

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2123
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2015**

NUMBER OF ZONAL OFFICES

2123. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number and names of Zonal offices in the country as on date;

(b) whether the Railways have taken note of the long standing demand for creation of separate Zonal Railway Headquarters at Mangalore under South Western Railway (SWR);

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Railways propose to create South Western Coast Railway (SWCR) with Mangalore as Headquarters, covering three States of Karnataka, Goa and Kerala; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): There are 17 zones on Indian Railways. Their names are as follows:

(1) Central Railway, (2) Eastern Railway, (3) East Central Railway, (4)

East Coast Railway, (5) Northern Railway, (6) North Central Railway,

(7) North Eastern Railway, (8) Northeast Frontier Railway, (9) North

Western Railway, (10) Southern Railway, (11) South Central Railway,

(12) South Eastern Railway, (13) South East Central Railway, (14) South Western Railway, (15) Western Railway, (16) West Central Railway & (17) Metro Railway/Kolkata.

(b) & (c): No specific request for creation of a new railway zone with headquarters at Mangalore has been received in this Ministry, though there have been some requests for creation of a new division at Mangalore and also for transfer of entire Mangalore area to Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL).

(d): No, Madam.

(e): Does not arise.
