# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA <br> MINISTRY OF DEFENCE <br> DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE <br> LOK SABHA 

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4346
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE $21^{\text {ST }}$ MARCH, 2018

## VACANCIES IN ARMY

4346. DR. THOKCHOM MEINYA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE $j\{k k$ ea=h be pleased to state:
(a) whether number of posts are lying vacant in the Army;
(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons for not filling up the vacancies;
(c) whether the vacancies which are lying vacant for the last five years or more have been abolished in the Army also as per the new decision of the Government; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

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| MINISTER OF STATE |  |  |  |  | (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE) |

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(a) \& (b): The details of number of posts lying vacant in various ranks in the Indian Army are given below:

| Rank | Number of Vacancies |
| :--- | :---: |
| Officers | 7680 |
| Junior Commissioned Officers / <br> Other Ranks (JCOs / ORs) | 21383 |

Shortage of personnel is inter alia attributable to accretions of posts from time to time, tough selection procedures, difficult service conditions coupled with perceived high degree of risk involved in the service career as also inherent limitation of number that could be trained without compromising the quality of training.
(c) No, Madam.
(d) In view of (c) above, does not arise.

