

स/No. 17-37/2025-GDS
 भारत सरकार/Government of India
 संचार मंत्रालय/Ministry of Communications
 डाक विभाग/Department of Posts
 (जीडीएस अनुभाग/GDS Section)

डाक भवन, संसद मार्ग,
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 दिनांक/Date : 31-12-2025

To

1. All the Chief Postmasters General
2. The GM, CEPT Bengaluru

Subject: GDS Online Engagement Schedule-I, January 2026 – Preparatory Exercise and timelines for online applications - reg.

Sir /Madam,

This is regarding the preparatory exercise to be carried out by Divisions and circles for GDS Online engagement, Schedule-I, January 2026, and timelines for submission of online applications in the GDS engagement portal.

2. In this context, following timelines for different activities related to current Schedule of GDS Online Engagement have been decided:

SI No	Activity	Timelines
1.	Vacancy capturing by the Division	05.01.2026 to 12.01.2026
2.	Approval of the vacancy captured by the Division by the Circle	12.01.2026 to 14.01.2026 (upto 1400 Hrs)
3.	Approval of vacancies by the Directorate	14.01.2026 (1400 Hrs onwards)
4.	Start and End Date for Online Registration by Applicants	20.01.2026 to 04.02.2026
5.	Date and Time for submission of online applications and fee payment	25.01.2026 to 05.02.2026 (23:00 hrs)
6.	Date for correction in the Application Form, including payment of online payment, if any.	08.02.2026 to 10.02.2026 (23:00 hrs)
7.	Release of the first list (Tentative)	20.02.2026

3. For final vacancies notification, the following vacancies as on 31.12.2025, would be included/excluded by the Divisions (as also communicated vide this section email dated 26.12.2025) :

(A) To be Included: -

- (a) Vacancies arising between 01.01.2025 and 31.12.2025 due to

resignation, transfers, discharge, including voluntary discharge, termination/removal/dismissal on disciplinary grounds, promotion, long-term deputation (above six months) to IPPB & APS, etc.

(b) Unfilled vacancies of GDS Online Engagement Schedule, January 2025.

(c) Vacant BPM posts of all Branch Post Offices.

(B) To be excluded: -

(a) Post of ABPM/Dak Sevak found to be non-justified as per existing instructions, except for posts of ABPM/Dak Sevak in unbanked villages /LWE area.

(b) Posts declared surplus or proposals for declaring surplus already submitted.

(c) Vacancies caused due to the death of the GDS (which are to be kept reserved for compassionate engagement only)

(d) Vacancies in pipeline due to Verification Report pending from (i) Board of High School and Intermediate Education, Uttar Pradesh (Allahabad Board), (ii) West Bengal Council of Rabindra Open School, West Bengal, (iii) Bihar Open School Education and Examination Board, Patna.

4. Therefore, Circles are requested to adhere to the strict timelines kept for completing the preparatory exercise and freezing the vacancies under the **GDS Roster Management** under APT 2.0. The CEPT is requested to open portal for vacancy capturing and registration/ online applications submission in GDS online engagement Portal as per the above timelines.

5. A certificate by the Circles and Divisions regarding completion of the above preparatory works, along with total notified vacancies to be uploaded in the Portal.

This issues with the approval of the Secretary (Posts).

भवदीय/Yours faithfully

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3. Dy. Manager, CEPT Chennai.

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Annexure-A

(Annexure-I of letter no 17-37/2025-GDS date 07-01-2026)

Name of Circle	Final Vacancies to be notified in Schedule-I, Jan-26
Andhra Pradesh	1060
Assam	639
Bihar	1347
Chhattisgarh	1155
Delhi	42
Gujarat	1830
Haryana	270
Himachal Pradesh	520
Jammu And Kashmir	267
Jharkhand	908
Karnataka	1023
Kerala	1691
Madhya Pradesh	2120
Maharashtra	3553
North East	1014
Orissa	1191
Punjab	262
Rajasthan	634
Tamilnadu	2009
Telangana	609
Uttar Pradesh	3169
Uttarakhand	445
West Bengal	2982
Total	28740

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Tentative Vacancies of GDS under West Begnal Circle (31.12.2025) : Approved by the Dte. and resultant adjustment of vacancies to be filled in the APT 2.0 for online GDS engagement Schedule-I of January-2026

Name of the Division/ Unit	Tentative Vacancies of BPM	Justified vacancies of (Except Unbanked Villages and LWE area)		Vacancies of Unbanked Villages and LWE area		Tentative Vacancy as on 31.12.2025 reported by the Regions/ Divisions/ Units	Total Regional vacancies	Region/ Division- wise vacancies to be reduced	Total proportionate vacancies approved by the Dte. vide letter No. 17-37/2025- GDS dated 07.01.25
		ABPM	Dak Sewak	ABPM	Dak Sewak				
Kolkata GPO	0	0	0	0	0	0			
East Kolkata	1	1	8	0	0	10			
North Kolkata	0	0	0	0	0	0			
South Kolkata	0	0	9	0	0	9			
Barrackpore	6	15	22	0	0	43			
Birbhum	78	54	32	98	10	272			
Barasat	74	201	31	0	0	306			
Nadia North	36	59	23	0	0	118			
Nadia South	39	63	21	0	0	123			
Murshidabad	76	110	11	56	18	271			
Baruipur	110	205	24	0	0	339			
Central Kolkata	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Asansol	14	12	5	18	3	52			
Bankura	76	87	16	36	1	216			
Burdwan	74	59	10	74	3	220			
Contai	51	101	12	0	0	164			
Howrah	46	85	16	0	0	147			
Midnapore	90	220	18	0	0	328			
North Hooghly	36	66	16	0	0	118			
South Hooghly	8	36	11	0	0	55			
Purulia	55	93	8	0	0	156			
Tamluk	42	62	16	14	0	134			
Coochbehar	38	46	6	0	0	90			
Darjeeling	21	4	4	46	5	80			
Dakshin Dinajpur	18	12	0	29	8	67			
Jalpaiguri	39	52	17	0	0	108			
Malda	34	64	9	0	0	107			
RMS SG	0	0	3	0	0	3			
Uttar Dinajpur	17	30	5	13	0	65			
A & N Islands	8	10	20	14	0	52	52	11	41
Sikkim	27	61	2	0	0	90	90	20	70
Kolkata RMS	0	0	10	0	0	10	10	2	8
RMS H	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
Kolkata AP Stg	0	0	7	0	0	7	7	1	6
RMS SB	0	0	4	0	0	4	4	1	3
RMS WB	0	0	28	0	0	28	28	6	22
Circle Total	1114	1808	425	398	48	3793	3793	811	2982

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