

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.1621
ANSWERED ON 15.03.2023**

**CATEGORY-WISE VACANCY AND APPOINTMENTS IN CENTRALLY FUNDED
UNIVERSITIES AND INSTITUTIONS**

1621 SHRI ABDUL WAHAB:

Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of unfilled academic and non-academic positions at central universities and institutions funded by Government, grade-wise;
- (b) the number of appointments made from reserved categories, grade-wise in centrally funded institutions and universities in the last five years;
- (c) what are the major reasons for the delay in filling the vacant positions; and
- (d) whether it is also a fact that many appointments have been done without considering academic and other merits?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) & (b) As per the data available in the records of the Ministry, 13791 academic and 25918 non-academic posts are vacant in Central Higher Educational Institutions (CHEIs) under Ministry of Education. 9526 faculty/non-faculty appointments have been made in centrally funded institutions and central universities in various grades for reserved categories in the last five years.

(c) & (d) Occurring of vacancies and filling thereof is a continuous process. The vacancies arise due to retirement, resignation and additional requirements on account of enhanced students' strength. The institutions are adopting various measures to address faculty shortages in order to ensure that studies of students are not affected, which inter-alia, include engaging research scholars, contract, re-employed, adjunct and visiting faculty. The Ministry continuously monitors it with CHEIs, however, the onus of filling up the posts lies on CHEIs which are autonomous bodies created under Acts of Parliament.
