

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3395

ANSWERED ON:18.03.2013

RECRUITMENT IN ARMY

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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the vacancies in the armed forces are distributed amongst States on a proportionate basis;
- (b) whether the Government give relaxations in age and qualification for recruitment in certain States as soldier in the Indian Army;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Jammu & Kashmir;
- (d) the State-wise details of army recruitment centres in the country;
- (e) the details of number of recruitments made both for men and women in the army including from rural / backward / tribal areas during each of the last three years and the current year, centre-wise and gender-wise;
- (f) whether the Government proposes to conduct army recruitment rallies in the country; (g) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and (h) the steps taken / proposed to be taken by the Government to recruit people from rural / backward / tribal areas of the country including Uttar Pradesh?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (h): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (h) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3395 FOR ANSWER ON 18.03.2013

(a) In the Armed Forces, officers are recruited on the basis of all India open competitive examinations.

Recruitment of Other Ranks (ORs) in Army is based on Recruitable Male Population (RMP) of the States/Union Territories(UTs). In Navy, recruitment of Sailors is carried out on 'All India basis' on state-wise merit of the eligible RMP as per the number of vacancies available. In case of Artificer Apprentice Sailors entry, the recruitment is carried out on the basis of 'All India Merit'. In Air Force, selection of Airmen (ORs) is carried out through a centralized system through centralized selection tests on All India basis.

(b) & (c): Dispensation in education is given for enrolment in Soldier (General Duty) and Tradesmen category to persons hailing from backward and remote areas/regions lacking adequate educational facilities and lower literacy levels including from specific areas of Jammu & Kashmir. Details are annexed (Annexure-I).

(d) Details of Recruitment Centres of Army, State-wise, are annexed (Annexure-II).

(e) Officers are recruited on all India basis through open competitive examinations. Women are inducted as officers. Details of officers (men and women) commissioned in the Army during last three years and the current year (excluding Army Medical Corps, Army Dental Corps and Military Nursing Service) are as under:

Year	Women Officers	Men Officers	Total
2010	93	1395	1488
2011	164	1616	1780

2012            157            1878            2035

2013    No officer has been commissioned till 15.3.2013.

Recruitment of ORs in Army is carried out through Open Rally System from amongst eligible male candidates based on Recruitable Male Population of the State/UTs. Recruitment of ORs in the Army including from rural/backward/tribal areas during last three years and the current year are as under:

Recruitment year    Number of ORs recruited

2009-10            57316

2010-11            61269

2011-12            58421

2012-13            48356  
(upto 31.12.2012)

(f) to (h): Recruitment of Other Ranks in Army is carried out through Open Recruitment Rally System which is a continuous/ongoing process and efforts are made to cover each district of the country at least once in a recruitment year including rural / backward / tribal areas, through these rallies including Uttar Pradesh. As such, all the aspirants have equitable opportunities to attend and get enrolled in Army.