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From the Desk of Editor



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Dear Subscribers and Railwaymen,

The period of March & April. 2024 was very hectic. The Umaraomal Memorial Cricket Tournament were organized at BVP, BRC and Amalner. The International women's day programme observed by all the divisions and major workshops either on 08-03-2024 or on a convenient day. Working Committee and GM PNM was held in 3rd week of March, 2024. A successful meeting of Commercial staff-Mumbai division was organized on 07-03-2024 at Jagdish Ajmer Hall. National women's committee and meeting of Unorganized Women's

Federation of Rajasthan was organized in KOTA on 14th and 15thApril, 2024. Organizational meeting of DOB's, Branch Chairman, Secretaries of ADI division held on 07-04-2024.

Decision of serving strike notice on 19-03-2024 for achieving the demand of Old Pension Scheme to all w.e.f 01-05-2024 was postponed as per directives of JFROPS. A historical Centenary celebration of AIRF held on 24th& 25th

April, 2024 at NDLS. National Women's and Youth conference of AIRF held on 23-04-2024 at NDLS. 1st National conference of AIRPWF held on 26-04-2024 at NDLS. The Centenary celebration of AIRF was graced by CEO & CRB, Railway Board, Member OBS, Member MI and Member INFRA, DG(HR), AM-HRD, AM(Staff), PED(IR), General Manager -Northern Railway and team of Railway Board and Northern Railway officers and PCPO-Northern Railway. The main function was inaugurated by Bro. Steve Cotton, General Secretary-ITF and Mrs. Jaya Verma Sinha, CEO & CRB, Railway Board was the Chief Guest. The Foreign delegates from Russia, France, UK and many other countries have graced the function. Brother David Gobe, Chairman Railway Section ITF and all other foreign and local guests have highly appreciated the services rendered by activists of AIRF to railway workers during last 100 years and hope these services will continue in future forever.

ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Base 2016 = 100)					
Month/Year	Base year 2001=100 Average	Total of 12 months	Twelve Monthly Average	% increase over 261.41* for DA	
Feb-23	382	4491	374.25	43.16	
Mar-23	383	4533	377.75	44.50	
Apr-23	386	4551	379.25	45.07	
May-23	387	4567	380.58	45.58	
Jun-23	392	4587	382.25	46.22	
Jul-23	402	4615	384.58	47.11	
Aug-23	401	4641	386.75	47.88	
Sep-23	396	4659	388.25	48.52	
Oct-23	399	4677	389.75	49.09	
Nov-23	401	4697	391.42	49.73	
Dec-23	400	4716	393.	50.34	
Jan-24	400	4794	394.50	50.91	

*Average Price Index for January 2016



HISTORICAL CENTENARY CELEBRATION OF AIRF



Com. R.C. Sharma posed before the WREU activists in procession.



Grand welcome of Com. J.R. Bhosale, Working President, AIRF in Open Session.



Open Session



Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra addressing Pensioners' Meeting.



Huge gathering of Youth and Women at Talkatora Indoor Stadium.



Pensioners' Meeting at Civic Centre on 26.04.2024.



AIRF Youth Session at Talkatora Indoor Stadium on 23.04.2024.



AIRF Youth Session at Talkatora Indoor Stadium on 23.04.2024.



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

WREU-ADI celebrated International Women's Day on 06-03-2024 in Divisional Auditorium, DRM office Complex. Com. R.C.Sharma, President-WREU was the Chief Guest. In his inaugural speech he urged the women's for their unity and active participation in the union. Large number of women's participated in the function and enthusiastically celebrated the women's day with various cultural programmes. Com. Dinesh Panchal also addressed the gathering. The women's wing of WREU-ADI successfully organized the programme.

WREU-Carshed Branch-Mumbai Central organized International Women's Day on 06-03-2024 at Virar Carshed. The programme was graced by Shri Rajesh Singh, Sr. DEE-Carshed, Shri Dharmendra Kumar, Sr. DEE-MMCT, Smt. Sumendra Kaur, DEE-MMCT, Com. Jitendra Singh, and Vinod Kumar Moriya. Large number of women employees enthusiastically participated and celebrated the women's day with various programmes. The women's team of Carshed under the guidance of Com. Rajesh Mhatre and Milind Thakur successfully organized the function.

