

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3926
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RECRUITMENT OF RURAL WOMEN IN ARMY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the government encourages rural women including those of Maharashtra to join army;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether any recruitment drive for women has been undertaken in rural areas;and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): Women are inducted as officers in the Army. They are selected on All Indian Merit basis. No State-wise quota exists for selection of candidates in officers cadre in the Army.