

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:121

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NEW ZONES/DIVISIONS

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

- (a) whether the Railways propose to set up new Zones/Divisions and/or reorganize the jurisdiction of the existing Zones and Divisions in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken and time frame set by the Railways for the purpose?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(a) to (c) : No, Madam. At present there is no plan to set up new Zones/Divisions or reorganize the jurisdiction of the existing Zones and Divisions on Indian Railways. However, a large number of requests have been received from various State Governments, Union Ministers, Members of Parliament/ MLAs, etc., for the creation of new zones and divisions on Indian Railways. A committee of Officers has been set up by the Ministry of Railways to analyze these requests from the various aspects of railway working and examine the feasibility of creation of the proposed new zones & divisions. However, no time frame has been set for creation of new Zones and Divisions or reorganization of the existing Zones and Divisions.