

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1021
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2020

Recruitment Policy of Forest Department

1021. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has observed that the recruitment policy of the forest department provides more opportunities to general graduates rather than forestry graduates;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is fact that the number of forestry graduates recruited to the forest departments is very less;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and whether the Union Government has issued any guidelines to the State Governments in this regard;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the details of other professional courses approved by the Government for recruitment in forest departments?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

- (a) The recruitment to Indian Forest Service (IFS) is governed by the rules for Competitive Examination to be held by the UPSC and notified from time to time by this Ministry. In terms of Rule 7 of the said notification “*A candidate must hold a Bachelor’s degree with at least one of the subjects, namely: Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Science, Botany, Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics, Physics, Statistics and Zoology or Bachelor’s degree in Agriculture, Forestry or in Engineering of any University incorporated by an Act of the Central or State Legislature in India or other educational institutions established by an Act of Parliament or declared to be deemed as a University under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 or possess an equivalent qualification.*”
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) to (f) The Ministry has not observed any such fact.
- (g) As mentioned in Point (a) above.
