

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2239  
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OPENING OF NEW POST OFFICES .  
CHINTAMAN NAVSHA WANAGA

**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of proposals for opening of new post offices pending with the Government, State-wise.
- (b) whether the Government have fixed any target to open new post offices during the Tenth Five Year Plan, State-wise;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SRI P. VISU. THIRUNAVUKKARASAR)

(a) Details of proposals pending for opening of new post offices during 2002-03 in each Postal Circle, majority of which are coterminous with the States concerned, are given in the Annexure.

(b) to (d) During the Tenth Five Year Plan a total of 1000 EDBOs (Extra Departmental Branch Offices), 100 DSOs (Departmental Sub Offices) and 5000 PSSKs (Panchaya Sanchar Sewa Kendras) are proposed to be opened in the country. These targets are distributed on an annual basis to Circles, keeping in view their requirement and availability of resources. Post Offices are thereafter opened by the Circles, prioritising need and subject to fulfilment of norms in this regard.

**ANNEXURE**

**CIRCLE-WISE INFORMATION OF PENDING PROPOSAL FOR OPENING OF POST OFFICES**

Sl.No	Circles	2002-2003	
		EDBOs	DSOs
1.	ANDHRA PRADESH	9	11
2.	ASSAM	19	1
3.	BIHAR	74	1
4.	CHHATTISGARH	62	39
5.	DELHI	Nil	4
6.	GUJARAT		
(i)		5	5
7.	HARYANA	3	Nil
8.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	2	Nil
9.	J&K	16	Nil
10.	JHARKHAND	14	1
11.	KARNATAKA	2	2
12.	KERALA		
(ii)		5	Nil

13.	MADHYA PRADESH		Nil	Nil
14.	MAHARASHTRA			
(iii)	14	12		
15.	NORTH EAST			
(iv)	5	Nil		
16.	ORISSA		32	2
17.	PUNJAB			
(v)	4	3		
18.	RAJASTHAN		1	4
19.	TAMIL NADU			
(vi)	14	8		
20.	UTTAR PRADESH		Nil	Nil
21.	UTTARANCHAL		Nil	2
22.	WEST BENGAL			
(vii)	48	8		
TOTAL	329	103		

Legend:

- (i) includes Daman & Diu and Dadar Nagar Haveli
- (ii) includes Lakshdweep
- (iii) Includes Goa
- (iv) includes Arunachal, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura
- (v) includes Chandigarh
- (vi) includes Pondicherry
- (vii) includes Andman & Nicobar Islands and Sikkim