

**Government of India (Bharat Sarkar)  
Ministry of Railways (Rail Mantralaya)  
(Railway Board)**

No. 2004/Tele/TN/2

New Delhi, dated 29.06.2006.

**General Managers,  
All Indian Railways.**

**Sub:- Recommendation of High level Committee on Disaster  
Management**

Based on the feed back received from various Railways, the instructions issued for implementing the recommendations of High Level Committee on Disaster Management related to Telecom have been reviewed and it has been decided to modify the following instructions:-

**i) Recommendation No. 44 – Power to hire cell phones**

Vide Board's letter No. 2000/Tele/TN/1 dt. 12.05.2003, railways were advised that in case of passenger train accidents, to meet the needs of stranded passengers, Station Masters be authorised to hire a few cellular phones, wherever cellular phone connectivity is available. Certain Railways have represented that it is difficult to hire cell phones in remote areas. Since in the case of an accident involving a passenger train arranging facility for passengers to talk to their family members at home is of paramount importance, a procedure may be evolved by the S&T Department in the Division to rush a few cell phones, if necessary, even by road, to the accident site having cell phones connectivity. For this purpose, limited number of cell phone in ready to use condition should be available with S&T inspectors of important places in the division.

**ii) Recommendation No. 97 - Provision of WLL exchange having 50-line capacity**

Vide Board's letter No. 2002/Tele/AR/7 dt. 31.7.2003, Railways were advised to provide one WLL exchange in one ART at one Divisional Hqr. of Railway. Based on the feed back, it has now been decided to extend this facility to all the Divisional ARTs.

Railways are advised to inform the status of implementation of above in their MCDO to the Board.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

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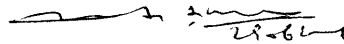
  
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