

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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VACANT POSTS IN ASI
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of senior level posts in the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) are lying vacant;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor including the dates from which these posts have been lying vacant;
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to fill these vacancies; and
- (d) the time by which the vacant posts are likely to be filled up?

Answer

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SMT. CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

(a) to (d) Yes Madam. The existing post of Director General, one post each of ADG (Archaeology) (w.e.f. 31.06.2011) and ADG (Administration) (w.e.f. 25.05.2013) one post each of Director (Epigraphy) - Sanskrit and Dravidian Inscriptions (w.e.f. 01.10.2006) and Arabic and Persian Inscription (w.e.f. 26.05.2006) and the newly created 18 posts of Joint Director Generals and 04 posts of Additional Director Generals are lying vacant. The newly created posts of Additional Director General and Joint Director Generals will be filled up after finalization of Recruitment Rules which is in process. The posts of Directors (Epigraphy) could not be filled up due to lack of qualifying service of concerned officials in the respective grade.

As regards the existing posts of Director General, Additional Director General (Archaeology) and Additional Director General (Administration) the process is underway and these posts are likely to be filled up soon.