

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

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POST OFFICES
MANSINH PATEL

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages in Mandvi region having post office facility;
- (b) whether a large number of villages in the region are without post office facility;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to provide said facility in all the villages of the region?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

- (a) There are 447 villages in Mandvi Taluka under Surat Postal Division of Vadodara region having post office facility, including Panchayat Sanchar Sewa Kendras.
- (b) 203 villages in Mandvi Taluka are without post office located in them. However, they are served from the neighbouring post offices.
- (c) 203 villages mentioned in (b) above do not fulfill existing departmental norms for opening of new post office.
- (d) all the villages of Mandvi Taluka are already having daily delivery of mails and daily clearance of Letter Boxes. Opening of post offices is not called for in view of (c) above.