

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

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**Action plan for filling vacant posts**

**1147 # Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:**

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

- (a) the number of posts of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor level that are sanctioned for OBC, SC, ST candidates in Central Universities;
- (b) the number of posts that are vacant out of the said posts and the number of posts on which guest teachers have been appointed, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action plan made by Government to fill the said vacant posts, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)**

(a) to (c): Central Universities under the purview of Ministry of Education are statutory autonomous organizations established under respective Central Acts of Parliament and governed by provisions of the Acts, Statutes, Ordinances, Regulations made thereunder. As informed by the University Grants Commission, there are total 18951 sanctioned teaching posts in Central Universities. To address the shortage of teachers, guest faculty are engaged in Central Universities on need basis as short term arrangement. 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 onus of filling up the posts lies on the Central Universities (CUs). Ministry of Education and University Grants Commission (UGC) regularly monitor the institutions and the Central Universities have been directed to fill up the vacancies in regular mode. Through special recruitment drives more than 8150 teaching positions have been filled in the Central Universities including 1112 SC posts, 544 ST posts and 1867 OBC posts.

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