



Republic Day Message

Dear Railwaymen,

On the auspicious occasion of 76th Republic Day, I extend my heartiest greetings and best wishes to all the officers, employees and their family members. This National Festival reminds us of the great leaders of our freedom movement and inspires us to be grateful and committed towards our Constitution.

The Government of India, taking into account the importance of electric traction for strengthening the Indian economy for the first time in the year 1951 established the Project Office for Railway Electrification (PORE) in Kolkata. Over the time after making some changes in the organisational structure, the headquarter of Central Organisation for Railway Electrification (CORE) was established in Prayagraj in the year 1979. Since then this organisation is continuously working on achieving its goal.

The biggest revolutionary change started from the year 2014 when Railway Electrification works on Indian Railways was identified as a major priority in accelerating the development of the country. As a result, the Railway Electrification works increased unprecedentedly since the last 10 years. In this, CORE, has completed 75 percent of the total electrified broad gauge network i.e. 48029 route kilometres and contributed significantly to the progress of the country along with employment generation. This achievement reflects the high capability and commitment of our officers and employees.

Central Organisation for Railway Electrification has electrified important sections such as Hubballi – Chikkabanavaraa in Karnataka state, Pratapgarh – Sultanpur – Ayodhya Cantt – Ayodhya Dham – Akbarpur in Uttar Pradesh state, Jalandhar – Jammu Tawi – Udhampur – Katra in Punjab state, Itarsi – Katni – Chheoki in Madhya Pradesh state, Ajmer – Palanpur in Rajasthan state, Tiruchirappalli – Virudhunagar in Tamil Nadu state, etc.

In the financial year 2024-25, CORE has completed electrification of 19 Traction Sub-Stations, 56 SP and SSP, 16 tower wagon sheds, 09 OHE depots and 238 staff quarters by December 2024 and further by electrifying the remaining 106 route kilometres, CORE has achieved 100% of the given target.

User Depot Module (UDM) is functioning successfully in CORE and 194 consignees have transacted a total of ₹ 117.47 crore in this financial year till the month of December. In the current financial year, the total purchase through GeM till December'24 was ₹ 11.14 crore, which is indicative of GeM as an effective procurement platform. Total budget utilization in this financial year till December

has been 54 percent, which is satisfactory. A programme, Darshan of Ayodhya Dham was organized for the mental rejuvenation of the employees in CORE.

In the current financial year CORE has developed vendors through 70 vendor applications which include 38 in the Developmental category and 32 in the Conditional Developmental category. Apart from the above, after successful performance assessment, 18 vendors have also been upgraded from Developmental to Approved category.

CORE is committed towards maximizing use of Rajbhasha. I am glad to inform that on 11/09/2024, the City Official Language Implementation Committee Prayagraj awarded the special award of **“ChalVaijanti”** to Central Organisation for Railway Electrification for its contribution in promoting the use of Hindi at workplace. Hindi magazine **“VidyutVithika”** was released on 25/11/2024 during the meeting of the Regional Official Language Implementation Committee.

CORE is also committed to **“Swachh Bharat Mission”**. Its efforts for creating cleanliness awareness and making Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign-2024 a success have been commendable. In line with above, Clean Campus Campaign was organised by CORE, wherein Walkathon, Tree Plantation, cleaning of railway colonies, Swachh Neer Abhiyan, cleaning of toilets, availability of water, checking of water drainage and drawing painting competition for children of employees were conducted. And under the **“Special Campaign of Swachhata 4.0”**, Shramdaan in Sangam area, a grand Prabhat Pheri by the railway employees and their children, a street play and Cycle Rally was organised for cleanliness awareness. The programme was ended with lighting of earthen lamps (Deepotsav) for the first time in the CORE office premises.

Railway Electrification Women's Welfare Organization (REWWO) is fully committed to the welfare of the employees and their family members. Railway Electrification Sports Association (RESA) is actively engaged in the promotion of sports. I convey my best wishes to both these organizations. I also extend my greetings to the recognized trade unions and associations who have always played a constructive role in pursuit of goals and excellence in Railway Electrification.

On this auspicious occasion of Republic Day, let us all take a pledge to face the challenges as a team. I am confident that with the active participation of you all, CORE will play a leading role in building a self-reliant and developed Nation.

Jai Hind

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