

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4040  
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FREIGHT INFORMATION  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have any system in place for providing information regarding freight etc. for transportation of goods;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways have started charging for the said service which was being provided free of charge earlier; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Freight Operation Information System (FOIS) has been established for this purpose. This system provides information regarding freight offered for transportation by rail through a Railway Receipt.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) Does not arise.