## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

## RAJYA SABHA

### **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2936**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 27th March, 2023

#### RECRUITMENT IN INDIAN ARMY FROM THE STATE OF PUNJAB

#### 2936 SHRI RAGHAV CHADHA:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of steps taken by Government to train and assist youth from Punjab aspiring to join the Indian Army;
- (b) whether Government has set up institutions to train the youth aspiring to join the Indian Army;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) steps taken by Government to ensure greater recruitment in the Indian Army from the State of Punjab?

#### ANSWER

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

- (a): Local Military Authorities and Army Recruitment Offices undertake extensive outreach programmes and publicity to educate and inform youth about opportunities in Indian Army within their jurisdictions. These measures include Lectures/interaction in Schools and colleges, NCC camps and use of Print, Radio and Internet (including Social Media) to facilitate youth to join Indian Army.
- (b) & (c): The Government has set up NCC units as well as Rashtriya Indian Military College, Rashtriya Military Schools and Sainik Schools as feeder institutions for Indian Armed Forces.
- (d): Response of youth, Recruitment and Representation from Punjab has been proportionate to the demographic recruitment requirements of the state.

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