GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF POSTS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5216 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH APRIL, 2017

WOMEN POST OFFICES

5216. PROF. RICHARD HAY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to open Women Post Offices across the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the number of such post offices currently in operation;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to open more such post offices in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of the funds likely to be earmarked/sanctioned for these post office, State/UT-wise along with the target fixed;
- (d) whether the Government has received any proposal from some of the States to open such post offices in their States; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the action taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS & MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) & (b) There is no separate scheme for opening of all women post offices. Department of Posts has however, made 67 Departmental Sub Post Offices (SOs) and 21134 Gramin Dak Sewak Branch Post Offices (GDSBOs) functional as all Women Post Offices by transfer, redeployment and appointment. The Postal Circle-wise number of all Women SOs and GDSBOs operational in the country (as on 31.12.2016) is at **Annexure-I.**
- (c) As opening of all women post office is not a separate scheme, no fund is earmarked/sanctioned for opening of all women post offices.
- (d) No, Madam.
- (e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

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Postal Circle-wise Number of "All Women Post Offices" [Sub Post Offices (SOs) and Branch Post Offices (BOs)] operational in the country [as on 31.12.2016]

SI. No.	Name of the Postal Circles	No. of All Women Post Offices (SOs)	No. of BOs with Women Branch Postmasters
1	Andhra Pradesh	1	1843
2	Assam	3	862
3	Bihar	2	804
4	Chhattisgarh	1	137
5	Delhi	2	14
6	Gujarat [including Dadar, Nagar & Haveli Daman & Diu]	10	801
7	Haryana	9	140
8	Himachal Pradesh	1	563
9	Jammu & Kashmir	1	210
10	Jharkhand	3	233
11	Karnataka	1	1848
12	Kerala [including Lakshadweep]	1	2029
13	Madhya Pradesh	1	488
14	Maharashtra [including Goa]	4	1450
15	North East [including States of Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland and Tripura)	8	643
16	Odisha	1	665
17	Punjab [including Chandigarh]	1	704
18	Rajasthan	7	245
19	Tamil Nadu [including Puducherry]	2	4094
20	Telangana	3	638
21	Uttarakhand	1	278
22	Uttar Pradesh	1	1483
23	West Bengal [including Sikkim and Andaman & Nicobar Islands]	3	962
	Total	67	21134
