

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2975
ANSWERED ON:13.12.2005
VACANT POST IN LAKSHADWEEP
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Group A and Group B posts lying vacant in the U.T. of Lakshadweep Administration as on date and period of vacancy;
- (b) whether the Administrator of Lakshadweep is empowered to make appointment to Group A and Group B posts;
- (c) if so, the action taken to fill up these vacancies;
- (d) the number of the Group A and Group B officers of Lakshadweep Administration are island natives and total number of officers from out side the territory;
- (e) whether the Government has considered special recruitment drive to fill up these vacancies; and
- (f) if so, the action taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIS. REGUPATHY)

- (a): The total number of Group `A` and Group `B` posts lying vacant are 37 and 28 respectively. 6 vacancies pertain to the period 1989 to 1994 and the remaining posts are vacant from different dates between 1996 and 2005.
- (b): The Administrator of Lakshadweep is empowered to make appointment to Group-A and Group-B posts, except such Group-A posts as are borne on common organized cadre and in respect of which the Central Government is the appointing authority.
- (c): Process of filling up of vacancies is at various stages.
- (d): The details of total number of natives of Lakshadweep and outsiders working in group `A` and Group `B` are as under:

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| Group `A` | Group `B` |
| Natives | 62 79 |
| Outsiders | 27 29 |
- (e): No, Sir.
- (f): Does not arise in view of (e) above.