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चेन्नईमंडल/CHENNAI DIVISION

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**GANDHI JAYANTI AND CULMINATION OF SWACHHATA HI SEVA CAMPAIGN
CEREMONY OBSERVED ON 02.10.2025 AT DR. MGR CENTRAL RAILWAY STATION**

Chennai Division of Southern Railway today (02.10.2025) observed the **culmination of the Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign 2025** in conjunction with the celebration of the **156th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi** at **Dr. MGR Central Railway Station**.

Shri P. Mahesh, Additional General Manager of Southern Railway, graced the occasion as **Chief Guest**. He was accompanied by the **Principal Heads of Departments of Southern Railway, Shri Shailendra Singh, Divisional Railway Manager/Chennai, Shri Tej Partap Singh and Shri Ankur Chauhan, Additional Divisional Railway Managers**, along with Senior Branch Officials and staff of Chennai Division. The event witnessed the **active participation of school and college students, NSS and NCC cadets and passengers**.

The programme commenced with **floral tributes to Mahatma Gandhi** by the Additional General Manager and senior officials. A **welcome address** was delivered by **Shri Shailendra Singh, DRM/Chennai**, who highlighted the Division's notable achievements during the Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign 2025.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS OF CHENNAI DIVISION'S CAMPAIGN:

- **5,186 participants** administered the Swachhata Pledge across the Division
- **132 health camps** conducted under *Swasth Nari / Sashakt Parivar Abhiyaan*, benefiting over 4,800 individuals including frontline staff
- **1,500 saplings** planted under the Tree Plantation initiative
- **Mass Shramdaan** on 25.09.2025 with **3,687 participants**
- **235 participants** joined Walkathon, Cyclothon and Marathon on 29.09.2025
- **15 railway colonies** covered under awareness drives on hygiene and waste segregation
- **750 kg of plastic/recyclables collected**
- **453 tons of garbage removed** across the Division

During his address, the **Additional General Manager** also highlighted **Southern Railway-wide achievements**, reflecting the extensive reach and success of the Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign 2025:

- **28,349 participants** administered the Swachhata Pledge
- **97 Safai Mitra Suraksha Shivirs and Health & Welfare Camps** for frontline staff
- Marathons at 7 stations, Cyclothons at 8 stations, Walkathons at 86 stations
- Sports leagues conducted at 77 railway stations and colonies

- **5,586 saplings planted** across the zone
- **17,328 participants engaged** in Mass Shramdaan
- **218 railway colonies** covered under door-to-door awareness campaigns
- **22 Swachh Bharat Cultural Fests** and **34 competitions organised**
- **45.1 km of railway tracks and station areas cleaned**
- **44 water bodies rejuvenated** within railway premises
- **8.06 tons of plastic/recyclables** and **165 tons of scrap removed** from workshops

The event also featured **vibrant cultural performances**, including patriotic songs and dances by railway staff, a skit by housekeeping assistants, a group dance by students of Railway Higher Secondary School, Perambur, a *Nukkad Natak* by Scouts & Guides, and a flute recital. A **Photo Exhibition on the life and legacy of Mahatma Gandhi** was inaugurated. **Certificates and shields** were presented to Scouts & Guides, students, NSS, and NCC cadets in recognition of their excellence in competitions and cleanliness activities during the campaign.

The programme concluded with a **Vote of Thanks** delivered by **Shri Ankur Chauhan, Additional Divisional Railway Manager/Chennai**. Additionally, a **group cash award** was announced by the Additional General Manager in recognition of the **extraordinary arrangements made by the Chennai Division team**.

*Chennai Division reaffirms its commitment to the vision of **Swachh Bharat**, emphasizing Cleanliness for a Greener Tomorrow, Eco-friendly Practices for a Healthy Environment, and Waste-to-Wealth through Innovative Management.*

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