

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

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LETTER BOXES IN RURAL AREAS  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a large number of letter boxes installed in rural areas of the country are reported lying open;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether number of post offices have been closed down in the rural Areas; and
- (d) if so, the locations of the post offices closed down during the last three years and the current year?

**Answer**

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

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) No post office has been closed down in the rural areas, but some post offices have been merged/relocated in rural areas. The details are given in the Annexure.
- (d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.