GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3334 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17th DECEMBER, 2021

GURJAR AND AHIR REGIMENT

3334. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR: SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to form a Gurjar regiment in Indian army keeping in view of the sacrifices made by Gurjars in the army;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government also proposes to form a separate Ahir regiment; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI AJAY BHATT)

(a) to (d): No such proposal is under consideration. Recruitment to Indian Army is based on domicile and merit. As per the Government Policy on the subject, all citizens irrespective of their class, creed, region or religion are eligible for enrollment in the Indian Army. After independence, it has been the policy of the Government not to raise any new Regiment for a particular class/community/religion or region. Adequate vacancies are being provided to all classes to ensure equitable opportunity for recruitment into the Army.
