

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3334**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20/03/2026

**VACANCIES IN NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND  
PANCHAYATI RAJ**

3334 Smt. Sagarika Ghose:

Will the Minister of Rural Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the sanctioned strength and filled up posts in National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj (NIRDPR), role-wise;
- (b) reasons for the delay in filling up of vacant posts, if any, and whether it has affected the effective functioning of the institution;
- (c) whether any interim full-time arrangements were enforced such as that recommended by the Parliamentary Committee; and
- (d) timeline for completion of recruitment for all vacancies?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI KAMLESH PASWAN)

(a): Sanctioned strength and filled up posts in National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR), role wise is enclosed at **Annexure I**.

(b) to (d): Filling up of posts in NIRD&PR has been affected due to revision of Recruitment Rules (RRs), merger of erstwhile Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) with the Institute, and proposed disengagement of NIRD&PR from Government support for conversion into a Centre of Excellence. A Cabinet Note in this regard has been sent to Cabinet Secretariat for consideration of the Cabinet. Recruitment to key posts has been undertaken from time to time; however, some posts could not be filled despite advertisement, and in certain cases processes have been deferred in view of the evolving status of the Institute. As per decisions of the Executive Council, vacancies are presently being addressed through deputation and other interim arrangements. Pending regular appointments, additional charge of senior posts has been assigned to ensure continuity of administrative and financial functions. A calibrated approach is being followed in filling up posts, and regular appointments will be aligned with the outcome of the Cabinet consideration on the proposed restructuring of NIRD&PR. The functioning of the Institute has, however, not been adversely affected.

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Annexure referred to in reply to part(a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3334 dated 19.03.2026

<b>SANCTIONED STRENGTH AND FILLED UP POSTS, ROLE-WISE</b>			
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Post / Category</b>	<b>Sanctioned Strength</b>	<b>In Position (as on 16.03.2026)</b>
<b><i>Academic - Group-A</i></b>			
1	Professor	17	3
2	Associate Professor	23	16
3	Assistant Professor	45	23
4	Director (FM) & FA	1	0
5	Senior Fellows	4	0
6	Visiting Fellows	6	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>42</b>
<b><i>Academic - Group-B</i></b>			
7	Sr. Computer Programming Associate, Programming Associate	1	1
8	Junior Fellows	5	0
9	Computer Programming Associate	4	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>
<b><i>Non-Academic - Group-A</i></b>			
10	Director General (equivalent to Secy. to GOI)	1	0
11	Director General (equivalent to Addl. Secy. to GOI)	1	0
12	Dy. Director General	3	0
13	Chief Vigilance Officer	1	0
14	Registrar & Director (Admn)	1	0
15	Director	4	0
16	Director (Finance)	1	0
17	Joint Director	1	0
18	Assistant Registrar	3	0
19	AFA & PAO	2	0
20	Senior Medical Officer	1	0
21	Executive Engineer	1	0

22	Deputy Director	7	1
23	System Manager	1	0
24	Library Information Officer	1	0
25	Deputy Director (Marketing)	1	0
26	Deputy Director (OL)	1	0
27	Principal Private Secretary	1	0
28	Special Private Secretary to DG	1	0
29	Lady Medical Officer	1	0
30	System Analyst	1	1
31	Documentation Officer	2	1
32	Administrative Officer	2	1
33	Assistant Director (OL)	2	1
34	Editor	1	0
35	Assistant Director	9	3
36	Assistant Director (PUB)	1	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>9</b>
<b><i>Non-Academic - Group-B</i></b>			
37	Senior Private Secretary	1	0
38	Accounts & Finance Officer	3	1
39	Assistant Finance & Accounts Officer	4	2
40	Assistant Editor	2	1
41	Cartographer	1	0
42	Hostel Manager	1	1
43	Senior Librarian	1	0
44	Private Secretary /Senior Executive Secretary	5	1
45	Public Relation Officer	1	1
46	Section Officer	6	1
47	Senior Hindi Translator	1	0
48	Security Officer	1	1
49	Sr. AV Asst. cum Photographer	1	0
50	Marketing Promotion Officer	1	0
51	Assistant Librarian	5	3
52	Documentation Assistant	1	0
53	Garden Superintendent	1	0
54	Senior Accountant	5	1
55	Steno Gr-I (Executive Secretary/ PA)	24	5

56	Senior Assistant	13	2
57	Research Officer	32	14
	<b>Total</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>34</b>
<b><i>Non-Academic - Group-C</i></b>			
58	Junior Engineer	3	0
59	Mechanical Transport Supervisor (MTS)	1	1
60	Steno Gr-II / PA / Executive Secretary	12	3
61	Jr. Hindi Translator	5	3
62	Staff Nurse	1	0
63	Data Processing Assistant	4	2
64	Caretaker	2	1
65	Lib and Inf. Asst.	1	1
66	Driver - Spl. Grade ( <b><i>Group-B</i></b> )	1	1
67	Librarian	1	0
68	DTP Operator-cum-Designer	1	1
69	Artist	1	1
70	Draughtsman	2	1
71	Driver Grade I	8	0
72	Assistant Hostel Manager	1	0
73	Pharmacists	2	0
74	Stenographer Gr.III (Executive Assistant)	13	6
75	UDC	43	16
76	DTP Operator	1	0
77	Projector Operator	1	0
78	Machine Operator (AV)	1	1
79	Sanitary Inspector	1	1
80	Electrician	1	0
81	Driver Grade II	7	3
82	Liaison Assistant	1	0
83	Accountant	6	1
84	Library Clerk	1	0
85	LDC/Typist	44	2
86	Driver Grade III	7	0
87	Library Counter Clerk	2	0
88	Machine Operator (GO)	2	0
89	Fitter cum Plumber	1	0

90	Library Attendant	6	1
91	Wiremen	7	0
92	Asst. Electrician	1	0
93	Binder	1	0
94	Plumber	1	0
95	Telephone Asst.	1	1
96	Cook	4	0
97	Carpenter	2	0
98	Pump Operator	3	0
99	Roneo Operator	2	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>47</b>
<b><i>Non-Academic - Group-C Re-classified (Group-D)</i></b>			
100	Asst. Binder	2	1
101	Packer (MTS)	1	0
102	Addl. Head Mali (MTS)	1	0
103	Head Mali (MTS)	1	0
104	Jr. Roneo Operator	1	0
105	Asst. Plumber-cum-pump attendant	1	1
106	Female Attendant	1	0
107	Dresser	1	0
108	Jamedar (MTS)	1	0
109	Draftaries (MTS)	3	0
110	Head Chowkidar	2	0
111	Chowkidar (MTS)	21	5
112	Peon (MTS)	52	21
113	Mali (MTS)	10	4
114	Khalasi (MTS)	46	18
115	Safaiwala (MTS)	18	3
116	Nursing Orderly	1	0
117	Sweeper (MTS)	1	1
118	Helper to Cook (MTS)	1	1
119	Attendant (MTS)	1	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>55</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>189</b>

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