

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2508  
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RECRUITMENT IN ARMY  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has allotted the quota of vacancies of personnel below officers rank and regimental vacancies in Army on the basis of Recruitable Male population in a State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of candidates recruited in Army from West Bengal during each of the last three years?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): Recruitment to the Army in respect of Personnel Below Officers Rank (PBOR) is made on the basis of Recruitable Male Population (RMP) of the State which is reckoned at 10% of the total male population of the State.

(c) The number of candidates recruited to the Army from West Bengal during the last three years is as under:-

Year Candidates  
recruited

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| 2003-04 | 4258 |
| 2004-05 | 3102 |
| 2005-06 | 1275 |