

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3759  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.03.2022**

DELAY IN GETTING PASSPORT

**3759. Dr. M.P. ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI:**

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed any delay in getting the passport for the applicants at Malappuram Passport Seva Kendra as compared to the other centres;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) whether the number of tatkal passport applicants is more at Malappuram as compared to the other centres and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

[SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]

- (a) There has been no delay in issuing passports for the applicants at Mallapuram PSK.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Malappuram PSK being the biggest PSK under Regional Passport Office (RPO) Kozhikode and one of the biggest in the entire state of Kerala, the number of Tatkal applicants are proportionately high at Malappuram PSK. Daily 100 Tatkal appointments are released at Malappuram PSK, which is higher than the daily release of Tatkal appointments at other PSKs under RPO Kozhikode (Tatkal appointments released at other PSKs vary from 50 to 70 per day). The details of Tatkal applications processed at all five PSKs, including Malappuram, during the last two months are as follows:

Name of PSKs	Tatkal applications processed during last 2 months	
	January 2022	February 2022
Malappuram	1333	1387

Kozhikode	779	828
Vadakara	406	453
Kannur	545	671
Payyannur	600	670
<b>Total</b>	<b>3663</b>	<b>4009</b>

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