



South Eastern Railway, traditionally known as Bengal Nagpur Railway (BNR) was formed in April 1887 to take over the Chattisgarh State Railway for converting it from metre gauge to broad gauge. Founding fathers barely surmised it's branching into multi-dimensions and scaling new heights in a short span of time.

With the passage of time, SER, the successor of BNR has emerged as the largest freight carrier straddling across seven mineral rich states of Indian Union. The erstwhile SER consisting of merely 12% of the total length of rail line while its contribution to the freight traffic was 40%. With its geographical spread and the traffic mix drawn around the major core streams of coal, iron & steel, fertilizer, cement etc, SER's contribution to the Indian economy and industrial growth was unparalleled. Its role in our external trade can hardly be over emphasized as it served all the major ports in the East Coast viz. Vishakapatnam, Haldia and Paradip.

With the legacy of this rich tradition, the SER in its present context plays the strategic role in our industrial economy along with East Coast Railway and South East Central Railway.