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**“GANDHI JAYANTHI AND SWACHHATA PAKHWADA CULMINATION CEREMONY OBSERVED ON 02.10.2023” AT PURATCHI THALAIVAR Dr. MGR CHENNAI CENTRAL RAILWAY STATION**

Chennai Division of Southern Railway observed ‘Swachhata Pakhwada’ & celebrated Gandhi Jayanthi on 02.10.2023 (today) at Puratchi Thalaivar Dr MGR Central Railway station. Shri R.N Singh, General Manager of Southern Railway, participated in the program as Chief Guest along with Shri Kaushal Kishore, Additional General Manager, Principal Head of Departments of Southern Railway, Shri B. Vishwanath Eerya, Divisional Railway Manager, Chennai Division, Shri Sachin Punetha, Additional Divisional Railway Manager I, Shri Tej Partap Singh, Additional Divisional Railway Manager II, Shri B.N.S. Chalam, Chief Project Manager, Gati Sakthi, Branch Officials of Chennai Division staff along with passengers and public.

Floral tribute to Mahatma Gandhi in commemoration of 154<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary was offered by General Manger and Principal Head of Departments. The Swachhata Pakhwada program commenced with the welcome address of Shri B. Viswanath Eerya, Divisional Railway Manager, Chennai Division, followed by Carnatic music. Scouts and guides performed Nukad Nattak, Mime show and Silambam in the program. Drawings and paintings of students emphasizing cleanliness was showcased. An exhibition displaying memorable events in the history of Mahatma Gandhi was opened on the occasion.

General Manager, Southern Railway received the **IGBC Platinum shield** from Shri Ajith Kumar Chordia, Chairman, The Indian Green Building Council (IGBC). The IGBC shield was awarded to Dr.MGR Central railway station for achieving the **Highest Rating in Green Railway Stations Rating System**. In 2018, Dr. MGR Central Railway station got its certification in IGBC. Shri Ajith Kumar Chordia in his speech appreciated the efforts taken by Chennai Division in maintaining the higher green concept standards.

General Manager distributed Shields for best maintained Car shed, Wagon Depot, Loco Shed, Coaching Depot and Office. Cash award was sanctioned to Swachchata Pakhwada Organizing team of Chennai Division.

Certificates were also awarded to scouts and guides. The function culminated with flagging off cycle rally of scouts and guides for spreading awareness about cleanliness.

**Sd/-**

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