

IRTSA MEETING HELD AT LILUAH WORKSHOP - EASTERN RAILWAY

On 3rd April, meeting of IRTSA Liluah Workshop unit was conducted at Liluah Workshop. Er.Goutam Mukherjee, Zonal Secretary/E.Rly welcomed the members and asked the members to clarify their doubts with the central office bearers. Er.Debashis Mukhopadhyaya explained the activities of IRTSA and called upon all the Technical Supervisors / Rail Engineers to unite under the umbrella of IRTSA which continue to serve the community for the past 45 years.

In his address K.V.Ramesh, JGS/IRTSA, explained about the various agitations, Dharnas/Mass Fast, Seminars etc organized by IRTSA after the implementation of retrograde recommendations of Sixth Central Pay Commission. Continuous persuasion made by IRTSA with the Railway Board and both the Federations on many issues pertaining to the category were also explained. Discussions held with then Finance Minister, Minister for Railways and Minister of States for Railways have not fetched the desirable result of justifiable pay scales to the Technical Supervisors / Rail Engineers, he wondered. He told that the life time achievement of First class pass to all JEs and other supervisors in the Grade Pay of Rs.4200 have come to the reality because of logic arguments put by IRTSA with facts and figures to the Railway Board and to the Federations. But many vital demands of Group-B gazetted status to all the SSE/CMS/CDMS, inclusion of training period for the purpose of financial upgradation under MACPS & other MACPS anomalies, lack of career planning with only one promotional chance to JE and nil promotional chance to SSE and many other unresolved issues have created lot of heart burns among the Technical Supervisors / Rail Engineers he told. He added further that equating the pay scales of Technical Supervisors / Rail Engineers have demotivated the category and will affect the safety and efficiency of Railways. He urged the members to instill the fire in their heart to get the genuine demands of the category fulfilled and to contribute for the membership subscription, struggle fund. Er. A. Ganesh Babu, CEC Member asked every one to visit the web site www.irtsa.net to get the latest updates on IRTSA activities & for administrative orders of Railways / Government. He also urged all the members to subscribe for the official Journal of IRTSA "Voice of Rail Engineers". Er. Sekhar Mukherjee proposed the vote of thanks.

Earlier on 2nd & 3rd April, CEC team led by L. Makantayan, Vice President along with K.V. Ramesh, A. Ganesh Babu and office bearers of Liluah Unit went around the shops and interacted with the Technical supervisors / Rail Engineers. A meeting of executive committee was also held in the evening of 2nd April.