

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has implemented the pre-paid smart card scheme for the rural population of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has approved the proposal for the tie-up of the Department of Posts with three scheduled commercial banks for providing the Pre-paid cards;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the funds allocated for postal banking during Eleventh Plan Period;and
- (e) the advantages likely to accrue to the farmers/rural people by virtue of the said cards?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE 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 Madam.
- (d) & (e) Does not arise in view of (c) above.