

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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(DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL & TRAINING)

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3321**  
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**RECRUITMENT OF OFFICERS THROUGH LATERAL ENTRY**

#3321. **SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN:**

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the recruitment of officers in the Central Government through lateral entry in the last five years;
- (b) whether reservation pattern has been followed in this recruitment;
- (c) the names of the Ministries where the officers employed through lateral entry are working and on which posts; and
- (d) the deployment-wise details of the officers employed through lateral entry from the General, OBC, Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe categories?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES  
AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE  
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(a) to (d): So far 63 appointments have been made at the level of Joint Secretary/Director /Deputy Secretary on contract/deputation basis into various Government Departments through lateral entry since 2018 in three cycles (2018, 2021 & 2023). These appointments have been made for specific assignments, keeping in view their specialized knowledge and expertise in the domain area. Since, each of these appointments has been made against single post cadre, reservation is not applicable in view of the Hon'ble Supreme Court judgement in the case titled '*PGIMER, Chandigarh Vs. Faculty Association and Ors*' and accordingly category wise data of the appointed officers has not been maintained. Presently, 43 officers are in position in various Ministries/Departments. The details of Ministries/Departments where these officers were/are appointed/working are at **Annexure**.

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**List of 63 candidates appointed through Lateral Entry in three cycles since its inception in 2018:**

**2018 Cycle:**

S.No.	Post	Ministry/ Department
1	Joint Secretary	Commerce
2	Joint Secretary	Civil Aviation
3	Joint Secretary	Economic Affairs
4	Joint Secretary	Environment, Forest and Climate Change
5	Joint Secretary	Financial Services
6	Joint Secretary	New and Renewable Energy
7	Joint Secretary	Road Transport and Highways
8	Joint Secretary	Ports, Shipping and Waterways

**2021 Cycle:**

S.No.	Post	Ministry/ Department
1	Joint Secretary (TPRU)	Revenue
2	Joint Secretary (RFS)	Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
3	Joint Secretary	Commerce
4	Director (Innovation in education Entrepreneurship)	Skill Development & Entrepreneurship
5	Director (Maternal Health Issues)	Health & Family Welfare
6	Director (Water Management)	Jal Shakti
7	Director (EduTech)	Higher Education
8	Director (Logistics)	Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade
9	Director (ICT)	School Education & Literacy
10	Director (Digital Economy and Fintech)	Economic Affairs
11	Director (Cyber Security in Financial Sector)	Economic Affairs
12	Director (Warehouse Expertise)	Food & Public Distribution
13	Director (Cyber laws)	Legal Affairs
14	Director (Insurance)	Financial Services
15	Director (Agriculture Marketing)	Agriculture and Family Welfare
16	Director (Arbitration and Conciliation)	Legal Affairs
17	Director (Financial Market)	Economic Affairs

18	Director (Exports Marketing)	Commerce
19	Director (Banking)	Financial Services
20	Director (New Technology for Highway Development)	Road Transport & Highways
21	Director (Media Management)	School Education & Literacy
22	Deputy Secretary (Sagarmala and PPP)	Ports, Shipping and Waterways
23	Deputy Secretary (Electricity Distribution)	Power
24	Deputy Secretary (Information Technologies)	Statistics and Programme Implementation
25	Deputy Secretary (Manufacturing sector)	Heavy Industry
26	Deputy Secretary (IBC)	Corporate Affairs
27	Deputy Secretary	Steel
28	Deputy Secretary (Mining Legislation and Policy)	Mines
29	Deputy Secretary (Environment policy)	Environment, Forest and Climate Change
30	Deputy Secretary (Foundational Literacy and Numeracy Mission)	School Education & Literacy

### 2023 Cycle:

S.No.	Post	Ministry/ Department
1	Joint Secretary (Civil Aviation)	Ministry of Civil Aviation
2	Joint Secretary (Arbitration & Conciliation)	Department of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Law and Justice
3	Joint Secretary (Banking, Insurance & Pension)	Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance
4	Director (Logistics)	Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
5	Director (IPR/Copyrights)	Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce & Industry
6	Director (Storage Technologies)	Ministry of Power
7	Director (Crops)	Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
8	Director (Energy Markets)	Ministry of Power

9	Director (Database Design)	Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation
10	Director (Urban Planning)	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
11	Director (ICT Edu)	Department of School Education & Literacy
12	Director (Adolescent Health)	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
13	Director (Rural Livelihood)	Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development
14	Director (Chemical Engineering)	Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals
15	Director (Digital Economy & Fin Tech)	Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance
16	Director (Application Development)	Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation
17	Director (Pharma & Medical Device)	Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
18	Director (Information Technology)	Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
19	Deputy Secretary (Policy, Promotion & Outreach)	Department of Higher Education
20	Deputy Secretary (Urban Health)	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
21	Deputy Secretary (Frontend web Design)	Ministry of Statistics & Programme Impementation
22	Deputy Secretary (AI/ML)	Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation
23	Deputy Secretary (Linux Based Server Manager)	Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation
24	Deputy Secretary (Manufacturing -Capital Goods)	Ministry of Heavy Industries
25	Deputy Secretary (Manufacturing -HEI)	Ministry of Heavy Industries

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