

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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RECRUITMENTS IN ARMY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the current percentage of recruitable male population of Jammu & Kashmir for recruitment to the Army;
- (b) the intake in the Army from the State during 2003 and 2004;
- (c) whether any specific recruitment drives were launched for intake of Jawans in the Army from the State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) The Recruitable Male Population (RMP) factor of Jammu & Kashmir based on 2001 decadal census is 1% of the total RMP factor of the country.
- (b) The intake in the Army from Jammu & Kashmir in the year 2002- 2003 and 2003-2004 was 4266 and 3261 respectively.
- (c) & (d): Recruitment in the Army is conducted through open rally system covering all districts of the country including Jammu & Kashmir at least once in a year. Every male citizen of the country irrespective of their caste, class, creed, religion and region is eligible for recruitment in the Army, provided he meets the physical, educational, medical and other laid down criteria.