

20-1/2017-D-Part(1)
Government of India
Ministry of Communications
Department of Posts
Mail Operations Division

Dak Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 05.08.2026

To

The CPMsG
(All Circles)

Subject: Extension of Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Scheme to Branch Offices (BOs) – reg.

This is in continuation of this Division's letter of even number dated 25.06.2025 regarding the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Scheme (Copy enclosed).

2. It has been decided to extend the existing BYOD Scheme to BPMs, ABPMs and other eligible delivery staff working from Branch Offices, wherever smartphones have not been provided by India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) or the Department. Such officials shall be permitted to use their own android smartphones for official work under the BYOD Scheme, subject to the eligibility conditions, device specifications and other guidelines issued by the Department from time to time.

3. Eligible Branch Office staff enrolled under the BYOD Scheme shall be entitled to a monthly reimbursement of **Rs. 500 comprising (Rs. 300 towards smartphone usage and Rs. 200 towards Data/Voice/SMS charges)**, subject to fulfilment of the eligibility criteria and other conditions prescribed under the BYOD Scheme. Under this arrangement, the applicable BYOD reimbursement shall be paid directly by India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) into the IPPB Savings Accounts of the eligible end users. In any case, reimbursement under the BYOD Scheme in respect of Branch Office staff shall not be processed by the Department.

4. In respect of the existing BYOD Scheme applicable to Departmental Offices / Delivery Centres, the expenditure towards reimbursement shall continue to be booked under EPO-OE, HOA: 3201-02-101-01-01-13.

5. It has been brought to the notice of this Division by various Postal Circles that reimbursement under the existing BYOD Scheme is not being processed, as the option for booking expenditure under the above Head of Account is presently not available in APT 2.0. CEPT is, therefore, requested to examine the matter and make the necessary provision in APT 2.0 to enable booking and timely processing of BYOD reimbursement under the aforesaid Head of Account on priority basis.

6. Circles are requested to ensure that all matters relating to payment of monthly reimbursement and implementation of BYOD Scheme in respect of Branch

Office staff shall be taken up with the IPPB and PBI Division. However, the implementation of the BYOD Scheme in Departmental Post Offices/Delivery Centers shall continue to be governed by the existing instructions issued by the Mail Operations Division.

7. All other provisions of this Division's letter of even number dated 25.06.2025, including the eligibility criteria, reimbursement conditions, minimum device specifications, reporting requirements and other operational guidelines, shall remain unchanged and shall continue to apply until further orders.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Encl: As above


5/8/26
(Hariom Sharma)
ADG (Mail Operations)

Copy To:

- (i) **GM (CEPT)**- For necessary action on point 5.
- (ii) **ADG (PBI)**- For information and necessary action.
- (iii) **MD & CEO, IPPB** -For information and necessary action.