/STs in Zonal Railway /Production unit at the level of JA Grade Officer.
25	104/2020	E(G)2000 QR 1-23	24-Nov-2020	99/2020	29-Dec-2020	Retention of Railway quarter on transfer deputation retirement etc.
26	103/2020	E(G)2020/RN-2/ COVID-19	28-Nov-2020	103/2020	10-Dec-2020	Relaxation for retention for railway accommodation in view of Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19)
27	102/2020	PC-V/2017/A/TA(E)	03-Dec-2020	104/2020	10-Dec-2020	Clarification regarding Admissibility of Transport allowance during Nation-wide Lockdown to Covid-19 Pandemic.
28	101/2020	E(NG)II/2020/SB/5	01-Dec-2020	102/2020	07-Dec-2020	Policy of Appointment of TADK on the Railways.
29	100/2020	PC-V/2018/MACP/ 1(SM)	24-Nov-2020	99/2020	07-Dec-2020	Grant of financial upgradation under MACPs to Station Master.
30	099/2020	2020/E(LL)/AT/ MW/2	29-0ct-2020	92/2020	25-Nov-2020	Minimum rates of wages and variable Dearness Allowances w.e.f. 01/10/2020.
31	098/2020	PC-V/2017/A/TA/I	16-Nov-2020	Nil	25-Nov-2020	Payment of Transport Allowance to Railway Employees working from home for entire calendar months in view of COVID-19 pandemic.



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32	096/2020	E(P&A)II-2017/ HW-1	06-Nov-2020	96/2020	25-Nov-2020	Recovery of Night Duty Allowance (NDA) from Railway employees who have become ineligible to get after issue of Board's letter 29/09/2019 (RBE 83/2020)
33	094/2020	E(W)/PS5-1/3	05-Nov-2020	95/2020	25-Nov-2020	Special Case Package equivalent in lieu of All India Leave Travel Concession Fare for Railway Employees during the Block 2018- 2021.
34	093/2020	2020/E(LL)/APW/4	16-0ct-2020	Nil	25-Nov-2020	Grant of Advance - Special Festival Package to Government Servants.
35	092/2020	F(E)III/2005/PN 1/12	28-0ct-2020	93/2020	10-Dec-2020	Calculation of monthly contribution towards cost of Pension payable during foreign service-reg.
36	090/2020	PC-V/2016/MACPS /1	04-Feb-2020	16/2020	23-0ct-2020	Consolidated guidelines regarding Modified Assured Career Progression Scheme for Railway Employees.
37	089/2020	PC-V/2016/MACPS /1	29-Jan-2020	13/2020	23-0ct-2020	Modified assured career Progression Scheme for Railway Employees-Clarification regarding.
38	088/2020	E(G) RN2-COVID-19	20-0ct-2020	89/2020	04-Nov-2020	One time Relaxation for Retention of Railway accommodation in view of Novel Corona virus- (COVID-19)
39	087/2020	E(P&A)II/2020/ PLB-1	21-0ct-2020	91/2020	23-0ct-2020	Payment of Productivity Linked Bonus to all eligible Non-Gazetted Railway employees for the Financial year 2019-20.



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40	086/2020	PC-V/2016/MACPS /1	13-0ct-2020	88/2020	23-0ct-2020	Fixation of pay on grant of benefit under Modified Assured Career progression scheme (MACPS)-Extension of the Benefit of entry level Pay provided in Board's letter dated 12/10/2018 (RBE 158/2018)
41	085/2020	E(NG)I/2020PM 1/18	07-0ct-2020	87/2020	28-0ct-2020	Aptitude test (earlier Psychological Test) in departmental selection-calling the candidates a day prior to the test.
42	084/2020	E(NG)I/2020/TR/ 16	01-0ct-2020	085/2020	19-0ct-2020	Inter-Railway Request Transfer-Hardships being faced by the staff -reg.
43	083/2020	PC-VII/2017/RSRP/ 1 (Pt)	04-Sep-2020	Nil	04-Nov-2020	FAQ on exercise of option to come over to 7th CPC under rule 5&6 RS(RP) Rules.2016-reg.
44	081/2020	E/SBF/1075/0	01-0ct-2020	57/2020	19-0ct-2020	Amendment of Provisions to Railway Staff Benefit Fund- Chapter 08 of India Railway Establishment Code-Volume-I,1985 Edition (Second Reprint Edition-2003)
45	079/2020	2020/E(LL)/AT/ MW/2	23-Jul-2020	54/2020	19-0ct-2020	Minimum rates of wages and variable DA w.e.f. 01/04/2020.
46	077/2020	E(P&A)II-2017/ HW-1	29-Sep-2020	83/2020	23-0ct-2020	Payment of Night Duty Allowance (NDA) pursuant to the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission
47	076/2020	2020/E(LL)HER/3	22-Sep-2020	Nil	01-0ct-2020	Preventive measures to control the spread of COVID-19 Exemption of employees with



