

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:359
ANSWERED ON:17.12.2014
COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMPS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria/guidelines for issuing Indian Postal Stamps including commemorative stamps and the details of occasions on which Indian postal stamps have been issued during the last three years;
- (b) the names of the eminent personalities on whom the commemorative stamps have been issued so far;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to amend the present provisions for issuance of postal stamps including commemorative stamps and if so, the steps likely to be taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government has received proposals from the State Governments and people's representatives for issue of commemorative stamps; and
- (e) if so, the State-wise names of the personalities and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government on each of the proposals?

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.359 FOR 17th DECEMBER, 2014 REGARDING 'COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMPS'.

- (a) The Department of Posts releases two types of stamps namely Definitive Stamps and Commemorative Postage Stamps. The Definitive series of stamps are issued for day to day use by the Post Offices as a mode for payment of postage and are printed in large numbers. Commemorative Postage Stamps are issued to commemorate an event, an institution, a theme, flora or fauna and personalities. The criteria/guidelines for issuing commemorative stamps is placed at Annexure-A. The details of occasions on which Indian Postal Stamps have been issued during the last three years are given at Annexure-B.
- (b) Names of the eminent personalities on whom commemorative stamps have been issued so far is placed at Annexure-C.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) Yes, Madam.
- (e) The state-wise details of proposals relating to personalities received during the current year (i.e. 2014) and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government on each proposal is placed at Annexure-D.