

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

**MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1019**

**ANSWERED ON - 25/07/2025**

**PSK AT DIDWANA – KUCHAMAN AT NAGOUR**

**†1019. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL**

**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether the Government proposes to upgrade and develop the existing Passport Seva Kendra (PSK) located at Nagaur in Rajasthan into a full-fledged Passport Office by expanding its staff and services, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and**

**(b) whether the Government proposes to set up a PSK at the district headquarters of Didwana-Kuchaman in Nagaur Lok Sabha Constituency in public interest and if so, the timeframe by which it is likely to be set up and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)**

**(a) Post Office Passport Seva Kendra (POPSK) Nagaur is working as an extended arm of the Regional Passport Office, Jaipur. 40 appointments for normal passport are released daily and appointment is available in 14 working days. Considering the fact that POPSK Nagaur is already functioning under RPO Jaipur, the Government does not consider it necessary to upgrade it into a Passport Office.**

**(b) Opening of a PSK/POPSK is an on-going activity and depends upon various factors including distance from an existing PSK / POPSK and the volume of passport applications from a particular region. Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) in association with Department of Posts (DoP) had decided in January 2017 to open Passport Seva Kendras at the Head Post Offices (HPO)/ Post Offices (PO) in the country called Post Office Passport Seva Kendra (POPSK) in each Lok Sabha Constituency (LSC) in India, including in Rajasthan, where there is no PSK or POPSK. As on date, 93 PSKs and 450 POPSKs have been set up in the country and are operational to cater to the needs of passport seekers.**

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