GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2102
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15th MARCH, 2021

VACANT POSTIONS IN THE ARMY

2102 SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total vacancy for positions of Officers, Junior Commissioned Officers (JCO), etc, in the Army, as on March 2021;

(b) the total intake planned for the current year through the Short Service Commission (SSC) recruitment; and

(c) the total percentage of women in the Army, Navy and Air Force, individually, as of March 2021?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK

(a) The details of Army Personnel (Authorized & Held Strength) is as under:

Sl. No.	Category	Authorized (As on 31.03.2020)	Held (As on 01.07.2020
1.	Officers (Excluding AMC/ADC)*	50806	42959
2.	Officers (AMC/ADC)	5736	6608
3.	Nursing Officers	4389$	3841
4.	JCOs/Ors	1229559@	1151726^

*AMC-Army Medical Corps
ADC-Army Dental Corps
$ Nursing Officers Authorized Status as on 01.01.2021
@ Including footnotes (17000) & First Line reinforcement (14000) in JCOs/OR
^Including 1516 APS (Non-Regular) JCOs/OR

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(b) The total intake planned for the current year through the Short Service Commission (SSC) recruitment is as under:-

i.	Army	:	880
ii	Navy	:	371
iii	Air Force	:	281

(c) The total percentage of women in the Army, Navy and Air Force, individually, as of March, 2021 is as under:-

i.	Army	:	0.57
ii	Navy	:	6.96*
iii	Air Force	:	13.26** (excluding Women Officers in Medical and Dental Branch)

*It includes the Officer Cadre of Indian Navy only

**Women in the IAF are recruited only in the Officers Cadre.

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