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						disabilities from roster duty due to COVID-19 situation.
48	075/2020	E(G)2009 QR 1-2	03-Sep-2020	75/2020	01-0ct-2020	Quarters for retention allowed to Zonal Railway such as WCR, ECOR,SWR, NER etc.
49	071/2020	2015-B-235	10-Sep-2020	Nil	11-Sep-2020	Economy Instructions- Further Economy Measures.
50	070/2020	E(P&A)/2019/RT-21	07-Sep-2020	78/2020	25-Nov-2020	Periodic Review of Railway employees for strengthening of administration under Fundamental Rule FR 56 (j)/ (I) (Rules 1802/(a)/1803(a)/1804 (a) of IREC Vol. II, Edition.)
51	069/2020	E(NG) I-2014/TR-17	08-Sep-2020	74/2020	11-Sep-2020	Filling up of posts in ongoing electrification projects undertaken by CORE.
52	068/2020	E(G)2019 (LL)-1 (MASTER CIRCULAR)	22-Aug-2019	NIL	16-Feb-2021	Legal assistance to Railway servants involved in legal proceeding-Master Circular no. 27
53	067/2020	2020 F E II	25-Aug-2020	69/2020	25-Mar-2021	Protection of pay to the Central Government Servant consequent to appointment to a new post in different service
54	066/2020	E(G)-2020/LE 2/1	03-Sep-2020	Nil	01-0ct-2020	Interim procedure order on regularization of absence during COVID 19 epidemic lock down period.
55	065/2020	ENG)2020 PM1/11	24-Aug-2020	71/2020	11-Sep-2020	Grant promotion with retrospective effect to the empanelled/selected staff against vacancies-reg



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56	064/2020	E(NG)I-2020/TR/8	18-Aug-2020	67/2020	05-0ct-2020	Periodical Transfer of railway employees-List of Sensitive posts.
57	063/2020	F(E)I/2020/AL-28/ 13	08-Jul-2020	50/2020	23-0ct-2020	Guidelines for air travel on official Tours, sending through email id.
58	062/2020	E(W)2020PS5-1/3	31-Aug-2020	74/2020	01-0ct-2020	Modification in the All India leave Travel Concession scheme in facilitate unlocking of privilege pass Account in exceptional Circumstances.
59	061/2020	2020(E)OTA/1	28-Aug-2020	Nil	01-0ct-2020	Measures to reduce cost and improve saving- Review of Cost of Overtime Allowance (OTA) and Travelling Allowance (TA)
60	058/2020	E(NG)II/2020/RC- 1/CR/09	19-Aug-2020	68/2020	11-Sep-2020	Appointments on Compassionate ground- Acquisition of higher qualification.
61	056/2020	F(E)special/2009/ FR/1/3 part-2	03-Aug-2020	63/2020	26-Mar-2021	Clarification regarding reckoning of additional post allowance APA for DA HRA under 7th CPC
62	055/2020	E(NG)II/2008/SB/ 19/TADK/PT.A	06-Aug-2020	64/2020	19-Aug-2020	Policy of Appointment of TADK on the Railways.
63	054/2020	E(NG) I-2020/TR/2	07-Aug-2020	nil	19-Aug-2020	Cancellation Periodical Transfers of the staff.
64	053/2020	E(NG)I-2020/TR-2	12-May-2020	Nil	19-Aug-2020	Cancellation Periodical Transfers of the staff.
65	052/2020	E(G) 2020 RN 2-5	31-Jul-2020	61/2020	19-Aug-2020	Quarter Retention for officers whose vacation date falls during COVID Period.



