

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6233  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2017**

**INTERNET FACILITY IN POST OFFICES**

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of linking the post-offices with internet facility;
- (b) whether the Government has fixed any target for inter-linking the post offices through internet;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the number of post offices inter-linked in the urban and rural areas separately, State-wise; and
- (d) the funds allocated and spent for this purpose, State-wise?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) 24779 Post Offices are linked with secure WAN Network.
- (b) The target fixed for completion of networking of all technically feasible locations was March 2016, which has been achieved.
- (c) The details of number of Post Offices inter-linked in the urban and rural areas, State-wise is furnished in **Annexure "A"**.
- (d) Network Integrator segment of IT Modernization Project is a PAN India project and the expenditure incurred for this purpose is being incurred centrally and no state-wise expenditure is made. The funds allocated and the expenditure incurred is as follows:

Funds allocated	: Rs.951.57 Crores
Expenditure incurred so far	: Rs.262.34 Crores

Funds for the IT Modernization Project have been allotted till the year 2022 and expenditure is to be incurred accordingly.

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**STATUS OF THE POST OFFICES INTER-LINKED IN THE URBAN AND RURAL AREAS**  
**STATE-WISE/UT-WISE**

Name of the State/UT	Total no. of POST OFFICES			Total No. of Post Offices on Wide Area Network		
	URBAN	RURAL	Total	URBAN	RURAL	Total
Andhra Pradesh	637	958	1595	635	940	1575
Assam	221	404	625	220	390	610
Bihar	418	637	1055	416	624	1040
Chhattisgarh	246	103	349	245	88	333
Delhi	402	05	407	401	05	406
Gujarat	693	644	1337	688	633	1321
Daman & Diu	2	1	3	2	1	3
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1	3	4	1	2	3
Haryana	327	177	504	326	175	501
Himachal Pradesh	112	357	469	112	344	456
Jammu & Kashmir	177	85	262	176	81	257
Jharkhand	239	224	463	222	152	374
Karnataka	866	848	1714	865	841	1706
Kerala	536	963	1499	536	962	1498
Lakshadweep	0	9	9	0	0	0
Madhya Pradesh	692	329	1021	689	327	1016
Maharashtra	1144	967	2111	1140	959	2099
Goa	47	57	104	47	57	104
Arunachal Pradesh	23	27	50	6	18	24
Manipur	26	30	56	10	37	47
Mizoram	17	22	39	11	20	31
Meghalaya	32	36	68	16	41	57
Nagaland	13	29	42	11	24	35
Tripura	39	44	83	26	47	73
Odisha	535	670	1205	534	649	1183
Punjab	403	323	726	403	321	724
Chandigarh	40	2	42	40	2	42
Rajasthan	609	726	1335	609	723	1332
Tamil Nadu	1184	1397	2581	1181	1376	2557
Pondicherry	18	11	29	17	11	28
Telengana	242	608	850	242	607	849
Uttara Pradesh	1613	940	2553	1608	928	2536
Uttarakhand	193	200	393	187	182	369
West Bengal	984	733	1717	919	638	1557
Sikkim	14	9	23	13	8	21
A & N Islands	12	15	27	9	3	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>12757</b>	<b>12593</b>	<b>25350</b>	<b>12563</b>	<b>12216</b>	<b>24779</b>

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