

Shortage of soldiers in armed forces

4328. SHRI SHANKARBHAI N. VEGAD: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any data of the shortage of soldiers in the armed forces; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE): (a) and (b) The shortage of soldiers in the three Armed Force is given as under:—

Officers:

| Army (as on 1.1.2017) | Navy (as on January, 2017) | Air Force (as on 7.4.2017) |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 7986 | 1256 | Nil |

JCOs / Other Ranks and Equivalent:

| Army (as on 1.1.2017) | Navy (as on January, 2017) | Air Force (as on 1.3.2017) |
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| 25472* | 12785 | 13614 |

* Against this deficiency, 78205 recruits are under training. As such there is no significant problem of shortage in other ranks in Army.

Security threat assessment of airports

4329. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any security threat assessment has been done for Airports in Delhi, Chandigarh, Mumbai, Chennai, Bangalore and Kolkata;

(b) if so, the details of findings, airport-wise;

(c) whether any action plan has been proposed for this; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?