

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2051  
TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 11, 2025**

**MODERNIZATION OF GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PRESSES**

**NO. 2051. SHRI RAJABHAU PARAG PRAKASH WAJE:**

**Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the timeframe fixed for the modernisation of the five retained Government of India Presses located at Nashik, Ring Road, Rashtrapati Bhawan and Temple Street, as per the Government's decision on rationalisation and merger of presses;**
- (b) the reasons for the delay in executing the modernisation plans;**
- (c) whether such delays have affected operational efficiency due to shortage of operational staff for pre-printing, post-printing and binding operations and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the concrete steps and deadlines to be adopted by the Government to ensure swift recruitment of staff as per the revised sanctioned strength issued by the Department of Expenditure along with the details of the steps being taken for speedy completion of the modernisation programme ?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
(SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)**

**(a) to (c): As per Cabinet decision dated 20.09.2017, no specific timeframe was fixed for modernization. The assessment of modernization work is to be completed within six months after Cabinet approval, and commencement thereof within one year subsequent to required approval. The modernization of Minto Road Press has already been initiated and at advance stage of completion and the finalization of modalities for modernization of remaining presses is at consideration stage.**

**(d): The preliminary exercise required for filling up of the vacant posts as per new sanctioned strength, such as collection/compilation of service records, preparation/finalisation/circulation of seniority lists, and recasting of reservation roster, has already been initiated.**

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