

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

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COMPUTER FACILITY 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 provide E-Mail and computer facilities in all the important post offices in rural and tribal areas of the country within a stipulated time limit;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard indicating the number of post offices proposed to be cornered there under and expenditure likely to be incurred thereon;
- (c) the number of post offices having such facilities in rural and tribal areas of the country at present, State-wise;
- (d) the details of the funds allocated and expenditure incurred during 2007-08 and 2008-09 for the said purpose;
- (e) whether the Government has formulated any time bound programme to provide computer facility in the remaining post offices of the country during the eleventh Five Year Plan; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI A. RAJA)

- (a) (b) (e) and (f) Computerization of Post Offices is an ongoing process subject to technical feasibility and availability of funds.
- (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.
- (d) The details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred during 2007-08 and 2008-09 for computerization of Post Offices including such facilities in rural and tribal areas are as follows:

Financial Year	Funds allocated	Expenditure incurred
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2007-08	Rs. 100.26 Crores	Rs. 61.10 Croes
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2008-09 (up to 10/2008)	Rs. 49.66 Crores	Rs. 32.66 Crores
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