

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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VACANT POSTS IN DD/AIR
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of posts in various cadres of AIR and Doordarshan under direct recruitment quota are presently vacant in the entire country;
- (b) the action being taken by the Deptt. to fill up the vacant posts alongwith the target date upto which posts are to be filled;
- (c) whether instead of recruiting fresh candidates, the department is engaging retired personnel's in Programme/Administrative cadres; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S.JAIPAL REDDY)

- (a): Prasar Bharati has intimated that the information about vacant posts is not maintained centrally and so is not readily available.
- (b): The occurrence of vacancies and the filling up of the same in accordance with the provisions of the Recruitment Rules, is an on-going dynamic process. The position keeps on changing from time to time.
- (c) and (d): Sometimes in the exigencies of service, where personnel are essentially required and the posts are lying vacant, retired personnel are engaged in public interest.