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INTRODUCTION :-

CHAPTER - 1

- Communication is a means of conveying men, materials and information.
- Modes of transportation can be classified into three types.
 1. Land transportation → Highway, Cable way, Railway, Ropeway
 2. Water transportation → River way, Canal way, Ocean way.
 3. Air transportation → Air way

HISTORY

- The railway system of India is biggest in Asia and 2nd largest in the world.
- 1844 → 1st proposal for the construction of railway, in India were submitted to East India Company by George Stephenson.
- 1849 → A contract to construct and experimental line of 160 km from kolkata to Mirzapur.
- 1850 → A contract was undertaken by Indian railway for construction of a line Mumbai to Kalyan.
- 1853 → 1st railway line between Mumbai to Thane 32 km, 14 coaches, 3 engines.
- 1854 → A train between ~~Kolkata~~ Howrah to Hoogly was run of 39 km.

ZONAL RAILWAYS :-

ZONE

East coast zone.

East Central

Northern railway

North-eastern railway

North-east frontier railway

Easten railway

South-eastern railway

South central railway

HEADQUATER

Bhubaneswar

Hajipuri

Sathi

Gorakhpur

Guwahati

Kolkata

Kolkata

Secunderabad

ZONE

Southern railway
Western railway
Central railway
North-western railway
West-central railway
North-central railway
South-east central railway

HEADQUARTER

Chennai
Mumbai
Mumbai
Tatypur
Tabalpur
Alhabad
Bilashpur

PRODUCTION UNIT :-

SL	Manufacturing unit	Headquarters	Function
1.	Chittaranjan Locomotive works	Chittaranjan	Manufacturing of electric locomotive
2.	Diesel locomotive works	Barranaddi	Manufacture of diesel locomotive
3.	Integral coach factory	Chennai	Manufacture of coaches
4.	Diesel component works	Patiala	Manufacture of diesel component
5.	Rail coach factory	Kapurthala	Manufacture of coaches
6.	Wheel and axle	Bangalore	Manufacture of wheel and axle

ADVANTAGES OF RAILWAY :-

- It facilitates long distance travel and transports of goods.
- It is a quick and more regular form of transport.
- It helps in industrialization process of a country by easy transportation of coal and raw materials at cheaper rate.
- It helps in quick movement of goods from one place to another at the time of emergency.
- It encourages mobility of labour, thereby provided great scope for employment.

- Railway is the safest form of transport.
- The chances of accident of railway is minimum as compared to another modes of transport.
- The carrying capacity of railway is extremely large.
- It is the largest public undertaking in the country.

DISADVANTAGES OF RAILWAY :-

- Railway requires a large investment of fund or capital.
- It is inflexibility means it's route and timing can not be adjusted to the individual requirements.
- Railway transport is unsuitable and uneconomical for short distance.

COMPARISON BETWEEN ROADWAY AND RAILWAY :-

SL NO.	ITEM	ROADWAY	RAILWAY
1.	ACCIDENT	MORE	LESS
2.	CONSTRUCTION COST AND MAINTENANCE COST	LOW	HIGH
3.	COST OF TRANSPORT	MORE	CHEAP
4.	Maintenance	Occasionally repair required.	Requires constant maintenance
5.	OPERATION CONTROL	No rigid control.	Essential in signaling and inter-locking.
6.	RIGHT OF WAY	Requires greater width of railway	Required lesser width of right of way.
7.	SUITABILITY	Suitable as per need of customers.	Suitable for specific service only.
8.	USE	Used by different types of vehicles.	Reserve only movement of train.

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Classification of Railway :-

Railway board has classified the Indian railway line on the basis of root, traffic and permissible speed.

According to the roots it divided into three types.

1. Trunk root
2. Main line
3. Branch line

1. Trunk root :-

The following 6 roots of BG and 3 roots of MG have been classified into trunk root.

6 BG root :- (1.76 M)

- I. Delhi - Mugalsarai - Howrah
- II. Delhi - Kota - Mumbai
- III. Delhi - Thanjavur - Nagpur - Chennai
- IV. Howrah - Bagpuri - Mumbai
- V. Howrah - Bijaybada - Chennai
- VI. Mumbai - Guntakul - Chennai

3 MG root :- (1 m)

- I. Lucknow - Gorakhpur - Guwahati
- II. Delhi - Jaypur - Ahmedabad
- III. Chennai - Madurai - Trivandrum

2. Main line :-

All the lines carrying 10 gross million ton (GMT) per annum on a metre for BG and 2.5 GMT on metre for MG. Maximum permissible speed allowed is 100 km/hr for BG and 75 km/hr for MG.

3. Branch line :-

→ All the lines carrying 10 gross million ton (GMT) per annum on less for BG and 1.5 GMT on less for MG.

→ Maximum permissible speed is ~~less than~~ allowed 100 km/hr for BG and 75 km/hr for MG.

According to this method BG railway lines can be divided into 5 types.

All the BG routes are classified based on the

Group - A line

Group - B line

Group - C line

Group - D line

Group - E line

Group - A line :-

They consists of those trunk routes on which the trains are running at a speed of 160 km/hr. or more.

Ex - Howrah to Mumbai (via. Vaya - Nagpur)

Group - B line :-

They consists of trunk routes on which the trains are running at a speed of 130 km/hr.

Ex - Khadagpur to Vijaywada

Group - C line :-

They consists of sub-urban routes.

Ex - Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai

Group - D line :-

They consists of other routes on which the trains are running at a speed of 100 km/hr.

Group - E line :-

They consists of other routes on which the trains are running at a speed is less than 100 km/hr.