

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3101  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2018**

**MODERNIZATION OF POST OFFICES**

3101. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for opening of new post offices and modernization of the existing post offices in various States/UTs of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise including in the area of Bundelkhand and the action taken by the Government thereon; and
- (c) the time by which the new post offices are likely to be opened and existing post offices modernized?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes, Madam. The Department of Posts has planned to open 275 Post Offices during 2017-18, in various States/UTs of the country, including Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas.

Modernisation, Computerisation and Networking of more than 1.54 lakh Post Offices in the country, including 1.29 lakh Branch Post Offices in rural areas are planned.

- (b)&(c) Details of number of State/UT-wise Sub Post Offices (SOs) and Branch Post Offices (BOs) proposed to be opened during 2017-18 is given at **Annexure-I**. No Post office is proposed to be opened in Bundelkhand area in the year 2017-18. Status of Modernisation, Computerisation, and Networking undertaken by the Department of Posts, including Bundelkhand area, is at **Annexure-II**. This is an ongoing activity.

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| Details of Number of Post Offices proposed to be opened during 2017-18 |                                                                                                           |                              |                                |                              |                                |                                      |            |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Sl. No.                                                                | Name of Postal Circles / State / UTs                                                                      | Opening of BOs by relocation | Opening of BOs by redeployment | Opening of SOs by relocation | Opening of SOs by redeployment | Opening of BOs in LWE affected areas | Total      |
| 1                                                                      | Andhra Pradesh                                                                                            | 3                            | 3                              | 3                            | 1                              | 5                                    | 15         |
| 2                                                                      | Assam                                                                                                     | 1                            | 2                              | 1                            | 2                              |                                      | 6          |
| 3                                                                      | Bihar                                                                                                     | 1                            | 3                              | 1                            | 2                              | 3                                    | 10         |
| 4                                                                      | Chhattisgarh                                                                                              | 1                            | 3                              | 2                            | 1                              | 20                                   | 27         |
| 5                                                                      | Delhi (NCR)                                                                                               | 0                            | 0                              | 1                            | 2                              |                                      | 3          |
| 6                                                                      | Gujarat (including UTs of Daman & Diu and Dadra and Nagar Haveli)                                         | 2                            | 3                              | 19                           | 3                              |                                      | 27         |
| 7                                                                      | Haryana                                                                                                   | 1                            | 3                              | 1                            | 2                              |                                      | 7          |
| 8                                                                      | Himachal Pradesh                                                                                          | 1                            | 3                              | 1                            | 1                              |                                      | 6          |
| 9                                                                      | Jammu & Kashmir                                                                                           | 1                            | 1                              | 0                            | 1                              |                                      | 3          |
| 10                                                                     | Jharkhand                                                                                                 | 1                            | 3                              | 2                            | 2                              | 20                                   | 28         |
| 11                                                                     | Karnataka                                                                                                 | 1                            | 3                              | 1                            | 2                              |                                      | 7          |
| 12                                                                     | Kerala (including UT of Lakshadweep)                                                                      | 0                            | 0                              | 1                            | 1                              |                                      | 2          |
| 13                                                                     | Madhya Pradesh                                                                                            | 2                            | 4                              | 3                            | 2                              |                                      | 11         |
| 14                                                                     | Maharashtra (including the State of Goa)                                                                  | 2                            | 4                              | 3                            | 2                              | 10                                   | 21         |
| 15                                                                     | North East (including the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Mizoram and Tripura) | 2                            | 5                              | 3                            | 2                              |                                      | 12         |
| 16                                                                     | Odisha                                                                                                    | 2                            | 4                              | 2                            | 2                              | 3                                    | 13         |
| 17                                                                     | Punjab ((including UT of Chandigarh)                                                                      | 1                            | 4                              | 2                            | 2                              |                                      | 9          |
| 18                                                                     | Rajasthan                                                                                                 | 2                            | 7                              | 4                            | 3                              |                                      | 16         |
| 19                                                                     | Tamilnadu ((including UT of Puduchery)                                                                    | 2                            | 3                              | 2                            | 2                              |                                      | 9          |
| 20                                                                     | Telangana                                                                                                 | 1                            | 4                              | 2                            | 2                              | 5                                    | 14         |
| 21                                                                     | Uttarakhand                                                                                               | 1                            | 2                              | 1                            | 1                              |                                      | 5          |
| 22                                                                     | Uttar Pradesh                                                                                             | 2                            | 5                              | 3                            | 5                              |                                      | 15         |
| 23                                                                     | West Bengal (including the State of Sikkim and UT of A&N Islands)                                         | 1                            | 4                              | 2                            | 2                              |                                      | 9          |
|                                                                        | <b>Total</b>                                                                                              | <b>31</b>                    | <b>73</b>                      | <b>60</b>                    | <b>45</b>                      | <b>66</b>                            | <b>275</b> |