Women's team of **WREU-DRM/JRH, CFO and BCT** branches celebrated International Women's Day on 08-03-2024 at CEG office premises. Large number of women employees participated in the celebration and greeted each other with rose flowers. Com. Anita Satpute, Wellbeing Co-ordinator and Working Committee Member, National-HMS gave a lecture on Women Empowerment and Mental Wellbeing. Women's team under the guidance of Com. Ajit Kumar, Mandhar Shetye, Vivek Kamble and Sunder Virkar ably organized the function.

Women's team of **WREU-NDB** branch celebrated International Women's Day in union office on 08-03-2024. The function was graced by Smt & Shri Amit Sahu, AEE/TRD-NDB and other dignitaries. Each one greeted and exchanged pleasantries on this occasion. The programme was successfully organized by the women's day under the guidance of Com. Chandrakant Choudhary, Chandan Pawar and others.

Women's team of **Mumbai division** organized a grand function in Rail Nikunj Auditorium on 12-03-2024 on the occasion of International Women's Day. Large number of women employees participated in the function which was graced by Com. J.R.Bhosale, Shri Niraj Verma, DRM-MMCT, Dr. (Smt) Jyotsna Chopra, CMS-MCT, Smt. Supriya Ghag, Sr. DFM-MMCT, Smt. Pushpalata Nambiar, DFM-MMCT and other women officers of Mumbai division. A lecture on Cancer awareness has been held by the dignitaries of Narayandas Morbai Budhrani Trust, Mumbai. Com. Anita Satpute, Wellbeing Co-ordinator, Com. Kumkum Nagendra and other women leaders ably conducted the function under the guidance of Com. Prashant Kanade, Jitendra Singh and others.

Women's team of **RTM division** celebrated International Women's Day on 11-03-2024. Smt. Arima Bhatnagar, Sr. DPO-RTM, Dr. (Smt.) Simi Gupta, CMS-RTM, Smt. Sunita Ashtekar, APO-RTM, Smt. Seema Agnihotri, Presidential Awardee and Com. Seema Kaushikgraced the occasion. More than 300 women employees enthusiastically participated in the function. The organizers have arranged various cultural programmes on this occasion. Com. Ranjeeta Vaishnav and other leaders of women's wing successfully organized the celebration under the guidance of Com. Manohar Singh Barot, Narendra Singh Solanki and other senior leaders.

Women's team of **BRC division** celebrated International Women's Day on 14-03-2024 at Union hall from 10.30 to 14.30 hrs in which large number of women employees participated. Shri Jitendra Singh, DRM-BRC, Shri Shivcharan Bairva, ADRM-BRC, Smt. Manju Meena, Sr.DCM-BRC, Smt. Nupur Choudhary, Sr. DFM-BRC, Dr. (Smt.) Deepali Tiwari, ACMS-BRC, Smt. Niruben Ahir, President, Yashoda Maiya Union, Smt. Jyotikaben Prajapati, Prominent Social Worker and Com. Santosh Pawargraced the occasion and addressed the participants. International Women's Day enthusiastically celebrated with various cultural activities. The function was ably organized by Com. Meenakshi Rathod, Vandana Arora, Anitaben, Kala Gamit, Jayshree Rao and other women



leaders under the guidance of Com. A.P. Maurya, Sanjay Pawar and other senior leaders.

Women's wing of Bharuch Branch celebrated International Women's Day on 16th March 2024 in the Union Office in which more than 40 women employees actively participated fostering meaningful connections and dialogues.

Women's Team of **Anand Branch** celebrated International Women's Day on 16th March 2024 enthusiastically with various programmes at Anand in which more than 50 women employees participated.

WREU-PRTN Workshop Branch celebrated International Women's Day on 27-03-2024 in Union Office at Pratap Nagar workshop in which large number of women employees participated. The celebration was ably organized with various programmes by the Women's team led by Com. Dakshaben, Archana Bhatia and other leaders under the guidance of Com. Bharat Makwana and Jitendra Prasad and other senior leaders.

WREU-BVP branchcelebrated International Women's Day on 06-03-2024 under the leadership of Com. Nitaben Joshi Br. Sec., Com. Naynaben Chauhan Br. Chairman, Kakoli Mukharjee and Parul Ondhiya, Chairperson& Convenor of Woman Wing BVP Division. The programme was held in Railway Community Hall on the topic "Woman empowerment". The health checkup camp was also arranged by women branch with the help of railway hospital BVP. In this camp 60 women employees were benefited. Com. S K Shrivastava in his speech addressed on woman empowerment and facilities available for woman in Railway. Com. A R Gohil delivered speech on active participations of woman employees in trade union movements. All working woman employee are feel very relaxed after health checkup organized by women team. The program concluded with vote of thanks by Parul Ondhiya.

