

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF POST
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4603
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH MARCH, 2023
PASSPORT SEVA KENDRAS**

4603. DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) functioning in Tamil Nadu, districtwise;
- (b) the details about the number of persons who availed services of these centres during the last three years along with the passport issued/renewed;
- (c) whether people still face difficulties while getting the passport and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps being taken in this regard;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to start Post Office Passport Seva Kendras (POPSKs) in all district of the country and if so, the details thereof including the number of POPSKs, set up so far in Tamil Nadu;
- (e) whether there is a shortage of manpower and infrastructure facilities at POPSKs if so, the reasons therefor including the measures taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (f) the details of the extent to which getting passports is likely to become easier through POPSKs along with its style of functioning?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)**

- (a) The details of the number of Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) operated by the Ministry of External Affairs and functioning in Tamil Nadu are at **Annexure-I**. District-wise details of Post Office Passport Seva Kendras functioning in Tamil Nadu are at **Annexure-II**.
- (b) 4.82 lakh passport applications have been processed in Post Office Passport Seva Kendras (POPSKs) in Tamil Nadu Circle in the last three years. Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs), operated by the Ministry of External Affairs have processed, 16.57 lakh passport applications in the last three years out of which 16.22 lakh passports have been issued in the last three years.
- (c) No sir.
- (d) There is no proposal to start Post Office Passport Seva Kendra in all districts of the country. List of Post Office Passport Seva Kendras set up in Tamil Nadu Circle is at **Annexure-II**.
- (e) No sir.
- (f) Setting up of 430 Post Office Passport Seva Kendras in various districts of the country has increased accessibility for the citizens for applying for Passports.

Annexure-I**Annexure referred to in reply of para (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.4603 for 29-03-2023 regarding Passport Seva Kendras**

S. No.	Location of PSKs	STATE	Name of the Regional Passport Office
1	Aminjikarai	Tamil Nadu	Chennai
2	Saligramam	Tamil Nadu	Chennai
3	Tambaram	Tamil Nadu	Chennai
4	Coimbatore	Tamil Nadu	Coimbatore
5	Madurai	Tamil Nadu	Madurai
6	Tirunelveli City	Tamil Nadu	Madurai
7	Thanjavur	Tamil Nadu	Tiruchirappalli
8	Tiruchirappalli	Tamil Nadu	Tiruchirappalli

Annexure referred to in reply of para (a) & (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4603 for 29-03-2023 regarding Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs)

S.No.	Location of POPSKs	District	State/Union Territory
1.	Arani HO	Tiruvannamalai	Tamil Nadu
2.	Chennai GPO	Chennai	Tamil Nadu
3.	Chidambaram HO	Cuddalore	Tamil Nadu
4.	Cuddalore HO	Cuddalore	Tamil Nadu
5.	Dharmapuri HO	Dharmapuri	Tamil Nadu
6.	Kallakurichi HO	Kallakurichi	Tamil Nadu
7.	Kancheepuram HO	Kancheepuram	Tamil Nadu
8.	Krishnagiri HO	Krishnagiri	Tamil Nadu
9.	Ranipet HO	Ranipet	Tamil Nadu
10.	Tiruvallur HO	Tiruvallur	Tamil Nadu
11.	Tiruvannamalai HO	Tiruvannamalai	Tamil Nadu
12.	Vellore HO	Vellore	Tamil Nadu
13.	Villupuram HO	Villupuram	Tamil Nadu
14.	Coonoor HO	Nilgiris	Tamil Nadu
15.	Erode HO	Erode	Tamil Nadu
16.	Rasipuram SO	Namakkal	Tamil Nadu
17.	Salem HO	Salem	Tamil Nadu
18.	Bodineyaknur HO	Theni	Tamil Nadu
19.	Devakottai HO	Sivaganga	Tamil Nadu
20.	Kodai Road SO	Dindigul	Tamil Nadu
21.	Nagercoil HO	Kanyakumari	Tamil Nadu
22.	Rajapalayam HO	Virudhunagar	Tamil Nadu
23.	Ramanathapuram HO	Ramanathapuram	Tamil Nadu
24.	Tuticorin HO	Thoothukudi	Tamil Nadu
25.	Virudhunagar HO	Virudhunagar	Tamil Nadu
26.	Karur HO	Karur	Tamil Nadu
27.	Perambalur HO	Perambalur	Tamil Nadu
28.	Sirkali HO	Nagapattinam	Tamil Nadu
29.	Thiruthuraiipoondi HO	Tiruvarur	Tamil Nadu
