

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
(DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL & TRAINING)

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 609
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2023)

LEAKAGES OF QUESTION PAPERS

609 SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH HOODA:

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received complaints or taken cognizance of the widespread leakages of question papers, setting of faulty question paper and cancellation of recruitment examinations in Haryana causing panic;
- (b) the steps taken by Government regarding frequent leakages of question papers in Government recruitment exams;
- (c) the existing mechanism with Government to prevent leakages of question papers;
- (d) the reasons for the frequent delays in exams for recruitment by Staff Selection Commission and whether Government has taken any action to resolve the matter of cancellation and delays in exams; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES
AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE
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(a) to (e): Recruitment for the posts under Central Government is done by the agencies viz., Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Staff Selection Commission (SSC), Railway Recruitment Board (RRB), etc.

Measures taken by the Central Government to ensure sanctity of its recruitment examination and minimize error and malpractices, *inter alia*, include coverage of entire examination venue by CCT monitoring, prohibition of mobile and other electronic devices during examination, deployment of low powered room jammers in the venue, third party audit of examination software. Instructions have been issued to all Ministries/Department and State Governments to address the gaps in examination system leading to leakage of Question Papers so as to make the examination system leakage-proof. Directions have also been issued to all Ministries/Departments and State Government/Union Territories to ensure timely action to address the gaps in the system, including leakage of question paper, so as to make the examination system leakage-proof.

The Staff Selection Commission (SSC) publishes the calendar of examinations well in advance and ensures that the timelines, as laid down in the calendar of examination, are duly adhered to.