WREU-VRL branch celebrated International Women's Dayin union office. 40 women employees of VRL and SMNH had participated. Smt. Heenaben Shaikh delivered speech related with empowerment and their role in Trade Union. Com. Rajiv Ranjan also guided the participants.

COM. J.R. BHOSALEJI VISITED AJMER ACCOUNTS OFFICE ON MAY DAY.

On the occasion of 'International Labour Day' Com. J.R. Bhosale, Working President, AIRF and General Secretary-WREU arrived Ajmer on 1st May 2024. On his arrival Com. Mohan Chelani, DS/NWREU/AII, Com. Laxmi Anand and Com. D.R. Bhatnagar, Branch Chairperson and Branch Secretary of Ajmer Accounts Branch respectively and the Staff welcomed him in a great enthusiasm. While addressing the meeting in AII Accounts Office, Com. Bhosaleji informed about the deliberations and Resolutions passed in the centenary celebration of AIRF in New Delhi held on 23 – 26 April 2024. He further assured that AIRF will make all out efforts for achieving the pending demands including that of OPS for all. After listening the local grievances and working problems, he assured for its early redressal. The meeting was attended by large number of staff of Ajmer Accounts Office.

HISTORICAL CENTENARY CELEBRATION OF AIRF

On 24th April, the second day of All India Railway Men's Federation (AIRF) 'Centenary Convention', the meeting of AIRF Working Committee was held from 10.30 am in the 'Multi Sports Indoor Hall' of Karnail Singh Railway Stadium, New Delhi. The meeting was presided over by Dr. N. Kanhaiya, President/AIRF. Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary/AIRF informed about the program and briefly discussed the problems and pending demands of the employees including restoration of the old pension scheme, government policies and other issues. Com. J.R. Bhosale, Working President/AIRF, Com. Shankar Rao and General Secretaries of other Zonal unions addressed. A huge rally was taken out with great enthusiasm from Ajmeri Gate to Karnail Singh Railway Stadium, General Secretaries and Presidents of affiliated unions led their unions in the procession. Railway employees from all over the Indian Railways participated with union flags and banners with profoundly



shouting slogans AIRF Zindabad, Centenary Convention Zindabad, Workers Unity Zindabad. The mass rally passed through Ajmeri Gate and transformed into the open session of AIRF at Karnail Singh Railway Stadium at 4.30 pm. The entire route of the rally to Karnail Singh Railway Stadium was decorated with flags, banners, hoardings etc. A large number of youths and women employees participated in the rally. Open session held at Karnail Singh Railway Stadium from 4.30 pm in which more than fifteen thousand railway employees from all over India participated. Chief guest of the function was the first woman chairperson of the Railway Board, Mrs. Jaya Verma Sinha, CEO & CRB. Senior officials from Railway Board and Northern Railway were graced the occasion.

Mr. Paddy Kremlin, President- ITF, Mr. David Gobe, Chairman-Railway Section-ITF, Mr. Sergei Chernov, General Secretary-Russian Railways, Mr. Toshiko Sumino, President-Traffic Council of Japan and Mr. Ajay Rai, President-Nepal Trade Union Congress, Segeroo Wada and Mahindra Sharma, Ex. Regional Secretaries of ITF, other National Trade Union Leaders as well as leaders of JFROPS also present in the open session. The Centenary Celebration of AIRF was inaugurated by Mr. Stephen Cotton, General Secretary-ITF. In his inaugural address, Mr. Stephen Cotton said that the problems faced by the Railwaymen in India is similar to the problems faced by the Railway employee all over in railway sections and we are continuously discussing the persisting problems of railway employees in the meetings of ITF. We should strengthen our organizations and solidarity to face any sort of abnormalities and Anti Labour activities of employer. General Secretary-ITF warmly appreciated the leadership of AIRF for completing 100 years. Smt. Jaya Verma Sinha, CEO & CRB, Railway Board appreciated the leadership of AIRF for its Centenary celebrations. She said that the development and growth of Indian Railway was possible because of the co-operation and support of AIRF since its inception. Shri Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary-AIRF in his speech wholeheartedly welcomed the Chief Guest, distinguished guests, leaders of ITF, leaders of JFROPS and the union activists present in the Centenary celebrations. He remembered the inspiration of all leaders of AIRF who have paved the way through struggles due to which the Federation have completed 100 years successfully, he paid rich tribute to the Stalwart leaders of AIRF. On this occasion, honored the living legends and the pioneers who were participated in the railway strikes held in 1960, 1968 and 1974. Com. J.R.Bhosale, Working President-AIRF while thanking all who supported the 100th Convention by all means narrated the role of important contribution of Presidents and General Secretaries such as Jamnadas Mehta, V.V.Giri, S.Guruswami, Jayprakash Narayan, Maniben Kara, Peter Alwaris, Priya Gupta, George Fernandes, J.P.Choubey, Umaromal Purohit etc as well as the present President and General Secretary of AIRF. The open session concluded with vote of thanks.

