

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1167
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31st July, 2023
RESTRUCTURING THE DGQA

1167 SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Ministry restructuring Director General of Quality Assurance (DGQA) for quality assurance;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the Shekatkar Committee Report along with recommendations thereof in this regard;
- (d) whether National Productivity Council (NPC) report with respect to DGQA for restructuring which was done at the an approximate cost of ₹ 1.5. crore, has been kept in abeyance;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) if not, the timeline for implementation of National Productivity Council (NPC) Report?

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(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b): National Productivity Council (NPC) has been entrusted for “Organisational Study” with an objective to reform DGQA.
- (c): The recommendations of Shekatkar Committee pertaining to DGQA are as follows:
 - (i) Recommendation No. 43 (Review and Optimisation of DGQA Staff): - A phased reduction of ‘Non Tech’ Manpower in the DGQA of approximately 5000 personnel be carried out with the Administrative management of the Organisation vested centrally in the ADG (Pers) with authority to effect centralized decision-making and supported by a minimum ‘Non-Tech’ personnel in various Establishments.
 - (ii) Recommendation No. 169 (Streamlining of QA Organisation): - Towards greater efficiency, a dedicated Naval QA organization be re-structured from within the existing DGQA Organisation, either as an independent vertical within the DDP at the MoD (on the lines of DGAQA), or as an independent vertical within IHQ-MoD (N) (on the lines of DGNAI).
- (d): No, Sir. The NPC Report is under active consideration and has not been kept in abeyance. The study cost is ₹ 1.25 crore + GST.
- (e): Does not arise.
- (f): The NPC report has wide aspects and is under active consideration.
