

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2207
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND AUGUST, 2023**

THODUPUZHA POST OFFICE

2207. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has given the ministerial sanction to start the reconstruction of Thodupuzha post office;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the amount sanctioned and the timeline of completing the work;
- (c) whether the Government has finalised the details of the amount sanctioned, timeline of completing the work and the specifications of the new post office including its area in square feet, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to rejuvenate functioning of small post offices including the ones that are non-functional now and are working from rented facilities; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes, sir. Department of Posts has approved the construction of a new post office building at Thodupuzha.
- (b) & (c) The project for construction of new building of Thodupuzha Post Office has been approved with Schedule of Accommodation of 9459.87 sq. ft. which would accommodate Head Post Office, Divisional Office, Sub Record Office & Sorting Office and Divisional Training Centre. The project is in pre-construction stage. The timeline for its completion and the project cost are not finalised.
- (d) & (e) Department has an approved Perspective Plan 2021-22 to 2025-26 for construction of new post office buildings which are operational from rented buildings. New post office buildings are constructed subject to availability of land, operational priority and availability of funds.
