

## भारत सरकार - रेल मंत्रालय अनुसंधान अभिकल्प और मानक संगठन लखनऊ - 226 011 EPBX (0522) 2451200 Fax (0522) 2458500

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- 2. Eastern Railway, Fairlie Place, Kolkata 700 001
- 3. Northern Railway, Baroda House, New Delhi 110 001
- 4. Southern Railway, Park Town, Chennai 600 003
- 5. South Central Railway, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad - 500 071
- South Eastern Railway, Garden Reach, Kolkata -700 043
- 7. North Eastern Railway, Gorakhpur 273 001
- 8. Northeast Frontier Railway, Maligaon, Guwahati 781 011

- 9. Western Railway, Church gate, Mumbai 400 020
- 10. East Central Railway, Hajipur 844 101
- 11. East Coast Railway, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar - 751 016
- 12. North Central Railway, Allahabad 211 001
- 13. North Western Railway, Jaipur 302 006
- 14. South Western Railway, Hubli 580 023
- 15. West Central Railway, Jabalpur 482 008
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Sub: Prevention of Brake binding/Wheel Shelling in LHB Coaches.

With subject to above, the incidences of Brake binding/Wheel Shelling in LHB Coaches are being reported from various Railways from time to time. In most of case cause behind these incidences were found due to improper maintenance of brake system of LHB coaches and also due to not following of various instructions issued by RDSO in regard to brake binding. Also in recent cases of brake binding, non-release from quick release valve was noted as primary cause. In this regard, whenever locomotive is changed or direction is reversed, all coaches to be manually released with quick release handle. And also drivers of locomotive to be counselled to use overcharging arrangement of locomotive which facilitates temporary rise of BP pressure which releases the brakes after change of locomotive or reversal of direction.

In view of the above, it is requested to ensure following of proper maintenance instruction for LHB brake system and other brake instructions issued by RDSO to avoid brake binding cases. These instructions are also available on RDSO website www.indianrailways.gov.in->Directorate->Carriage->Importantletters->Brakes.

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