

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1634  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.02.2019**

**RAILWAY ZONES**

**1634. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the Railway Zones in the country;**
- (b) when each of the above Railway Zones were created and the reasons for creating each of such zones;**
- (c) whether every new Railway Zone created fulfilled the factors like size, workload, accessibility, traffic pattern, operational and administrative requirements;**
- (d) if so, Zone-wise details with statistics thereof; and**
- (e) the Gross income of each Division since its creation, division-wise and zone-wise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

**(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1634 BY SHRI JAYADEV GALLA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.02.2019 REGARDING RAILWAY ZONES**

**(a) to (e): There are 17 Railway Zones in the country. Zones on Indian Railways are created keeping in view the factors like size, workload, accessibility, traffic patterns and other operational/administrative requirements consistent with the needs of economy and efficiency, without any regional consideration.**

**Earning records are not maintained division-wise. Details of all Zones, including total earnings, zones-wise since last re-organisation of Indian Railways in 2003-04, are given below:**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Zonal Railway</b>	<b>Headquarter</b>	<b>Year of Creation</b>	<b>Number of Divisions</b>	<b>Zonal Route KM (as on 31.03.2018)</b>	<b>Gross earnings since 2003-04 to 2017-18 (₹ in Crore)</b>
1.	Central Railway	Mumbai	1951	5	4114.59	128561.08
2.	Eastern Railway	Kolkata	1952	4	2777.16	63629.38
3.	East Central Railway	Hajipur	2002	5	4106.72	100422.94
4.	East Coast Railway	Bhubaneswar	2003	3	2756.51	132842.80
5.	Northern Railway	New Delhi	1952	5	7301.30	158781.15
6.	North Central Railway	Allahabad	2003	3	3523.30	132222.26
7.	North Eastern Railway	Gorakhpur	1952	3	3439.55	29245.72
8.	Northeast Frontier Railway	Guwahati	1958	5	4136.13	42934.62
9.	North Western Railway	Jaipur	2002	4	5585.91	61782.24
10.	Southern Railway	Chennai	1951	6	5081.00	77451.83
11.	South Central Railway	Secunderabad	1966	6	6228.84	145640.54
12.	South Eastern Railway	Kolkata	1955	4	2740.46	119270.68
13.	South East Central Railway	Bilaspur	2003	3	2509.73	106938.52
14.	South Western Railway	Hubli	2003	3	3523.72	47035.49
15.	Western Railway	Mumbai	1951	6	6465.26	126052.53
16.	West Central Railway	Jabalpur	2003	3	3003.60	97975.47
17.	Metro Railway	Kolkata	2010	-	27.22	1735.02
	<b>Total</b>			<b>68</b>	<b>67321.00</b>	<b>1572522.27</b>

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