

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2093
ANSWERED ON 06th AUGUST, 2026**

HANDLING COST OF POSTAL ORDERS

2093 SHRI GOLLA BABURAO:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that handling cost of Postal Orders issued by Post Offices was ₹37.45 during 2011-12 and, if so, what is the handling cost now;
- (b) whether there is any plan before Government to introduce Postal Orders in the denomination of ₹100, ₹200 and ₹500 in submitting various types of fees in place of Demand Drafts; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a) No, sir. The handling cost of a Postal Order during 2011-12 was ₹35.40. The current handling cost of a Postal Order is ₹37.04.
- (b) & (c) At present, Postal Orders are available in the denominations of ₹10, ₹20, ₹50 and ₹100 at Post Offices across the country. However, there is no proposal under consideration of the Government to introduce Postal Orders in the denominations of ₹200 and ₹500.
