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**Southern Railway arranges for distribution of food packets in Chennai Division**

Extending a helping hand to those in need, Southern Railway has arranged for the distribution of food packets to over 4300 people, today (02.04.2020). The deadly corona virus infection has brought the country to a standstill with the 21 days nationwide lockdown. The lockdown has drastically impacted livelihood patterns., IRCTC is providing bulk cooked food, hygienically from the locations where the base kitchens are situated.

Southern Railway, Chennai Division has supplied a total of 4300 lunch meals to the underprivileged, migrant labours, poor, homeless, destitute and other such people in and around Chennai division. The beneficiary collects the food packets standing in queues by maintaining social distancing.

The details of the number of distribution at the respective places are as follows:

Katpadi and Vellore – 1000 nos.

Chennai and surroundings – 2000 nos.

Chengalpattu – 1000 nos.

Tambaram – 100 nos.

Gummidipundi – 200 nos.

The distribution at railway stations is being done by RPF officials and other frontline staffs. Southern Railway also takes assistance from Municipality officials, NGOs and volunteers for this exercise. This food distribution would continue throughout the lockdown period.

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