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चेन्नैमंडल/**CHENNAI DIVISION**

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DIWALI FESTIVAL SEASON: CHENNAI DIVISION'S PASSENGER-CENTRIC INITIATIVES

The Chennai Division of Southern Railway had organized both reserved and unreserved special train services to facilitate smooth travel for passengers heading to their native places during Diwali festival. In the last couple of days, over 04 Lakh passengers have traveled from Chennai Central, Chennai Egmore, and Tambaram railway stations to various destinations, including Tiruchchirappalli, Thanjavur, Madurai, Tirunelveli, Nagercoil, and Coimbatore, for the festival celebrations

For the convenience of passengers returning to Chennai after Diwali celebrations, Chennai Division of Southern Railway has scheduled special return trains from key cities in Southern and Western Tamil Nadu.

Additionally, to benefit the public returning by buses at Kilambakkam bus terminal, extra EMU train services will be operated between Kattangulattur and Tambaram on Monday, 04.11. 2024. These services will include a 5-minute halt at Potheri Railway Station.

Detailed timings for the passenger special trains operating on **04.11.2024** are given below:

A. Passenger special timings between **KATTANGULATTUR – TAMBARAM:**

STATIONS	Passenger Special -1	Passenger Special -2	Passenger Special -3	Passenger Special -4	Passenger Special -5
KATTANGULATTUR	04.00	04.30	05.00	05.45	06.20
POTHERI	04.05/10	04.35/40	05.05/05.10	05.50/05.55	06.25/30
GUDUVANCHERI	04.14	04.44	05.14	05.59	06.34
URAPPAKKAM	04.20	04.50	05.20	06.05	06.40
VANDALUR	04.24	04.54	05.24	06.09	06.44
PERUNGULATTUR	04.27	04.57	05.27	06.12	06.47
TAMBARAM	04.35	05.05	05.35	06.20	06.55

B. Passenger special timings between **TAMBARAM – KATTANGULATTUR**:

STATIONS	Passenger Special -1	Passenger Special -2
TAMBARAM	05.05	05.40
PERUNGULATTUR	05.10	05.45
VANDALUR	05.13	05.48
URAPPAKKAM	05.17	05.52
GUDUVANCHERI	05.21	05.56
POTHERI	05.25	06.00
KATTANGULATTUR	05.30	06.05

**Arrangements made by Chennai Division ahead for Diwali Festival:
Special trains & Additional Coaches for Convenience of Passengers:**

Between 29th and October 31st October 2024, 21 special trains were operated from Dr. MGR Chennai Central, Chennai Egmore, and Tambaram railway stations to destinations in Tamil Nadu. To manage the extra rush, a total of 29 additional coaches, including General, Second Sitting, Sleeper, and AC coaches, were attached to scheduled express trains. To optimize passenger convenience, the extra coaches were augmented to high-demand destinations.

Enhanced Booking and Ticketing Services:

For seamless ticketing, additional booking counters were set up at Chennai Central, Chennai Egmore, Mambalam and Tambaram stations. Facilitators were also deployed at major suburban stations to issue tickets through Automatic Ticket Vending Machines (ATVMs).

Chennai Division of Southern Railway remains committed to providing safe, convenient, and efficient travel for all passengers during the Diwali festival season. Passengers are advised to check train timings and schedules in advance and make use of the additional facilities for a hassle-free journey.

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