

### **Rail Wheel Factory, Yelahanka:**

RWF is a manufacturing unit of [Indian Railways](#), producing wheels, axles and wheelsets for the use of the Indian Railway, and also for the non-railway Indian customers and overseas customers. The plant is situated in [Yelahanka, Bangalore](#), with 191 acres. An [ISO 9001:2000](#) and [ISO 14001](#) certified RWF was commissioned in 1984. The RWF comprises three units – the main wheel and axle workshop, administrative building and hospital and residential colonies.

Around 2100 Railway Officers and staff are working in RWF and nearly 350 casual workers too, are employed in the workshop.

A state of the art workshop RWF spins out – one wheel every 2 minutes, and axle every 4 minutes and assemble a wheel-set every 6 minutes. At present, approximately 1,22,000 wheels, 86000 axles and 47,000 wheel-sets are produced per year.

From the security point of view, this workshop is headed by an IG rank officer with one Sr.SC and ASC and with a working strength of 39 officers and staff (sanctioned strength is 52) and the vacancies are managed by deploying Ex-servicemen and Home guards.

The primary duties of RPF, besides providing security to the workshop, administrative building and colonies, are frisking 100s of railway employees and casual workers in all three shifts, checking the trucks and vehicles carrying railway raw materials and finished goods, witnessing the delivery of scrap materials, protocol duties and maintaining close liaison with civil and police authorities.