

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 991
ANSWERED ON 31.07.2024

National Testing Agency

991. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total revenue generated by NTA through application forms and other services till date, year-wise since inception, the details thereof;
- (b) whether some work related to conducting of exams has been outsourced to private agencies on tender/contract, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of sanctioned posts under NTA and the details of the vacant posts; and
- (d) the percentage of women, ST/SC employees working in NTA?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)**

(a) to (d) NTA was established in the year 2018. Since its inception, NTA has conducted over 240 examinations involving over 5.4 crores candidates. NTA is self-supporting through the examination fee collected. The revenue generated by fee collection since inception (year-wise) is placed at **Annexure.**

Considering the sensitivity involved in competitive examinations, various operational and security measures are undertaken for their smooth and fair conduct. Such measures involve engagement of specialised/experienced agencies for providing services like capturing of Biometric, frisking, CCTV surveillance, AI analytics with a view to identify any potential impersonation, Exam delivery etc.

NTA has been set up as a self-sustained organisation, headed by Director General, who is appointed by Central Government under the Central Staffing Scheme. In addition, the number of employees working on deputation in NTA are 22 at present. The number of contractual employees is 39 and outsourced staff/ employees are 132. 1 (one) employee is absorbed in NTA from his parent Department.

From amongst the employees working on deputation, the percentage of women is 17.3% and that of SCs is 13%.

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN THE REPLY TO PART (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 991 ANSWERED ON 31.07.2024 ASKED BY SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING "NATIONAL TESTING AGENCY"

S.No.	Financial Year	Fee Income (Rs. in Crores)	Total Expenditure (Rs. in Crore)
1	2018-19	101.51	118.43
2	2019-20	488.08	390.01
3	2020-21	494.46	427.94
4	2021-22	490.35	426.52
5	2022-23	873.20	681.52
6	2023-24	1065.38*	1020.35*

*estimated