GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1999** ANSWERED ON -08/08/2024

OPENING OF MORE PASSPORT SEVA KENDRAS

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

(a) whether Government is considering opening of more Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) in the country in view of the increasing demand for passports; and

(b) if so, the regions of Madhya Pradesh in which PSKs will be opened?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a & b) Ministry in association with Department of Posts (DoP) had decided in January 2017 to open Seva 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 (LSC) where there is no PSK or a POPSK. As on date, 93 PSKs and 440 POPSKs have been set up in the country and are operational to cater to the needs of passport seekers.

In Madhya Pradesh, two (02) Passport Seva Kendras (PSK) and twenty two (22) Post Office Passport Seva Kendras (POPSK) covering 23 out of 29 Lok Sabha Constituencies (LSCs) under the jurisdiction of RPO Bhopal are operational (Annexure I). The Ministry is in close coordination with the Department of Posts for opening of remaining six (06) POPSKs.

			ANNEXURE
List of PSKs and POPSKs under the Jurisdiction of Regional Passport Office Bhopal			
Sl. No.	Name of Lok Sabha Constituency	Name of PSK	Name of POPSK
1.	Balaghat		Balaghat Seoni
2.	Betul		Betul
3.	Bhopal	Bhopal	
4.	Chhindwara		Chhindwara
5.	Damoh		Damoh
6.	Dewas		Dewas
7.	Dhar		Dhar
8.	Guna		Guna
9.	Gwalior		Gwalior
10.	Hoshangabad		Hoshangabad
11.	Indore	Indore	
12.	Jabalpur		Jabalpur
13.	Khajuraho		Chattarpur
14.	Khandwa		Khandwa
15.	Mandsor		Mandsour
16.	Ratlam		Ratlam
17.	Rewa		Rewa
18.	Sagar		Sagar
19.	Satna		Satna
20.	Shahdol		Shahdol
21.	Tikamgarh		Tikamgarh
22.	Ujjain		Ujjain
23.	Vidisha		Vidisha
