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The Chairman,  
Railway Board,  
New Delhi  
Dear Sir,

*Escorting Staff of Mech/Elect*

Sub. Problems encountered by Electrical & Mechanical Escorting Staff deputed to perform duties on Mail/Express and high speed trains run with LHB rakes-reg.

Reports received by the affiliated Unions of NFIR reveal that the Escorting Staff of Electrical and Mechanical wings when deputed to perform duties on Mail/Express and high speed trains run with LHB coaches face difficulties during any breakdown/fault due to the reason that the General Coaches are marshalled at both ends of the formations as there is no vestibule and these are totally locked. On most of the occasions, the Escorting Staff have to wait for stoppage of train at next halting station. Sometimes, this aggravates the fault and results safety hazard, particularly when the Escorting Staff are expected to attend the breakdown/fault immediately.

To overcome such situations, Federation suggests that marshalling of all the General Coaches be done together with Non-AC Coaches at one end while all AC Coaches with Pantry Car be aligned with each Power Car on either end for safe and smooth train operations. It is further mentioned that being safety related matter, it is all the more important for Escorting Staff to reach the location of the breakdown/fault within minimum possible time for rectification before any mishap takes place.

NFIR, therefore, requests the Railway Board to kindly consider the above points and issue suitable instructions to the General Managers of Zonal Railways on train formations, duly endorsing copy to the Federation.

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Yours faithfully,

(Dr. M. Raghavaiah) -  
General Secretary

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