

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
DRAFT REPLY
LOK SABHA

UN-STARRED QUESTION No. 3583

TO BE ANSWERED ON 16 MARCH 2018 (FRIDAY)/PHALGUNA 25, 1939 (SAKA)

Branches of PSBs

3583. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALIAS HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of branches of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) opened during the last three years and the current year, State/UTwise;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any survey to assess the requirement of more bank branches and additional employees, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether several PSBs are considering to open their rural branches in various parts of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT and Bank-wise?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance
(SHRI SHIV PRATAP SHUKLA)

(a) to (d) State/Union Territory-wise number of bank branches opened by public sector banks in 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 (upto September, 2017) is at annexure.

As per extant guidelines of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) rationalising the Branch Authorisation Policy, general permission has been granted to domestic Scheduled Commercial Banks (excluding Regional Rural Banks), to open banking outlets at any place in the country, without seeking prior approval of RBI in each case, subject to at least 25 percent of the total number of banking outlets opened during a financial year being in unbanked rural centres with population less than 10,000.

Banks open banking outlets and deploy employees in the light of RBI's instructions, their business plans and commercial viability, and may carry out surveys for assessing the same, if required.

Annexure to part (a) in reply of Lok Sabha Un-Starred Question No. 3583 for 16.3.2018 regarding
“Branches of PSBs”

State/Union Territory-wise number of bank branches opened by Public Sector Banks (PSBs)

State/UTs	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (till September 30)
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	2	2	1	-
ANDHRA PRADESH	390	226	137	29
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	4	2	4	-
ASSAM	64	46	34	3
BIHAR	245	146	105	13
CHANDIGARH	18	13	6	3
CHHATTISGARH	105	92	59	13
DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	2	1	2	1
DAMAN & DIU	-	1	-	-
GOA	26	6	6	-
GUJARAT	272	185	140	14
HARYANA	226	105	83	15
HIMACHAL PRADESH	66	38	27	3
JAMMU & KASHMIR	25	20	4	-
JHARKHAND	148	77	55	8
KARNATAKA	400	250	160	33
KERALA	202	113	76	8
LAKSHADWEEP	-	-	-	-
MADHYA PRADESH	275	136	110	17
MAHARASHTRA	377	271	166	21
MANIPUR	3	8	8	2
MEGHALAYA	2	6	3	-
MIZORAM	7	8	7	-
NAGALAND	3	3	4	-
NCT OF DELHI	109	57	44	3
ODISHA	262	151	96	12
PUDUCHERRY	15	2	4	1
PUNJAB	287	132	82	18
RAJASTHAN	350	222	110	14
SIKKIM	4	4	2	-
TAMIL NADU	394	253	135	19
TELANGANA	231	167	82	16
TRIPURA	13	11	8	-
UTTAR PRADESH	789	370	250	44
UTTARAKHAND	127	53	30	10
WEST BENGAL	271	159	110	11
Total	5714	3336	2150	331

Source: Reserve Bank of India