

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1624  
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2013  
WOMEN IN ARMED FORCES  
Mahato Shri Narahari; Tirkey Shri Manohar

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

- (a) the actual strength of women personnel in the three Services of the armed forces including its ratio to male officers;
- (b) the details of women officers recruited during each of the last three years, category-wise and State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to induct women officers in the armed forces for the combat duties and if so, the details thereof indicating the steps taken / being taken in this regard;
- (d) whether any policy has been framed on induction and employment of women in the armed forces including the status of grant of Permanent Commission to women officers; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) to (e): A Statement is attached.