CHAPTER -7

STATION EQUIPMENT AND STORES

701 Rule Books, Manuals etc. :

The following Rule Books, Manuals, Pamphlets and other official publications and those which may be specified from time to time, should normally be kept at each Station as part of Station equipment.

- 1. General & Subsidiary Rules
- 2. Operating Manual
- 3. Accident Manual
- 4. Block Working Manual.
- 5. Station Working Rules.
- 6. Rules for:
 - (a) Gateman
 - (b) Switchman, Cabin man, Leverman and
 - (c) Shunting Jamadar, Points-Jamadar and Pointsman etc.
- 7. Working Time Table
- 8. I.R.C.A. Red Tariff
- 9. I.R.C.A. Military Tariff
- 10. Rules for working of trains on Electrified section.
- 11. I.R.C.A. Alphabetical List of Railway Stations.
- 12. Railway Act of 1989.
- 13. Manual of Station Accounts
- 14. Rule Books, Manuals and Tariffs as prescribed by Commercial Branch
- 15. The Railway Map of India
- 16. Gazette Notification

At specified Station:

In addition to the above, following Rule Books are also to be kept as per requirement:

- 1. Conference Rules, Part I, II and III
- 2. General Instructions for Train Examining Staff.
- 3. I.R.C.A. wagon movements pamphlets No. I, II and III
- 4. I.R.C.A. Wagon Movement Pamphlets No. II
- 5. Marshalling Orders (Goods Train)
- 6. I.R.C.A. Axle Load Chart
- 7. All India Railway Time Table.
- 8. Rules for payment of running allowance to running staff.
- 9. Rules for occupation of Rest Houses and Rest Rooms for Officers & Subordinates.
- 10. Guard Headquarter Station should have spare sets of Rule Books etc. as specified by the DRM for the use of Guards. Those Headquarter Stations are required to work trains to and from other Railways, copies of G&SRs of the Railway concerned may also be kept.
- 11. Normal composition Marshalling orders and rake links of Passenger trains.

702 Essential station equipments:

The list of essential Station equipments is given in the Appendix – 'E' of SWRs. The essential equipments at the Station and some important instructions regarding them are given below.

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1. Hand Signals (Flags and Lamps):

Station Master shall see that his Station is supplied with adequate number of red and green Hand Signal Flags mounted on sticks and tri-colour Hand Signal Lamps. These hand Signals should be kept at convenient or easily accessible place.

2. Clamps iron for points:

Every Station shall be supplied with minimum two clamps or as specified in SWRs.

The Station Master shall see that the staff concerned know how to use and secure clamps at points. When not in use, these clamps with their padlocks should be kept in the Station office with SM on duty. Clamps should always be kept clean and well lubricated. The keys of the padlocks on the clamps should be kept in the key case, duly labelled. Should a clamp be found defective or unserviceable, the Station Master shall report to the Sr.DOM/Sr.DOM(G)/DOM/DOM(G), who will arrange to replace it immediately. Defective clamps will be sent to the Traffic Workshop for repair or replacement. To make easy and quick identification, the padlocks and keys of clamps shall be painted in separate colour combination.

3. Scotch Block: See SR 3.50.

Wooden wedges :

These are a triangular wooden piece (ramp type) and are used for securing the vehicles.

These are placed between the rail head and the tyre of the rearmost and foremost wheels, thus obstructing the movements of vehicles.

5. Pouches

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- 6. Cattle Board (At specified Stations)
- 7. Fire Buckets
- 8. Fire Extinguishers (At specified Stations)
- 9. Equipments of Level Crossings: See SR 16.02(a).
- Placards or plaques for Caution Order, Block Failed, Block Suspended, Motor Trolly
 Following, Material Lorry Working etc.
- 11. Stop Collars (For Levers and Slides and Buttons):

Stop Collars are used on the SM's Slide or Handles of the lever or buttons.

Stop Collars are used to remind concerned staff that a particular running line is obstructed. 'Stop-Collars' are provided according to the requirement at a Station as per SWRs.

The lever collars in cabin must be hanged on from a hook, when not in use, to be readily accessible when required.

For placing of stop collars on the handle of lever or slide or button that works/release the points or Signals of an obstructed line See S.R. 5.19(5)(b) and (c). S.R.4.62(20) and S.R. 8.06.

12. Tri colour LED based flashing hand signal lamp -

As a measure of additional safety a red colour LED based flashing hand signal lamp is also used as indicated under SR 3.66.

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13. First Aid Box at Station:

(a) Standard First Aid Boxes are provided at all the Stations for rendering First Aid to the injured passengers. The Station Master Incharge are responsible to ensure that the 'Boxes' are maintained as per schedule prescribed and kept in the box and to arrange recoupment of deficiencies from time to time, with the form duly filled in, through Sr.DMO/DMO concerned in whose jurisdiction the Station is located.

(b) Other First Aid Equipment:

List of ARME Scale – I and Scale – II is given in Appendix – 'A' and 'B' of Accident Manual and Working Time Table.

703 Signal lamps:

 The Station Master incharge is responsible to see that his Station is supplied with adequate number of Signal Lamps with imprest as fixed by the Divisional Railway Manager. He should visit the Lamp Room daily and inspect the Lamps to see that these are in good working condition.

When Station Lamps are damaged or rendered unserviceable due to any of the fittings being lost or broken, they must be sent without delay to the Divisional Traffic Workshop for repairs and a report submitted, which should also show the staff responsible for the damage or loss.