

A person is standing on dark, jagged rocks in the foreground, looking out at the ocean. The sun is setting on the horizon, creating a bright orange and red glow that reflects on the water's surface. The sky is filled with dark, dramatic clouds, some of which are illuminated by the setting sun. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

**100 DAYS  
ACTION PLAN OF  
RAILWAYS  
SUFFER FROM  
SERIOUS  
INHERENT  
INFIRMITIES**

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# To improve the efficiency, productivity and expeditious development of Railways

## Welcome Steps

- 1) Elimination of all manned level crossings on Golden Quadrilateral and Diagonals of IR within four years,
- 2) Speed raising of New Delhi - Howrah and New Delhi - Mumbai routes to 160 kmph to reduce travel time to 12 hours,
- 3) Advanced signaling system,
- 4) Technological revamp,
- 5) Rs.50,000crore Central fund for construction of around 2500 Road Over Bridge & Road Under Bridge.

**Serious  
Inherent  
Infirmities**

Will harm the  
very purpose of  
Railways serving  
the country men  
especially the  
poor

# PROVIDING WI-FI AT ALL 6,485 STATIONS

Non-core  
activity.

Not at all  
required

4G & 5G  
enables  
quick  
internet  
facility on  
the hand  
sets at very  
low cost



- 1) **Crowded Railway stations.**
- 2) **Passengers need to be vacated immediately.**
- 3) **Extending wi-fi facilities will work against this principle of vacating the passengers at the earliest**



**Rationalization  
of passenger  
fares and  
reduce passenger  
subsidy**

## **What to do ?**

- 1) System to compute running cost & earning of each train individually.**
- 2) Manage cost of operation of every train individually at micro level**
- 3) Rope in respective state Governments to share some of the financial losses.**

# Station redevelopment

No money should be wasted in name of making existing building beautiful

## What to do ?



Increase passenger capacity of platforms.



Separate entries & exits for passengers & goods



Sufficient drop & pickup points



Improve passenger amenities like good free drinking water, rest rooms, refreshment stall, etc.



Improve feeder roads for Railway stations

# **PRIVATE TRAIN OPERATORS**

**Will make a  
mess.**

**No private train  
operator  
available in  
India**

- 1) **No private train operator will invest huge fund in the time of economic recession.**
- 2) **Profit making routes will be exploited.**
- 3) **Loss making routes will left with IR.**

## **IRCTC**

- 1) **Primarily a catering corporation.**
- 2) **No experience in train operation.**
- 3) **Notorious in Railways getting very bad image day in & out, because of poor food quality & bed role management**

## RETROGRADE STEP

Corporatization of seven PUs of Rolling stock

Setting up of “Indian Railway Rolling Stock Company”

# “ PUs SURGES AHEAD TO ACHIEVE, PM’s - MAKE IN INDIA POLICY



Steam locos to state-of-the-art 3-phase IGBT AC locos



Riveted coaches to hybrid Stainless Steel LHB coaches



Indigenously designed semi high speed train set “Vanda Bharat Express”



Many self propelled trains

# Steps for Technology partnership & modernization

**1**

Universities and research institutes on Railway technologies

**2**

Investment in R&D for acquiring & developing new technologies

**3**

Achieve Indigenous skill set in high speed train operation

**High speed train operation without developing human resources will only make Railways dependent on MNCs**

## **PU improved their productivity in terms of staff utilization**

<b>PU</b>	<b>STAFF PER UNIT</b>	
	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>2017-18</b>
<b>CLW</b>	<b>50.9</b>	<b>30.5</b>
<b>DLW</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>19.0</b>
<b>ICF</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>4.5</b>
<b>RCF</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>MCF</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3.4</b>
<b>DMW</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>28.2</b>

**PU's of Railways  
always remained  
cost effective**

**WAG-9  
loco  
costs  
11.5 cr**

**Sleeper  
coach  
costs  
1.7 cr**

**Nobody  
manufactu-  
res' cheaper**



**Corporati-  
-zation  
will raise  
the cost**

**Addition to existing  
cost**



**Corporate tax,**



**GST,**



**Profit margin, etc.**

# Self sufficiency of PUs may end

**7 PUs have 35.9 Sq.KM land in their possession.**

**Larger than Tirupathi town**

**Mini town on their own**  
Housing,  
Hospitals,  
Schools,  
Banks,  
Post offices,  
World class sports facilities,

**ICF Chennai is 100% self-reliant on electricity by having its own wind mills & solar panels.**



**Corporatization and subsequent disinvestment will end up in using the real estate value of land possessed by PUs rather than bring world class technologies**

# Corporatization & Disinvestment

Govt feel the Financial pressure

- 1) Tax collection target couldn't be achieved
- 2) Disinvestment targets of PSEs not achieved

## Govt should realize

- 1) In huge economic recession Govt can't find partner for disinvestment & new investment
- 2) Economic recession already taken its toll on employment
- 3) No jobs created
- 4) Job loss happening in all major sectors

# INHERENT INFIRMITIES OF CORPORATIZATION PROPOSAL

- 1) Corporate don't bring fund from outside
- 2) Utilize only Indian public money
- 3) Not essential to bring new technologies.
- 4) By Hiving off PUs Railways is not going to get new investment,
- 5) Not going to create new jobs,
- 6) Not going to stop job loss,
- 7) Not going to reduce the cost,
- 8) End up like VSNL, MTNL, BSNL, etc



**It is time for  
Govt to make  
direct  
investment in  
Railways**



**To serve the citizens in  
minimum possible cost**



**To stop job loss**



**To generate employment**



**To bring new technologies**



**To bring visible improvement**



**Stop the proposals for**

**Corporatization of Production units (PUs)  
of Rolling Stock**

**&**

**Private passenger train operators to  
provide Passenger service.**

**THANK YOU**

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