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To
**The Principal Chief Operations Manager,
Southern Railway,
Chennai.**

**The Principal Chief Engineer,
Southern Railway,
Chennai.**

Sir,

Sub : Pathetic condition of Gate Lodges and rest rooms.

Ref : Railway Board letter No. 2015/CE-I/GNS/7(FTS-155123) dated 15.09.2015.

Time & again we have been representing for the problems facing by the employees in the Gate Lodges. Many Gate Lodges are in **dilapidated** condition. This was already brought to the notice of concerned divisional officers. But no tangible action was taken. This is not only self safety, it is also overall safety of the system. The very recent incident we would like to bring to your kind notice that on 28.07.2019 around 18.00 hrs near Punkunnam (PNQ) Station in LC No. 19, KM 31-800/900, the portion of concrete roof ceiling has broken and fallen on the duty women Pointsman 'A' named Smt.Vasantha, and injured on her head severely. The employees are facing problems and experiencing hardship due to insects, poisonous snakes, etc., in many gate lodges. This is also causing mental agony to the employees.

Therefore, we request you to take necessary action atleast to prevent further occurrence.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(P.S.Suriyaprakasam)
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Encl : Photos

- Copy to : 1) The DRM/TVC, PGT, MDU, TPJ, SA & MAS, for kind information and necessary action pls.**
2) All DP & DS of SRES, for information & vide publicity.
3) B.Raison, Secy/ERS-HQRS, w.r.t. letter date 29.07.2019.