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**SUBURBAN TRAIN SERVICES RESTORED TO NORMALCY AT CHENNAI BEACH
PF.No.1**

Consequent to the EMU mishap at Chennai Beach yesterday (24.04.2022), the two derailed coaches of the EMU that bumped on Platform No.1 at Chennai Beach have been removed. Platform No.1 has now been restored for train operations. The first service from PF.No.1 commenced at 06.33 hrs today (25.04.2022).

Earlier, Shri. Ganesh, DRM, Chennai and Officers team inspected the accident site and directed the team of officials and technical crew to swiftly carry out the restoration works. The team of officials worked round the clock. The 1st coach leading wheel ramped over the platform 1 end and the leading bogie got buried. Instead of re-railing using a crane, steel sleepers were buried under the ramped up wheels and loco was used to pull to bring the elevated unit to rail level. This difficult task was achieved by using an innovative method of pulling by loco. The coaches were re-railed at 02.36 hrs within the minimum possible time and also without any major dislocation to traffic. A fully equipped technical team of comprising of skilled crew of Accident Relief Train, Engineering, Signal, Electrical EMU staff and supervisors worked round the clock to restore the operations.

It may be noted that there was no injury to passengers or any railway officials in the mishap. Train services also were operated from other Platforms of Chennai Beach as per schedule. All out efforts were made to expedite the restoration works on PF.No.1 in minimum possible time. A high-level Enquiry committee will be formed by DRM, Chennai to conduct a detailed probe.

Chennai Division reiterates its commitment to the safety of passengers and safe train operations.

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