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## TICKET CHECKING: Rs. 27.16 LAKH - HIGHEST EVER PER DAY EARNINGS OF CHENNAI DIVISION.

The Chennai Division of Southern Railway is committed in enhancing services for its rail users. Many initiatives are implemented from time to time to so as to ensure not only a safe journey but also to provide a pleasant travel experience.

To ensure comfortable travel and better services to all authorized rail users, Chennai Division conducts special ticket checking drives in Suburban, Mail/Express, passenger train services including special trains to curb ticketless and irregular travel regularly.

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

Ticket checking Staff of Chennai Division, Southern Railway creates record of **Highest Ever per Day Earnings** of **Rs. 27.16 lakh**, collected as fines on **09.11.2023** beating their own record of Rs.20.19 lakh realised on 12.10.2023.

A total of **4,657 cases** of ticketless/irregular travel were registered on 09.11.2023 by **535 Ticket Checking staff on duty**. The number of cases registered for travelling without ticket was 2,558 and Rs.18.24 lakh was collected as penalty from defaulters while 1,666 cases were recorded for travelling with irregular ticket with Rs.7.82 lakh being realised in fines. 19 cases of unbooked luggage and 414 other cases for smoking, littering, etc. were registered.

While efforts are aimed at improving the services by Ticket Checking staff of Chennai Division, it is also the responsibility of passengers in ensuring compliance with ticketing regulations.

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