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Sub: Action Plan for Combating Cyclone/Storm/Strong Wing.
Ref: This office Letter of Even No. dated 21.10.2022

Provisions contained in G&SR and other instructions in case of cyclone are reiterated below for understanding and adoption by Loco Pilot, Assistant Loco Pilot, Motorman and other front line staff during the need:

Loco Pilot/Motorman/Assistant Loco Pilot:

- When a weather warning message forecasting cyclone, heavy storm or strong wind has been received and/or there is a reasonable doubt that severe storm is going to break out endangering the safety of passengers, trains, etc. the Station Master shall in consultation with the Guard and the Loco Pilot of the train, detain the train and also refuse to grant line clear to a train coming to his station until the storm abates and it is considered that the movement of train is safe.
- Should a train be caught on the run in a cyclone, storm or strong wind of an intensity which in the opinion of the Loco Pilot, is likely to endanger the safety of the train, he shall immediately control the speed of his train and bring it to a stop at the first convenient place taking care as far as possible to avoid stoppage of the train at places like sharp curve, high embankments and bridges (including approaches thereof). In controlling the speed and bringing the train to a halt, the Loco Pilot shall take care to avoid jerk. He shall re-start the train, in consultation with the guard only after the cyclone, storm or strong wind abates and it is considered safe for the train to proceed.
- As an added precaution it is also imperative that the station staff as well train staff shall try to see that doors and windows of the coaches are kept open by the passengers to allow free passage of wind through the coaches.
- Loco Pilot/Motorman/Assistant Loco Pilot should be alert and vigilant during run for any obstructions like uprooting of trees/fallen of tree branches on track or any physical obstruction like tree branches, foreign object etc. on roof of Locomotives/ EMUs/MEMUs or any foreign material found on OHE which is likely to cause panto entanglement or incase of breakage of pantograph or hanging of catenary & contact wire, the pantograph of Locomotives/ EMUs/MEMUs may be lowered immediately and take necessary steps to stop the train avoiding places like sharp curve, high embankments and bridges (including approaches thereof).

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A month long Safety drive on above subject to counsel all LPS, ALPS & LPS w.e.f. 21.05.26 to 20.06.26.

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- They should also take necessary action to avoid rolling down of their trains/engine as per the laid down instructions in GR-5.23 & SR there to including the instruction issued by Railway Board vide JPO No. No. 2024/TT-IV/12/30, dated 24.01.2025. In addition to the above, action to be taken by crew & TM to protect their own and adjacent line using flasher light, detonator, hand signal following the laid down instructions as per GR-6.03 & 9.10.
- They should inform the concerned TLC/SCR/SM immediately in case any situation which is likely to be endangered to the safe running of trains by quickest possible means.

Loco Controllers, Crew Controller & Loco Inspectors:

- They should remain alert and in readiness and take immediate steps to convey the message received from the Loco Pilots/ Assistant Loco Pilots to the Section Controller and other officials for arranging suitable relief. They should also assist other controls/officials in combating the cyclone/storm/strong wind till restoration of normal traffic.
- Chief Loco Controller should also relay the weather warning message to all the crew controllers and other officials.
- Loco Inspectors should be in readiness to assist in relief/rescue work. They should also educate all the Loco Pilots/Assistant Loco Pilots regarding the precautions to be taken during cyclone/storm/strong wind.
- Crew Controllers should keep ready additional crew for working relief train, ARME, Crane Special, Labour Special, etc. They also made available additional crew for running diverted trains.

Apart from these, all LP/ALP/TLC/CC/CLI should ensure that provisions contained in SR 2.11.04 and SR 2.11.05 will be final and binding. Divisions should take other precautions as deemed necessary depending on the intensity of cyclone and local condition.

It is advised to launch a month long safety drive covering all the concerning staff under your control to counsel and sensitize them on the subject matter. After completion of the drive a consolidated report may be send to the undersigned for onward submission.

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