

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2303**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 03rd DECEMBER, 2019/ AGRAHAYANA 12, 1941 (SAKA)

UNIFORM RETIREMENT OF CAPF PERSONNEL

**2303. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:
DR. T.R. PAARIVENDHAR:
SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to implement a uniform retirement age of 60 years for all employees of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) *i.e.* Assam Rifles, Border Security Force (BSF), Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), SISR, Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the time by which the proposal is likely to be implemented;

(c) whether the extension of retirement age of CAPF personnel from 57 to 60 will affect in any way the new recruitment of personnel in the armed police forces and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the total number of personnel working under CAPF, force-wise; and

(e) the total number of personnel retired from CAPF during the last three years, organization-wise and the reasons for taking such decision?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a) to (c) : The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) vide order dated 19th August, 2019 has fixed the age of retirement in CRPF, BSF, ITBP and SSB as 60 years irrespective of rank, in pursuance to the order of Hon'ble Delhi High Court

dated 04.02.2019 in WP(C) No.695/2019. The age of retirement in CISF and regular cadre of Paramilitary Component in Assam Rifles, irrespective of rank, was already 60 years prior to the MHA's Order dated 19th Aug, 2019. Hence it will not have any effect in CISF and Assam Rifles. However, there will be some impact on recruitment of personnel in the years 2020, 2021 & 2022 in respect of CRPF, BSF, ITBP & SSB as the vacancies which would have arisen due to normal retirement would not be arising in the said years.

(d) : The details of total number of personnel working under Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and Assam Rifles, force-wise is as under :-

Force	Working Strength
CRPF	3,00,002
BSF	2,39,084
ITBP	83,016
CISF	1,42,561
SSB	78,225
Assam Rifles	60,748
Total	9,03,636

(e) : The total number of personnel retired from Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and Assam Rifles during the last three years, organisation-wise, is as under :-

Force	Number of personnel retired during last three years {i.e. 2016 to 2018}			
	2016	2017	2018	Total
CRPF	4606	6060	4569	15235
BSF	4149	7208	5143	16500
ITBP	298	464	535	1297
CISF	1722	1688	1298	4708
SSB	455	669	480	1604
AR	263	721	840	1824
Total	11493	16810	12865	41168

The reasons for retirement of CAPF personnel are due to their attaining the age of superannuation, invalidation due to medical reasons, compulsory retirement and voluntary retirement due to personal reasons.
