

Press Release

OPENING OF NEW POST OFFICE PASSPORT SEVA KENDRAS IN THE SECOND PHASE

The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) and the Department of Posts (DOP) have decided to utilize the Head Post Offices (HPO)/ Post Offices in the country as Post Office Passport Seva Kendra (POPSK) for delivery of passport related services to the citizens of the country. The objective of this partnership is to extend passport related services on a larger scale and to ensure wider area coverage. In the first phase, it has been decided to open 86 POPSK in the country. 52 POPSK have become functional. MEA and DOP are working closely for the operationalization of passport related services at the remaining 34 POPSK in the first phase.

2. Following the successful functioning of these POPSK and the positive response received from the people, MEA and DOP have now decided to open another 149 POPSK at the following places to take the total number of POPSK to 235 in the country:

S.No.	State/UT	Place	Total
1	Andhra Pradesh	Anantpur, Chittoor, Guntur, Krishna, Ongole, Rajamundry, Srikakulam	7
2	Arunachal Pradesh	Changlang, Tirap	2
3	Assam	Dhubri, Dibrugarh, Goalpara, Karbi Anglong, Kokrajhar, Mangaldoi, North Lakhim Pur, Sonitpur, Tinsukia	9
4	Bihar	Begusarai, Buxar, East Champaran, Gaya, Madhubani, Samastipur, Supaul, Munger, Navada	9
5	Chattisgarh	Durg, Rajnandgaon	2

6	Gujarat	Anand, Bharuch, Bhavnagar, Jamnagar, Junagarh, Kheda, Navsari, Valsad	8
7	Haryana	Bhiwani, Kaithal, Narnaul, Panipat, Rohtak, Sonipat, Yamunanagar	7
8	Himachal Pradesh	Kangra, Mandi, Una	3
9	J & K	Anantnag, Baramula, Kathua	3
10	Jharkhand	Bokaro, Hazaribagh, Medininagar	3
11	Karnataka	Bellary, Bidar, Raichur, Shivamogga, Tumakuru, Udipi, Vijayapur	7
12	Kerala	Chengannur, Idukki	2
13	Madhya Pradesh	Balaghat, Chhindwara, Dewas, Hoshangabad, Sehore, Sidhi, Ujjain, Betul, Shivni	9
14	Maharashtra	Ahmednagar, Jalna, Latur, Pandharpur, Sangli, Sindhudurg, Wardha, Navi Mumbai, Dombivali, Panvel, Nanded	11
15	Meghalaya	Baghmara, Tura	2
16	Odisha	Balasore, Berhampur, Bhawanipatna	3
17	Punjab	Moga, Sangrur, Tarn Taran, SBS Nagar (Nawan Shahr), Phagwara	5
18	Puducherry	Karaikal	1

19	Rajasthan	Ajmer, Churu, Dungarpur, Hanumangarh, Karauli-Dhaulpur, Nagaur, Sriganganagar, Alwar, Chittorgarh, Banswara, Pali	11
20	Tamil Nadu	Cuddalore, Dindigul, Namakkal, Perambalur, Pudukkottai, Ramanathapuram, Sivaganga, Tiruppur, Viluppuram, Virudhunagar, Kanyakumari(N)	11
21	Telangana	Adilabad, Medak, Khammam, Siddipet, Nalgonda	5
22	Uttarakhand	Pauri, Roorkee, Rudrapur	3
23	Uttar Pradesh	Aligarh, Amethi, Azamgarh, Bahraich, Ballia, Balrampur, Barabanki, Basti, Gonda, Jaunpur, Kushinagar, Mau, Sitapur, Muradabad, Pratapgarh, Rae Bareli, Rampur, Saharanpur, Unnao	19
24	West Bengal	Bardhaman, Barrackpore, Darjeeling, Malda	4
25	Delhi	Krishna Nagar, Lodhi Road, Saket	3
Total			149

3. The Ministry of External Affairs has opened 14 Passport Seva Laghu Kendras (PSLK) after May 2014 including all the North Eastern States. Two more PSLK at Siliguri in West Bengal and at Sholapur in Maharashtra are scheduled to be inaugurated shortly to take the total number of Passport Seva Kendras in the country to 93. With the addition of 235 POPSK, the total number of Passport Seva Kendras including POPSK to be added by the present Government for the benefit of the citizens would be 251.