



INDEPENDENCE DAY MESSAGE

Dear Railwaymen,

On the auspicious occasion of 75th Independence Day of our country, I extend my heartiest greetings and best wishes to all Railway officers, staff and their family members. This is one such occasion when we pay tributes to the great patriots, martyrs and leaders of the freedom struggle. At the same time, it is also an occasion to evaluate contribution to our work, and reaffirm our commitment to achieve targets given to CORE for the current year.

We are aware that in the past few months, we lost three officers and five employees of the CORE family to the second wave of Covid-19 pandemic. We offer our condolences to them. It is our endeavor that all dues are paid to their family members in time, and the process of compassionate appointment is completed in a time-bound manner. I believe, just like armed forces and doctors, railway employees too are corona-warriors as they are striving hard to achieve the targets of train-operation and infrastructure projects in these difficult times.

You will be happy to know that in the year 2020-21, a record 6015 route kilometers (RKM) track was electrified in India. CORE has made a significant contribution in this. This is an extraordinary achievement in view of the Covid-19 related hindrances in the previous financial year. As a result of completion of electrification of Etawah-Udi-Bhandai section, an alternate electrified route has been made available from Prayagraj to Agra. This has led to huge saving in the running time of passenger trains from the eastern parts of the country to Agra and Rajasthan. Electrification of the Chittorgarh-Kota section has facilitated the uninterrupted running of electric trains from Delhi to Udaipur.

In the current financial year, CORE has been given a challenging target of electrifying 6017 RKM. All the projects units are fully geared up to meet this target. So far, there has been 70% increase in foundation, 60% in mast erection, 63% in bracket erection, 99% in catenary wiring and 81% in contact wiring in this financial year, as compared to the corresponding period of previous financial year.

11 TSS and 17 SP/SSP have been made operational in this financial year. Signal modification works for RE fitness have been accomplished in 91 stations and 44 level crossings and 31 block instruments have been changed.

The Engineering Department has made a significant contribution in this financial year by ensuring the availability of 24 TSS, 30 depots, 17 tower car sheds, 5 FOBs and 263 staff quarters.

The User Depot Module (UDM) has been successfully implemented in CORE. So far, 165 consignees have registered and transactions to the tune of Rs 115 crore have been achieved on this platform in the present year. Purchases made through GeM portal this year are about five times higher than the same done during the corresponding period of previous financial year.

CORE is committed to scale new milestones by assimilating best industrial practices and doing innovations. Adopting simultaneous wiring of catenary and contact wiring provides faster, safer and economical electrification. Adoption of EPC tenders has paved the way for timely execution of Railway Electrification Projects. Such efforts have resulted in the reduction of cost of railway electrification.

Human Resource Management System (HRMS) has been made fully functional in CORE. Now, important activities like PF payment and issue of privilege passes are being done online through HRMS. Financial assistance was made available from the Staff Benefit Fund to the dependents of employees having succumbed to the corona virus pandemic. A Covid-19 vaccination campaign was organized by the Personnel Department which benefited 287 persons.

All of us in CORE are committed to the promotion and proliferated use of the Rajbhasha. I am happy to inform that, CORE received three Individual Level awards for the commendable use of the Rajbhasha for FY 2020-21, from Railway Board.

REWWO has always come forward to the help of the needy CORE employees and their families. A vaccination drive to fight against the Covid-19 pandemic was conducted by REWWO which benefited all stakeholders of our organization, including employees and their family members. It has reaffirmed its commitment towards employee welfare by providing immediate financial assistance to the families of employees who lost their lives to the Covid-19 pandemic.

I extend my best wishes to the recognized trade unions and associations, who have always played a constructive and creative role in achieving our targets and excellence in work.

On the auspicious occasion of Independence Day, let us resolve to face all challenges as a team. I am sure that CORE will achieve all targets with your active participation bring glory to our nation.

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