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

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to set up franchise postal outlets in the country including Tikamgarh area of Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and circle-wise; and
- (c) the time by which these outlets are likely to be set up?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. During current financial year 2011-12, targets for opening of 125 Franchise Outlets have been issued to the Circles including Madhya Pradesh. Details of physical targets allotted to the Circles are annexed. Madhya Pradesh Circle has been allotted the target of 8 franchise outlets. These outlets are opened in areas where opening of post office is justified but it cannot be opened for some reasons. This is also subject to receipt of applications from suitable candidates.

(c): The targets for opening of new franchise outlets have been given to Circles for the current financial year.