GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

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POSTS AND TELEGRAPH FACILITIES IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Gram-Panchayats in Gujarat not having post and telegraph facilities district-wise;
- (b) the number of `Panchayat Sanchar-Seva` and Telegraph offices set up in Gujarat during the last two years; and
- (c) the time by when all the districts of Gujarat are likely to be covered by these facilities?

Answer

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

(a) Postal facilities for delivery of Dak, collection of mails and sale of postal stamps and stationery through postmen are available in all villages.

However, the District-wise number of Gram-Panchayats in Gujarat not having post offices is given in the Annexure. The opening of post offices is an on going process. Post offices are opened subject to fulfillment of population, distance and income norms by relocation of post offices lying in close proximity to one another.

The information regarding the district-wise number of Gram-Panchayats in Gujarat not having telegraph facilities is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b)&(c) The information regarding the number of `Panchayat Sanchar-Seva` and Telegraph offices set up in Gujarat during the last two years and the time by when all the districts of Gujarat are likely to be covered by these facilities is being collected and will be laid down on the Table of the House.

Annexure

District-wise number of Gram-Panchayats not having post offices in Gujarat

Sl. No. Name of District Number of Gram-Panchayats without post offices

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