GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4086

TO BE ANSWERED ON 17th JULY, 2019

RESTRUCTURING OF ARMY

4086. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to reform and restructure the Indian Army;
- (b) if so, the details of reforms/restructuring that the Government is likely to bring in the Indian Army;
- (c) whether the Government is going to bring down one lakh posts of Army as a part of the reform process; and
- (d) if so, the details and the reasons therefor?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

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(a) to (d): A Committee of Experts was set up by the Government in 2016 to recommend measures to enhance the Combat Capability and Rebalance Defence Expenditure of Armed Forces. A total of 65 recommendations pertaining to Indian Army were approved for implementation. The recommendations of Committee of Experts entails rightsizing of certain units of Indian Army, thereby optimising the resources. It involves redeployment and restructuring of various posts like Officers/Junior Commissioned Officers/Other Ranks and Civilians, better utilisation of supply and transport units, enhancement in standards of recruitment and improvement in the efficiency of National Cadet Corps.

This also includes optimisation of Signal Establishments, restructuring of repair echelons in the Army, redeployment of Ordnance echelons, better utilisation of supply and transportation echelons and Animal Transport Unit and closure of Military Farms and Army Postal Establishments in peace locations.
