

Union Minister for Communications inaugurates 6 renovated and modernised Post Offices in Madhya Pradesh; announces ₹111-crore National Postal Training Centre at Shivpuri

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Union Minister for Communications and Development of North Eastern Region and Member of Parliament from Guna, Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, during his official visit to Madhya Pradesh from 8th-11th January 2026, inaugurated 6 renovated Post Offices across the State and made several key announcements reflecting the Government's continued focus on strengthening postal infrastructure, capacity building and time-bound public service delivery.



Minister for Communications and DoNER, Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, at the function held at Katthamil, Shivpuri district of Madhya Pradesh

The Minister inaugurated Sub-Post Offices at **Kolaras, Jagatpura, Badarwas, Pichhore** and **Katthamil**, along with the **City Post Office**. These newly inaugurated and upgraded post offices are equipped with improved customer amenities and provide seamless access to a wide range of services of the Department of Posts, including mail and parcel delivery, savings and insurance schemes, digital services and financial inclusion initiatives. The new infrastructure is expected to significantly enhance operational efficiency and service outreach, especially in semi-urban and rural areas.

Addressing the gathering, He stated that the occasion marked not only the inauguration of modernised postal facilities but also a major policy announcement. He informed that the Department of Posts currently operates six Postal Training Centres—**Saharanpur, Vadodara, Mysuru, Guwahati, Madurai** and **Darbhanga**—which together train around 2,000 personnel annually and have so far imparted training to nearly 18,000 officials and employees.

The Union Minister announced the establishment of a **seventh National Postal Training Centre at Shivpuri** at an estimated cost of **₹111 crore**. He stated that the proposed centre would strengthen the postal training ecosystem and place Shivpuri alongside Saharanpur, Vadodara, Mysuru, Guwahati, Madurai and Darbhanga on the map of premier postal training institutions. Referring to the timely completion of the Gwalior airport project, the Minister set a target of completing the Shivpuri training centre within **8 to 12 months**, directing senior postal officials to expedite the execution. He further announced that the foundation stone would be laid during his next visit, followed by the inauguration within the stipulated timeframe.

During a programme held in Pichhore, Shivpuri district, the Union Minister also announced the names of two upcoming India Post services—**Speed Post 24** and **Speed Post 48**. These services will ensure guaranteed delivery within 24 hours and 48 hours respectively, establishing new benchmarks for fast, reliable and time-bound delivery across the postal network.



Foundation stone laying for a new Sub-Post Office at Pichhore in Shivpuri district, by the Union Minister of Communications.

On the same occasion, Shri Scindia inaugurated the renovated **Pichhore Sub-Post Office**, upgraded at a cost of **₹2 lakh**, and laid the foundation stone and performed the Bhoomi Pujan for a new Sub-Post Office building to be constructed at an estimated cost of **₹1.11 crore**.

The Department of Posts remains committed to modernising its infrastructure, leveraging technology to strengthen last-mile connectivity, promoting inclusive growth and supporting the Government's vision of responsive, accessible and efficient public service delivery.



Renovated Post Office Buildings at Katthamil & Kolaras in Madhya Pradesh

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