## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2475 ANSWERED ON:24.11.2010 NEW PASSPORT KENDRAS Reddy Shri Komatireddy Raj Gopal

## Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up new passport centres and kendras especially in the rural and backward areas instead of cities in each State; and
- (b) if so, the complete details thereof especially in the Telangana region of Andhra Pradesh?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SMT. PRENEET KAUR)

- (a): Under the Passport Seva Project (PSP), it has been decided to set up 77 Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) across the country based on the number of applications received in the area. State-wise PSK list is enclosed.
- (b): A total of 7 PSKs are proposed to be set up in Andhra pradesh under the jurisdiction of Passport Offices at Hyderabad and Visakapatnam. Besides 3 PSKs in Hyderbad, the Telangana region will have another PSK in Nizamabad.