

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1348**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11TH FEBRUARY, 2026/ MAGHA 22, 1947 (SAKA)

MANPOWER VACANCIES IN CAPFS

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the sanctioned strength, present filled strength and the number of vacancies for each CAPF;

(b) what is the position of actual funds released vs required/demanded funds for CAPF modernisation projects in the last five years; and

(c) the timeline to clear the identified manpower and capital shortfalls and whether a contingency fund has been created to meet urgent CAPF operational needs?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a): The sanctioned strength, present filled strength, and number of vacancies for each Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs)& Assam Rifles(AR) as on 01.01.2026 are in Annexure -A:

(b) : Year-wise fund allocation for all CAPFs under the Modernization Plan in the last five years are in Annexure-B;

(c) : Filling up of vacancies is a continuous process. The Government has taken inter alia the following steps to fill up the vacancies expeditiously in CAPFs & AR;

- (i) Directions have been issued to all Central Armed Police Forces and Assam Rifles to undertake recruitment against vacant posts in Non-General Duty cadres in a time-bound manner.**
- (ii) Yearly recruitment for the post of Constable (General Duty) for which a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed with Staff Selection Commission (SSC).**
- (iii) For coordinating recruitment to General Duty posts, a Nodal Force for recruitment in the rank of Constable (General Duty), Sub-Inspector (GD) and Assistant Commandant (General Duty) has been nominated on long term basis.**
- (iv) Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) is being used during the conduct of Physical Standard Test (PST)/ Physical Efficiency Test (PET) for Constable (GD) and other direct recruitment examinations in CAPFs & AR.**
- (v) Regular conduct of meetings of Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) for filling up of promotional vacancies.**
- (vi) Time taken in the Medical Examination [(Detailed Medical Examination (DME)/Review Medical Examination (RME)] has been reduced to expedite the recruitment.**
- (vii) Cut off marks for short listing of candidates for Constable/GD has been lowered in order to get sufficient candidates (especially in categories where shortfalls have been observed).**

To create Capital Assets like Office Buildings, Residential Buildings, Land Acquisition etc., in CAPFs, AR & NSG, there is a Central Sector Scheme known as “Police infrastructure Scheme”. Under this scheme, for the 15th Finance Commission Cycle i.e from Financial Year 2021-22 to Financial Year 2025-26, the financial outlay is Rs.18,131.14 Crore.

Annexure-A

Forces	Sanctioned Strength	Present filled strength	Vacancies
AR	65,540	61,791	3,749
BSF	2,71,877	2,57,346	14,531
CISF	1,98,772	1,59,956	28,342
CRPF	3,30,818	3,03,418	27,400
ITBP	1,05,136	92,803	12,333
SSB	1,00,549	94,331	6,784
Total	10,72,692	9,69,645	93,139

Annexure-B

(Rs. in Crore)

Years	Budget Allocation
2021-22	281.51
2022-23	248.30
2023-24	202.27
2024-25	181.21
2025-26 (as on 31.01.2026)	352.92
Total	1,266.21
