

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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COMPUTERISATION OF POST OFFICES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise number of post-offices in the country along with the number of post-offices out of them which has been computerised;
- (b) the number of post offices to be computerised during 2003- 04, State-wise;
- (c) the reasons for the slow pace of the computerisation of post-offices; and
- (d) the fresh steps taken by the Government to computerise all post offices particularly in Maharashtra at the earliest?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SURESHU. THIRUNAVUKKARASAR)

(a) The State-wise details of departmental Post Offices and the number of Post Offices that have been provided with computers till date are given in Annexure-I.

(b) In the year 2003-04, the proposal is to provide computers to remaining Head Post Offices which were not covered earlier. The number of Head Post Offices to be provided with computers, State-wise during 2003-2004 subject to necessary clearances and availability of funds are given in Annexure-II.

(c) The Department began computerising its Post Offices, from Eighth Five Year Plan onwards. Upto Ninth Five Year Plan 2427 Post Offices have been provided with computers with resources that was made available to the Department.

(d) In the Tenth Plan, additional 5349 Post Offices are proposed for computerisation subject to required clearances and availability of funds. This would involve computerising all the remaining Head Post Offices and large Sub-Post Offices in the country, including those in Maharashtra.

ANNEXURE-I

State-wise detail of Post Offices provided with Computers till date

Sl. No.	Name of Circle	Departmental Post Offices	Total No. of such Offices provided	Post with computers
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2467	144	
2.	Assam	621	73	
3.	Bihar	1041	33	
4.	Chhattisgarh	660	80	
5.	Delhi	431	84	
6.	Gujarat	1417	149	
7.	Haryana	484	54	
8.	Himachal Pradesh	462	62	

9. J&K	257	31
10. Jharkhand	448	13
11. Karnataka	1852	208
12. Kerala	1513	206
13. Madhya Pradesh	776	69
14. Maharashtra +	2267	315
15. North East ++	332	30
16. Orissa	1205	64
17. Punjab	839	95
18. Rajasthan	1451	84
19. Tamil Nadu +++	2858	212
20. Uttar Pradesh	2540	170
21. Uttranchal	393	33
22. West Bengal#	1750	218

Total: 26064 2427

- + Includes Goa
++ Consists of Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura.
+++ Includes Pondicherry
Includes Sikkim

ANNEXURE-II

State-wise detail of Head Post Offices to be provided with Computers during 2003-04

Sl. No.	Name of Circle	No. of remaining Head Post Offices proposed to be computerised
1.	Andhra Pradesh	38
2.	Assam	2
3.	Bihar	12
4.	Chhattisgarh	9
5.	Delhi	0
6.	Gujarat	16
7.	Haryana	3
8.	Himachal Pradesh	4
9.	J&K	3
10.	Jharkhand	4
11.	Kharnataka	27
12.	Kerala	26
13.	Madhya Pradesh	14
14.	Maharashtra +	32
15.	North East ++	0
16.	Orissa	16
17.	Punjab	0
18.	Rajasthan	26
19.	Tamil Nadu +++	41
20.	Uttar Pradesh	39
21.	Uttranchal	6
22.	West Bengal#	21
Total:	339	

- + Includes Goa
++ consists of Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura.

+++ Includes Pondicherry

Includes Sikkim