

## List Of Railway Ministers Of India

The Railway Ministers are the head of the Ministry of Railways, Government of India i.e. all the responsibility and charge of the Indian rail transport is looked out by the Ministry of Railways.

The ministry takes care of the state owned Indian railways headed by the Chairman of the Railway Board. The railway ministers are usually awarded a cabinet rank, and are responsible for the functioning of the complete Indian Railways, the largest employer in the world.

The most imperative responsibility of the Railway Minister of India is to prepare and present the railway budget every year in the parliament. Railway budget is the Annual Financial Statement of Indian Railways.

After the cabinet reshuffling, Piyush Goyal of the Bharatiya Janata Party became the successor of Suresh Prabhu the former Railway Minister and held the charge of office of Railway Minister of India from September 3, 2017. Piyush Goyal is currently serving as the Union Railway Minister of the country.

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Some ministers who have held the position of Railway Minister of India include, Jagjivan Ram, S.K. Patil, Lal Bahadur Shastri, Gulzarilal Nanda, Bansi Lal. The detailed list of Railway Ministers of India is given below along with their political parties and the office tenure.

Railway Ministers Of India (1945-2019)		
Name	Political Party	Tenure of Office
Asaf Ali	Indian National Congress	2nd September, 1946 - 14th August, 1947
John Mathai	Indian National Congress	15th August, 1947 - 22nd September, 1948
N. Gopaldaswami Ayyangar	Indian National Congress	22nd September, 1948 - 13th May, 1952
Lal Bahadur Shastri	Indian National Congress	13th May, 1952 - 7th December, 1956
Jagjivan Ram	Indian National Congress	7th December, 1956 - 10th April, 1962

Swaran Singh	Indian National Congress	10th April, 1962 - 21st September, 1963
H. C. Dasappa	Indian National Congress	21st September, 1963 - 8th June, 1964
S. K. Patil	Indian National Congress	9th June, 1964 - 12th March, 1967
C. M. Poonacha	Indian National Congress	13th March, 1967 - 14th February, 1969
Ram Subhag Singh	Indian National Congress	14th February, 1969 - 4th November, 1969
Panampilli Govinda Menon	Indian National Congress	4th November, 1969 - 18th February, 1970
Gulzarilal Nanda	Indian National Congress	18th February, 1970 - 17th March, 1971
K. Hanumanthaiya	Indian National Congress	18th March, 1971 - 22nd July, 1972
T. A. Pai	Indian National Congress	23rd July, 1972 - 4th February, 1973
Lalit Narayan Mishra	Indian National Congress	5th February, 1973 - 2nd January, 1975
Kamalapati Tripathi	Indian National Congress	11th February, 1975 - 23rd March, 1977
Madhu Dandavate	Janata Party	26th March, 1977 - 28th July, 1979
T. A. Pai	Janata Party (Secular)	30th July, 1979 - 13th January, 1980
Kamalapati Tripathi	Indian National Congress	14th January, 1980 - 12th November, 1980

Kedar Pandey	Indian National Congress	12th November, 1980 - 14th January, 1982
Prakash Chandra Sethi	Indian National Congress	15th January, 1982 - 2nd September, 1982
A. B. A. Ghani Khan Choudhury	Indian National Congress	2nd September, 1982 - 31st December, 1984
Bansi Lal	Indian National Congress	31st December, 1984 - 4th June, 1986
Mohsina Kidwai	Indian National Congress	24th June, 1986 - 21st October, 1986
Madhavrao Scindia	Indian National Congress	22nd October, 1986 - 1st December, 1989
George Fernandes	Janata Dal	5th December, 1989 - 10th November, 1990
Janeshwar Mishra	Samajwadi Janata Party	21st November, 1990 - 21st June, 1991
Jaffer Sharief	Indian National Congress	21st June, 1991 - 16th October, 1995
Ram Vilas Paswan	Janata Dal	1st June, 1996 - 19th March, 1998
Nitish Kumar	Samata Party	19th March, 1998 - 5th August, 1999
Ram Naik	Bharatiya Janata Party	6th August, 1999 - 12th October, 1999
Mamata Banerjee	Trinamool Congress	13th October, 1999 - 15th March, 2001
Nitish Kumar	Janata Dal (United)	20th March, 2001 - 22nd May, 2004
Lalu Prasad Yadav	Rashtriya Janata Dal	23rd May, 2004 - 25th May, 2009
Mamata Banerjee	Trinamool Congress	26th May, 2009 - 19th May, 2011
Dinesh Trivedi	Trinamool Congress	12th July, 2011 - 14th March, 2012

Mukul Roy	Trinamool Congress	20th March, 2012 - 21st September, 2012
C. P. Joshi	Indian National Congress	22 nd September, 2012 - 28th October, 2012
Pawan Kumar Bansal	Indian National Congress	28th October, 2012 - 10th May, 2013
C. P. Joshi	Indian National Congress	11th May, 2013 - 16th June, 2013
Mallikarjun Kharge	Indian National Congress	17th June, 2013 - 25th May, 2014
D. V. Sadananda Gowda	Bharatiya Janata Party	27th May, 2014 - 10th November, 2014
Suresh Prabhu	Bharatiya Janata Party	10th November, 2014 - 3rd September, 2017
Piyush Goyal	Bharatiya Janata Party	3rd September, 2017 - Incumbent