



दक्षिणरेलवे/SOUTHERN RAILWAY
चेन्नैमंडल/CHENNAI DIVISION

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**INTENSIVE TICKET CHECKING DRIVES IN CHENNAI DIVISION – 1300
DEFAULTERS APPREHENDED – Rs. 3.5 LAKHS REALISED AS FINES**

Ticket checking team of Chennai Division is putting commendable efforts to prevent unauthorized travelling and to provide comfortable journey to its passengers.

In order 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.

An intensive ticket checking drive has been planned by the Ticket Checking Team of Chennai Division with a view to curb unauthorized and ticketless travelling in suburban trains over Chennai Division.

On 29.04.2024 a special team of 160 ticket checking staff along with RPF personnel conducted intensive checks in 264 suburban trains. 1300 defaulters were apprehended and Rs.3.5 lakhs was collected as fines. The drive to curtail unauthorized passengers over trains and stations of Chennai Division will continue to be carried out in a sustained and intensive manner over the next 15 days in addition to regular ticket checking.

To facilitate ease of ticketing,

- Additional ATVMs have been proliferated at railway stations. ATVMs are user friendly with option for digital payments using UPI based QR code
- Another novel ticketing option is UTS on Mobile app. Presently, the outer Geo fencing limits for both Journey and Platform ticket has been withdrawn. Passengers can now take suburban tickets, platform tickets, Season Tickets and Express tickets through this app. Both paper and paperless ticketing has been facilitated.

Chennai Division appeals to all rail users/passengers to travel with a valid travel authority, i.e., with a proper ticket or pass. It may be noted that travelling without a valid ticket/pass is punishable under section 137,138 & 139 of Railways Act of 1989.

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