

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1008**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2022

**COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE FOR YOUTHS**

1008. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:  
DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:  
SHRI GUMAN SINGH DAMOR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated or proposes to formulate any scheme for mandatory service of youths in the armed forces and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there is any role of Sainik schools in the implementation of the Agnipath scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to open Sainik schools in every districts of the country and if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof including Ratlam, Jhabua and Alirajpur districts of Madhya Pradesh and Shahjahanpur district of Uttar Pradesh;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to open special training centres in tribal areas of the country to recruit youths in all three wings of defence forces; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE  
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

(a) to (e): The Government has not formulated any scheme for the mandatory service of youth in the Armed Forces. There is no role of the Sainik Schools in the implementation of the Agnipath Scheme. The Government has approved the setting up of 100 new Sainik Schools in partnership mode with NGOs/ Private Schools/ State Governments. This scheme is available to the Schools of all the States/ UTs including the States of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh, subject to the applicant schools satisfying the eligibility criteria and subsequent signing of Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the NGOs/ Private/ State Government Schools by the Sainik Schools Society.

The recruitment rallies are held by the Armed Forces with an aim to cover all the districts, inter-alia, including the tribal areas of the country.

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