

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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PARTICIPATION OF OFFICERS OF AFHQCS IN APPOINTING PROCESS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether officers of AFHQCS in the grade of Deputy Secretary and above have requisite experience to hold similar and higher appointments in his Ministry;
- (b) whether officers of AFHQCS can provide better continuity and expertise in his Ministry, if posted;
- (c) if so, the reasons for denying this opportunity; and
- (d) the steps being taken to allow their participation in the Ministry of Defence?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (d): Officers of AFHQCS are not posted in MoD as posts in the grade of Deputy Secretary and above are filled up through Central Staffing Scheme. The officers of the AFHQCS are being recruited for manning various administrative posts in the three Defence Headquarters and the Inter-Service Organisations under the Ministry of Defence. The issue of greater involvement of AFHQCS officers in Ministry of Defence has been taken up at the appropriate level.