

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2851
ANSWERED ON 6TH AUGUST, 2025**

WORKFORCE IN POSTAL DEPARTMENT IN TAMIL NADU

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether number of Postmasters, Postmen, Gramin Dak Sevak and other supporting staff as well as infrastructure facilities in Tamil Nadu are adequate to meet public needs and service delivery targets, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to undertake large-scale recruitment in the Postal Department, especially in Tamil Nadu, to fill existing vacancies and if so, the details thereof including its expected timeline, cadre-wise;
- (c) the number of persons currently working on a contract or temporary basis in Post Offices in Tamil Nadu and the number of such persons removed during the last three years along with the reasons for such removal;
- (d) whether several contractual employees in Tamil Nadu who were removed from service have requested re-appointment citing financial and family hardships and if so, the number of such cases and the action taken by the Government thereon; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken to address improve workforce stability in the Postal Department in Tamil Nadu?

ANSWER

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

- (a) In Tamil Nadu Circle, staff strength and infrastructure are adequate to meet public service requirements. The incumbency position of Postmaster, Postman and other staff such as Multi-Tasking Staff (MTS), Postal Assistant (PA), Sorting Assistant (SA) and Gramin Dak Sevak (GDS) in Tamilnadu Circle is as under: -

Name of the Post	Incumbency position (As on 01.03.2025)
Postmaster (LSG and HSG)	3183
Postman	5705
Multi-Tasking Staff (MTS)	2417
Postal Assistant	7309
Sorting Assistant	1595
Gramin Dak Sevak	20788

(b) In Tamil Nadu Circle, vacancies are being filled up yearly through regular Departmental Examinations/Direct Recruitment through SSC [as stated above in para no. (a) above] for various posts such as, Postal Assistant/Sorting Assistant, Postman/MailGuard, MTS and GDS. Recently, a total of 837 Postal Assistants/Sorting Assistants (PAs/SAs) nominated through Staff Selection Commission (SSC) have been allotted to Tamil Nadu Circle. The appointment formalities of these PA/SAs are undergoing. Further, the Departmental examinations are scheduled to be held on 17.08.2025 and 31.08.2025, with an approximate number of vacancies being 202, 321 and 650 in the cadres PA/SA, Postman/MailGuard and MTS, respectively.

(c) At present, Tamil Nadu Circle does not engage personnel on contract basis or temporary basis against regular posts.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

(e) The Department is continuously taking steps to ensure workforce stability through timely recruitment and filling up of vacancies and conducting regular training and upskilling programs to enhance employee capabilities.
