

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2017
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2021

NEW PASSPORT SEVA KENDRAS

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Will the Minister of **External Affairs** be pleased to state :

the number of new Passport Seva Kendras opened during the last five years and the number of districts where Passport Seva Kendras are yet to be opened?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

[SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]

The Ministry of External Affairs in association with the Department of Posts decided in the January of 2017 to open Passport Seva Kendras at the Head Post Offices (HPO)/ Post Offices (PO) in the country called 'Post Office Passport Seva Kendra' (POPSK). Under this initiative 426 POPSK have been made operational in the country in last 5 years as on 30 June, 2021.

Opening of Passport Seva Kendras in the country is an ongoing activity and depends on various factors including distance from the Passport Kendras and volume of applications from a particular region.
