

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3754
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2017**

SHORTAGE OF EMPLOYEES IN MISSIONS

†3754. SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is acute shortage of employees in the foreign Indian Missions;**
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the action taken to fulfil the shortage of employees in these Missions?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI M. J. AKBAR)**

(a) & (b) At present there are 2154 posts of India-based officers and staff members in Indian Missions and Posts abroad, of which 754 posts are of officers and 1400 posts are of staff members. There is a gap of 102 officers and 196 staff members in Missions and Posts. In addition, there are 2718 locally recruited staff currently deployed in Missions and Posts abroad.

(c) The shortage of employees is being addressed through deployment of officials currently on training and also through fresh recruitment for which indents have been placed with the Union Public Service Commission and Staff Selection Commission respectively.
