

## Golmud-Lhasa train derail

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(Reuters) One of China's new trains on the Golmud-Lhasa railway, has derailed. The 16-carriage train from the south-western city of Chongqing derailed some 400km northeast of Lhasa, the Beijing News said, adding that only the dining carriage came off the tracks in the accident. *"Six trains were delayed along the line, affecting more than 4,000 passengers"*, Hong Kong's Beijing-backed Ta Kung Pao newspaper said. Trains were running normally five hours later and no one was injured, it said, adding that an equipment failure involved switches and signals; nevertheless the accident comes as an embarrassment to the Chinese authorities coming barely two months after the line officially opened.

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