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**155th DIVISIONAL RAIL USERS' CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT CHENNAI DIVISION**

The 155th Divisional Railway Users' Consultative Committee (DRUCC) Meeting was conducted at Chennai Division of Southern Railway, under the Chairmanship of Shri Ganesh, Divisional Railway Manager, Chennai on 14.07.2022 (today). Additional Divisional Railway Managers Shri. R. Ananth, Shri. Sachin Punetha and Shri. S. Subramanian along with Divisional Branch Officers also participated in the meeting.

Shri R. Harikrishnan, Senior Divisional Commercial Manager and Secretary, DRUCC welcomed the members. Shri Ganesh, DRM and Chairman of DRUCC delivered the presidential address.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Ganesh, Divisional Railway Manager highlighted the achievements of Chennai Division. He stated that Chennai division has been excelling in freight earnings due to various initiatives taken by its Business Development Unit. He informed that the division has achieved loading of 9.571 million tonnes during the year 2021 and 22 and 2.564MTs during the current financial year upto June – 2022 and corresponding revenue during these period shave been Rs.3046.16 Crores and Rs.1010.78 crores respectively. He appraised about the performance of the division and said that the 3rd line between Tambaram – Chengalpattu (30Kms) has been commissioned on 01.03.2022 and for the benefit of passengers, with effect from 05.07.2022,12UP EMU trains in the morning hrs from Chengalpattu – Tambaram and 20 Down EMU trains in the evening hrs from Tambaram – Chengalpattu are operated in the 3rd line in order to avoid delay to EMU trains.

13 DRUCC members representing various organizations such as Chamber of Commerce, Federation of Tamilnadu differently abled Association, Rail Passenger Associations, Railway Season Ticket Holders Association, GM's nominee and nominees of Hon'ble MPs were present at the meeting. Shri. CA.K. Suresh, The Hindustan Chamber of Commerce, Shri. K.N. Suresh Babu, The Andhra Chamber of Commerce, , Shri. A.R. Vinod Kumar Nair, The Madras Kirana Merchant's Association, Shri. Naina Masilamani, Arakkonam Rail

Passenger's Association, Shri.K. Kapil Golchha, Tindivanam Vattam Rail Ubayogippolar Nala Sangam, Shri. Jayapaul Raj, Consumer Federation of Tiruvallur Districts, Smt. S. Manjula, Vellore district Physically Challenged Association, Shri A.V.S. Sathyanarayana, GM's Nominee, Ms. Shanthi Rajasekar, MPs Nominee, Shri. S. Santhanam, MP's Nominee, Shri. Gundluru Venkata Ramana, Hon'ble MP (LS), Shri. Abdul Hameed, Hon'ble MP (LS), Shri. V. Jayaraman, Hon'ble MP (LS)

The members discussed on various improvements in Chennai division such as:

- Provision of Passenger amenities such as toilets, cleanliness, escalators and lifts in all Stations.
- Installation of CCTV Cameras in all railway stations Construction of new Railway Good sheds.
- Conversion of all train coaches into LHB coach
- Additional stoppage of express trains at Tindivanam and Thiruvallur.
- Safety, Security, Punctuality & Cleanliness and ongoing/sanctioned works of Passenger Amenities of Chennai Division.

Shri. R.Harikrishnan, Senior Divisional Commercial Manager & Secretary DRUCC and other Branch Officer's replied to the members' questions and assured that suitable steps would be taken to address their demands.

Shri. R. Sathya Seelan, Divisional Operating Manager proposed the vote of thanks on behalf of Chennai Division.

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