

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

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POST BOXES IN THE COUNTRY  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a large number of post boxes are non-operational in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, separately in rural and urban areas; and
- (c) the number of post boxes closed by the Government during the last three years, in rural areas, year-wise and State-wise?

**Answer**

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

- (a) No, Madam. However, some post boxes are non-operational in the country.
- (b) The reasons for non-operation of post boxes are non-renewal by the holders and non-hiring of new post boxes etc. Details of closed post boxes is given in the Annexure -A.
- (c) Information is given in the Annexure-B.