

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the newly created South-East Central Railway, Bilaspur has still been procuring items from outside Chhattisgarh like Kolkata and other cities by ignoring the products of local industries in Chhattisgarh itself;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Railways to set up industries in the area for production of articles required in the said railway zone?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Indian Railways buy items from all over India based on eligibility and competitiveness and hence there is no question of ignoring the products of industries in Chattisgarh.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) The industries in a particular region are set up as per initiative of Entrepreneurs. Railways have no direct role to play in setting up Industries in a particular area.