

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1568
ANSWERED ON 12.12.2025

DPR FOR THE NEW EAST COAST RAILWAY ZONE

1568. SHRI YERRAM VENKATA SUBBA REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) details of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the new East Coast Railway Zone;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the new Railway Zone does not have Railway Recruitment Board to recruit people needed for the new Board;
- (c) If so, the details thereof and reasons thereof; and
- (d) whether Gazette in this regard has been issued and, if not, by when it is going to be issued?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d): The East Coast Railway (ECoR) is an existing zonal railway on Indian Railways with headquarter at Bhubaneswar. The gazette notification for ECoR was issued on 5th July, 2002 and the railway was made operational with effect from 1st April, 2003.

Indian Railway is an organization having pan India character. Direct Recruitment to Group 'C' posts on Indian Railways is made by 21 Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) located all over the country. RRBs have been established based on territorial jurisdiction of the Indian Railways and not on the basis of States, Zones/Regions. Candidates are free to apply to any one of the 21 RRBs in response to the Centralized Employment Notifications. As far as possible the candidates are allotted centres near to the place of their residence especially, female candidates and Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD). Areas of East Coast Railway are catered adequately by RRB/Bhubaneswar.