Delegate Session and Resolutions

The delegate session of the Centenary conference of AIRF held on 25-04-2024. Dr. N. Kanhaiya, President-AIRF chaired the meeting. Com. J.R.Bhosale, Working President-AIRF, Com. Shankar Rao, Treasurer-AIRF and all office bearers of AIRF were present on the dais. Com. Dr. N. Kanhaiya, Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, Com. J.R.Bhosale and other senior leaders addressed the delegates. Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary-AIRF presented GS report before the house. Nine Resolutions were presented in the delegate session are as under: -

- 1. Socio-Economic scenario of the country.
- 2. Major Pending 41 demands of the Railwaymens
- 3. Upgradation of the Pay structure of the Supervisory staff-Benefit to be extended to leftover categories and anomalies on implementation.
- 4. Setting-up of the 8th Central Pay Commission
- 5. Payment of Child Care Leave without any curtailment
- 6. Enhancement in the pay ceiling of the productivity linked Bonus payable to Railwaymen.
- 7. Restore defined Pension Scheme, in place of National Pension System (New Pension Scheme), for all the



Railwaymen and other Central government employees appointed on or after 01-01-2004.

- 8. Abnormal delay in conducting Secret Ballot for recognition of the Trade Unions and Federations in the railways.
- 9. Stop Outsourcing/Privatization in Railway Production Units.

Number of delegates participated in the discussion on the GS report, resolutions and constitutional amendments. The house unanimously adopted the GS report and unanimously passed 9 resolutions and constitutional amendments. All 20 Office bearers of AIRF were elected unopposed. Com. Dr. N. Kanhaiya as President, Com. J.R.Bhosale as Working President, Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra as General Secretary and Com. Shankar Rao as Treasurer were elected.

Com. J.R.Bhosale, General Secretary-WREU elected as Working President-AIRF. Com. R.C.Sharma, President-WREU elected as Vice President of AIRF. Com. Nikhil Joshi elected as Zonal Secretary-AIRF. Com. Vikas Gupte, Prashant Kanade, Jitendra Singh, Sanjay Pawar, Dinesh Panchal, Ghanshyam Yadav, Manohar Barath, S.K.Srivastava, Manisha Dhangar and Geeta Pandoria were elected as Working Committee Members of AIRF.

Com. J.R.Bhosale, Working President-AIRF gave vote of thanks to all delegates, visitors and office bearers of AIRF, Zonal Secretaries, Office bearers of Women's and Youth wing and he also thanked comrades of NRMUNDLS, Railway Board and Northern Railway and State administration for extending their support for successfully organizing the Centenary Celebration of AIRF.

1st NATIONAL CONVENTION OF AIRPWF HELD AT NDLS

1st National Convention of All India Railway Pensioners Welfare Federation (AIRPWF) held on 26-04-2024 in Kedarnath Sahni Auditorium-NDLS. More than 2500 Pensioners from all over India attended the meeting. Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary -AIRF was explained the purpose of organizing the Pensioners in the name of AIRPWF under the umbrella of AIRF. Com. Com. J.R.Bhosale, Working President-AIRF chaired the conference. Dr. N. Kanhaiya as President -AIRPWF, Com. J.R.Bhosale, Working President-AIRPWF, Com. Shiva Gopal Mishra, General Secretary -AIRPWF, Shri S.P.Singh as Joint General Secretary-AIRPWF and Com. Shankar Rao, Treasurer-AIRPWF were elected unanimously. On this occasion a Hand bill Pension - Pensioners and AIRPWF was distributed to all Pensioners present in the 1st Annual Convention. All leaders of AIRF addressed the gathering. The 1st Annual Convention of AIRPWF was concluded with vote of thanks by the Chair.

