GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-69** ANSWERED ON- 02.02.2023

PASSPORT SEVA KENDRAS IN GUJARAT

69. # SHRI NARHARI AMIN

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:-

(a) the total number of Passport Seva Kendras in the State of Gujarat;

(b) the overall number of officers and employees working in these Passport Seva Kendras;

(c) the overall percentage-wise increase witnessed in the number of passport applications in Gujarat during the last five years; and

(d) whether the number of officers and employees in passport centers has been increased in proportion to the increase in the number of said applications, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a to d) Total number of Passport Seva Kendras in Gujarat as on date is 28 (05 PSKs and 23 POPSKs).

Total number of officers and employees from Central Passport Organization, working in these Passport Seva Kendras as on date, is 126. In addition to this, 129 Citizen Service Executives (CSEs) are also working at these Passport Seva Kendras for facilitating biometrics, capturing photographs and scanning of the documents.

Number of passport applications received during last five years is as follows:

Year	No. of applications received
2018	9,28,644
2019	8,73,423
2020	4,07,296
2021	5,67,109
2022	8,60,598