

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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VACANCIES OF SCIENTISTS AND TECHNICIANS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of vacancies of scientists and other technicians in Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) as on date;
- (b) the reasons for such vacancies;
- (c) the measures taken to fill up these vacancies in view of their crucial role in promoting food security of the country;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to remove all restrictions imposed on the recruitment of scientists and other technical staff; and
- (e) if so, the time by which these vacancies are likely to be filled?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

- (a) Presently there are 1127 and 193 vacancies in the Scientific and Technical Cadre respectively at the Indian Council of Agricultural Research.
- (b) The primary cause for these vacancies is due to superannuation and restrictions imposed on filling up of vacancies on direct recruitment.
- (c), (d) & (e): Steps have now been initiated to get these vacancies filled up on top priority basis.