

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

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POST OFFICES

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

- (a) whether any post office buildings have collapsed in the recent past and if so, the details thereof, State and location-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposals to construct buildings of its own and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether land has been procured for the construction of post office buildings and the construction work has been started/ completed thereon;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of post offices for which land had been procured but the construction work has not been started/completed so far, State and location-wise including Allahabad;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to complete the construction work of post office buildings in the near future; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be done, location-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) No, madam.

(b) Yes, madam. Construction of Departmental buildings for post offices in the country is an ongoing activity as per priority and policy of the department subject to availability of land & funds. Government is taking action to construct own buildings by making a priority list followed by an approval of 'Expenditure Finance Committee' subject to availability of funds under Plan head by Planning Commission.

(c) & (d) Procurement/Acquisition of land for construction of post office buildings at various locations in the country is an on-going process as per requirement of the Department. The details of lands available for construction of post office buildings, State-wise including Allahabad is enclosed as Annexure "A".

(e) & (f) It is endeavour of the Government to complete the construction work of the post office buildings as per approved plan and availability of funds. The details of post office buildings approved for construction in 12th Five Year Plan, location-wise is enclosed as Annexure "B".