

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF POSTS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 15
ANSWERED ON 29TH JANUARY, 2026**

VACANCIES IN MINISTRY

15 SMT. MAMATA THAKUR:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of sanctioned posts and vacancies, including reserved posts across categories in the Ministry;
- (b) the number of vacancies in the Ministry and Departments, for reserved posts since 2020, year-wise and category-wise; and
- (c) the number of contractual employees hired since 2020, year-wise and category-wise?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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- (a) There are 2,58,362 sanctioned posts under the Ministry of Communications, out of which 2,01,932 posts are filled up and 54,649 posts are vacant, including reserved posts across categories.
- (b) The details of number of vacancies in the Ministry and its Departments, including reserved posts since 2020, year-wise and category-wise, is attached as **Annexure-A**.
- (c) Contractual labours in the Ministry of Communications are engaged through open tenders from private vendors (through Government e-Marketplace i.e. GeM) as per requirements. Category-wise reservation is not applicable to such contractual labours. The details of number of contractual labours hired since 2020, year-wise are attached as **Annexure-B**.

Annexure-A

(b) Details of the number of vacancies in the Ministry and Department including reserved posts since 2020, year and category wise

S. N.	Year	Department of Posts					
		UR	OBC	SC	ST	EWS	Total
1	2020	11253	2448	3283	1451	1384	19819
2	2021	11794	2607	3306	1485	1489	20681
3	2022	26768	7121	7378	3598	3388	48253
4	2023	12124	2831	3502	1517	1249	21223
5	2024	15944	4388	4481	2138	1860	28811
6	2025	21520	14346	7970	3984	5313	53133

S. N.	Year	Department of Telecommunications					
		UR	OBC	SC	ST	EWS	Total
1	2020	730	130	162	89	63	1174
2	2021	656	98	142	80	48	1024
3	2022	1070	108	215	113	41	1547
4	2023	578	97	103	53	37	868
5	2024	484	100	108	53	39	784
6	2025	614	409	227	114	152	1516

S. N.	Year	Ministry of Communications (including both i.e. Department of Posts and Department of Telecommunications)					
		UR	OBC	SC	ST	EWS	Total
1	2020	11983	2578	3445	1540	1447	20993
2	2021	12450	2705	3448	1565	1537	21705
3	2022	27838	7229	7593	3711	3429	49800
4	2023	12702	2928	3605	1570	1286	22091
5	2024	16428	4488	4589	2191	1899	29595
6	2025	22134	14755	8197	4098	5465	54649

Annexure-B

(c) The details of contractual labours hired in the Department of Posts only in the ministry of Communications are as under, as in the Department of Telecommunications no contractual labours has been engaged since 2020:

S.N.	Year	Number of contractual labours hired in the ministry of Communications
1	2020	334
2	2021	388
3	2022	443
4	2023	540
5	2024	617
6	2025	425
Total		2747