CEC MEETING

WREU-DKZ branch held a CEC and GCE meeting of WREU at FTA office at DKZ on 23-04-2024 which was attended by Com. R.C.Sharma, J.R.Bhosale and all working committee members of WREU. During the CEC the branch has honored Com. J.R.Bhosale, R.C.Sharma, Mukesh Galav, Kum. Champa Verma and Nikhil Joshi by presenting Shawl, flower bouquet and a memento. The leaders highly appreciated the efforts of union in continuing FTA office at DKZ and hope it will continue till last man of this office is superannuated. They have requested General Secretary for raising the issue of constructions of officers and subordinate guest house at DKZ for the benefit of Western Railway officers and supervisors. GS-WREU assured to raise the issue with the General Manager-Western Railway.

TOUR PROGRAMME OF GS-WREU DURING MARCH & APRIL, 2024

Attended the blood donation camp held at CCG and Andheri on 01-03-2024. International Women's Day programme at Rail Nikunj on 12-03-2024 held by Mumbai division. Umraomal Purohit Memorial Cricket



Tournament at Baroda on 05-03-2024 and at Amalner along with Com. Santosh Pawar on 10-03-2024. Commercial Staff Conference held on 22-03-2024 at Jagdish Ajmera Hall, Grant Road. Inaugurated C.S.Menon Memorial Cricket Tournament on 06-04-2024 organized by BVP division. Presented cash awards to the children of Railwaymen attained high positions in SSC and HSC examinations of Gujarat State Board. Youth conference of WCREU at Bhopal on 13-04-2024. HMS Mahila Committee meeting and conference of Unorganized Women's Federation of Rajasthan State at Kota on 14-04-2024. Preparatory meeting of Centenary Celebration of AIRF from 20-04-2024 to 26-04-2024 at New Delhi. All India Mahila Conference in Tal Katora Stadium and Youth Conference of AIRF. The Centenary celebration of AIRF held at Karnal Singh Stadium, NDLS on 24-04-2024 and delegate session of 100 Annual General Council of AIRF on 25-04-2024, presided the AGM as Working President-AIRF. Presided 1st National Convention of AIRPWF held at Kedarnath Sahni Auditorium, NDLS. Attended the marriage function of Miss Swati daughter of Com. Mukesh Chaturvedi, Divisional Secretary-NWR-Jaipur on 27-04-2024. Marriage of Miss Sanjana daughter of Sanjay Suryabali (Kanojia), Jt. Divisional Secretary and Director-JC Bank at ADI on 28-04-2024. Marriage of Miss Darshi Piyush Shah daughter of Piyush Shah, office bearer of WREU-SBI-ADI branch on 28-04-2024. Organized farewell function of PCPO-WR and PCMD-WR on 30-04-2024 at Churchgate. Farewell function of Shri Arun Gupta, Divisional Secretary-NWREU-Ajmer on 30-04-2024 at Ajmer. Addressed a Mass May Day rally of Railway employees and employees of Unorganized sector at Ajmer.

UMRAOMAL PUROHIT MEMORIAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT AT AMALNER

WREU-Amalner branch organized Com. Umraomal Purohit memorial cricket tournament on 10-03-2024. Com. J.R.Bhosale, General Secretary-WREU and Working President-AIRF and Com. Santosh Pawar, AGS and General Secretary-HMS-Gujarat graced the occasion and presented the Trophies and Medals to the winner and Runner up of Cricket tournament. Com. Pravin Kale and other leaders of the branch successfully organized the cricket tournament.

UMRAOMAL PUROHIT MEMORIAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT AT BRC

WREU-BRC division organized 13th Umraomal Purohit Memorial Cricket Tournament from 12th February, 2024 to 5th March, 2024 at Pratap Nagar Railway Stadium in which 60 Teams from BRC Division have been participated. Final match played between Dabhoi Eleven and Signal department on 5th March, 2024. Com. J.R. Bhosale, General Secretary-WREU, Shri Jitendra Singh, DRM-BRC, ADRM, Sr.DPO, Sr.DSTE, Sr.DOM and Sr.DEN(Co)BRC graced the occasion with BJP Corporator-BRC, Shri Rajesh Ayare and Com. Santosh Pawer. Prizes to the Winner and Runner-up Team gave away by the Chief guest and distinguished guest. Youth team of WREU-BRC successfully conducted the tournament for a period of 23 days.

