

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1766  
ANSWERED ON 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2026**

**NEW POST OFFICES IN BIHAR**

**1766. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposals or undertaken any assessment for opening new Post Offices in the State of Bihar during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including the number of new Post Offices sanctioned, opened and pending for approval, district-wise;
- (c) the present number of post offices, sub-post offices, village post offices functioning in Bihar;
- (d) the measures being taken by the Government to strengthen and revamp the Department of Posts; and
- (e) the details of existing vacancies in post offices in Bihar, category-wise and the time by which the above vacancies are likely to be filled?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The details of new Post Offices sanctioned, opened and pending for approval, district-wise is attached as **Annexure-I**.
- (c) As on 31.03.2026, there are 33 Head Post Offices, 1045 Sub-Post Offices and 8289 Branch/Village Post Offices functioning in Bihar.
- (d) Measures being taken to strengthen and revamp the Department of Posts include:
  - (i) IT Modernization (IT 2.0): Implementation of advanced digital platforms to provide integrated, paperless and citizen-centric postal services, including enhanced e-office, digital financial services and improved customer interfaces.
  - (ii) Expansion of Postal Banking Services: Strengthening of the India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) and integration of Aadhaar Enabled Payment System, Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) and doorstep banking services.
  - (iii) Infrastructure Development: The fund for providing infrastructure, installation of letter box, signage and cash chest for rural Branch Post Offices has been allotted under the scheme “Rural business and access to postal network”.

- (iv) The shifting of Branch Post Offices to Gram Panchayat Buildings/other Government Buildings for better visibility and efficient delivery of services is undergoing. As on date around 1400 Branch Post Offices has already been shifted.
  - (v) Mail Network Optimization: Rationalization and modernization of mail operations through semi-automated mail processing centers, Delivery Centre (DC), route optimization and improved logistics.
- (e) The details of existing vacancies in post offices in Bihar, category-wise is furnished as **Annexure-II**. The process to fill up the above vacancies is going on in the light of Recruitment Rules and Standard Operating Procedure dated 11.08.2022. Further, the filling up of vacancies in GDS Cadre is continuous process undertaken by the Department as per the prescribed recruitment rules and guidelines issued from time to time and the selection process is carried out through an online system.

**Annexure-I**

**Annexure referred to in reply of para (a) and (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1766 to be answered on 29th July, 2026 regarding “New Post Offices in Bihar”**

| FY 2023-24     |                |            |                      | FY 2024-25   |                |            |                      | FY 2025-26        |                |            |                      | FY Current year (01.04.2026 till date) |                |            |                      |
|----------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|
| District       | Sanctioned POs | Opened POs | Pending for approval | District     | Sanctioned POs | Opened POs | Pending for approval | District          | Sanctioned POs | Opened POs | Pending for approval | District                               | Sanctioned POs | Opened POs | Pending for approval |
| Rohtas         | 10             | 10         | 0                    | Nawada       | 7              | 7          | 0                    | Kaimur            | 5              | 5          | 0                    | Nil                                    | 0              | 0          | 0                    |
| Kaimur         | 12             | 12         | 0                    | Patna        | 3              | 2          | 1                    | Banka             | 2              | 2          | 0                    |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Nawada         | 2              | 2          | 0                    | Jehanabad    | 2              | 2          | 0                    | Purbi Champaran   | 1              | 1          | 0                    |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Aurangabad     | 1              | 1          | 0                    | Kishanganj   | 3              | 3          | 0                    | Paschmi Champaran | 4              | 4          | 0                    |                                        |                |            |                      |
| West Champaran | 2              | 2          | 0                    | Bhagalpur    | 1              | 1          | 0                    | Gaya              | 2              | 2          | 0                    |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Lakhisarai     | 2              | 2          | 0                    | Begusarai    | 1              | 1          | 0                    | Saharsa           | 1              | 1          | 0                    |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Munger         | 1              | 1          | 0                    | Vaishali     | 1              | 1          | 0                    | Kishanganj        | 1              | 1          | 0                    |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Gaya           | 4              | 4          | 0                    | Bhojpur      | 1              | 1          | 0                    | Sheikhpura        | 1              | 1          | 0                    |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Purnea         | 1              | 1          | 0                    |              |                |            |                      |                   |                |            |                      |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Kishanganj     | 1              | 1          | 0                    |              |                |            |                      |                   |                |            |                      |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Saharsa        | 1              | 1          | 0                    |              |                |            |                      |                   |                |            |                      |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Patna          | 1              | 1          | 0                    |              |                |            |                      |                   |                |            |                      |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Bhojpur        | 1              | 1          | 0                    |              |                |            |                      |                   |                |            |                      |                                        |                |            |                      |
| Vaishali       | 1              | 1          | 0                    |              |                |            |                      |                   |                |            |                      |                                        |                |            |                      |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>40</b>      | <b>40</b>  | <b>0</b>             | <b>Total</b> | <b>19</b>      | <b>18</b>  | <b>1</b>             | <b>Total</b>      | <b>17</b>      | <b>17</b>  | <b>0</b>             | <b>Total</b>                           | <b>0</b>       | <b>0</b>   | <b>0</b>             |

**Annexure-II**

Annexure referred to in reply of para (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1766 to be answered on 29th July, 2026 regarding “New Post Offices in Bihar”

| <b>Vacancies for the Year 2026</b>                                                           |           |            |            |           |           |                                  |               |              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>As per Recruitment rules (RR) 60% of total vacancies are for Direct Recruitment Quota</b> |           |            |            |           |           |                                  |               |              |
| <b>Name of Post</b>                                                                          | <b>UR</b> | <b>EWS</b> | <b>OBC</b> | <b>SC</b> | <b>ST</b> | <b>Compassionate Appointment</b> | <b>Sports</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| Postal Assistant                                                                             | 22        | 3          | 13         | 8         | 4         | 3                                | 3             | 56           |
| Sorting Assistant                                                                            | 3         | 0          | 2          | 1         | 1         | 0                                | 0             | 7            |

| <b>As per RR 40% of total vacancies are for LDCE Quota</b> |           |           |           |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| <b>Name of Post</b>                                        | <b>UR</b> | <b>SC</b> | <b>ST</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| Postal Assistant                                           | 29        | 5         | 4         | 38           |
| Sorting Assistant                                          | 4         | 1         | 0         | 5            |

| <b>Vacancies for the year 2026</b> | <b>UR</b> | <b>EWS</b> | <b>OBC</b> | <b>SC</b> | <b>ST</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| Postman                            | 49        | 6          | 11         | 10        | 9         | 85           |
| Mail Guard                         | 3         | 1          | 2          | 1         | 1         | 8            |
| MTS                                | 76        | 10         | 27         | 20        | 8         | 141          |

| <b>Category-wise GDS cadre vacancies as on 22.07.2026</b> |            |            |           |           |           |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| <b>UR</b>                                                 | <b>EWS</b> | <b>OBC</b> | <b>SC</b> | <b>ST</b> | <b>PH</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| 849                                                       | 157        | 521        | 254       | 100       | 39        | 1920         |

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