

Indian Railways: A Contemporary Management Research

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Description:

Indian Railways (IR) is one of the world's oldest transport services, and is currently its single largest employer. The large amount of track kilometres, daily services, freight lifted daily, and employees are very difficult to manage efficiently. IR is popularly known as the lifeline of India, and reaches the most remote corners of the nation. Most of IR's systems are considered legacy operations; however, there have been significant modernisation efforts and operational improvements in recent times. The managerial insights provided by recent developments in IR span across services and operations management, transportation systems, organisational revenue management, government systems and processes, and policy studies. This collection will explore recent initiatives and developments at IR from an academic research perspective, using real data and critical and pragmatic insights into improving operations and policy practices. Each chapter shall cover a specific topic, articulated concisely and succinctly. The book will be interesting and useful as a one-point, authentic reference to understand contemporary developments at IR.

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Green Initiatives and Sustainability;
Privatisation of Indian Railways;
PPP Models in Indian Railways;
Apex Level of IR.

About the Editor:

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