

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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VACANT POST OF SURVEYOR GENERAL
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the post of Surveyor General is vacant in Survey of India;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government to fill up the vacant posts?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF EARTH SCIENCES; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c): No eligible candidate was available for appointment by promotion or on deputation. Therefore, Government decided to make the appointment through direct recruitment. Now Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) has carried out the interview and recommended a candidate for the post of Surveyor General and proposal for his appointment has been sent to Appointments Committee of the Cabinet for approval. At present, the charge of the post of Surveyor General of India is being held by Secretary, Department of Science and Technology.