GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF POSTS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3000 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14th MARCH, 2018

POST OFFICES

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the per capita availability of post offices in the country;
- (b) the total number of post offices functioning in the country separately in rural and urban areas along with the number of employees working in these post offices, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether post office facilities have been provided in all the villages of the country including in the State of Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor along with the total number of such villages where this facility is yet to be provided, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the number of the new post offices opened at district, tehsil and State level during each of the last three years; and
- (e) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for opening of post offices in all the villages and if so, the details thereof and the target fixed 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) Madam, on an average a Post Office in India serves an area of 21.56 sq. kms and a population of 7753.
- (b) State/UT-wise details of post offices functioning in the country and the number of employees working in these post offices, separately for rural and urban areas, are furnished at **Annexure-I**
- (c) The Postal network of more than 1.54 lakhs Post Offices provides postal services to the entire urban and rural areas in the country, including the villages in Uttar Pradesh.
- (d) Details of number of new Post offices opened at District, tehsil and State level during each of the last three years are furnished at **Annexure-II.**
- (e) No scheme has been formulated by the Government for opening of post offices in all the villages.

-2-Annexure I Details of the total number of Post Offices functioning in the country in rural and urban areas along with the number of employees working in these post offices, State/UT-wise Total No. employees working in Post Total number of Post Offices SI. Offices Name of States/ UTs No. **URBAN RURAL TOTAL URBAN RURAL TOTAL** Andhra Pradesh Assam Bihar Chhattisgarh Goa Gujarat Haryana Himachal Pradesh Jammu & Kashmir **Jharkhand** Karnataka Kerala Madhya Pradesh Maharashtra Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Mizoram, Sikkim Tripura Odisha Punjab Rajasthan Tamil Nadu Telangana Uttarakhand Uttar Pradesh West Bengal UTs Andaman & Nicobar Island Chandigarh Dadra & Nagar Haveli Daman & Diu Lakshadweep Puducherry

National Capital Territory of

Delhi Total Contd....3/-

ANNEXURE II

State-wise number of new Post Offices opened at District, Tehsil and State level during each of the last three years

three years				
SI. No.	Name of the State	Number of new Post Offices opened at District, Tehsil and State level during 2014-15	Number of new Post Offices opened at District, Tehsil and State level during 2015-16	Number of new Post Offices opened at District, Tehsil and State level during 2016-17
				2010-17
1	Andhra Pradesh	6	6	8
2	Assam	2	7	0
3	Bihar	5	16	9
4	Chhattisgarh	9	13	9
5	Goa	2	2	1
6	Gujarat	3	6	6
7	Haryana	8	10	8
8	Himachal Pradesh	2	3	3
9	Jammu & Kashmir	2	3	2
10	Jharkhand	8	10	11
11	Karnataka	12	5	9
12	Kerala	2	4	2
13	Madhya Pradesh	6	6	8
14	Maharashtra	6	8	9
15	Arunachal Pradesh	2	0	1
16	Manipur	2	1	1
17	Meghalaya	4	2	2
18	Nagaland	0	3	1
19	Mizoram	0	2	0
20	Sikkim	0	0	0
21	Tripura	2	6	3
22	Odisha	8	10	11
23	Punjab	5	2	6
24	Rajasthan	8	10	7
25	Tamil Nadu	8	12	8
26	Telangana	5	4	5
27	Uttarakhand	4	4	4
28	Uttar Pradesh	5	6	11
29	West Bengal	4	3	5
UTs				
1	Andaman & Nicobar Island	0	0	0
2	Chandigarh	1	0	1
3	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0	0
4	Daman & Diu	0	0	0
5	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
6	Puducherry	1	0	0
7	National Capital Territory of Delhi	2	4	2
