

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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m Passport

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a new mobile application 'm Passport' has been launched on the occasion of Passport Seva Diwas; and
(b) if so, the details of the time frame by which the use of this app can be scaled up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) & (b) On the occasion of Passport Seva Divas, a prototype of an Android based 'mPassport Police' app, aimed at speedy police verification, was presented. The app would have the capability to capture passport applicant's personal particulars and photograph and transmit the same electronically to concerned stakeholders. The app, after development and testing, should be available for actual use in 2016.
