

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1209  
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REQUEST FOR SHIFTING OF HQS TO AHMEDABAD  
Kanubhai Patel Jayshreeben

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government of Gujarat has requested for shifting of Railway Headquarters from Mumbai to Ahmedabad in view of huge contribution to Western Railway from Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the action taken thereon; and
- (c) the reasons for not accepting said request so far?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c): The location of the Headquarters of a Railway depends on operational and administrative requirements, consistent with the needs of economy & efficiency. The proposal to shift the Western Railway's headquarters from Mumbai to Ahmedabad was examined in the light of the above and has not been considered feasible.