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Based on the prima-facie causes of consequential train accidents that have taken place recently, following **"ALERTS"** are being advised for taking necessary precautions to preempt similar occurrences.

- **Collision due to Loco pilot passing Home signal at danger:-**

  - Rear end collision of light engine with empty rake of an express train on Kharagpur Division of South Eastern Railway due to **Loco pilot passing Home signal at 'on**'.

- **Closing of the Gate by Gateman without ensuring clearing of road traffic :-**

  - A Bullock cart dashed against a passenger train on Sholapur Division of Central Railway as the **gateman closed gate without ensuring clearing of road traffic.**

- **Equipment failure:-**

  - Derailment of a goods train on Ratlam Division of Western Railway due to w**agon defect. Division is yet to specify the exact defect.**

  - Derailment of a goods train on Chakradharpur Division of South Eastern Railway due to **breakage of journal.**

- **Derailment due to track defect:-**

  - Derailment of a goods train on Bhopal Division of West Central Railway due to **excessive twist and poor holding of track.**

  - Derailment of a goods train on Delhi Division of Northern Railway due to **Rail Fracture.**

- **Infringement to track: –**

  - Protections of track from outside interference have been impressed upon time and again. One Tractor Trolly dashed against a passenger train near the track on Izzatnagar Division of North Eastern Railway causing death of one passenger and injuries to three passengers.

Railways/Training Institutions are expected to supplement their efforts during drives, inspections and training courses keeping the above in mind.

Hindi version will follow.

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