

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**DEMAND NO.12****Department of Posts**

A. The Budget allocations, net of recoveries and revenue receipts, are given below:

<i>(In crores of Rupees)</i>										
Major Head	Budget 2001-2002			Revised 2001-2002			Budget 2002-2003			
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	
Revenue	29.64	1432.54	1462.18	29.64	1356.95	1386.59	23.46	1106.95	1130.41	
Capital	105.36	-10.99	94.37	69.41	-10.99	58.42	126.54	-11.49	115.05	
Total	135.00	1421.55	1556.55	99.05	1345.96	1445.01	150.00	1095.46	1245.46	
Postal Services										
Revenue Section										
1. General Administration	3201	0.22	310.00	310.22	0.22	305.00	305.22	4.68	312.00	316.68
2. Postal Network	3201	16.75	2772.27	2789.02	18.00	2659.03	2677.03	7.53	2706.45	2713.98
3. Mail sorting	3201	...	430.00	430.00	...	415.00	415.00	...	425.00	425.00
4. Conveyance of mails	3201	...	390.00	390.00	...	395.52	395.52	...	398.85	398.85
5. Agency services	3201	0.32	141.00	141.32	0.32	150.00	150.32	...	151.50	151.50
6. Accounts & Audit	3201	...	90.00	90.00	...	85.35	85.35	...	86.80	86.80
7. Engineering	3201	5.35	61.00	66.35	4.40	63.05	67.45	0.20	66.05	66.25
8. Staff amenities	3201	...	36.00	36.00	...	40.00	40.00	...	42.00	42.00
9. Pensions	3201	...	835.00	835.00	...	875.00	875.00	...	892.00	892.00
10. Stationery & Printing	3201	...	71.00	71.00	...	68.00	68.00	...	71.00	71.00
11. Others	3201	3.19	48.73	51.92	2.89	53.50	56.39	9.25	55.30	64.55
12. Total Revenue Expenditure-Postal Services		25.83	5185.00	5210.83	25.83	5109.45	5135.28	21.66	5206.95	5228.61
13. Less Receipts	1201	...	-3752.46	-3752.46	...	-3752.50	-3752.50	...	-4100.00	-4100.00
14. Net		25.83	1432.54	1458.37	25.83	1356.95	1382.78	21.66	1106.95	1128.61
15. Lumpsum provision for projects/schemes for the benefit of North Eastern Region & Sikkim	2552	3.81	...	3.81	3.81	...	3.81	1.80	...	1.80
Capital Section										
1. Postal Network	5201	8.08	2.00	10.08	7.72	2.00	9.72	10.32	2.00	12.32
2. Administrative Offices	5201	1.72	...	1.72	1.62	...	1.62	5.00	...	5.00
3. Staff quarters	5201	7.07	...	7.07	7.05	...	7.05	6.25	...	6.25
4. Mech. & Modernisation	5201	77.19	...	77.19	46.02	...	46.02	91.53	...	91.53
5. Others	5201	0.85	0.01	0.86	0.85	0.01	0.86	0.24	0.01	0.25
6. North Eastern Areas	4552	10.45	...	10.45	6.15	...	6.15	13.20	...	13.20
7. Less-receipts and recoveries	5201	...	-13.00	-13.00	...	-13.00	-13.00	...	-13.50	-13.50
Capital Section (Net)		105.36	-10.99	94.37	69.41	-10.99	58.42	126.54	-11.49	115.05
Grand Total		135.00	1421.55	1556.55	99.05	1345.96	1445.01	150.00	1095.46	1245.46
C. Plan Outlay	Head of Dev	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total
Postal Services	13201	135.00	...	135.00	99.05	...	99.05	150.00	...	150.00

The Department of Posts, which is under the administrative control of the Ministry of Communications & IT, is responsible for the planning, development, expansion operations and maintenance of Postal Services in the country. It also discharges certain agency functions in respect of Small Saving schemes, Postal Life Insurance schemes etc., for other Departments of the Government. For the implementation of the various programmes and activities, the Department has a net work of 22 Postal circles, besides 5 Postal Training Centres and One Postal Staff College at Ghaziabad.

2. This Demand provides for the revenue as well as the

Capital expenditure of Postal Services. In the revenue section, the provision is for working expenses, which includes those on account of agency services, as well as expenditure relating to audit and Pensionary charges. The net deficit in the Revenue Section of the Postal services (i.e. gross expenditure less Postal earnings) is met by the General Revenue of the Government. In the Capital Section, provision is made for expenditure for completion of ongoing operative buildings and staff quarters, computerisation, purchase of mail motor vehicle, modernisation of Post Offices through upgradation of counter services, extension of electronic money transfer system, mechanisation of mail processing systems, etc.

3. The receipts in BE 2002-2003 are estimated at Rs.4100.00 crore against Rs.3752.46 crore in BE 2001-2002 and Rs.3752.50 crore in RE 2001-2002.

4. This year's Budget for expenditure provides for normal growth and expansion of Postal Services.

The major physical targets envisaged for 2002-2003 Plan Outlay are broadly -

- (i) Opening of 500 Panchayat Sanchar Seva Kendras.
- (ii) Opening of 275 Post Offices.
- (iii) Computerisation/Networking of 150 Post Offices, 10 Head Record Offices, 20 Registration Sorting Centers, 2 Circle Stamp Depots, 3 Postal Accounts Offices, 7 Circle Offices, 62 Customer Care Centres, 100 Speed Post Booking/Delivery Offices.

- (iv) Setting up of a National data centre.
- (v) Improving ergonomics of 100 post offices, mail offices and Speed Post Centres, each.
- (vi) Procurement of 7 mail motor vehicles.
- (vii) Establishment of 5 Express Parcel Post Centres and one International parcel post hub.
- (viii) Organisation of 25 district level philatelic exhibitions.
- (ix) Establishment of 400 points of sale terminals
- (x) Smart Cards two Lakhs.
- (xi) In-service training to 41000 Group 'C' officials, 100 Group 'A' officers and Computer training to 28000 officials.