

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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BANKING FACILITIES IN POST OFFICES  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to make various banking facilities including ATM available in Post Offices ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the aforesaid facilities are likely to be made available to the public?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN)

- (a) Yes, Sir. The Government proposes to provide Anytime-Anywhere Banking facility to Post Office Savings Bank customers, which inter-alia would envisage transactions across ATMs through Debit Cards.
- (b) It is only in a conceptual stage now and no details have been firmed up.
- (c) In view of (b) above it is not possible to indicate an exact time frame.