

Making SSC more attractive

46. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has received any proposal from the Army Chief to make Short Service Commission (SSC) more attractive;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Ministry, thereto; and

(c) the number of SSC officers recruited and officers left during the last five years and in the current year, year-wise and gender-wise?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR): (a) and (b) Government has taken several measures to make Short Service Commission (SSC) attractive. These include extending time based promotion to the substantive rank of Captain, Major and Lieutenant Colonel after 2, 6 and 13 years of reckonable service respectively to SSC Officers, increase in tenure of SSC officers from 10 years to 14 years, and implementation of the VI Central Pay Commission with substantial improvement in the pay structure and other allowances of Armed Forces. Additional proposals for making SSC more attractive have been taken up for inter-departmental consultations.

(c) Details of SSC Officers commissioned and left during last five years and the current year are as under:

Year	Army (as on 7th July, 2015)				Navy (as on 17th July, 2015)				Air Force (as on 17th July, 2015)			
	Number of SSC officers commissioned		Number of SSC officers left		Number of SSC officers commissioned		Number of SSC officers left		Number of SSC officers commissioned		Number of SSC officers left	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
2010	249	93	121	78	199	40	12	08	144	157	20	11
2011	392	166	104	60	234	82	21	01	176	142	10	11
2012	482	157	75	55	263	33	71	09	198	138	18	24
2013	477	127	66	35	278	50	85	16	154	156	17	27
2014	378	104	24	12	234	82	65	07	140	163	21	31
2015	140	39	09	07	233	36	42	03	99	103	18	68