

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY  
DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE  
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 596.  
TO BE ANSWERED ON TUESDAY, THE 03<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026.**

**VACANCIES IN MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY**

**596. SHRI BAPI HALDAR:**

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

**वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री**

- (a) the number of sanctioned posts in position and the number of vacancies including reserved posts across categories at the Ministry;
- (b) the number of vacancies in the Ministry and Department including reserved posts since 2014, year and category-wise; and
- (c) the number of contractual employees hired since 2014, year and category-wise?

**ANSWER**

**वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जितिन प्रसाद)**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY  
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)**

- (a): Ministry of Commerce & Industry has two Departments, namely, Department of Commerce and Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade. The details of sanctioned, in position and number of vacancies in Ministry of Commerce & Industry including reserved posts across categories is as follows:

- i. Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade

<b>Number of sanctioned posts</b>	<b>In position</b>	<b>Number of vacancies including reserved posts</b>
727	538	189

- ii. Department of Commerce

<b>Number of sanctioned posts</b>	<b>In position</b>	<b>Number of vacancies including reserved posts</b>
574	501	73

- (b): Recruitment to various categories of posts of Ministry of Commerce & Industry is made by the respective Cadre Controlling Authorities (Department of Personnel and Training, Department of Economic Affairs, Department of Official Language, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation etc.) as per

the prescribed Service Rules/ Recruitment Rules. These Cadre Controlling Authorities have to ensure implementation of the reservation policy. The number of vacancies in the Ministry of Commerce & Industry for the posts for which recruitment is done by this Ministry, including the reserved posts, year and category wise is as under:

i. Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade

S. No.	Year	Total Vacancies*	Category wise data for which reservation is applicable				
			UR	SC	ST	OBC	EWS
1.	2014	63	25	1	5	16	NA
2.	2015	28	5	0	1	2	NA
3.	2016	41	12	0	2	5	NA
4.	2017	50	13	0	3	8	NA
5.	2018	48	11	0	2	5	1
6.	2019	50	13	0	2	5	2
7.	2020	52	7	0	1	7	4
8.	2021	58	13	0	1	6	3
9.	2022	59	9	1	2	6	5
10.	2023	60	12	3	2	5	3
11.	2024	71	9	3	3	11	9
12.	2025	74	11	3	3	12	7
13.	2026	53	6	1	1	3	1

\*the mode of recruitment for some of these ex-cadre posts is through deputation/absorption etc., and reservation provisions are not applicable to posts filled through deputation or absorption.

ii. Department of Commerce

S. No.	Year	Total Vacancies	UR	SC	ST	OBC	EWS
1.	2014	55	31	0	0	24	0
2.	2015	41	27	0	0	14	0
3.	2016	39	26	0	0	13	0
4.	2017	46	28	0	0	18	0
5.	2018	46	28	0	0	18	0
6.	2019	23	11	2	0	0	10
7.	2020	19	9	0	0	0	10
8.	2021	25	13	0	0	2	10
9.	2022	28	16	1	1	0	10
10.	2023	22	10	0	1	1	10
11.	2024	42	23	5	3	1	10
12.	2025	42	12	7	5	8	10
13.	2026	35	16	4	5	7	3

- (c): The contractual employees are hired for specific task to be performed through an open advertisement/ outsourcing agencies/ government e- Marketplace (GeM) empaneled service providers, based on the functional requirements of both the Departments in the Ministry of Commerce & Industry. The category-wise roster is not maintained in respect of contractual manpower hired. The number of contractual employees hired since 2014, year wise is as follows:

i. Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade

Year	Contractual Manpower
2014	102
2015	143
2016	144
2017	134
2018	133
2019	130
2020	233
2021	269
2022	254
2023	300
2024	353
2025	341
2026	301

ii. Department of Commerce

Year	Contractual Manpower
2014	34
2015	39
2016	40
2017	100
2018	122
2019	141
2020	151
2021	144
2022	123
2023	158
2024	192
2025	184
2026	176

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