

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2294
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STRENGTH OF CAPF
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total strength of personnel in the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) gender, rank and force-wise;
- (b) whether there is shortage of personnel in the CAPF and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the number of such personnel in the CAPF in view of increase in terrorist activities and naxalite violence in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJU)

(a): As intimated by Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and Assam Rifles (AR), the total strength and shortage of personnel as on 31.01.2015 in the CAPFs and AR, gender, rank and force-wise is as under:-

FORCE AUTHORISED STRENGTH				VACANT POSTS			
GOs	SOs	ORs	Total	GOs	SOs	ORs	Total
CRPF	4,997	39,123	2,59,415	3,03,535	572	1,406	14,732
BSF	5,034	34,341	2,12,684	2,52,059	186	1,014	24,549
CISF	1,506	24,789	1,15,047	141,342	37	0	5,700
ITBP	2,095	12,680	74,663	89,438	112	0	3,101
SSB	2,061	12,044	77,129	91,234	38	31	7,894
AR	1,269	4,603	60,540	66,412	22	0	22
Total	16,962	1,27,580	7,99,478	9,44,020	967	2,451	55,976

GOs : Gazetted Officers, SOs : Subordinate Officers, ORs : Other Ranks

No strength is separately sanctioned for Women. However, as per this Ministry UO No. 45017/14/ 2010-Pers.I dated 31.05.2011, the CAPFs are to bring the percentage of women in the Forces to 5% within the next three years. At present, the total number of woman personnel posted in CAPFs & AR is under :-

Name of the Force Posted Strength
of women

CRPF	6,138
BSF	3,528
CISF	6,264
ITBP	1,393
SSB	1,184
AR	484
Total	18,991

(b) & (c): The vacancies are arisen out of retirements, resignations, new raising etc, which is a routine ongoing administrative process. Timely action is taken to fill up the vacancies by direct recruitment, by promotion or by deputation as per the Recruitment Rules. The vacancies remained unfilled due to any reason including non-joining of the candidates selected for the post are carried forward to the next vacancy year in the same category.

Further, augmentation of the CAPFs is done by the Government from time to time as per the administrative & operational requirement of the Forces.