

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1205
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25th JULY, 2018**

MODERNIZATION OF POST OFFICES

1205. SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of post offices modernised and converted into Multi-Service Centres in the country under the 'Public Internet Access Programme-National Rural Internet Mission', State/ UT-wise and citizen centric services delivered by them; and
- (b) the total number of post offices yet to be modernised and converted into Multi-Service Centres in the country, State/ UT-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) The Department of Posts is not implementing the Project of Public Internet Access Programme under National Rural Internet Mission for converting post offices into Multi Service Centres in the country. The Department of Posts has however, computerized 25,585 departmental Post Offices across the country. Further, under the Project "Digital Advancement of Rural Post offices for a New India" (DARPAN), the Department of Posts is providing in a phased manner, SIM based Hand Held Devices in more than 1.29 lakhs Branch Post Offices in the rural areas of the country, for carrying out online Postal and Financial transactions. Postal Circle/State/UT-wise data of total number of post offices computerized and the implementation status of DARPAN Project State/UT-wise is enclosed as **Annexure 'I' & 'II'** respectively.

Postal Circle/State/UT- Wise Number of Post Offices Computerized as on
18.07.2018

Sl.No.	Postal Circle/States / UTs	No. of Post Offices Computerized
1	Andhra Pradesh	1,594
2	Assam	625
3	Bihar	1,058
4	Chhattisgarh	349
5	Delhi NCT	407
6	Gujarat(including UTs of Dadra & Nagar Haveli& Daman Diu)	1,341
7	Haryana	504
8	Himachal Pradesh	469
9	Jammu & Kashmir	266
10	Jharkhand	463
11	Karnataka	1,717
12	Kerala (including UT of Lakshadweep)	1,507
13	Madhya Pradesh	1021
14	Maharashtra (Including Goa State)	2,216
15	North East Region (including Meghalaya, Manipur, Tripura, Nagaland, Mizoram & Arunachal Pradesh States)	340
16	Odisha	1,204
17	Punjab (including UTof Chandigarh)	768
18	Rajasthan	1,335
19	Tamil Nadu (including UTof Puducherry)	2,834
20	Telangana	852
21	Uttar Pradesh	2,554
22	Uttarakhand	393
23	West Bengal (including UTof Andaman & Nicobar Island and Sikkim State)	1,768
	Total	25,585

**State/UT-wise list of Digital Advancement of Rural Post offices for a New India
(DARPAN) Rolled Out Status as on 18.07.2018**

Sl. No.	States/UTs	No. of Branch Post Offices Rolled out
1	Andhra Pradesh	2,229
2	Arunachal Pradesh	21
3	Assam	3,266
4	Bihar	2,944
5	Chhattisgarh	1,940
6	Goa	138
7	Gujarat (Including UTs of Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli)	6,969
8	Jharkhand	2,618
9	Haryana	2,122
10	Himachal Pradesh	1,866
11	Jammu & Kashmir	1,232
12	Kerala (including UT of Lakshadweep)	3,495
13	Karnataka	3,105
14	Nagaland	230
15	Meghalaya	274
16	Maharashtra	3,299
17	Manipur	388
18	Madhya Pradesh	6,301
19	Mizoram	224
20	Orissa	2,609
21	Punjab (including UT of Chandigarh)	3,057
22	Rajasthan	6,224
23	Sikkim	0
24	Tamilnadu(Including UT of Puducherry)	0
25	Tripura	592
26	Telangana	2,883
27	Uttarakhand	619
28	Uttar Pradesh	7,143
29	West Bengal (including UT of Andaman & Nicobar Island)	650
30	Delhi NCT	88
	Total	66,526
