

भारत सरकार) GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
(रेल मंत्रालय) MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(रेलवे बोर्ड) (RAILWAY BOARD)

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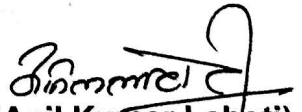
General Manager  
E.C. Railway  
Hajipur.

**Sub: Closure of Railway line from Dhanbad to Chandrapura due to fire and subsidence in Jharia & Raniganj Coal Field**

1.0 Director General of Mine Safety (DGMS) has submitted a Report on Safety of Dhanbad-Chandrapura (D-C) Railway Line of E. C. Rly to Chairman/HPCC & Secretary, Ministry of Coal, New Delhi vide letter no. U-23025/01/2007-Genl/1244 dated 02.06.2017 which has been received by Railway Board vide Secretary(Coal), Govt. of India's DO letter No. 22020/02/2016-CRC-II(Pt.III) dated 08.06.2017. In the aforesaid Report DGMS has concluded that:

***"Based on the inspection and study it is clear that area falling under seven mines namely Busserya, Sendra Bansjora, Katras Choutidih, AKWMC, New Akashkinare, South Govindpur & Teturia, covering a stretch of about 14 km, the stability of ground beneath Dhanbad- Chandrapura Railway track cannot be guaranteed. Therefore, in the interest to the safety to human lives, the movement of trains on Dhanbad- Chandrapura Railway line is to be stopped".***

- 2.0 Having considered DGMS' Report, Board has decided to stop operation of Passenger and Goods traffic on Dhanbad –Chandrapura Railway line with effect from 15th June'2017 after issuing public notice, advertisement & arranging for diversion, etc. Zonal Railway should take immediate necessary action accordingly.
- 3.0 Zonal Railway should also take immediate necessary action to submit a proposal for sanction of alternative line(s) to cater for the traffic duly considering the RITES report of 2015 and any other alternative proposal.

  
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