

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1357
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SHORTAGE OF MANPOWER
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an acute shortage of manpower in the armed forces and if so, the details thereof, service, category and rank-wise vis-a-vis the number of cadets passing out from the various academies every year;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study to find out the reasons for the shortage and if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken by the Government to overcome the shortage;
- (c) whether a number of personnel have sought pre-mature retirement from the services and if so, the details thereof including the number of personnel who were relieved during the last three years and the current year;
- (d) whether the Government has taken special measures to attract youngsters to join the defence forces and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other measures being taken / proposed to be taken by the Government to fill up the vacant posts in all the services of the armed forces?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

- (a) to (e): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.