

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2442
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08th August, 2022

NUMBER OF VACANCIES IN THE INDIAN ARMY

2442 SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of vacancies in the Indian Army in the grade of jawan in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 as on date;
- (b) the details of vacancies filled up during 2019 to till date, year-wise; and
- (c) the details of advertisement issued for recruitment of jawans in the Indian Army in 2022 till date?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

- (a): On an average, 60,000 vacancies occur for recruitment in all three Services every year, out of which, approximately 50,000 vacancies are for Army. Due to suspension of recruitment rallies from last two years due to COVID-19, there is a shortfall of 1,08,685 jawans in Indian Army at present. With the improvement in COVID-19 situation and the start of process of recruitment, these vacancies are expected to come down in coming years.
- (b): The number of candidates enrolled since 2019 in Indian Army as jawans is as under:-

Recruiting year	Number of persons recruited
2018-19	53,431
2019-20	80,572
2020-21	12,091*
2021-22	Nil*

*The recruitment process for the recruiting years 2020-21 and 2021-22 was suspended due to COVID-19 pandemic.

- (c): Recruitment publicity is undertaken through print, electronic and social media in English, Hindi and vernacular languages and by organizing Outreach programs in educational institutions. In addition, details are also hosted on recruitment website (www.joinindianarmy.nic.in).
