

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2329
ANSWERED ON 08.08.2025

SOUTH COAST RAILWAY ZONE

2329. SHRI YERRAM VENKATA SUBBA REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Prime Minister has laid the foundation stone for South Coast Railway Zone recently;
- (b) if so, the year in which the land was acquired by the Railways, amount of money sanctioned for construction of its headquarters and by when it is going to be completed;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the new zone is going to cover some of the areas from Odisha, Chhattisgarh, etc.;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) to what extent the new zone would strengthen freight corridors and handling additional cargo from ports of Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e): The foundation stone of new South Coast Railway (SCoR) zone has been laid recently. 52.2 acre land at Mudasarlova, Visakhapatnam for setting up of SCoR zone headquarters has been handed over by State Government to Railways in August 2024.

The work of “Setting up of South Coast Railways’ Zone HQ” has been sanctioned at latest estimated cost of ₹183.58 crore. Tender for construction of zonal headquarters office building has been awarded. The work has been taken up. General Manager of SCoR has been appointed.

SCoR Zone comprises of Guntakal, Guntur, Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam (Waltair) railway divisions covering the states of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

Railway network in this region connects area rich in minerals and natural resources as also numerous important ports on the eastern coast including Visakhapatnam port.
