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**CHENNAI DIVISION ACHIEVES MILESTONE WITH FIRST CONSIGNMENT OF
ELECTRIC AUTOS BY RAIL**

Chennai Division of Southern Railway has successfully flagged off the first rake of **Electric Auto rickshaws**, manufactured by M/s. **Montra Electric (Murugappa Group)**, from **Tada** to **Rangapani Railway Station** (Katihar Division/Northeast Frontier Railway) on 15.09.2025. The consignment, moved in 25 NMG wagons, was facilitated by **M/s. I P Integrated Services Pvt. Ltd** as the logistics partner.

This landmark consignment marks a new chapter in the **freight operations of Chennai Division**, creating opportunities for the large-scale transport of Electric Vehicles (EVs) through the rail network. Each rake movement contributes **₹18.75 lakhs in revenue**, and with 8 rakes projected during the current financial year, the traffic is expected to add nearly **₹1.50 crore** to the Division's earnings. Along with the financial benefits, this traffic stream enhances the **diversity of the freight portfolio** and further establishes Chennai Division as a **reliable partner for high-value and sustainable cargo movement**.

Rail transport of EVs ensures a **significant reduction in carbon emissions** compared to road logistics, underlining Railways' role as the **green carrier of the nation**. At the same time, the successful handling of this consignment highlights the growing importance of **Tada Railway Station as an emerging freight hub** in the northern part of Chennai Division, attracting more industries to shift their logistics operations to rail (ISUZU cars and Kobelco Excavators were also previously dispatched from this station).

This initiative showcases the **dual advantage for Indian Railways**—increasing revenue through new traffic streams while contributing to the nation's broader goal of achieving **eco-friendly and sustainable transport solutions**.

Chennai Division remains committed to providing **customer-centric, cost-effective, and environment-friendly freight services**, reinforcing Indian Railways' position as the **backbone of the country's logistics sector**.

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