

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3901  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2018**

**VACANCY IN NATIONAL LIBRARY**

3901. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the **Minister of CULTURE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to abolish 20% of the sanctioned posts at the National Library and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the posts remaining vacant for five years or more have to be abolished before recruitment is done for other vacant posts and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether 130 posts have been lying vacant in National Library for more than five years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)**

**Minister of State (Independent Charge) For Culture and Minister of State for  
Environment, Forest and Climate Change**

**ANSWER**

- (a) to (d) Yes, Madam. 130 posts out of 561 posts of National Library, Kolkata have been identified for abolition as the same are vacant for more than five years. D/o Expenditure vide O.M. No.7(1)/E.Coord-I/2017 dated 12.04.2017 has issued instructions that existing posts vacant for more than 5 years are to be abolished immediately. Also, posts which are lying vacant for more than 2 years are to be deemed abolished. While referring any proposal for creation/revival of posts to D/o Expenditure, a certificate indicating that all posts vacant for more than 5 years on the date of referring the proposal, have been abolished is required to be enclosed. The group wise details of posts lying vacant in National Library for more than 5 years is as under:-

Group 'A' – 2 posts

Group 'B' – 60 posts

Group 'C' – 68 posts

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