

villages have been planned for the year 1998-99 for Leh and Kargil Districts in Jammu and Kashmir.

[Translation]

**Post Offices ISD/STD/PCOs/FAX Booths in Udaipur**

1825. **SHRI SHANTILAL CHAPLOT:** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of village panchayats in Udaipur, Rajasthan which applied for opening of post offices, ISD/STD/PCO/FAX booths in their respective areas during the last three years;

(b) the number of applications out of them sanctioned so far; and

(c) the time by which the remaining applications are likely to be processed and sanctioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA): *Department of Posts:* (a) The number of village panchayats in Udaipur, Rajasthan which applied for opening of post offices in their respective areas during the last three years, is as under:

Year 1996-97 = 7 village panchayats.

Year 1997-98 = Nil

Year 1998-99 = 6 Village panchayats.

(b) and (c) The number of post offices opened on village panchayats applications is as under:—

Year 1996-97 = 3

Out of the remaining 4 proposals, there were not justified and panchayat Sanchar Sewa Kendra was

opened at one village. As regards the applications received in 1998-99, the target for opening of Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices in Rajasthan Circle for 1998-99 is 30. The post offices are sanctioned on the norms-based justification subject to availability resources.

*Department of Telecom:* The report is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Storage Capacity of Oil Depots**

1826. **SHRI RAJBANSHI MAHTO:**  
**SHRI RAJO SINGH:**

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of oil depots of Bharat Petroleum, Indian Oil Corporation and Hindustan Petroleum located in various parts of the country, State-wise;

(b) the present storage capacity of each of these depots; and

(c) the extent to which the local farmers are benefited by these depots?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) and (b) The number of oil depots of Bharat Petroleum, Indian Oil Corporation and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation located State-wise is given in the enclosed Statement.

(c) The depots have been set up so that they are closer to the consumption areas. This helps in ensuring supplies conveniently, regularly and at the least cost to all customers/consumers including local farmers.

**Statement**

*Depot Data : State-wise/Company-wise  
(As on 1.4.1998)*

(Figs. in K.L.)

State	Oil Co.	No. of Depots	Total Tankage
1	2	3	4
Andhra Pradesh	IOC	9	173710
	BPC	7	59265
	HPC	4	55906
Total		20	288881

1	2	3	4
Arunachal Pradesh	AOD	1	3514
	IOC	—	—
	BPC	—	—
	HPC	—	—
	Total	1	3514
Assam	AOD	5	52668
	IOC	5	43292
	BPC	—	—
	HPC	—	—
	Total	10	95960
Bihar	IOC	6	69600
	BPC	5	26146
	HPC	4	11901
	Total	15	107647
Delhi	IOC	2	56575
	BPC	1	35600
	HPC	1	23679
	Total	4	115854
Gujarat	IOC	3	94809
	BPC	4	11785
	HPC	4	20412
	Total	11	127006

1	2	3	4
Haryana	IOC	2	64208
	BPC	1	5317
	HPC	2	27480
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>97005</b>
Himachal Pradesh	IOC	1	180
	BPC	2	225
	HPC	2	1010
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1395</b>
Jammu & Kashmir	IOC	3	60676
	BPC	2	13193
	HPC	1	5802
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>79671</b>
Karnataka	IOC	11	136685
	BPC	7	57916
	HPC	7	38412
	<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>233013</b>
Kerala	IOC	5	38589
	BPC	2	8045
	HPC	2	18485
	<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>65119</b>
Madhya Pradesh	IOC	14	158269
	BPC	8	77224
	HPC	6	45608
	<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>281099</b>

1	2	3	4
Maharashtra	IOC	14	175158
	BPC	9	88466
	HPC	7	65576
	Total	30	329200
Manipur	AOD	1	6760
	IOC	—	—
	BPC	—	—
	HPC	—	—
	Total	1	6760
Meghalaya	AOD	1	6252
	IOC	—	—
	BPC	—	—
	HPC	—	—
	Total	1	6252
Mizoram	AOD	1	1506
	IOC	—	—
	BPC	—	—
	HPC	—	—
	Total	1	1506
Nagaland	IOC	1	6855
	BPC	—	—
	HPC	—	—
	Total	1	6855

1	2	3	4
Orissa	IOC	5	40076
	BPC	3	18330
	HPC	3	9524
	Total	11	67930
Punjab	IOC	6	81427
	BPC	4	47591
	HPC	2	18680
	Total	12	147698
Rajasthan	IOC	8	121244
	BPC	6	63429
	HPC	4	31585
	Total	18	216258
Sikkim	IOC	1	1680
	BPC	—	—
	HPC	—	—
	Total	1	1680
Tamil Nadu	IOC	8	128021
	BPC	7	104415
	HPC	3	14298
	Total	18	246734
Tripura	AOD	2	7786
	IOC	1	2855
	BPC	—	—
	HPC	—	—
	Total	3	10641

1	2	3	4
Uttar Pradesh	IOC	16	203309
	BPC	11	87328
	HPC	6	28815
	<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>319452</b>
West Bengal	IOC	3	33711
	BPC	2	13002
	HPC	5	—
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>46713</b>
<b>G. Total</b>		<b>279</b>	<b>2903843</b>

[English]

**New Branch Post Offices**

1827. SHRI C.P. RADHAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of New Branch Post Offices proposed to be opened in the country during 1998-99, State-wise;

(b) whether some of the sanctioned Branch Post Offices have not been set up in the country till date;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA):

(a) The targets for opening post offices are allotted Postal Circle-wise. The Circle-wise details of Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices proposed to be opened during the Annual Plan 1998-99 is enclosed as statement-I.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. The Circle-wise details of Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices sanctioned so far is

enclosed as statement-II. All the post offices sanctioned during the year will be opened before 31st-March, 1999.

**Statement I**

*Circle-wise allocation of targets for opening Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices during Annual Plan 1998-99*

Sl.No.	Name of Circle	Targets for opening EDBOs during Annual Plan 1998-99
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	10
2.	Assam	50
3.	Bihar	60
4.	Delhi	20