

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SPACE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1836  
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SHORTAGE OF SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS  
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**Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of scientists and engineers in position, vis-a-vis sanctioned strength in the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO);
- (b) whether there is any shortage of engineers/scientists in ISRO;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to meet the shortage of scientists and engineers in ISRO?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY):

- (a) The number of Scientists and Engineers, in position, as on 30th June 2011, is 6782 as against sanctioned strength of 7012.
- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) As on June 30, 2011, ISRO has shortage of 230 Scientists and Engineers.
- (d) The existing vacancies will be filled through induction of first batch of graduates from Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram and ISRO's centralized recruitment process during the current year.