GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 750

TO BE ANSWERED ON 26th JULY, 2024

CHAMAR/JATAV REGIMENT

750 SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Chamar regiment has had a glorious and valiant history during the second World War;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any steps to re-establish Chamar/Jatav regiment; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SANJAY SETH)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Chamar Regiment fought well during the Second World War and won many awards including 2 Military cross, 3 Military medals and 1 Order of British India.
- (c) & (d): No, Sir. 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.
