

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

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PREPAID CARD TO RURAL PEOPLE

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

- (a) whether the postal department proposes to collaborate with private banks to provide pre-paid cards to rural people;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh: and
- (c) the amount earmarked for each circle, circle-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) The Postal Department proposes to collaborate with 3 scheduled commercial banks to provide pre-paid cards. The cards will be available from all Head Post Offices in the country when the project is rolled out fully. This is a revenue plus model and therefore no funds have been released for this project.