

GS NFIR ADDRESS IRTSA OFFICE BEARERS

12th July, Sri.M.Raghaviaha General Secretary NFIR addressed to office bearers of IRTSA at AGS Complex Villivakkam Chennai. Er.Rajaprabakar JGS/IRTSA welcomed Sri.M.Raghaviaha GS NFIR, Er. M.Shanmugam President IRTSA, Sri. Suryaprakasam GS SRES, Sri.M.K.Sukumaran President ICF MS and office bearers of IRTSA. On behalf of 1994 Apprentice Mechanic batch he expressed his profound gratitude to GS NFIR for solving their pay fixation issue which was long pending.

Sri.Suryaprakasam GS SRES explained tireless efforts being made by GS NFIR towards the betterment of Railwaymen. Sri.M.K.Sukumar President ICF MS assured that ICF MS will extend its friendly support to IRTSA in its entire endeavour. Er.K.V.Ramesh Senior JGS IRTSA while thanking GS NFIR for his strenuous efforts for the betterment of Railwaymen said that demand of Group B to Senior Supervisors remain elusive and need to be addressed immediately. He requested to GS NFIR to further pursue the anomalies of MACPS particularly the case of Design Graduate Engineers, inclusion of training period for the purpose of MACPS, MACPS based on cadre hierarchy, etc. Er.M.Shanmugam Central President IRTSA thanked GS NFIR for pursuing the demands of Technical Supervisors whole heartedly and said that exclusive pay scales for Technical Supervisors will come to reality after 7th CPC. He recalled the services rendered by Sri.Rajaraman, Sri.Kesav Kulkarni and other leaders of yesteryears. He explained briefly about interaction with Sri.Choubayji, Sri.S.G.Mishra and other leaders by himself and IRTSA office bearers.

Sri. M.Raghavaiah GS NFIR in his address expressed his appreciation to the committed IRTSA team led by M.Shanmugam for feeding important information, ideas, etc to the Federation. He expressed his regret for not able to meet the demand of Group B (Gaz) to senior Supervisors inspite of sincere effort made by him and Federation. He condemned the attitude of Railway Board for unnecessarily referring the issue to Ministry of Finance & to 7th CPC. He explained discussion held in MACPS anomaly committee and points raised by K.V.Ramesh. GS NFIR added that Indian Railways is in a crucial juncture and tough days are ahead, particularly after the submission of Dr.Debroy committee report. The committee without studying the technical & safety requirements of Indian Railways, recommended for privatising all the activities of IR under a regulator with quasi-judicial powers, will only harm the Railways & the nation he said. He expressed his fullest support to IRTSA and assured that all the demands pertaining to Technical Supervisors category will be attended honestly by the Federation. Er.K.Gobinath VP IRTSA proposed vote of thanks. The meeting ended with dinner hosted by 1994 batch apprentice mechanic batch.

