

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7363  
ANSWERED ON:15.05.2002  
P & T SERVICE IN TRIBAL DISTRICTS OF MADHYA PRADESH  
DALPAT SINGH PARASTE

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Post and Telegraph Services in the Tribal districts of Madhya Pradesh are in a very bad shape to such an extent that in the rural areas the dak takes more than week days to reach from one place to another and postal stamps as well as other postal stationery has been in short supply for a long time;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof and reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action being taken or proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) No, Sir. The Post and Telegraph Services in the tribal districts of Madhya pradesh are satisfactory. As per the results of Test Letters posted in these districts, on an average 98.6% of the mails are delivered within norms prescribed by the Department. There is also no shortage of postage stamps and other postal stationery.
- (d) Does not arise in view of (a) & (b) above.