

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES  
**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3982**

To be answered on Friday, August 10, 2018/Shravana 19, 1940 (Saka)

**Opening of Bank Branches**

3982. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA *ALIAS* HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of branches opened during the last three years and the current year, bank, State/UT-wise
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any survey to assess the need for more branches of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) and that of additional powers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether several PSBs proposes to open bank branches in various parts of the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, bank, State/UT-wise?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Bank-wise and State/Union Territory-wise number of branches opened by Public Sector Banks (PSBs) during 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 are at Annexure-I and Annexure-II respectively.
- (b) to (e) Banks open banking outlets in the light of Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) instructions, their business plans and commercial viability, and may carry out surveys for assessing the same, if required.

As per RBI's extant guidelines on "Rationalising the Branch Authorisation Policy" dated 18.5.2017, 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.

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Annexure-I as referred to in part (a) of reply to the Lok Sabha Un-Starred Question No. 3982 for 3.8.2018 regarding "Opening of Bank Branches"

S.No.	BANK NAME	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1	ALLAHABAD BANK	107	40	3
2	ANDHRA BANK	297	107	4
3	BANK OF BARODA	143	101	55
4	BANK OF INDIA	131	106	8
5	BANK OF MAHARASHTRA	15	2	-
6	BHARATIYA MAHILA BANK LTD.*	44	4	-
7	CANARA BANK	175	239	132
8	CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA	39	29	2
9	CORPORATION BANK	155	76	7
10	DENA BANK	109	29	-
11	IDBI BANK LIMITED	222	70	31
12	INDIAN BANK	153	102	133
13	INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK	34	9	-
14	ORIENTAL BANK OF COMMERCE	100	26	22
15	PUNJAB AND SIND BANK	33	25	14
16	PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK	186	163	78
17	STATE BANK OF BIKANER AND JAIPUR*	57	-	-
18	STATE BANK OF HYDERABAD*	110	5	-
19	STATE BANK OF INDIA	460	469	90
20	STATE BANK OF MYSORE*	25	37	-
21	STATE BANK OF PATIALA*	35	9	-
22	STATE BANK OF TRAVANCORE*	23	15	-
23	SYNDICATE BANK	251	170	104
24	UCO BANK	59	33	6
25	UNION BANK OF INDIA	122	84	25
26	UNITED BANK OF INDIA	7	45	3
27	VIJAYA BANK	245	170	107
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3337</b>	<b>2165</b>	<b>824</b>

Source: Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

\*Since merged with State Bank of India



Annexure-II as referred to in part (a) of reply to the Lok Sabha Un-Starred Question No. 3982 for 3.8.2018 regarding "Opening of Bank Branches"

**Number of Branches Opened by Public Sector Banks (PSBs) - State/UTs-wise**

S.No.	STATE/UTs	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLAND	2	1	1
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	228	137	77
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	2	4	0
4	ASSAM	47	35	14
5	BIHAR	146	105	31
6	CHANDIGARH	13	6	4
7	CHHATTISGARH	92	60	28
8	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	1	2	1
9	DAMAN & DIU	1	0	0
10	GOA	6	6	0
11	GUJARAT	187	143	41
12	HARYANA	105	83	28
13	HIMACHAL PRADESH	38	27	11
14	JAMMU & KASHMIR	20	4	3
15	JHARKHAND	77	55	20
16	KARNATAKA	250	160	60
17	KERALA	111	76	14
18	LAKSHADWEEP	0	0	0
19	MADHYA PRADESH	136	110	74
20	MAHARASHTRA	271	167	44
21	MANIPUR	7	8	8
22	MEGHALAYA	6	3	0
23	MIZORAM	8	7	0
24	NAGALAND	3	4	0
25	NCT OF DELHI	57	47	12
26	ODISHA	151	97	35
27	PUDUCHERRY	2	4	1
28	PUNJAB	133	82	40
29	RAJASTHAN	222	110	46
30	SIKKIM	4	2	3
31	TAMIL NADU	253	136	34
32	TELANGANA	164	85	46
33	TRIPURA	11	8	0
34	UTTAR PRADESH	371	251	97
35	UTTARAKHAND	53	31	24
36	WEST BENGAL	159	110	27
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3337</b>	<b>2165</b>	<b>824</b>

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