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RailMadad, the grievance redressal portal of Indian Railways, has been awarded **Silver** under Category II of National e-Governance Awards – "Excellence in providing Citizen-centric Delivery". This award was conferred during the 23<sup>rd</sup> National Conference on e-Governance which was held in Mumbai on 7-8<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2020. To recognize and promote excellence in implementation of e-Governance initiatives, Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) presents National e-Governance Awards every year. DARPG received more than 500 nominations, out which 20 projects were selected for e-Governance Awards in six categories.

RailMadad portal can be accessed by Railways customers using RailMadad Helpline 139 (with IVRS, voice and SMS facility), RailMadad website: railmadad.indianrailways.gov.in & RailMadad App (on android & iOS).

RailMadad adds to 'ease of living' of Railway customers in the following ways:

- 1. Convergence & Integration: RailMadad is now the single portal for grievance, inquiry and assistance, for all railway customers passenger, freight & parcel. Customers can also give their suggestions on RailMadad.
- 2. Ease of Access: Customers can access RailMadad through RailMadad no. 139, Web, App, SMS, Social media & Manual Dak. RailMadad no. 139 itself subsumes over 15 Helplines, thereby giving the customers the comfort of a single Helplines for all needs. Non-smart phone users can call 139 \* to talk to call centre executives directly, who guides him/her in lodging grievance. It is also possible to lodge a complaint through IVRS (Interactive Voice Response System). This facility is available in 12 languages.

- 3. Ease of Registering complaints: RailMadad is linked with Railways' existing ticketing systems like PRS & NTES. Hence journey details of passengers are automatically fetched when passenger enters PNR details, making complaint registration process simpler and easy.
- 4. Delayering Redressal on fast forward: RailMadad is linked with NTES. So, complaint goes automatically to the concerned field unit, which accelerates grievance redressal.
- 5. Accountability: For every registered grievance, the complainant gets a unique CRN (complaint reference number), using which one can check the status of one's grievance. After closure of complaint, customer gets an sms with a link to give his feedback on the quality of redressal.
- 6. Citizen empowerment: RailMadad incorporates citizen charter commitment of Indian Railways.

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