



SOUTHERN RAILWAY

No. M/P.694/SRMU/LRS/2026


Divisional Office,
Personnel Department,
Chennai Division,
Date. As Signed.

Sr.DEE/OP/MAS

Sub: Minutes of LRS Meeting with SRMU held on 08.05.2026.

The minutes of LRS Meeting by ADRM-II along with the representatives of SRMU held on 08.05.2026 in ADRM-II Chamber, is sent herewith for information and further necessary action on subjects. The minutes is also available at <https://pbmas.in>.

DA :- As stated


13 May, 2026
DPO/MAS
for Sr.DPO/MAS

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED AT ADRM-II/MAS CHAMBER ALONG WITH SR.DEE/OP/MAS, SR.DPO//MAS & SRMU REPRESENTATIVES ON 08.05.2026 AT 12.00 hrs

MEMBERS PRESENT

ADMINISTRATION

SRMU

ADRM-II

PAUL MAXWELL JOHNSON,
DS & AGS/SRMU

SR.DEE/OP/MAS

YUVARAJ, DP/SRMU

SR.DPO//MAS


P.GANESAN, DS & AGS/LRS,
T. SANDEEP, DP/LRS

DS/SRMU welcomed ADRM-II/MAS, Sr.DEE/OP/MAS, Sr.DPO//MAS, and other SRMU representatives to the meeting. The agenda included discussion of various problems faced by the loco running staff and the proposed administrative responses, as detailed below

	Subjects raised by SRMU	Remarks given by Administration
1	<u>GOODS WORKING</u>	
1	The 9-hour working rule should be strictly followed as per RBE 143/2016, and crew should not be compelled or threatened to work up to 12 hours as a regular practice	Efforts will be taken for implementing 9 hrs duty working as per the JPO issued on 16.10.2019 on longer hours working in MAS division will be followed and matter will be jointly discussed with Sr.DOM/MAS for the implementation.
2	Four instances of 30/32 Hours Periodical Rest (PR) should be ensured every month.	Four 30/32 hrs PR will be ensured in every month as per HOER.
3	"Away from HQ" detention should be monitored as per RBE 37/2010, and crew should be brought back to HQ within reasonable limits (48 hours).	The matter already under consideration it will be analyzed in detail and will communicate to SRMU within 10 days.
4	Night rest after performing 3/4 continuous night duties should not be denied or converted into PR.	Agreed not to convert N/R as PR
5	Night rest after continuous 3-night duties should not be provided at outstation running rooms/huts. Crew should be brought back to HQ and grant night rest.	Night Rest will be given at Home station
6	MGKM is not being granted even though working hours exceed 8 hours.	The sections will be identified in Chennai Division and for identified sections MGKM will be processed for approval.


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7	WOD crew working at MS should be allowed to sign off at MS itself.	This will be studied and decision will be taken within 15 days.
8	Provision of shunter room at TBM platform as agreed in special meeting with SRMU.	Action will be initiated to provide a shunter room at TBM platform.
II	<u>TOD / SPECIAL TRAINS</u>	
1	Crew should be relieved at GDR/BTTR, as working hours are exceeding the prescribed limits and no separate manpower sanction has been provided for the same. (Ref: SRMU DRM PNM 05/2025)	A letter will be addressed to Sr.DEE/OP/BZA for implementation and a copy will be marked to SRMU.
III	<u>REPATRIATION OF RUNNING STAFF WORKING IN CONTROL OFFICE</u>	
1	Repatriation orders were issued on 05.02.2026, but no staff have been relieved from the Control Office to field duty, despite the joining of new personnel in the Control Office.	Two or Three staffs will be relieved before 15th may 2026 and the remaining will be relieved with in 30 th June 2026. The actual in the control office will be maintained as per the sanction.
2	During this critical stage, the MMs working in ex-cadre posts should be brought back to work in their parent cadre.	The matter will be communicated in light of Manpower shortage in Motorman category and repatriation will be done accordingly.
IV	<u>LEAVE SANCTIONING</u>	
1	AC No. 228 issued by ADEE-I/OP/MAS has withdrawn the leave sanctioning powers of Depot In-Charges.	AC No. 228 has been withdrawn
2	AC No. 239 issued by the Division restricts Leave Reserve to 12.5% instead of 30%, which is against the prescribed rules and therefore needs to be withdrawn. (Master Circular No: 41)	The AC No.239 will be cancelled immediately. Further, sanction of leave will be advised 48 hrs in advance.
V	<u>TRANSFER ORDER IMPLEMENTATION</u>	
1	IDT/IRT candidates whose NOC has already been received should be relieved immediately before the joining of new RRB ALPs, in order to protect their seniority.	It is agreed to relieve 21 IDT registrants initially as agreed in DRM PNM with SRMU and as per PCEE's instructions proportionately division wise.
2	The policy ratio of 65:35 between transfer candidates and direct recruitment candidates should be strictly maintained. (Ref: SRMU DRM PNM 07/2025)	SRMU demanded to issue the relieving orders for those who are received NOC before joining new RRB recruits who are under training to protect the seniority. The matter will be referred with HQ for working arrangements.

