

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4148
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2025**

REORGANISATION OF MANGALORE RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION

4148. SHRI CAPTAIN BRIJESH CHOWTA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposals to reorganize the Mangalore railway administration by including it under the Mysore division of South Western Railways;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the logistical and operational benefits of shifting Mangalore's railway administration from Southern Railway (Palghat division) to South Western Railway (Mysore division);**
- (d) whether any studies have been conducted to evaluate the impact of the current three-jurisdiction division (Southern Railway, Konkan Railway, and South Western Railway) on passenger convenience and freight movement in Dakshina Kannada;**
- (e) if so, the key findings and recommendations of such studies; and**
- (f) whether the Government is considering any measures to improve administrative efficiency and accessibility for railway services in Mangalore, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (f): Vast rail-network of Indian Railways(IR) has been divided into zones and divisions. The territorial jurisdiction of a railway zone/division is decided on the basis of operational and administrative

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requirements, consistent with the needs of economy and efficiency, smooth movement of traffic and provision of better control with a view to improve efficiency of the system.

There are multiple locations in IR which are junctions of three zones/divisions. Passenger as well as freight trains operations is continuously monitored at divisional, zonal and Railway Board level to ensure train operation in smooth and efficient manner.

Presently, Mangaluru Junction is being served by 80 regular train services and Mangaluru Central is being served by 56 regular train services. Many steps are being taken to improve administrative efficiency and accessibility of railway services in Mangaluru area which include the following:

- (i) 61 stations in the state of Karnataka have been identified under 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme'. These include 4 stations namely Bantawala, Mangaluru Central, Mangaluru Jn. and Subramanya Road which are in the Dakshin Karnataka District comprising Mangaluru region. The progress at these stations is as given below:
 - At Mangaluru Jn. station, the works of additional platform shelter, improvements to 2 & 4-wheeler parking area have been completed. The works of improvements to circulating area, road work, station elevation, construction of parcel office, entrance arch, air-conditioned waiting hall, construction of new foot over bridge have been taken up.
 - At Bantawala station, work of improvement of approach road has been completed and works of improvement of station building, platform surfacing, provision of additional platform shelters, improvement of circulating area, parking area, etc. have been taken up.

- **At Subramanya Road, works of improvement of station building, platform surfacing, provision of additional platform shelters, circulating area, parking area, construction of new foot over bridge, etc. have been taken up.**
- (ii) For improving the connectivity in Mangaluru, Jokkate-Thokur doubling project (2 Km) has been sanctioned. Further, 03 surveys i.e. Shivamogga-Sringeri-Mangaluru new line project (332 Km), Hassan-Mangaluru doubling project (247 Km) and Shoranur-Mangaluru 3rd & 4th line project (307 Km) have also been sanctioned.**
- (iii) As on 01.04.2024, 31 projects (21 new lines and 10 doubling) of total length of 3,840 Km, costing ₹47,016 crore, falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka including Mangaluru region, are at various stages of planning and implementation, out of which 1,302 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹17,383 crore has been incurred upto March, 2024.**
