GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.754 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.06.2019

NEW PENINSULAR RAILWAY ZONE

754. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal for the formation of a new peninsular railway zone headquartered at Ernakulam;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has constituted any committee or group to study the feasibility of this proposal;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a): Yes, Sir. Requests for formation of a new peninsular railway zone headquartered at Ernakulam have been received from time to time from various fora.
- (b) to (d): A Committee of senior Railway officers was constituted in 2017 to examine requests for creation of new zones and divisions received during the period from 2014 to 2017. The Committee, inter-alia, did not find it operationally feasible to create a new peninsular railway zone.
