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DFCCIL celebrates its 17th Foundation Day

Sh Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister for Railways, Communications, Electronics & Information Technology presented Team and Individual Awards to proud DFC employees for outstanding contributions.

Sh Vaishnaw called DFCCIL a "Jewel of Indian Railways"

Shri VK Tripathi Chairman & CEO Railway Board & Chairman DFCCIL said that in the operations phase, DFC should strive for time bound delivery and innovative freight products.

Sh RK Jain, MD DFCCIL said that the dedicated freight corridors are freight expressways capable of transforming not only the transportation but the logistics landscape by providing longer, faster, heavier and longer trains



Caption: Running Shield for the Western Corridor was awarded to Ahmedabad Field unit by Sh Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister for Railways, Communications, Electronics & Information Technology in the presence of Sh. VK Tripathi, Chairman & CEO Railway Board & Chairman DFCCIL and Sh RK Jain, MD DFCCIL were present on the occasion.



Caption: Running Shield for the Eastern Corridor was awarded jointly to Prayagraj East & West Field units by Sh Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister of Railways, Communications, Electronics & Information Technology in the presence of Sh. VK Tripathi, Chairman & CEO Railway Board & Chairman DFCCIL and Sh RK Jain, MD DFCCIL were present on the occasion.

Sh. Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister for Railways, Communications, Electronics & Information Technology presented awards to DFCCIL teams and individual employees for outstanding performance while addressing DFCCIL's 17th Foundation Day at Stein Auditorium, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi today. Sh. Vaishnaw who was the Chief Guest at the 17th DFCCIL Foundation Day function commended the DFCCIL team for their hard work and dedication. Other dignitaries present were Sh. VK Tripathi Chairman & CEO Railway

Board & Chairman DFCCIL, and Sh RN Singh Secretary Railway Board, Shri RK Jain, MD DFCCIL, Shri N Srinivas Director/OP & BD, Sh HM Gupta, Director/Infra. Shri Hira Ballabh Director/Finance, Shri Pankaj Saxena Director/PP, Sh Ashish Kumar CVO. An array of senior officers from Railway Board, Zonal Railways, DFCCIL, PSUs, World Bank & JICA, Project Partners, Stakeholders and representatives from Electronic and Print Media attended the event.

Sh Vaishnav handed over individual, team and running shields today. 34 individual awards, one posthumous awards were awarded. The Group award was awarded to the in-house team consisting of four members who contributed in the development of the Dedicated Freight Information System (DFIS) system. The running shield for the Western Corridor was awarded to the Ahmedabad Field unit and for the Eastern Corridor, it was jointly awarded to the Prayagraj East & West Field Units. The Hon'ble Minister unveiled the DFC in-house journal The Game Changer & the special edition of Manthan, the Rajbhasha House journal.

Sh Vaishnav declared DFCCIL as the "jewel of Indian Railways." He said that DFC has not only created new ways of working, new ways of project execution, but also set new benchmarks about how IR is to evolve in the future. The Hon'ble MR spoke about 28 major reforms initiated by Railways. Sh Vaishnav spoke about IR aiming for 40 percent modal share and 3000 MT loading. He said that projects worth Rs 90,000 crores have been identified by Indian railways to facilitate movement of people and cargo. Construction of freight corridors in mineral-rich Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh and Odisha can add significantly to the growth in IR's cargo carrying capacity. Sh Vaishnav said that DFCs should focus on the shift from construction phase to operation & maintenance (O&M) phase.

Sh Vaishnav stressed on a significant change in the mindset with a hunger for growth, cargo and ensuring customer satisfaction. He said that the IR is a repository of tremendous talent which can be leveraged for the good of the nation.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri VK Tripathi Chairman & CEO Railway Board & Chairman DFCCIL said India is among a select group of nations having dedicated freight corridors. He said that the nation has a lot of expectations from DFCCIL especially by decongesting saturated IR routes and providing ease of mobility. In the operations phase DFC should strive for time bound delivery and innovative freight products.

Sh RK Jain, MD, DFCCIL, while addressing the august gathering said that the DFCs have entered from Sanrachna (Infrastructure) to Sanchalan (Operations) phase. The dedicated freight corridors are freight expressways capable of transforming not only the transportation but the logistics landscape by providing longer, faster, heavier and longer trains.

Sh Rajeev Mehta Chairman Logistics Committee, Cement Manufacturers Association & CLO Ultra Tech Cement & Sh Jakob Friis Sorensen, MD APM Terminals Pipavav spoke on the occasion and provided an insight into the importance of DFC from a customer standpoint.