

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 117
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2025**

SHORTAGE OF FACULTY IN SPA, VIJAYAWADA

***117. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:**

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 15 out of sanctioned 50 faculty posts are lying vacant in School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), Vijayawada;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether such vacancies are being managed through part-time or contractual or re-employment of faculties, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the above vacancies are due to enhancement in strength/number of the students;
- (e) whether the Government has directed all Central Higher Educational Institutions to fill up the vacancies on a Mission Mode within a period of one year; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the status of filling up of above 15 posts in SPA?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

- (a) to (f): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA
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“SHORTAGE OF FACULTY IN SPA, VIJAYAWADA” RAISED BY SHRI
BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:**

(a) & (b) At present 08 faculty positions are vacant out of the total 49 sanctioned posts at SPA Vijayawada. The details are as follows:

SI. No.	Name of the post	Sanctioned	Filled	vacant
1	Professor	7	6	1
2	Associate Professor	14	11	3
3	Assistant Professor	28	24	4
Total		49	41	8

(c) & (d) The recruitment of faculty is a continuous process and the vacancies arise due to factors like promotions, retirements, resignations, death etc.. Presently, sixteen qualified faculties have been contractually engaged, so as to address short term academic and institutional requirements. The current vacancies are not primarily due to an increase in student strength. SPA Vijayawada being an Institution of National Importance (INI) has a very rigorous and multistage selection process so as to ensure that only meritorious faculties are recruited.

(e) & (f) In August 2021, the Ministry issued instructions to all CHEIs to fill vacancies especially those reserved for specific categories in a Mission Mode. In September 2022, all CHEIs were once again requested to intensify this Mission Mode drive to fill all remaining vacancies, especially those in reserved categories. Between September 2022 and July, 2025, a total of 16,507 faculty and 11,943 non faculty, totalling upto 28,450 recruitments have been made in the CHEIs under this Mission Mode initiative. The Institute responded promptly to these directives and accelerated its recruitment efforts and has filled 6 vacant posts.
