

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3794**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21st DECEMBER, 2021/AGRAHAYANA 30,1943 (SAKA)

SHORTAGE OF PERSONNEL IN NCB

3794. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the huge shortage of personnel in the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the adverse impact on the speedy disposal of cases due to staff shortage;

(c) whether any steps are being taken to create additional posts in the NCB and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the corrective measures, if any, taken to improve the technical competence of the NCB personnel and acquaint them with latest surveillance and investigation techniques; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a) to (c): NCB is a premier Drug Law Enforcement Agency in the country with the mandate for enforcement of the NDPS Act, collection of intelligence and co-ordination among various Drug Law Enforcement agencies. At present, the NCB is headquartered at New Delhi, having 13 zonal offices and 12 sub-zonal offices, across the country. The officers/staff are placed at different field formations, as per the requirement. Assessing requirement of personnel for a Government

organization is a continuous process and is taken up from time to time. NCB is taking all necessary steps to ensure that all cases are disposed of in time.

(d): In-house training on crypto currency, dark-net, digital surveillance, cyber crime information, cyber crime forensics, digital forensics are being organized to improve the technical competence of NCB personnel and acquaint them with latest surveillance and investigation techniques. Officials of NCB are also being nominated for various technical courses conducted by other training institutions like the Central Bureau of Investigation Academy, Central Detective Training School, Central Academy for Police Training, National Forensic Sciences University, United Nations Office on Drugs & Crime.

(e): The details of training conducted in the last 03 years are as follows:-

Year	2019	2020	2021 (upto 30th Nov)
No. of training courses conducted	24	20	24
No. of officials trained	85	149	197
