GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 518

TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 4^{th} FEBRUARY 2022

VACANCIES IN INDIAN LEGAL SERVICES

518. SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH : SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH :

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government has taken note that nearly 50 percent posts in Indian Legal services are lying vacant, if so, the reasons therefor;
- b) whether the Government has undertaken consultation with concerned agencies, like DoPT, UPSC and SSC in this regard, if so, details thereof; and
- c) the steps being taken by the Government to expedite the recruitment process and filling up these vacancies in a time-bound manner?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) to (c) – Presently around 64 out of 157 posts in the Indian Legal Services cadre are vacant, which works out to 41% of the total cadre strength in the Indian Legal Services cadre. DPC proposals for filling-up vacancies falling under promotion quota out of these vacancies are regularly taken up with UPSC, the nodal authority to recommend appointments. Necessary steps to expedite filling-up of these vacancies expeditiously are carried out on an ongoing basis.