

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4528
ANSWERED ON:24.04.2000
POST OFFICES IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of post offices functioning in Bihar particularly in Shekhpura and Lakhisarai regions at present, district-wise;
- (b) the number of post offices opened during the last three years till date in the State and the said regions, district-wise;
- (c) the number of applications pending for opening of post offices in the rural areas of the State and since when;
- (d) the time by which the said applications are likely to be approved and the post offices set up; and
- (e) the number of said offices proposed to be set up in the State particularly in Shekhpura, Lakhisarai, Darbhanga, Jamui, Doodda, Devdhar, Dumka, Munger during 2000-2001, location-wise ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

- (a) Number of post offices functioning at present in Bihar including Shekhpura and Lakhisarai districts are shown in Annexure-A.
- (b) The number of post offices opened during the last three years till date in Bihar State, district-wise are shown in Annexure-B.
- (c) The number of applications pending for opening of post offices are as under:

1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
45	432	63

- (d) Applications for opening of post offices are decided on norm based justification, i.e. distance, population and finance.
- (e) Post offices are opened subject to justification as per prescribed norms. The opening of new post offices depends upon availability of resources such as funds and sanctioning of posts by Ministry of Finance. The targets for opening new post offices in Bihar in 2000-2001 are yet to be finalized.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4528 FOR 24TH APRIL, REGARDING POST OFFICES IN BIHAR.

ANNEXURE-A

Districtwise number of Post offices in Bihar Circle as on 31-3-2000

S.No. Districts Urban Rural Total

1 Araria	5	155	160
2 Aurangabad	9	263	272
3 Banka	1	188	189
4 Begusarai	13	217	230
5 Bhabhua	2	101	103
6 Bhagalpur	29	244	273
7 Bhojpur	18	272	290
8 Bokaro	25	123	148
9 Buxar	10	182	192
10 Chatra	2	82	84

11	Deoghar	17	144	161
12	Dhanbad	68	122	190
13	Dharbanga	20	301	321
14	Dumka	12	265	277
15	E.Champaran	13	406	419
16	E.Singhbhum	30	166	196
17	Garhwa	1	83	84
18	Gaya	25	362	387
19	Giridih	7	181	188
20	Goda	2	145	147
21	Gopalganj	4	224	228
22	Gumla	3	247	250
23	Hazaribag	19	200	219
24	Jamui	4	134	138
25	Jehanabad	3	167	170
26	Katihar	8	175	183
27	Khagaria	4	138	142
28	Kishanganj	2	86	88
29	Kodarma	3	47	50
30	Lakhisarai	4	51	55
31	Lohardaga	3	50	53
32	Madhepura	9	198	207
33	Madhubani	13	410	423
34	Mauzaffarpur	29	398	427
35	Munger	13	131	144
36	Nalanda	16	316	332
37	Nawada	5	195	200
38	Pakur	2	67	69
39	Palamu	9	252	261
40	Patna	102	316	418
41	Purnia	3	179	182
42	Ranchi	54	338	392
43	Rohtas	12	283	295
44	Saharsa	7	166	173
45	Sahibganj	6	89	95
46	Samstipur	10	395	405
47	Saran	13	368	381
48	Sheohar	2	40	42
49	Shikhpura	5	84	89
50	Sitamarhi	10	280	290
51	Siwan	8	293	301
52	Supaul	6	193	199
53	Vaishali	8	257	265
54	W. Singhbhum	17	191	208
55	W.Champaran	11	269	280

Total 736 11229 11965

ANNEXURE-B

NO. OF POST OFFICES OPENED IN THE STATE DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS (DISTRICT-WISE)

S.No.	Districts	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
1	Araria	-	1	-
2	Aurangabad	1	1	2
3	Banka	1	2	-
4	Begusarai	-	1	-
5	Bhabhua	-	-	-
6	Bhagalpur	1	4	1
7	Bhojpur	-	1	-
8	Bokaro	-	-	-
9	Buxar	-	2	-
10	Chatra	-	1	-
11	Deoghar	1	-	-
12	Dhanbad	-	-	-
13	Dharbanga	1	2	8
14	Dumka	4	2	-
15	E.Champaran	2	1	-
16	E.Singhbhum	1	3	-
17	Garhwa	-	-	-
18	Gaya	-	1	-
19	Giridih	-	-	1
20	Goda	-	1	-
21	Gopalganj	4	2	2
22	Gumla	-	-	1
23	Hazaribag	-	2	-
24	Jamui	1	-	1

25 Jehanabad - - -
26 Katihar - - -
27 Khagaria 1 - 2
28 Kishanganj - - -
29 Kodarma - - -
30 Lakhisarai - - -
31 Lohardaga - - -
32 Madhepura - 1 1
33 Madhubani 2 4 1
34 Mauzaffarpur - 2 2
35 Munger - 3 -
36 Nalanda 1 2 5
37 Nawada - 2 -
38 Pakur 1 - -
39 Palamu - 2 1
40 Patna - 5 -
41 Purnia - 1 -
42 Ranchi 5 8 1
43 Rohtas - 3 -
44 Saharsa - 2 -
45 Sahibganj 2 - -
46 Samstipur 1 2 3
47 Saran 2 1 -
48 Sheohar - 1 -
49 Shikhpura - 1 -
50 Sitamarhi - 1 -
51 Siwan - - 1
52 Supaul 1 2 -
53 Vaishali - - 17
54 W. Singhbhum 3 4 -
55 W.Champaran - - -

Total 35 74 51