

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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SHORTAGE OF MANPOWER IN ARMED FORCES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the present shortage of manpower in the armed forces, Service-wise;
- (b) the steps taken to meet the shortage;
- (c) the number of youths who joined the forces during the last three years, Service-wise;
- (d) the number of personnel seeking pre-mature retirement from the forces during the last three years and the current year and the reasons therefor;
- (e) the remedial steps taken to check pre-mature retirements; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to encourage the youngsters to join the armed forces?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.