**1.2 Objectives of Railway System**

* To give people in rural and regional areas better access to economic opportunities, health, education, and civic services.
* To improve inter-regional accessibility.
* To help manage demand through compact growth and better integration of public transport with land use.
* To enhance the integration of rail with other transport modes.
* To reduce reliance on private passenger vehicles.
* To contribute to balanced economic growth between urban and regional areas.
* To support the efficient movement of people between economic centres, and to and from economic centres and international gateways.