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SOUTHEASTERN RAILWAY

Office of the
Principal Chief Electrical Engineer
Garden Reach, Kolkata-43
Date: 30.06.2026

No. EL/OPTG/Safety-4

Sr.Divisional Electrical Engineer (OP)
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Sub: Drive to ensure proper brake operation to avoid brake binding in train operation accounts.
Ref: Railway Board's Letter No. 2024/Elect(TRS)/440/1.

Please find enclosed the letter under reference containing the instructions issued by the Railway Board for preventing brake binding cases in coaching and freight trains.

The instructions for minimizing brake binding cases are as follows:

i. LPs shall ensure sufficient brake release time before starting the train after ACP or from stopping stations.

ii. In case Loco Pilot finds high requirement of tractive effort or fluctuation in the load meter / ampere meter and fast slowing down of speed giving sufficient indication of brake binding, train needs to be stopped for attending the brake binding to avoid case leading to overheating/ smoke/ flame.

iii. Locomotive air drier should be functional. As non-functional air drier leads to moisture ingress in pipe line and air brake components.

In view of the above, divisions are advised to launch a month long drive for sensitizing the LP/ALP/LPS and counselling of loco maintenance staff to ensure strict adherence to operational procedures aimed at minimizing brake binding incidents.

(Atul Kumar) 30/06/2026
Chief Electrical Loco Engineer

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2. Sr.DEE/TRS/SRCE, TATE, ROUE, BNDL, BKSE
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} for information and ensuring of proper working of air drier during Shed out.