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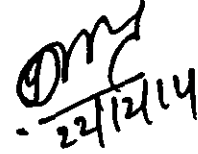
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Sub: Development of maintenance facilities for LHB coaches.

Initially LHB coaches were inducted into premium services such as Rajdhani/Shatabdi and Duronto trains. With the design development and manufacture of Non-AC Sleeper variants in LHB design, these coaches are now also being inducted into Mail/Express trains as well as Special trains being notified from time to time to clear extra rush and for the movement of Para-Military forces etc. There is a plan to completely switch over to production of LHB coaches in near future. While deliberating on enhancing LHB coach production concerns were raised by Traffic Dte. of Railway Board in regard to maintenance of LHB trains at terminals as well as at enroute stations to attend minor mal-functions.

In order for expeditious proliferation of LHB coaches, Railways are, therefore, advised to plan for maintenance of these coaches not only at terminals/coaching depots but also at en-route TXR points for troubleshooting as and when required. Accordingly spares for these coaches should be identified as per requirement and same made available. Existing maintenance facilities should also be upgraded, if required, to handle LHB type coaches. Further, concerned staff and officers should be adequately trained in maintenance and troubleshooting on LHB variant coaches.


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