

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF MANPOWER IN AAI  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is an acute shortage of Communication, Navigation and Surveillance personnel in the Airports Authority of India which is affecting its day-to-day functioning;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken to fill the vacancies?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a),(b)&(c): The sanctioned strength of CNS discipline in Airports Authority of India (AAI) is 3249. Against this 1849 personnel are in position. There has been some delay in the recruitment process due to administrative reasons. However, suitable measures have been taken, like deployment of personnel for permissible extra duties, as per rules, to meet the shortfall in manpower for day to day functioning. From 2007 to 2010, the vacant posts filled by Direct Recruitment (DR) and Departmental Promotion (DP) in respective order is 2007 - 83, 426; in 2008 - 80, 664; In 2009 - Nil, 51; and in 2010 - 87, Nil. Further, AAI has taken steps to fill the vacant posts by direct recruitment /promotions. Recruitment action is in process for 196 posts at Manager level, 164 posts at Junior Executive level and 250 posts at Non-executive level.