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To  
**The Principal Chief Personnel Officer,  
Southern Railway,  
Chennai.**

Sir,

**Sub : Closing of Training Centers in Southern Railway in view of  
Covid 19 Corona Virus – reg.**

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You are well aware about the Corona Virus spreading very fast in India. In Southern Railway, Kerala is most affected area where number of Corona affected cases started reporting and many Schools, Colleges, Malls, institutions have closed. Even government buses are in skeleton service.

As already decided by the Central Government of India & State Government for closing of mass gathering activities in view of Corona Virus, the number of Training Centers in Southern Railway are still continuing their activities despite instructions given by the Central & State Government.

This epidemic is be controlled by precautions as there is no medicine available, we are in crucial stage and every day the affecting trend is increasing. Since they are staying in outstations, they have to go out for their food, now they are unable to get even food and also they have to travel up and down.

In view of the above, we therefore request you to kindly take necessary action to close the Training centre in Southern Railway till the end of March 2020, atleast we can be able to take some precautionary steps. The next 15 to 20 days are very crucial. We hope we defeat the virus by taking precautions as suggested by our Government of India and also WHO.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(P.S.Suriyaprakasam)  
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