

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

- (a) the number of post offices/sub-post offices in West Bengal, district-wise;
- (b) the number of post offices/sub-post offices running in rented buildings in the State;
- (c) whether any steps have been taken by the Government for the construction of Government buildings for the same;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

- (a) Details of post offices in West Bengal, district-wise, are given in Annexure.
- (b) 1486 Post Offices are functioning in rented buildings.
- (c) to (e) Construction of buildings is taken up under Plan subject to availability of resources and targets approved. West Bengal Postal Circle has been allotted funds for 2004-05 for completion of three projects viz. Post Office/Sub Postmaster's quarters at Jhaljalia, Jhargram and Kalighat. From 01.01.05, it is targeted to start construction of the following projects:

- (i) Bhawanipore Post Office
- (ii) One Type-V Staff Quarter at Gangtok, Sikkim
- (iii) One Type-VI Staff Quarter at Siliguri
- (iv) Four Type-V Staff Quarters at DE Block

**ANNEXURE**

**DETAILS OF POST OFFICES IN WEST BENGAL DISTRICT-WISE**

Sl. No.	Name of District Office	of Head Post Office	Sub Post Office	ED Office	Sub ED Branch	Total
1.	24-Parganas (North)	4	191	26	506	727
2.	24-Parganas (South)	2	102	12	686	802
3.	Kolkata	7	218	3	-	228
4.	Purulia	1	35	10	405	451

5. Midnapore	4	177	36	1371	1588
6. Howrah	2	92	7	258	359
7 Hooghly	3	111	29	361	504
8. Bankura	1	53	23	407	484
9. Nadia	4	112	36	280	432
10. Burdwan	5	180	37	404	626
11. Birbhum	2	58	16	379	455
12. Murshidabad	3	75	34	474	586
13. Malda	1	37	9	294	341
14. Dinajpur	1	44	19	301	365
15. Cooch Behar	1	48	10	287	346
16. Darjeeling	2	69	10	81	162
17. Jalpaiguri	2	57	16	221	296
Total	45	1659	333	6715	8752