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JOINT PROCEDURE ORDER**Sub:- Precautions to be taken by the Railway for large gatherings near Station/Railway track during any grand festival/ mela /congregation etc.**

Recently Saharsa-Patna Rajya Rani express, while running through at Dhamara station of East Central Railway in Bihar, ploughed through a large number of Pilgrims who were crossing the railway track to offer 'Jalavishek' during Shraavan festival resulting in a large number of casualties and injuries.

The following instructions should be followed scrupulously to prevent such tragedies in future:-

1. Station Masters, when intimated by local authority or when they come to know from reliable sources about such gathering on the eve of festival, Mela or any other congregation near railway station/ track, should inform all concerned including Section Controller through a Diary Entry.
2. On receiving such message, Section Controller should intimate the concerned officials of Operating department and on receiving instructions shall advise the SM of adjoining stations on both sides to issue Caution Orders to all trains to proceed cautiously with long whistle and sharp lookout.
3. If the location happens to be near the station, frequent announcements should also be made over public announcement system to warn the public about the movement of trains.


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