VI CLOSURE OF SUBURBAN CREW REST ROOM AND REVISION OF EMU LINK		
1	The link needs to be reviewed with calendar day rest.	SRMU demanded to review the EMU link due to the non-supply of food and condition of sub standard running room. It is agreed to review the EMU link with in a Month.
2	The conditions of suburban rest rooms are very poor and not at par with Railway Board norms. Hence, they need to be closed with suitable link modification to ensure safety.	
3	ALPs need to be provided for MEMU services	
VII GRANTING OF TRIP ALLOWANCE		
1	Trip allowance is not being granted (RB ltr No.2007/Elec(TRS)/440/14(Co-Driver) dated 26.07.2022) & SRMU LRS No.M/SRMU/LRS/2/PGTS/2026.	Agreed to grant the Trip allowance for eligible staffs as per RB guidelines for Mail/Express train working above 110 kmph.
VIII HARASSMENT IN PME / MEDICAL REVIEWS		
1	Loco running staff is being kept on their own sick leave without any treatment and are ultimately being declared unfit after exhausting their leave balance.	ADRM-II will issue a letter to CMS/MAS to redress the grievances with periodical report to ensure the timelines are minimized and a copy will be marked to SRMU.
2	One LP, after being declared FIT for his eyesight and sent to HU/NGO/MAS, was later asked to return to MS in the name of doubts raised by the ophthalmologist. This creates doubt regarding the attitude and eligibility of the concerned authority.	
3	Though it was agreed that PME should be conducted in one place, staff are being forced to visit various places in the name of lack of facilities at HUs.	
4	PME for employees at JTJ HU itself was agreed upon in the DRM meeting with SRMU, but it has not yet been implemented.	
IX PROVISION OF CAB AC IN LOCOS		
1	Even though we have represented the issue of non-provision/non-maintenance of cab ACs in DSL locos, especially HHP locos, no steps have been taken to resolve the issue. (Lr No. SRMU/LRS/PGTS/4/2026)	Sr.DEE/OP/MAS will discuss with ADME/Dsl for necessary action.
2	Working under such conditions is highly strenuous and inhuman. This is a violation of Railway Board instructions.	
3	In AC locos coming out from trip sheds, proper functioning of cab ACs should be ensured.	Trip shed are not equipped to take such works and Locos will be connected home shed.

X	<u>PENDING SELECT LISTS / SELECTION / PROMOTION</u>	
1	LP Goods select list has not yet been published; pending promotions/depot transfers should be issued.	Already initiated the process.
2	LP Shunting select list should be published and pending promotions should be issued.	
3	MM promotions and LPP promotions should be issued.	
XI	<u>CLI WORKING</u>	
1	Excess nomination to CLIs should be reviewed for proper counseling and monitoring.	Once CLI selection is completed nomination will be rationalized.
2	Repatriation of CLIs from ZTTC/AVD should be ensured.	Action will be initiated.
XII	<u>ID CARDS & SENIORITY</u>	
3	Issual of ID cards and publishing the seniority list of ALPs recruited under GDCE	ID cards will be issued shortly and seniority list will be published for GDCE ALPs.


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