Title: Need to shift the Divisional Office of Central Railway from Mumbai to Nagpur.

SHRI VILAS MUTTEMVAR (NAGPUR): Presently, the Divisional Office of Central Railway is located at Mumbai. Mumbai being the Headquarters of Western Railway, the location of Divisional Office of Central Railway adds to the already existing congestion at Mumbai. As such shifting of the Divisional Office of Central Railway from Mumbai to Nagpur will not only relieve the congestion at Mumbai but will also give the required railway facilities to the people of Nagpur. Nagpur enjoys the status of being the most centralized place in the country. Nagpur in fact is already on the international map and it is the need of the hour that Railways should take advantage and facilitate to provide the efficient terminal services.

Nagpur is major trans-shipment centre for coal, foodgrains, cement, fruit etc. About 100 trains are passing from Nagpur almost daily for Kolkata, Bhubaneswar, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. Some trains are originating from Nagpur itself. Nagpur is having the required infrastructure for the establishment of the Divisional Office. While some of the Divisional Offices have been established at much smaller places but Nagpur which is the second capital of Maharashtra and developing as a major industrial and economic city is being lost sight of. I, would, therefore, urge upon the Hon. Railway Minister to have the Divisional Office of Central Railway shifted from Mumbai to Nagpur.