

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2690
ANSWERED ON 04/08/2026

POSTS RESERVED FOR SC, ST AND OBC

2690. SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of sanctioned posts reserved for the persons belonging to Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and its subordinate offices organisations and autonomous bodies;
- (b) the total number of posts lying vacant out of the said posts at present;
- (c) the number of backlog vacancies for persons belonging to SCs, STs, and OBCs; and
- (d) the action being taken by the Government to fill up the said vacancies and backlog posts?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री (श्री जितिन प्रसाद)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (d) The Ministry of Commerce and Industry comprises of two Departments namely Department of Commerce (DoC) and Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) which have officers belonging to All India Service, Central Secretariat Service, Indian Economic Services, Indian Statistics Service, Central Secretariat Stenographers Service, Indian Trade Service and other organized services. The guidelines of Government of India regarding reservation to Scheduled Caste (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) are followed by the respective Cadre Controlling Authorities. However, for the posts which are filled by Department/ Subordinate Offices /Autonomous Bodies itself, the reservation to SC/ST/OBC categories is ensured by maintaining appropriate reservation roster. In this regard, Liaison Officers have been appointed by both the Departments to monitor proper implementation of reservation in their respective organizations including Subordinate Offices Organizations and Autonomous Bodies.

Occurrence and filling up of vacancies, along with backlog reserved vacancies, is a continuous process. By the time, vacant posts are filled up, new vacancies arise due to retirement, resignation, death, promotion etc. These vacancies are filled up by various recruiting agencies viz. Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Staff Selection Commission (SSC) and by the Department/Organisations in accordance with the reservations norms/guidelines of Government of India for providing reservations to SC/ST/OBC categories.