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66	051/2020	E(G) 2020 RN 2 -COVID-19	31-Jul-2020	60/2020	19-Aug-2020	One time Relaxation for Retention of Railway accommodation in view of Novel Coronavirus- (COVID-19)
67	050/2020	E(G) 2014QR1-3	31-Jul-2020	59/2020	19-Aug-2020	Permission to retain Railway Quarters at previous place of posting by Railway Personnel on posting to Modern Coach factory, Raebareli.
68	049/2020	PC VIINO. 154	25-Jun-2020	46/2020	25-Mar-2021	Payment on account of discontinued allowance regarding.
69	048/2020	F(E)/2020/AL-28/6	23-Jul-2020	56/2020	11-Sep-2020	Revised admissibility to Travel by taxi /reimbursement of Taxi hire charges for using one's car for local official journeys at or near Headquarters.
70	047/2020	E(MPP)2018/1/1	02-Jul-0020	048/2020	02-Jul-0020	Review of Policy on creation of post
71	046/2020	E(G)2020 RN 2- COVID-19	01-Jul-0020	047/2020	02-Jul-0020	One time relaxation of railway accommodation in view of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)
72	045/2020	E(D&A)2020 GS1-1	06-Mar-0020	030/2020	24-Jun-0020	Amendment in sub- rule(3)(i) & (il) of Rule 13 and sub-rule(4) of Rule 13 of Railway Service(Conduct) Rules, 1966
73	044/2020	E(W)2020/PS5-2/7	15-Jun-2020	045/2020	15-Jun-2020	Extension of Validity of Passes/PTO consequent to national Lockdown to prevent the spread of COVID-19
74	043/2020	E(PMM) 2019/3/48	18-Mar-2020	32/2020	11-Jun-2020	Revised training modules of Non- Gazetted staff of mech. dep(sup.)



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75	042/2020	PC-VII/2019/I/7/ 5/5	20-May-2020	Nil	26-Jun-0020	Dress Allowance to Nursing Perosnnel- Clarification
76	042/2020	PC-VII/2019/I/7/ 5/5	20-May-2020	Nil	26-Jun-0020	Dress Allowance to Nursing Perosnnel- Clarification
77	042/2020	PC-VII/2019/I/7/ 5/5	20-May-2020	Nil	26-Jun-0020	Dress Allowance to Nursing Perosnnel- Clarification
78	041/2020	E(MPP)2019/3/50/ Pt	05-Jun-2020	042/2020	11-Jun-2020	Revised Training Modules of Non-Gaz staff of Signal & Telecommunication Deptt.
79	040/2020	PC VI/2018/R-I/1 Pt.	21-May-2020	Nil	23-0ct-2020	Grant of annual increment due on 1st July to the retiring on 30th June of the year.
80	039/2020	F(E)I/2016/AL-7/1	09-Jun-2020	43/2020	25-Mar-2021	Recommendation of 7th Central Pay Commission Grant of Conveyance Allowance at the revised rates to railway Medical Officers.
81	038/2020	E(NG)I/2017/PM1/ 11	13-Jul-2020	22.5.2020	10-Jun-2020	Filling up the post of Instructors in recognized Training Institutes clarification- reg Corrigendum
82	037/2020	E(MPP)2009/3/14 (Pt)	05-Jun-2020	41/2020	05-0ct-2020	Revised Training Modules of New assistant Loco Pilots for Dual Traction (Induction Training as well as conversion training Programme)
83	036/2020	E (NG)I/2018/PM2/ 1	29-May-2020	040/2020	10-Jun-2020	Mode of filling up of the Posts of Section Controller- Amendment of Para 125 of IREM VOI-I



