

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1212
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25th JULY, 2018**

PROPOSALS FOR OPENING OF POST OFFICES IN RURAL AREAS

†1212. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of post offices located in rural and urban areas of the country, separately along with the State-wise and region-wise number thereof opened in the villages during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Government has received any proposals for the opening of post offices and branch post offices especially in the villages from various State Governments including Chhattisgarh;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether there is shortage of dak sevaks in the post offices; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government 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) The number of Post Offices located in rural and urban areas of the country, separately (as on 31/03/2018) is at **Annexure –I** and State-wise & Region-wise number of Post Offices opened in villages during the period of last three financial years & current financial year (upto 30/06/2018) is at **Annexure – II**.
- (b) & (c) No proposal has been received from State Governments including Chhattisgarh for opening of Post Offices and Branch Post Offices in the villages.
- (d) & (e) Vacancies of Gramin Dak Sevaks' Posts occur from time to time due to incumbent Dak Sevaks attaining the age of superannuation, absorption to regular departmental posts, resignation, death etc. Presently 47,705 posts of Gramin Dak Sevaks are vacant. Filling up of vacancies is an ongoing process. Now a days it is done through an online selection process.

ANNEXURE-I**State/UT-wise Number of Post Offices in Rural and Urban areas of the Country
(as on 31-03-2018)**

S.No.	Name of the States/UTs	No. of Post Offices in Rural Areas	No. of Post Offices in Urban Areas	Total No of Post Offices
1	Andhra Pradesh	9707	783	10490
2	Assam	3631	381	4012
3	Bihar	8625	459	9084
4	Chhattisgarh	2898	289	3187
5	Delhi	83	471	554
6	Gujarat	8116	776	8892
7	Dadar& Nagar Haveli	37	1	38
8	Daman & Diu	14	4	18
9	Haryana	2318	375	2693
10	Himachal Pradesh	2661	131	2792
11	Jammu & Kashmir	1508	191	1699
12	Jharkhand	3190	270	3460
13	Karnataka	8624	1039	9663
14	Kerala	4177	877	5054
15	Lakshdweep	4	6	10
16	Madhya Pradesh	7473	807	8280
17	Maharashtra	11381	1233	12614
18	Goa	203	53	256
19	Arunachal Pradesh	273	29	302
20	Manipur	644	57	701
21	Meghalaya	465	26	491
22	Mizoram	349	35	384
23	Nagaland	302	28	330
24	Tripura	633	78	711
25	Odisha	7615	600	8215
26	Punjab	3408	411	3819
27	Chandigarh	9	42	51
28	Rajasthan	9679	632	10311
29	Tamil Nadu	10226	1817	12043
30	Puducherry	57	38	95
31	Telangana	5280	531	5811
32	Uttarakhand	2513	210	2723
33	Uttar Pradesh	15747	1924	17671
34	West Bengal	7658	1110	8768
35	Andaman & Nicobar	85	15	100
36	Sikkim	197	12	209
	Total	139790	15741	155531

State-wise & Region-wise number of Post Offices opened during the period of last three financial years (2015-16 to 2017-18) & current financial year 2018-19 (up to 30/06/2018) in villages

Sl. No	States	Name of Region	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19 (upto 30.06.18)
1	Andhra Pradesh	Vishakhapatnam	2	2	4	0
		Vijayawada	4	4	94	0
		Kurnool	0	2	3	0
2	Assam	Guwahati	3	0	0	0
		Dibrugarh	4	0	0	0
3	Bihar	Patna	5	3	15	0
		Muzaffarpur	4	3	11	0
		Bhagalpur	7	3	15	0
4	Chhattisgarh	Raipur	13	9	23	0
5	Delhi	Delhi	4	2	0	0
6	Gujarat	Rajkot	2	1	4	1
		Vadodara	2	4	3	0
		Ahmedabad	2	1	1	0
7	Haryana	Ambala	5	4	5	0
8	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	3	3	4	0
9	Jammu & Kashmir	Jammu	3	2	2	0
10	Jharkhand	Ranchi	10	11	343	0
11	Karnataka	Bengaluru	0	2	1	0
		North Karnataka	3	3	1	1
		South Karnataka	2	4	6	0
12	Kerala	Trivandrum	2	0	1	0
		Central Region	1	1	0	0
		Northern Region	1	1	1	0
13	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	3	7	4	0
		Indore	3	1	3	1
14	Maharashtra	Mumbai	1	0	0	0
		Navi Mumbai	0	2	3	0
		Pune	2	2	3	0
		Nagpur	2	2	11	0
		Aurangabad	3	3	2	0
15	Goa	Goa	2	1	1	0

Sl. No	States	Name of Region	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19 (upto 30.06.18)
16	Tripura	Tripura	6	3	0	0
17	Manipur	Manipur	1	1	1	0
18	Mizoram	Mizoram	2	0	1	0
19	Nagaland	Nagaland	3	1	0	0
20	Meghalaya	Meghalaya	2	2	0	0
21	Arunachal Pradesh	Arunachal Pradesh	0	1	0	0
22	Odisha	Bhubaneshwar	5	2	5	0
		Berhampur	2	5	36	0
		Sambalpur	3	4	1	0
23	Punjab	Chandigarh	0	2	4	0
		Punjab West	2	4	3	0
24	Rajasthan	Ajmer	3	3	1	0
		Jodhpur	3	0	5	0
		Jaipur	4	4	4	0
25	Tamilnadu	Chennai CityRegion	0	3	2	1
		Central Region	5	2	1	0
		Western Region	4	2	3	0
		Southern Region	3	1	2	0
26	Telangana	Hyderabad Region	3	3	4	0
		Headquarter Region	1	2	0	0
27	Uttarakhand	Dehradun	4	4	3	0
28	Uttar Pradesh	Agra	1	1	1	0
		Allahabad	1	2	0	0
		Bareilly	1	1	0	0
		Gorakhpur	2	3	2	0
		Kanpur	1	2	0	0
		Varanasi	0	0	4	0
		HQ Region Lucknow	0	1	2	0
29	West Bengal	Kolkata Region	1	2	1	0
		South Bengal	0	2	3	0
		North Bengal	1	1	2	0
Total			162	147	655	4
