

Demands for new states in India

India's plan to carve a new state out of southern Andhra Pradesh has sparked statehood demands in other parts of the country in a new challenge to the Congress Party-led government

UTTAR PRADESH:

Chief minister **Mayawati** calling for state to be split in four so it can be administered more easily

- 1** Harit Pradesh
- 2** Bundelkhand
- 3** Poorvanchal

ASSAM

- 4** **Bodoland:** Homeland demanded by Bodo tribespeople
- 5** **Karbi Anglong and North Cachar:** State comprising both districts claimed by tribal Karbis

New Delhi

WEST BENGAL

- 6** **Gorkhaland:** Demanded by Nepali-speaking Gorkha community
- 7** **Cooch Behar:** Claimed by local Koch-Rajbongshi people

MAHARASHTRA

- 9** **Vidharbha:** Calls for state based on allegations of neglect by state government

500km

310 miles

Hyderabad

ANDHRA PRADESH

- 8** **Telangana:** Central government to form state for underdeveloped and drought-prone area. **New state likely to include Hyderabad – one of India's major software hubs**