

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1936
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.03.2018

STAFF IN INDIAN MISSIONS/ HIGH COMMISSIONS

1936. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is severe shortage of manpower in Indian Missions abroad;
- (b) if so, the number of staff in High Commissions presently posted in all the countries; and
- (c) the action taken to fill up the shortage of mission staff?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) to (c) There are 667 officers and 1251 support staff in our Missions and Posts. In addition, there are more than 2800 locally recruited staff currently deployed in Missions and Posts abroad. Ministry of External Affairs regularly reviews the requirement of manpower at various levels in Missions and Posts abroad as well as at the Headquarters, and takes appropriate action, including recruitment of additional officers and staff, through placement of requisite indents with the Union Public Service Commission and the Staff Selection Commission respectively, in case of shortfall.