19TH MENON CUP CRICKET TOURNAMENT

To make the Memory of Late Com. C.S. Menon eternal, BVP Division organized 19th Inter Department Cricket Tournament i.e. Menon Cup in befitting manner on a grand scale from 06.04.2024 to 20.04.2024. 38 Teams participated in it. The tournament was inaugurated by Shri Ravish Kumar, DRM and Com. J.R. Bhosaleji accompanied by battery of Officers.

The final match was played between DRM-11 and Rajasthan Royal of Workshop team in which DRM-11 immerged Victorious. The Shield and Prizes to the Winner, Runner-up and Best Player were distributed by DRM-BVP, ADRM-BVP, Sports Officer, Branch Officers in the grand closing ceremony in the Railway Stadium, BVP in presence of more than 300 Railwaymen on 20.04.2024.Com. Manish Parmar, Tukaram, Manish Jadhav, Chetan Rajyaguru and other Youth leaders and activists worked day and night for successful conduct of the 19th MENON CUP Cricket Tournament.



PRIZES DISTRIBUTED TO TALENTED WARDS OF RAILWAYMEN.

Keeping the practice of conducting non-bargaining activities, WREU BVP Division this year also organized the prize distribution function for felicitation the talented wards of Railwaymen on 6th April 2024 in the Community Hall, BVP.

Com. S.K. Shrivastava, Divisional Secretary welcomed distinguished guests Com. J.R. Bhosaleji, ADRM Shri Himanshu Sharma, Sr.DPO Shri Amarsingh Sagar other Branch Officers in presence of talented wards with their parents. The function was chaired by Com. Ajay raj singh Gohil and presided by Com. S.K. Shrivastava.

After distributing of the prizes all Officers whole heartedly congratulated Team WREU for this nobel cause and encouragement given to the talented wards of Railwaymen which will further boost them in their carrier and this will be helpful in Nation building.

Com. Bhosaleji briefed about the Non-bargaining activities conducted by WREU since years together under the banner of Maniben Kara Foundation established in the fond memory of Late Com. Kum. Maniben Kara who has led the Union and AIRF for many years. He also remembered our beloved leaders and their contribution in functioning and strengthening of WREU since its inception. The programme was ably conducted with the help of Youth and Women teams of Division and Workshops under the guidance of Com. Sunil Chauhan.

COMMERCIAL UNIT CONFERENCE-MUMBAI

Commercial Unit of WREU organized Annual Staff Conference on 22-03-2024 in Jagdish Ajmera Hall, Grant Road. Com. J.R.Bhosale, General Secretary-WREU and Working President/AIRF was the Chief Guest. Shri Vineet Abhishek, Sr. DCM-BCT, Shri Abhay Sanap, Sr. DOM(G)-BCT and Shri Vishal Jhaveri, DCM-BCT graced the occasion along with Com. R.P.Gupta, Rajan P., Jitendra Singh and Chandraprakash Upadhya. Jitendra Gajbiya, Anita Satpute, Chetan Modi and Mandhar Shete shared their views. Com. J.R.Bhosale in his speech emphasized the co-operation and co-ordination in between the administration and WREU for resolving and redressing the grievances of employees in time. He appreciated the efforts and hard work of Commercial staff during COVID Lockdown period. Shri Vineet Abhishek, Sr. DCM-BCT in his speech praised the union in organizing such conferences of staff which enable interactions between the officers and staff in an open forum. He also said that union is the eyes and ears of the administrationwhich helps to address the problems in time.Shri Abhay Sanap, Sr. DOM(G)-BCT a Former Member of Commercial Unit-WREU shared his experience. More than 200 Commercial staff attended the function. The entire Commercial unit worked hard for successfully organizing the function.

WRCEU GAINED ORDERS FROM RLC-BARODA

WRCEU-BRC has represented a case of unpaid minimum wages and bonus of 18 employees of King Security Guard Service, Baroda before the Regional Labour Commissioner (RLC) Vadodara. The RLC has pronounced its order on 21st March, 2024 for payment of Rs. 450,000 as arrears of Salary and Bonus to the 18 employees of King Security Guard Service.

