

IR TSA MEETING IN E.R.LY



IRTSA meetings were held at Liluah, Jamalpur & Kancharapara workshops of Eastern Railway on 16th, 17th & 18th of January 2017. The meeting at Liluah workshop was presided over by Er. Harchandan Singh General Secretary IRTSA.

Er.Harchandan Singh in his motivating speech at Liluah called upon all supervising engineers of Eastern Railway to unite under the umbrella of IRTSA for the betterment of the category which is representing the category for half a century. He explained 51 years long journey of IRTSA since its inception from the year 1965 which has many achievements to its credit. He also recalled active participation and sacrifices made by Eastern Railway office bearers of IRTSA during work to rule & general strike. He said that 7th CPC has not accepted any of the genuine demands made by IRTSA and the necessity for united & spirited fight.

In the meeting held at Liluah on 17th January, Er.Goutham Mukherjee Zonal Secretary welcomed the gathering and briefed about activities of IRTSA. Er.Motilal, Er.Manoj Kumar Pansey, Er.Subrata Das, Er.Ajath Kumar Mohanty, Er.Saibal Deb were spoke in the meeting. Discussions were held on issues pertaining to MACPS, proposed common seniority for mechanical supervisors by merging existing trades, artisan supervisor ratio, etc. It was highlighted that, merger of seniority can be done for the future incumbents and existing supervisors may be given the option to choose either common seniority or continue in their respective trades.

In the meeting held at Jamalpur on 17th Jan Er.R.K.Mohanty welcomed the gathering. Er.Mondal highlighted demands pertaining to 15% incentive to SSEs, Er. Niraj Kumar Modi expressed his concern on plight of Graduate Engineers in Railways and Er.La Shab briefed about struggle of IRTSA for the past 51 years through Pay Commission and other forum. Cases filed by IRTSA for higher pay for JE & SSE and classification of SSE into Group 'B' (Gaz) were also explained by him. On 18th January at Kancharapara meetings were held at three major shops which were attended by majority of JE & SSE.

In these meetings, Er. K.V.Ramesh Sr.JGS IRTSA & Er. Ashoke Chowdhury explained the achievements of IRTSA including First Class pass for all JEs, reduction in number of scales of the category from six to two, improvement of SSE percentage through 4 cadre restructuring, reduction of training period of Technical Supervisors, inclusion of training period for the purpose of pension, pass eligibility, revision of incentive rates, incentive to SSEs, Engineer designation to Technical Supervisors, PLB to all senior supervisors, etc. They also briefed about memorandum & oral evidence made by IRTSA from 3rd CPC to 7th CPC. Two court cases filed by IRTSA after 6th CPC, one demanding higher Grade Pay for JE & SSE filed at CAT Chennai, another demanding Group 'B' (Gaz) status to all SSE, CDMS, CMS, Sr.Er/IT filed at CAT Chandigarh.