

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Backlog OBC and SC, ST vacancies in Universities

512 # Shri Ram Nath Thakur:

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

- (a) the year-wise and University-wise details of the vacancies of Associate Professor and Professor filled under the Economically Weaker Section (EWS) reservation quota by various Central Universities so far since the passing of the law in 2019 in this regard;
- (b) the post-wise, University-wise details of backlog OBC and SC, ST vacancies filled in these Universities during the last five years;
- (c) the details of post-wise University vacancies of General and Backlog OBC and SC, ST categories; and
- (d) the reasons for not filling backlog vacancies under OBC and SC, ST and EWS reservation quota?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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(a) to (d) The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Teachers Cadre) Act, 2019 has been notified on 09.07.2019 which provides for reservation of posts in direct recruitment for persons belonging to Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs), Other Backward Classes (OBCs), and Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) in the Teacher's Cadre of Central Educational Institutions established, maintained, or aided by the Central Government. This Act removes the difficulty regarding the reservation of posts in appointment by treating University/Central Educational Institution as a cadre or unit for the purpose of reservation instead of individual departments. In line with section 3 (1) of this Act, a notification dated 12.07.2019 has been issued by Ministry of Education which specifies that there shall be reservation of posts in direct recruitment out of the sanctioned strength in teachers' cadre in a

Central Educational institution in the manner specified in Office Memorandum No 36039/1/2019-Estt/(Res) of the Department of Personnel and Training, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, dated 31st January, 2019 to the extent as follows, namely :-

- a. Fifteen per cent. for Schedules Castes;
- b. Seven and one-half per cent. for Scheduled Tribes;
- c. Twenty Seven per cent. for socially and educationally backward classes; and
- d. Ten per cent. for economically weaker sections.

Occurrence of vacancies and filling thereof is a continuous process. The vacancies arise due to retirement, resignation and additional requirement on account of enhanced students' strength. The onus of filling up of the post lies with the central universities which are autonomous bodies created under Acts of Parliament. As on date more than 6420 faculty position have been filled since September, 2022 through special recruitment drives out of which 920 positions are filled by Scheduled Caste (SCs), 457 by scheduled tribe (STs), 1502 by Other Backward Classes (OBCs), 339 by Economically Weaker section (EWS) and 181 by Person with Benchmark Disability (PWBDs). Central Universities have been directed to fill up vacancies through regular recruitment drives in Mission mode.
