

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4345
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02ND APRIL, 2026**

MODERNISATION OF POST OFFICES IN UTTARAKHAND

4345 # SHRI MAHENDRA BHATT:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is considering any new initiative for modernisation and expansion of post offices and postal services in the remote hilly regions of Uttarakhand; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(DR. PEMMASANI CHANDRA SEKHAR)**

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The details are as under: -
 - (i) The Department of Posts' IT Modernization Project 2.0 has been approved by the Government with an outlay of Rs. 5785 Cr for a period of eight years from 2022-2023. Under the said Project, the Department has launched a new Advanced Postal Technology (APT) platform which is an indigenous, Cloud-based digital platform developed in-house by Centre for Excellence in Postal Technology (CEPT) and hosted on MeghRaj 2.0 Cloud. APT is agile and scalable to meet the growing customer expectations and has been rolled out nationwide on 4th August 2025, integrating approximately 1.70 lakh offices across 23 Postal Circles including Uttarakhand Circle.
 - (ii) Under the said Project, all Branch Post Offices of Uttarakhand Circle have been equipped with Android smartphones running in-house Digital Rural Enterprise Application for Mobile (DREAM) App to further strengthen service delivery, better connectivity and user experience in remote hilly areas providing QR Code based payment system.
 - (iii) Further, the Post Office Savings Bank (POSB) operates on a Core Banking Solution (CBS) platform. It provides modern digital services, including ATM access, DBT payment, internet banking, mobile banking, NEFT/RTGS, e-Passbook, and UPI through IPPB-POSA linkage. These services are fully available through rural Post Offices in remote areas of Uttarakhand also.
 - (iv) Thirty-four new Post Offices have been opened in rural areas of Uttarakhand for providing banking facility within 5-kilometer distance in last three years. **(List attached as Annexure-I).**

- (v) Following three Sub Post Offices located in rural areas of Uttarakhand have been upgraded by providing infrastructure in last three years: -

S. No.	Name of Sub Post Office	Name of Division	Year
1.	Devalthal	Pithoragarh	2023-24
2.	Sultanpur	Dehradun	2024-25
3.	Dunda	Tehri	2025-26

- (vi) Following four Post offices of Uttarakhand have been modernized in the last three financial years through construction of new building / renovation of existing building:

S. No.	Name of Sub Post Office	Activities	Expenditure (In Rs.)	Year
1.	Naryanbagar	Construction of Small Post Office	28,98,942/-	2023-24
			36,03,924/-	2024-25
2.	Rikhnikhal	Construction of Small Post Office	45,01,297/-	2024-25
			22,90,231/-	2025-26
		Installation of Solar Power Pack	2,45,000/-	2025-26
3	Munsiyari	Construction of Small Post Office	54,95,659/-	2024-25
			23,28,390/-	2025-26
4.	Badrinath	Renovation of Postal Building	44,97,425/-	2025-26

Annexure-I referred to in answer to Part (b) (iv) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4345 to be answered on 02.04.2026.

Sl. No.	Name of Post Office	SO/BO	Division	Year
1	Bhanjara	BO	Dehradun	2023-24
2	Garkhet	BO	Almora	2023-24
3	Kistur	BO	Dehradun	2023-24
4	Chhajar Hartad	BO	Dehradun	2023-24
5	Eithan	BO	Dehradun	2023-24
6	Banachilar	BO	Dehradun	2023-24
7	Ahamadpur Chiriya	BO	Dehradun	2023-24
8	Tiutad	BO	Dehradun	2023-24
9	Shahabazpur	BO	Nainital	2023-24
10	Tikuri	BO	Nainital	2023-24
11	Khubani Khas	BO	Pauri	2023-24
12	Bukundi	BO	Pauri	2023-24
13	Pinswar	BO	Tehri	2023-24
14	Bhukki	BO	Tehri	2023-24
15	Salra	BO	Tehri	2023-24
16	Sultanpur	SO	Dehradun	2024-25
17	Kathghariya	SO	Nainital	2024-25
18	Khadri Khadakmaf	BO	Dehradun	2024-25
19	Garbyang	BO	Pithoragarh	2024-25
20	Sunpahar	BO	Nainital	2024-25
21	Barkhet Malla	BO	Pauri	2025-26
22	Mathiya Baj	BO	Pithoragarh	2025-26
23	Chuka	BO	Pithoragarh	2025-26
24	Goldanda	BO	Pithoragarh	2025-26
25	Kuti	BO	Pithoragarh	2025-26
26	Sipu	BO	Pithoragarh	2025-26
27	Kakore	BO	Nainital	2025-26
28	Gauniyaraw	BO	Nainital	2025-26
29	Thepuru Bajwar	BO	Almora	2025-26
30	Khasonsi	BO	Tehri	2025-26
31	Narasakhal Matiyalaur	BO	Tehri	2025-26
32	Sukhi	BO	Chamoli	2025-26
33	Dronagiri	BO	Chamoli	2025-26
34	Khiron	BO	Chamoli	2025-26