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84	035/2020	E/D& A/2017 RG 6 -24	16-Mar-2020	Nil	24-Jun-2020	Referring the cases to RRT for advice under Rule 24(2) of Railway Servants (D&A) Rules 1968-Clarification
85	033/2020	E(G)2020 RN 2- COVID-19	19-May-2020	038/2020	20-May-2020	One time relaxation of railway accommodation in view of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)
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87	032/2020	NO.F(E)SpI/2008/ ADV 3/6/(7TH CPC)	04-Feb-2020	19/2020	19-May-2020	Interest Rate on House Building Building Advance (HBA) for Railway Employee.
88	031/2020	NO.E(MPP)2020/ 6/1	30-Apr-2020	37/2020	19-May-2020	Forwarding of MSDES notification regarding Clarification of Payment of stipend to apprentices and reimbursement of stipend to establishments under NAPS during COVID 19 lockdown.
89	030/2020	NO.PC VII-2016/1/ 7/2/3	27-Apr-2020	NIL	19-May-2020	Freezing of Dearness allowance to Railway employees and Dearness Relief to Railway Pensioners at Currant rates till July 2021
90	029/2020	E(G)2020(MISC)/04	27-Apr-2020	035/2020	19-May-2020	Exclusion of lock down period while adhering to the timelines in the various administrative and quasi judicial processes.
91	028/2020	2020/E(LL)HER/3	22-Mar-2020	Nil	19-Aug-2020	Preventive Measures to contain the speed of COVID-19.
92	028/2020	2020/E (LL)HER/03	22-Mar-2020	NIL	28-Jan-2021	Preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19.



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93	027/2020	No. 2020/E(LL)HER /3	19-Mar-2020	034/2020	20-Mar-2020	Preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19- Working hours.
94	025/2020	PC-VII/153 NO. PC/MACP/1/SM	25-Feb-2021	26/2020	28-Jan-2021	Grant of financial upgradation under MACP to Station Masters.
95	023/2020	No. E(NG)I/2020/ PM 1/2	26-Feb-2020	27/2020	13-Mar-2020	Discontinuance of Direct Recuitment to the posts of Senior Section Engineers (SSEs)- clarification reg.
96	022/2020	No D-43/12/2018 -F(E)III	03-Mar-2020	28/2020	12-Mar-2020	Coverage under Railway Services (Pension) Rules,1993,in place of National Pension System of those Railway employees whose selection for appointment was finalized before 01.01.2004 but joined Railway service on after 01.01.2004.

#### **ZONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE**

A Zonal Youth Virtual Conference was held on 12th January 2021 which was inaugurated by Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary, AIRF and an e calendar was launched by him online. This conference elected Com. Harkesh Meeena Trackmen Veraval BVP Division as Zonal Youth President, Com. Rupali Meshram of Parel Workshop and Com. Ramukumar of ADI Division as Zonal Vice President and Com. Vivek Kamble was re elected as Zonal Youth Convener. It was decided to conduct education program online and to form Youth Committees in all the divisons including adjacent Workshops and Units.

#### VIRTUAL CONFERENCE OF WREU WOMEN WING WITH WRWWO

A virtual conference of WREU Women Wing and Western Railway Women Welfare Organization was held on 10th September 2020. More than 100 women activists participated in this conference. Smt. Tanuja Kansal, President WRWWO and other Members of the committee appreciated the work done by WREU Women Wing in this pandemic period and for extending help to the COVID 19 patients. A documentry depicting the activities under taken by WRWWO was also shown. 13 women activist of WREU were awarded cash prizes for their outstanding performance during this pandemic period.

Com. Seema Kaushik, Vice President WREU welcomed all and Perin Sophiya Harsh AGS WREU stated that Our Women Wings at various places has understood and resolved the problems of women employees.

Com Geeta Pandoria, Working Committee Member AIRF reported the activities of Women Wing.

Com Shabana Shaikh, Zonal Chairperson, Women Wing co-ordinated the entire programme. Com. Chitra Bhujabal gave vote of thanks.

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