

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2649
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH DECEMBER, 2024**

EMPLOYMENT IN POST OFFICES OF GOA

2649. SHRI CAPTAIN VIRIATO FERNANDES:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of postmen engaged from Maharashtra in Goa during the last five years;
- (b) the reasons for discontinuing services of locals during the said period and replacing them with candidates from Maharashtra; and
- (c) the reasons for not making the Konkani language a mandatory criteria for employing personnel in post offices in Goa given the fact the local language is critical for dealing with matters in the post offices?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(DR. PEMMASANI CHANDRA SEKHAR)**

- (a) Details of the number of postmen engaged from Maharashtra in Goa in last five years: -

Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
No. of postman engaged	05	19	18	19	10	71

- (b) Stop gap arrangement is done locally only against temporary vacant post. Therefore, after a post is filled up, stop gap arrangement is discontinued.
- (c) Recruitment of all cadres is carried out as per relevant recruitment rules. For the Postal Divisions in the State of Goa, knowledge of Marathi and Konkani is essential for appointment as Postman.
