

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

**LOKSABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1220
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH FEBRUARY, 2022**

POST OFFICE PASSPORT SEVA KENDRA

1220. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented scheme of opening Post Office Passport Seva Kendra in all the Lok Sabha constituencies of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any coordination has been established between the Ministry of External Affairs and the Ministry of Communications regarding this scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the number of post offices in the country including Bihar in which passport sevakendras have been started under the said scheme so far, the State-wise;
- (e) whether guidelines have also been issued to Bihar Postal Circle for starting post office passport sevakendra in Jehanabad Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar under this scheme; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b) Department of Posts and the Ministry of External Affairs have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to jointly work towards providing Passport related services to the citizens through Post Offices in their close vicinity by way of setting up Post Office Passport Seva Kendra at mutually identified locations across the country.
- (c) Department of Posts and the Ministry of External Affairs have established coordination mechanism for this scheme under the Memorandum of Understanding entered into between the two organizations.
- (d) A total of 428 Post Office Passport SevaKendras have been operationalized in the country including Bihar. State wise number of Post Office Passport SevaKendras is attached as Annexure.
- (e) & (f) Post Office Passport Seva Kendra is functioning in Jehanabad Head Post Office under Jehanabad Parliamentary Constituency.

Annexure**State wise number of Post Office Passport SevaKendras (POPSK) in the Country including Bihar**

Sl No	Name of State/UT	Number of POPSK
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Island	1
2.	Andhra Pradesh	20
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	2
4.	Assam	15
5.	Bihar	34
6.	Chhattisgarh	7
7.	Dadar& Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	2
8.	Delhi	5
9.	Goa	1
10.	Gujarat	23
11.	Haryana	11
12.	Himachal Pradesh	6
13.	Jammu & Kashmir	5
14.	Jharkhand	14
15.	Karnataka	23
16.	Kerala	7
17.	Laddakh	1
18.	Lakshadweep	1
19.	Madhya Pradesh	18
20.	Maharashtra	38
21.	Manipur	1
22.	Meghalaya	1
23.	Odisha	20
24.	Puducherry	1
25.	Punjab	9
26.	Rajasthan	24
27.	Tamil Nadu	29
28.	Telangana	14
29.	Tripura	1
30.	Uttar Pradesh	48
31.	Uttarakhand	6
32.	West Bengal	40
