

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
रेल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(रेलवे बोर्ड) (RAILWAY BOARD)

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नई दिल्ली, दिनांक: 23/08/2013

The Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer,  
All Indian Railways.

The Chairman & Managing Director,  
RailTel Corporation of India Ltd,  
Plot No-143, Sector-44,  
(Opp:- Gold Souk Mall),  
Gurgaon-122003.

Sub: OFC Maintenance blocks by RCIL.

Ref: OFC failure after RCIL's block on dt. 16/17.08.2013 in Allahabad-Bheerpur section of N.C. Railway.

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On 16/17.08.2013, RailTel was permitted a block in Allahabad-Bheerpur section of N.C. Railway. During the block period, circuits were shifted on protection path. However after the block was completed, all circuits failed. This resulted in detention of 13 trains.

2. To avoid recurrence of such failures, RailTel is advised that the following procedure may be followed before approaching the Divisional Telecom Control Room with the proposal to operate a maintenance block.

- (i) RailTel staff should ensure that the fibre is not crossed in the section. In case it is crossed, necessary corrective action should also be planned.
- (ii) All circuits to be transferred on protection path/alternate media and should be working satisfactorily.
- (iii) Ensure no other maintenance block is planned in the route of protection path at the same time.
- (iv) Adequate competent man power is available to operate the block.
- (v) The block should be planned only during the lean period-the period in which least number of trains are time tabled.

Railways may ensure the following:-

- (i) On receipt of message form RailTel, the Divisional Telecom Control Room shall inform Sr.DSTE/DSTE(Tele) about the proposed maintenance block.

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- (ii) Sr.DSTE/DSTE(Tele) shall inform Sr.DOM and Sr.DEE(TRD) (in electrified territory) about the proposed maintenance block before permitting RailTel to operate the block.
- (iii) Sr.DEE/TRD should arrange to man the TSS/SP/SSP's if required while the block is operational and should ensure that all control & SCADA circuits are working after completion of the block & normalization of the circuits.
- (iv) Competent Telecom staff should be deputed at adjoining OFC huts/repeaters during the block period by the division.
- (v) Test Room should maintain a log of the blocks permitted.

4. Please acknowledge receipt.

  
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