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**CHENNAI DIVISION COMMISSIONS 11 NEW FOOT OVER BRIDGES
TO ENHANCE PASSENGER SAFETY**

In a significant step towards strengthening passenger safety and improving station infrastructure, the Chennai Division of Southern Railway has commissioned 11 new Foot Over Bridges (FOBs) during the financial year 2025-26.

These FOBs have been designed to provide safe and convenient movement for passengers between platforms, thereby discouraging the unsafe practice of crossing railway tracks. The initiative reflects the Division's continued focus on prioritizing passenger safety across its network.

Out of the 11 FOBs, one has been executed under the Amrit Station Scheme. The bridges have been strategically commissioned at both major stations and smaller wayside stations to ensure uniform safety standards across the division.

A key highlight of the year is the commissioning of a 12-metre-wide Foot Over Bridge at Tiruttani in March 2026. Designed to handle very high passenger volumes, this FOB significantly improves crowd dispersal and ensures smooth and safe movement between platforms, particularly during peak hours and festival seasons. Given Tiruttani's importance as a major pilgrimage destination, the facility marks a significant upgrade in managing heavy footfall, reducing congestion and enhancing overall passenger convenience. Additional Foot Over Bridges have been commissioned at busy stations such as Walajabad, Tirumalpur, and Anavardikhanpettai to better manage daily passenger volumes.

Further strengthening safety measures, new FOBs have also been provided at emerging stations including Chitteri, Mukundarayapuram, Pudi, Tiruvalam, Vepagunta, Ponpadi, and Palur. These facilities offer safe, elevated access across platforms, benefiting all categories of passengers, including senior citizens and those carrying luggage.

The commissioning of 11 FOBs marks a significant step in Chennai Division's ongoing efforts to enhance passenger safety and modernize station infrastructure. Going forward, the Division will continue to expand and upgrade Foot Over Bridge facilities across stations, with a focused emphasis on improving accessibility, including Divyangjan-friendly features, and ensuring safer and more convenient passenger movement throughout the network.

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