

PCEE's Republic Day Speech on 26.01.2019

Dear members of ICF Family, Officers and staff, Representatives of Unions & Associations, members of ICF Women's Welfare Organisation, representatives from media and dear children,

On this memorable occasion of 70th Republic Day Celebrations, I extend my warm wishes to all of you. On this momentous day, we have adopted the Constitution of India, the longest written Constitution in the world, declaring our country as a social, democratic and secular republic.

I am glad to share with you that, ICF has rolled out 2340 coaches as of 31.12.18 and is planning to exceed the target of 3230 coaches fixed by Railway Board for 2018-19, which includes a lot of new types of coaches like EMU with flexible solar panel, NMR coaches, AC EMUs, DEMUs, etc..

This year, ICF has manufactured Train 18, India's first Semi High-Speed Train Set that has touched a speed of 180 km/h during trials.

ICF has also rolled out the first ever MEMU underslung rake for Northern Railway adopting not only bogies of Train 18, but also many of Train 18 features such as aerodynamically shaped stainless steel driving end nose, CCTV facility, sealed gangways, more passenger carrying capacity, talk back system to enable passengers to talk to driver in case of emergency, etc..

Another milestone product by ICF this year is the Self Propelled Inspection Car (SPIC) for West Central Railway that saves engine turn round time and release locomotive for mainline passenger train operation.

ICF has now taken up production of a new breed of air-conditioned EMU (AC EMU) train set for the Mumbai Suburban System which will be rolled out very soon. This has a lot of features adopted from Train 18 including seamless gangways.

In sports arena, ICF team has won the 64th All India Volleyball Championship for the 5th consecutive year. ICF women's volley ball team has also proved its mettle by securing "Runner up" in Senior State Volley Ball Championship, though the team was formed just 2 months before. ICF has bagged Gold & Silver medal in Men's & Women's Commonwealth Chess Championship respectively for the year 2018. ICF's Chess team has also won Inter Railway Chess Championship for the 4th consecutive year.

ICF has been rated as "GreenCo Silver" organisation under GreenCo Rating System that has recently been upgraded to "Gold" due to consistent green steps by ICF on all fronts. ICF has also received the Environment and Cleanliness Shield and the award for Best Transformation initiatives for the year 2017-18, from Hon'ble Minister of Railways.

I am confident that Team ICF will continue to work with determination and dedication in surpassing the target in this production year as well and outshine in the year ahead. I once again convey my best wishes to you all.

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