MEMORANDUM SUBMITTED TO GENERAL MANAGER

WREU-PL workshop branch led by Com. Prashant Deshmukh, Uday Khot and other office bearers met Shri Ashok Kumar Misra, General Manager, Western Railway on his visit at Carriage workshop at Lower Parel on 27-03-2024 and welcomed him with floral bouquet and handed over a Memorandum for staff grievances. WREU-EMU-MX workshop branch led by Com. Shivaji Palve, N.K.Mistry and other office bearers met Shri



Ashok Kumar Misra, General Manager, Western Railway on his visit at EMU-POH workshop at MX on 27-03-2024 and welcomed the General Manager with floral bouquet and handed over a Memorandum for staff grievances.

SHRI S.K.ALBELA, PCPO-WR &Dr.(Smt.) HAFEEZUNNISA REHAMAN-PCMDFELICITATED

Team WREU consisting of Com. J.R.Bhosale, R.C.Sharma, Prashant Kanade, Vikas Gupte, R.P.Gupta and other senior leaders felicitated Shri S.K.Albela, PCPO-WR and Dr.(Smt.) Hafeezunnisa Rehaman, PCMD-WR on 30-04-2024 on their retirement on superannuation in a social gathering in the Board room at GM office. They were presented with a Shawl, flower bouquet and a memento by Com. J.R.Bhosale and Com. R.C.Sharma. The felicitation function was graced by Shri Ashok Kumar Misra, General Manager-Western Railway, Shri Prakash Bhutani, AGM-WR and other PHODs. On this occasion Shri Ashok Kumar Misra, General Manager-WR, Com. J.R.Bhosale, R.C.Sharma addressed the gathering and praised the working modalities of Shri S.K.Albela, PCPO and Dr.(Smt.) Hafeezunnisa Rehaman, PCMD-WR and their cordial relationship with union. Shri S.K.Albela and Dr.(Smt.) Hafeezunnisa Rehamanexpressed their sincere gratitude to the leaders of WREU for their cooperation and support during their tenure on various posts in Western Railway.

GENERAL SECRETARY/AIRF'S REPRESENTATIONS

General Secretary/AIRF vide its letter No.AIRF/101(100) dated 19-03-2024 addressed to DG(HR), Railway Board as regard to MACP entitlement of Pharmacist (Entry Scale PB-1-GP 2800/-) in PB-II GP4200/-consequent upon Fast Track Committee recommendations.

General Secretary/AIRF vide its letter No.AIRF/50 dated 30-01-2024 addressed to DG(HR), Railway Board as regard to grant of special casual leave to organ donors in terms of DoP&T instructions dated 25-04-2023 and to implement DoP&T instructions in Railways in this regard.

RAILWAY BOARD ORDERS

Railway Board vide its letter No.2024/F(E)III/PN1/1 dated 08-03-2024(RBE No.24/2024) has issued guidelines for allowing female railway servant/female pensioner to nominate her child/children for family pension in precedence to her husband in the event of marital discord leading to filing of divorce proceedings in a Court of Law or filing of a case under protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act or Dowry Prohibition Act or Indian Penal Code.

Railway Board vide its letter No. ERB-I/2024/23/22, dated 27.03.2024 has constituted a Committee on Health Care Delivery on Indian Railways with reference to streamlining the procedures related to dealing with outdoor patients in Railway Hospitals. The committee consisting of ED/Transformation/Rly. Board (Convenor), ED/Health(G)-(Member) Director (IH)-(Member), Director Traffic (Transformation)-(Member), Director Civil (Transformation)-(Member), Director Stores(I/C)-(Member). Terms and reference of the Committee would be (i) To review the procedures being followed in dealing with outdoor patients including Retired employees and referral cases. (ii) To review the procedure of procurement of drugs including local purchase. (iii) To review the process of medical reimbursement. (iv) To suggest changes in existing policy and procedures, HMIS app etc. The committee shall submit its report within one month from the date of its constitution.

Railway Board vide its letter No.E(NG)I/2014/TR/4 dated 06-05-2014 has issued guidelines for constitution of grievance redressal mechanism for PwBD employees at HQ level. In this connection GM(E)-CCG has formed a Committee as Dy.CPO(NG)/RP-CCG as a liason officer Shri Abhay Khalane, OS(E)(M&E)-CCG as PwBD Member for Grievances Redressal Mechanism Cell for PwBD.

Railway Board vide RBE No. 29/2024 dated 22.03.2024 has issued clarification on sanction of House Building Advance (HBA) in cases of Joint Ownership with spouse for outright purchase of a new flat where in spouse of Railway servant is not a Railway/Government servant.



