

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5349.
TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 05TH APRIL, 2023.**

VACANCIES IN PATENT OFFICE

**5349. SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI:
SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:**

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

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- (a) the number of sanctioned posts and vacancies at the Patent Office in the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps to fill the vacancies at the Patent Office in a timely manner;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has formulated any guidelines for speedy recruitment at the Patent Office; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRI SOM PARKASH)**

- (a): The number of sanctioned posts and vacancies at the Patent Office in the last three years is as under:

S. No.	Name of the Posts	2019-20		2020-21		2021-22	
		Sanctioned	Vacant	Sanctioned	Vacant	Sanctioned	Vacant
1.	Controllers	263	16	263	18	263	15
2.	Examiners	673	62	673	60	673	70
3.	Non-technical staff	321	126	321	127	315	132

* During the financial year 2022-23, additional 500 posts in Patent Office have been sanctioned.

- (b) to (e): Recruitment is an ongoing process and the posts are filled as per recruitment rules framed and the guidelines laid down by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) from time to time.
