

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
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VACANCY IN PASSPORT OFFICE IN KOKRAJHAR AND BTR

3082. SHRI JOYANTA BASUMATARY

Will the minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the details of passport office employees posted in the Kokrajhar and Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR);**
- (b) the total number of posts lying vacant in the passport offices of the region, category-wise;**
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that issuance and renewal of passports to people is taking a long time in the region; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a & b) In Bodoland Territorial Region, one official of the Department of Posts (DoP) is currently working in the Post Office Passport Seva Kendra (POPSK) at Kokrajhar under Passport Office in Guwahati. Further, additional DoP officials are on standby for providing uninterrupted service delivery to the citizens in the region. At present, no post is lying vacant at POPSK Kokrajhar.

(c & d) The appointment availability in the POPSK Kokrajhar is next day. However, the issuance and renewal of passport depend on the availability of police verification report to be provided by the State Government authorities.
