

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2935
ANSWERED ON 17TH DECEMBER, 2025**

VACANT POSTS IN MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

2935. SMT. RACHNA BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of sanctioned posts in position and the number of vacancies including in reserved posts across categories in the Ministry of Communications;
- (b) the details of the number of vacancies in the Ministry and Department including reserved posts since 2014, year and category-wise; and
- (c) the details of the number of contractual employees hired since 2014, year and category-wise?

ANSWER

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

- (a) There are 2,58,362 sanctioned posts under the Ministry of Communications, out of which 2,01,932 posts are filled up and 54,649 posts are vacant, including reserved posts across categories.
- (b) The details of number of vacancies in the Ministry and its Departments, including reserved posts since 2014, year-wise and category-wise, is attached as **Annexure A**.
- (c) Contractual labours in the Ministry of Communications are engaged through open tenders from private vendors (through Government e-Marketplace i.e. GeM) as per requirements. Category-wise reservation is not applicable to such contractual labours. The details of number of contractual labours hired since 2014, year-wise are attached as **Annexure-B**.

Annexure-A

(b) Details of the number of vacancies in the Ministry and Department including reserved posts since 2014, year and category wise

S.N.	Year	Department of Posts					
		UR	OBC	SC	ST	EWS	Total
1	2014	11024	2767	2354	1549	0	17694
2	2015	10098	2468	2452	1297	0	16315
3	2016	10656	2268	2536	1370	0	16830
4	2017	11208	2496	2680	1454	0	17838
5	2018	10173	2058	2689	1305	0	16225
6	2019	11971	2554	3206	1527	1189	20447
7	2020	11253	2448	3283	1451	1384	19819
8	2021	11794	2607	3306	1485	1489	20681
9	2022	26768	7121	7378	3598	3388	48253
10	2023	12124	2831	3502	1517	1249	21223
11	2024	15944	4388	4481	2138	1860	28811
12	2025	21520	14346	7970	3984	5313	53133

S.N.	Year	Department of Telecommunications					
		UR	OBC	SC	ST	EWS	Total
1	2014	656	151	117	62	-	986
2	2015	705	131	125	67	-	1028
3	2016	669	133	136	76	-	1014
4	2017	1405	122	299	182	-	2008
5	2018	651	107	146	99	-	1003
6	2019	712	115	170	89	41	1127
7	2020	730	130	162	89	63	1174
8	2021	656	98	142	80	48	1024
9	2022	1070	108	215	113	41	1547
10	2023	578	97	103	53	37	868
11	2024	484	100	108	53	39	784
12	2025	614	409	227	114	152	1516

S.N.	Year	Ministry of Communications (including both i.e. Department of Posts and Department of Telecommunications)					
		UR	OBC	SC	ST	EWS	Total
1	2014	11680	2918	2471	1611	0	18680
2	2015	10803	2599	2577	1364	0	17343
3	2016	11325	2401	2672	1446	0	17844
4	2017	12613	2618	2979	1636	0	19846
5	2018	10824	2165	2835	1404	0	17228
6	2019	12683	2669	3376	1616	1230	21574
7	2020	11983	2578	3445	1540	1447	20993
8	2021	12450	2705	3448	1565	1537	21705
9	2022	27838	7229	7593	3711	3429	49800
10	2023	12702	2928	3605	1570	1286	22091
11	2024	16428	4488	4589	2191	1899	29595
12	2025	22134	14755	8197	4098	5465	54649

Annexure-B

(c) The details of contractual labours hired in the Department of Posts only in the Ministry of Communications are as under, as in the Department of Telecommunications no contractual labours has been engaged since 2014:

S.N.	Year	Number of contractual labours hired in Ministry of Communications
1	2014	278
2	2015	298
3	2016	348
4	2017	235
5	2018	303
6	2019	323
7	2020	334
8	2021	388
9	2022	443
10	2023	540
11	2024	617
12	2025	425
Total		4532
