

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6001

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REJECTION OF CERTIFICATES OF UTTARANCHAL PRIMARY EDUCATION COUNCIL

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the certificates of Uttaranchal Primary Education Council submitted by the youths during recruitment in the armed forces were rejected by the Army recently;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government of Uttaranchal has drawn the attention of the Ministry of Defence in this regard; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): The minimum educational qualification for recruitment in the Soldier General Duty category in the Army, is class 10th pass with 45% marks. However, for the tehsils Didihat, Dharchula and Munsiri of Pithoragarh district, an 8th class pass certificate is accepted. Thus an individual hailing from tehsils other than Didihat, Dharchula and Munsiri of Pithoragarh district, would not be eligible for recruitment in the Army on production of an 8th class pass certificate issued by the Uttaranchal Primary Education Council.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.