

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:350

ANSWERED ON:17.12.2014

UPGRADATION OF SUB POST OFFICES

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

- (a) the norms and criteria laid down for declaration of a post office as Head/Main Post Office along with the number of sub-post offices attached with a Head Post Office;
- (b) whether all the districts in various States have a Head Post Office;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the name of the district which are yet to be provided with Head Post Office, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to upgrade some post offices into Head Post Offices; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof including the proposals received from States for , upgradation of sub-post offices, location and State-wise and the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE LOK SABHA IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.350 FOR 17th DECEMBER, 2014 REGARDING `UPGRADATION OF SUB-POST OFFICES`.

(a) As per standard norms, a Head Post Office can be opened /created, if a minimum of twenty (20) Sub Post Offices are attached to it. If the number of Sub Post Offices under any existing Head Post Office exceeds the figure of sixty (60), then the existing Head Post Office is to be bifurcated. It has, however, to be ensured that each of the bifurcated Head Post Offices has at least twenty (20) Sub Post Offices attached to it. The details of the prescribed standards /norms is given as Annexure-I.

(b) No, Madam. All districts do not have a Head Post Office. However, there is provision for providing a Mukhya Dak Ghar (MDG) in all such districts where there is no Head Post Office. A Mukhya Dak Ghar provides the same facilities to customers as a Head Post Office.

(c) Names of the Districts which do not have a Head Post Office is enclosed as Annexure-II.

(d) There is provision for upgradation of Post Offices to Head Post Office subject to fulfillment of the prescribed norms as given in (a) above.

(e) Presently the following proposals have been received and are under examination:-

S.No. Name of the State Number and location
of proposals received

1. Andhra Pradesh 1 (Podili)
2. Chhattisgarh 1 (Janjgir-Champa)
3. Delhi 1 (Dwarka)
4. Haryana 1 (Rewari)