

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH & EDUCATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2586
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11/08/2023

VACANCIES IN ICAR

2586. Shri Ryaga Krishnaiah:

Will the Minister of **Agriculture and Farmers Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that many scientists and technical posts are lying vacant in Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR);
- (b) if so, the details thereof including information of sanctioned posts against the actual strength in various grade of scientists and technical posts;
- (c) whether Government has taken steps to expedite the process of filling up of the vacant posts in ICAR; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(**SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR**)

(a) and (b): Out of total sanctioned strength of 6586 positions in scientific cadre in Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) 1674 are vacant. Likewise, out of the total sanctioned strength of 6376 in case of technical cadre 2724 are vacant. Cadre and category wise details are as under:

Scientific Cadre

Name of Post	Sanctioned Posts	In- position	Vacancy
Scientist	4451	3690	761
Senior Scientist	1295	723	572
Principal Scientist (including Heads, Project Coordinators)	665	344	321
Research Management Positions	175	155	20
Total	6586	4912	1674

Technical cadre

Category	Sanctioned strength	In-position	Vacancy
Category-I	3622	2212	1410
Category-II	2427	1312	1115
Category-III	327	128	199
Total	6376	3652	2724

(c) and (d) : The recruitment is a continuous process and the vacancies are filled up through an established procedure through the Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board (ASRB) and other agencies as the case may be. The vacancy position is monitored regularly within ICAR and necessary steps have already been initiated to fill up the vacant posts expeditiously.
