



Zonal Safety Circular No.-02/2021

SUB: Use of CUG/Personal Mobile Phones by Loco Pilots/Assistant Loco Pilots/Motormen and Guards.

In the recent past some incidence of accidents have occurred because of Loco Pilots/Assistant Loco Pilots/Motormen and Guards were using mobile phones during train run. Keeping this in view, the following guidelines to be adopted while on duty:-

1. Loco Pilot/ Assistant Loco Pilot/ Motormen while "Signing ON" will give a declaration in the CMS about the personal mobile phones (Number & Operator) available with him. Railway administration will initiate steps to e-monitor and track the cells originating/ received from the CUG and personal mobile phones during the period of run. In case, it is found either from the Call Details Record (CDR) or during random surprise checks that the CUG/personal mobile phone has been used unauthorizedly, the Loco Pilot/Assistant Loco Pilot/ Motormen will be liable to be taken up under DAR.
2. While the train is on run, the Loco Pilot/Motormen will keep their mobile phones (CUG & Personal) in switched off condition in their bag/box.
3. The Guards may use their CUG mobile phones during train run in exigencies only.
4. Loco Pilots may use their CUG mobile phones during train run only in exigencies such as to call for assistance in the event of an accident or failure. However, the reason necessitating use of mobile phone during journey may be recorded at the end of their journey in the register kept in the Loco Pilot lobby. Personal mobiles phones shall not be used under any circumstances during the entire journey period.
5. The Loco Pilots and Guards will invariably use Walkie-Talkie/VHF sets for communicating with each other and with the Station Master and vice-versa.
6. In case, the Loco pilot is required to be contacted for emergent purposes, the concerned officer/controller may contact the Guard or the Station master over CUG mobile phone and the Guard/Station Master may in turn convey the message to Loco pilot on Walkie-Talkie set.

- 7. In case of suburban (EMU) trains, when Motorman is required to be contacted for emergent purposes by the concerned officer/controller, the same shall be done through Guard using walkie-talkie/VHF sets.
- 8. In case, the Assistant Loco Pilot has been provided with CUG mobile phone or is carrying personal mobile phone, the above instructions shall also be applicable for Assistant Loco Pilots.
- 9. The inspecting officials while on footplate should keep their mobile phones in "Silent mode" and should desist from using the mobile phones except in emergencies, so that Loco Pilot is not distracted.

Note: Above instruction are based on Railway Board Letter No.-2010/Tele/2(1)/1 Pt. Dated 27.12.2012.

Additional Instruction:

- The family members of all Loco pilots/Assistant Loco Pilots should have the phone numbers of Chief Crew Controllers & Group CLIs so that in case of any emergency they can give message to Loco pilots/ Assistant Loco Pilots through them to contact.
- The Chief Crew Controllers & Group CLIs should attend phone calls from family members of Loco pilots/Assistant Loco Pilots without fail and take necessary action to contact LP/ALP to convey emergency message from home.


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