

CHAPTER-VII

POST & TELECOMMUNICATIONS

HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ The share of communication sector in the total Gross Domestic Product increased from 0.3% in 1950-51 to 5.7% in 2007-08 at 1999-2000 prices.
- ❖ Gross Capital Formation (GCF) which was 1.3% of the total GCF in 1950-51 increased to 5.6% in 2007-08 at constant prices.
- ❖ The number of Post Offices increased from 25 thousand in 1940-41 to 155 thousand in 2006-07.
- ❖ The number of Inland Money Orders increased from 4.3 crore in 1940-41 to 12.9 crore in 1984-85 and then declined to 9.9 crore in 2006-07.
- ❖ The amount of deposits in Post Office Saving Banks increased from Rs. 97 crore in 1950-51 to Rs. 35,958 crore in 2006-07.
- ❖ The teledensity i.e., the number of telephones per 100 population increased from 0.02 in 1950-51 to 35.65 in 2009.
- ❖ The number of telephones per square Kilometer went up to 125.88 in 2009 from 0.03 in 1950-51.