

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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VACANT POSTS IN DRDO
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of posts of scientists vacant in Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) at present;
- (b) the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government to fill up the vacant posts?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): As on 31st March 2013, a total of 211 posts of scientists were vacant in Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). These vacancies have arisen due to superannuations, resignations, and voluntary retirements of the scientists. Vacancies are filled on the basis of current as well as potential requirements in the projects / programmes.

(c) Regular recruitments through Advertisements, Campus Recruitments from Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), Indian Institute of Sciences (IISc) & National Institutes of Technology (NITs), Registration of Students with Scholastic Aptitude (ROSSA) Scheme, Non Resident Indians (NRIs) Scheme and Lateral Entry, etc. are carried out as per the requirements to fill the existing vacancies. Recruitment process for the 88 posts of Scientist 'B' is in the final stage.