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विषय: वाकी टाकी सेटों का उपयोग ।

Sub:- Use of Walkie-Talkie Sets.

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All concerned /SUR divn.

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Sub:- Rly Bds L.No 2009/Safety(A&R)/19/29 dtd. 10.03.2010.

Railway Board vide their letter no. referred above laid down the following, on use of walkie-talkie sets by Loco Pilot, Guard & SM/ASM.

- i) Station Master may communicate on walkie- Talkie for advising abnormalities that require immediate attention by Loco Pilot/Guard for controlling/stopping their train.
- ii) Use of walkie-Talkie sets in no way contravene conditions required to be satisfied for reception/dispatch of a trains as per G&SRs.
- iii) Walkie- Talkie sets should not be used as an alternative to written authority to proceed, authority to pass a defective signal at danger etc.
- iv) These sets shall not be used for communicating the aspect/position of any signal by SM to Loco Pilot/Guard. The Loco Pilot/Guard may advise if the aspect of any signal is "ON".
- v) Walkie-Talkie sets should not be used as an alternative to or replace physical exchange of signals. However, in case of full length trains, in following circumstances, Walkie-Talkie sets may be used for exchange of signals between Loco Pilot and Guard when it is not possible to exchange signals physically and the conditions for exchange have been fulfilled.
 - (a) To dispatch / start the train from a station.
 - (b) To start a train stopped in curvatures/tunnels in block section and
 - (c) On run, when it is not possible due to curvatures or due to geographical lay outs.
- vi) In all above cases where the Station Master or Loco Pilot or Guard uses the Walkie-Talkie, he will clearly mention his identity along with station name/train number while communicating and also confirm the identity of the speaker at the other end.

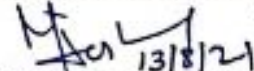
It should be noted that the instructions are in no way in dispensation to GR 4.35(1).

The Loco Pilot shall not start his train from a station without the authority to proceed, and the Guard's signal to start. In conditions of poor visibility like fog, longer composition of train and at curves or under other circumstances where physical exchange of all right signals between Guard and Loco Pilot is not practically feasible, the exchange of signal has now been permitted over Walkie-Talkie sets as mentioned in para (vi)above.

S.R.5.13-1(b) (iii) Shunting Operations –

During unsignalled shunting movement, before negotiating the points, Loco Pilot must ensure that all right signal is exhibited from the concerned points enroute by shunting supervisor/Pointman as an assurance of correct setting and locking of points (During pushing back shunting movement, if Loco Pilot is unable to observe Hand signal due to lengthier load, curvature, any obstruction etc., arrangement for repeating the hand single from suitable place as visible to Loco Pilot shall be made or confirmation for correct setting and locking shall be given on Walkie-Talkie supported with Private Number and name with designation by shunting supervisor/pointsman)

Supervisors/Officers should periodically conduct surprise checks as a part of their routine inspection regarding use of walkie-talkie sets by Station Master and running staff. Cases of violation of above instructions and short-out methods adopted should be dealt with firmly.


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