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चेन्नैमंडल/CHENNAI DIVISION

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TICKET CHECKING

**SECOND HIGHEST TICKET CHECKING EARNINGS OF CHENNAI DIVISION
RECORDED IN CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR – 2023-2024.**

**FORTRESS CHECKS AT CHENNAI CENTRAL, CHENNAI EGMORE, MAMBALAM,
AND TAMBARAM RAILWAY STATIONS IN VIEW OF DIWALI FESTIVAL.**

The Chennai Division of Southern Railway is dedicated to improving services for authorized rail users. To uphold this commitment, the Division consistently conducts comprehensive ticket checking initiatives to discourage ticketless or irregular travel. Among these initiatives, Fortress Checks are regularly carried out to closely monitor passenger entry and exit through authorized gates at railway stations. These measures aim to ensure a seamless and lawful travel experience for the passengers.

On account of the upcoming Diwali festival, an intensive fortress check was conducted on 10.11.2023 by Chennai Division under the aegis of Shri E. Harikrishnan, Senior Divisional Commercial Manager. Along with Sr DCM, Divisional Commercial Manager I & II and Additional Commercial Managers 1 & II, led a dedicated team of 180 Ticket checking staff and 16 Railway Protection staff in this special drive.

The drive was conducted in **Dr.MGR Central Railway Station, Chennai Egmore, Mambalam and Tambaram Railway Stations**. A total of **2066 cases** were registered and **Rs.6.42 lakh** was collected in fines during this special check.

Ticket checking Staff are committed to ensuring comfortable journey to bonafide rail users. In this connection, 17 trains with good patronage were identified and checks were also conducted. Around **4500** passengers with unreserved tickets were deboarded from reserved coaches to ensure a safe and hassle-free journey for passengers.

Ticket checking team of Chennai Division created a record as **Highest Ever per Day Earnings** of **Rs. 27.16 lakh** being collected as fines on **09.11.2023**. It again created a **mark** realizing **Rs.24.64 lakh** as fines on **10.11. 2023**. **This is the second highest earning in the current financial year 2023-2024.**

A total of **5047 cases** of ticketless/irregular travel were registered on 10.11.2023 by **538 Ticket Checking staff on duty**.

Chennai Division of Southern Railway requests all its rail users to join hands with Railways in ensuring enhanced passenger services.

Travelling without a valid ticket/pass is punishable under section 137, 138 &139 of Railways Act of 1989.

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