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**Annexure-II**  
**As on 07.03.2018**

| SI No. | Name of the State / UTs                                                                          | No. of Post Offices Computerized | No. of Post Offices under Core Banking System | No. of Branch Posts Offices Rolled Out under DARPAN*Project | No. of ATMs Installed | No. of Divisions under Core System Integration |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 1      | Andhra Pradesh                                                                                   | 1594                             | <b>1606</b>                                   | 2229                                                        | <b>58</b>             | <b>32</b>                                      |
| 2      | Assam                                                                                            | 625                              | <b>507</b>                                    | 3266                                                        | <b>26</b>             | <b>11</b>                                      |
| 3      | Bihar                                                                                            | 1058                             | <b>781</b>                                    | 2890                                                        | <b>44</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 4      | Chhattisgarh                                                                                     | 349                              | <b>302</b>                                    | 1940                                                        | <b>14</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 5      | Delhi                                                                                            | 407                              | <b>407</b>                                    | 88                                                          | <b>26</b>             | <b>1</b>                                       |
| 6      | Gujarat (including UTs Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman Diu)                                         | 1341                             | <b>1293</b>                                   | 6719                                                        | <b>41</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 7      | Haryana                                                                                          | 504                              | <b>496</b>                                    | 2103                                                        | <b>20</b>             | <b>3</b>                                       |
| 8      | Himachal Pradesh                                                                                 | 469                              | <b>424</b>                                    | 1866                                                        | <b>22</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 9      | Jammu & Kashmir                                                                                  | 266                              | <b>199</b>                                    | 790                                                         | <b>12</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 10     | Jharkhand                                                                                        | 463                              | <b>368</b>                                    | 2618                                                        | <b>19</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 11     | Karnataka                                                                                        | 1717                             | <b>1736</b>                                   | 2554                                                        | <b>76</b>             | <b>30</b>                                      |
| 12     | Kerala (including UT Lakshadweep)                                                                | 1507                             | <b>1501</b>                                   | 3435                                                        | <b>52</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 13     | Madhya Pradesh                                                                                   | 1021                             | <b>1017</b>                                   | 5185                                                        | <b>51</b>             | <b>17</b>                                      |
| 14     | Maharashtra (Including Goa State)                                                                | 2216                             | <b>2171</b>                                   | 1984                                                        | <b>75</b>             | <b>34</b>                                      |
| 15     | North East (including Meghalaya, Manipur, Tripura, Nagaland, Mizoram & Arunachal Pradesh States) | 340                              | <b>164</b>                                    | 557                                                         | <b>19</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 16     | Odisha                                                                                           | 1204                             | <b>1024</b>                                   | 2357                                                        | <b>44</b>             | <b>18</b>                                      |
| 17     | Punjab (including UT Chandigarh)                                                                 | 768                              | <b>765</b>                                    | 3057                                                        | <b>26</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 18     | Rajasthan                                                                                        | 1335                             | <b>1269</b>                                   | 5069                                                        | <b>64</b>             | <b>13</b>                                      |
| 19     | Tamil Nadu (including UT Puducherry)                                                             | 2834                             | <b>2531</b>                                   | 0                                                           | <b>97</b>             | <b>23</b>                                      |
| 20     | Telangana                                                                                        | 852                              | <b>847</b>                                    | 1841                                                        | <b>37</b>             | <b>19</b>                                      |
| 21     | Uttarakhand                                                                                      | 2554                             | <b>331</b>                                    | 619                                                         | <b>18</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 22     | Uttar Pradesh                                                                                    | 393                              | <b>2332</b>                                   | 7027                                                        | <b>88</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
| 23     | West Bengal (including UT Andaman & Nicobar Island and Sikkim State)                             | 1768                             | <b>1447</b>                                   | 528                                                         | <b>64</b>             | <b>0</b>                                       |
|        | <b>Total</b>                                                                                     | <b>25585</b>                     | <b>23518</b>                                  | <b>58722</b>                                                | <b>993</b>            | <b>201</b>                                     |

**\*Digital Advancement of Rural Post Office for a New India (DARPAN)**

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