GM PNM ACHIEVEMENTS

Item No.	Remarks			
43/2020	74 Posts have been transferred to Electrical department – ADI division			
44/2021	Shri Amit Kanani promoted as AA w.e.f 20-05-2020 instead of 10-08-2020.			
83/2023	Supply of rain coat for the year 2022 & 2023 to Trackman along with Artisan/Helper and TRD-Staff of BVP division will be considered under General Manager power.			
88/2023	A supplementary typing test was conducted for the post of Jr. Clerk with 1:8 formula as per Railway Board's directives.			
97/2023	Sr. DPO-RJT advised for granting Annual increment to Shri Jitendra Prakash, Sr. Train Manager under SS-SUNR-RJT division vide GM(E) lette No.ET/767/4/Jitendra/RJT/WREU dated 19-03-2024 in terms of Para 2.4 of RBI No.21/2017.			
106/2023	GM(E)-CCG vide letter No.E(S)/789/Div/2024 dated 22-03-2024 has advised Sr. DPO-RTM for grant of Night Duty Allowance to the Helath Inspectors of RTM division in terms of Para 2.1 of Railway Board letter No.E(P&A)II-2017/HW-1 dated 21-07-2022.			
110/2023	Proposals received from all divisions for Annual Cadre review of Running staff will be finalized shortly.			
114/2023	An amount of Rs.2,05,614/- HRA wrongly recovered was refunded to Shri Ramanbhai Nathabhai, PP-ANND.			
117/2023	Additional 11 Staff Nurse & 2 Pharmacist are sanctioned by General Manager t reduce the hardship by Nursing staff for on going trial implementation of Preentry.			
01/2024	CWM-PL advised vide letter no.EM 890/8/CMS/PL/2024/WREU/1/2024 date 5.3.24 to deal case as per Railway Board's instructions of No.E(NG)I-81/PM 1/76 dated 25.4.81, Letter No.E(NG)I-93PM1/4 dated 18.01.1993 and No.E(NG)I-2019/PM 121/24 dated 25.06.2019 for counting training period for CMA selection.			
02/2024	CWM(E)-DHD has advised vide letter No.EM/839/8/DHD/Workshop/2023/NPS to OPS dated 27-02-2024 to take necessary action in terms of RBE No.28/2020, 27/2021 and 04/2023 for covering under OPS appointment was finalised before 22-12-2023 but joined the railway after 01-01-2004.			
06/2024	The matter has been referred to Railway Board vide letter dt.08/14.03.2024 fo payment of NDA to staff working in GP 4800/- and above.			
12/2024	A JPO will be framed for supply of Safety gadgets to staff working in TMC.			
23/2024	Case has approved for granting benefit of up-gradation in L-8 (GP 4800/) to Shri Ganesh B. Deshaware, SSE/TMC-BRC			
27/2024	Five employees working in GP 4600/- in ex-cadre post at Churchgate will be granted upgradation in GP 4800/- w.e.f 01-12-2022 by the cadre Controlling Authority i.e CWM-PL.			

OBITUARY

Shri Pati Ram Yadav, ex. CBS and Jt. Secretary-BCT branch expired on 29-02-2024. Railway Sentinel mourns and paid tribute to the departed soul.

Smt. Usha Kumayu, w/o Shri Ramkhilawan Kumayu, ex. Divisional Secretary-RTM division and mother of Namita Kumayu expired on 14-03-2024. Railway Sentinel mourns and paid tribute to the departed soul.

Com. Jayesh Rathod, Branch Secretary of WREU-GDL branch-BVP division expired on 16-03-2024. Railway Sentinel mourns on the sad and untimely death of a young comrade and paid tribute to the departed soul.

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Com. Anita Satpute addressing the Women activist in CEG Office-BCT.



Vadodara Division.



EMU – POH Branch handing over Memoradum to General Manager.



Large number of leaders and activists of Coach Care Unit, BCT joined WREU.



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Galilee decorated AIRF Office at State Entry Road, New Delhi.



President and General Secretary AIRF leading the procession.



AIRF/ITF leaders addressing the Press Conference on 22.04.2024.



CEC Meeting of WREU at Delhi Kishanganj Com. Bakshi welcoming GS/WREU and other dignitaries.



Com. Sunder Virkar, Mumbai Division celebrates his Birthday in unique way by distributing Fruits in JRH.

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