

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1664**  
ANSWERED ON- 03/08/2023

**POPSKs IN ANDHRA PRADESH**

1664. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY

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

- (a) whether Government has announced in January, 2017 that Post Office Passport Seva Kendras (POPSKs) would be opened in all Parliamentary constituencies;
- (b) if so, whether all Parliamentary constituencies in Andhra Pradesh (AP) have Post office Passport Seva Kendras;
- (c) if not, details of Parliamentary constituencies which do not have POPSKs in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (d) steps taken by Government to open POPSKs where there are no POPSKs in Andhra Pradesh?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a to d) The Ministry in association with Department of Posts (DoP) had decided in January 2017 to open Passport Kendras at the Head Post Offices (HPO)/ Post Offices (PO) in the country called 'Post Office Passport Seva Kendra (POPSK)' in each Lok Sabha Constituency where there is no Passport Seva Kendra (PSK) or POPSK.

Each parliamentary constituency in Andhra Pradesh has either a Passport Seva Kendra or a Post Office Passport Seva Kendra except Araku Lok Sabha Constituency. The Ministry is in close consultation with the Department of Posts on the matter of opening of the POPSK.

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