

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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CREATION OF RAILWAY DIVISION
Antony Shri Anto ;Karadi Shri Sanganna Amarappa

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have received any proposal from the State Government of Karnataka seeking separate railway divisions for the State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard;
- (d) whether the Railways have received any proposal from the State Government of Kerala regarding the setting up of Peninsular Railway zone in the State; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (e): Requests have been received recently from the Government of Karnataka and Government of Kerala for creation of a new railway division with head-quarters at Mangalore and for setting up a separate Railway Zone in Kerala, respectively.

New Zones and Divisions on Indian Railway are set up keeping in view factors like size, workload, accessibility, traffic pattern and other administrative/operational requirements, consistent with the needs of economy and efficiency, without any regional considerations. The proposals for creation of a new division with head-quarters at Mangalore and a new railway Zone in Kerala, when examined from these aspects, have not been found feasible.