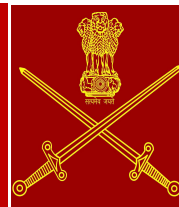




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68TH SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION (TECHNICAL) MEN (APR 2027)



HIGHLIGHTS

*(Information given below is for general awareness only & legally invalid)
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Category	Description	Notification Paragraph No
Type of Entry	Short Service Entry (Technical) {SSC(T)-68} Men	Para 1
Age	20 to 27 Years as on 01 Apr 2027	Para 2
Open for	Unmarried Male	Para 1
Educational Qualification	Engineering Degree in notified streams	Para 2
Acceptable Streams	As listed	Para 3
How to apply	Apply online on www.joinindianarmy.nic.in	Para 11
Application window	09 Jul 2026 to 07 Aug 2026	Para 15
Medical Standards/ Examination	as given on www.joinindianarmy.nic.in	Para 5
Selection Process	Application > Shortlisting > SSB > Medical > Merit List > Joining Letter	Para 4
Date for publication of cut-off % of marks for Shortlisting	First week of Sep 2026	-
Likely Duration and dates for SSB	Five day SSB between Oct-Dec 2026 (choice for SSB dates and centre open for two weeks in Sep 2026)	-
Pre Commission Training Academy	Officers Training Academy, Gaya, Bihar	Para 7
Duration of Training	49 weeks from Apr 2027 to Mar 2028	Para 7
Stipend during Training	Rs 56,100 per month	Para 9
Rank after Training	Lieutenant	Para 9
Salary on Commissioning	CTC approx 17-18 Lac per annum (Excluding Free Medical cover & Travel to Home town once a year)	-
Type of Commission	Short Service Commission	Para 6
Minimum Engagement Period	10 Years	Para 7
Maximum Engagement Period	14 Years	Para 7
Option for Release	First - After 5 Years, Second - After 10 Years and Third- After 14 Years	Para 7
Option for Permanent Commission	After 10 Years	Para 7



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1. Applications are invited from eligible **unmarried Male** Engineering Graduates of Short Service Commission (SSC) in the **Indian Army**. Course will commence in Apr 2027 at **Pre-Commissioning Training Academy (PCTA)**.

2. **Eligibility**

2.1 **Nationality**. A candidate must either be :- (i) A citizen of India, or (ii) a subject of Nepal, or (iii) a person of Indian origin who has migrated from Pakistan, Burma, Sri Lanka and East African countries of Kenya, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Malawi, Zaire and Ethiopia and Vietnam with the intention of permanently settling in India, provided that a candidate belonging to categories (ii) and (iii) above shall be a person in whose favour a certificate of eligibility has been issued by Government of India. Certificate of eligibility will however not be necessary in the case of candidates who are Gorkha subjects of Nepal. A candidate in whose case a certificate of eligibility is necessary, will attach such certificate alongwith the application.

2.2 **Age Limit. For SSC(Tech)- 68 Men.** 20 to 27 years as on 01 Apr 2027 (Candidates born between 01 Apr 2000 and 31 Mar 2007, both days inclusive).

NOTE : SPECIAL EMPHASIS

1. **Mismatch in Stream.** Any variation between the nomenclature of stream as given on degree parchment/marksheet and that submitted by the candidate in online application will result in cancellation of candidature. **(Refer Para 3 of notification)**
2. **Variation in Name.** Any variation in personal particulars (Candidate's name & parents Name mentioned on educational documents), candidate must submit an affidavit stating the variations. **(Refer Para 11(a) Note-3 of notification)**
3. **Carry of Degree/Provisional Degree and Marksheet.** Candidate must submit degree/provisional degree and all semester/years marksheet for SSB. **(Refer Para 11(b) of notification)**
4. **The minimum physical standards that a candidate must acquire before joining training academy, are as follows:-**

SN	Activity	Minimum physical standards
		Officer Cadets (Men)
(a)	2.4 Km Run	10 Minutes 30 Seconds
(b)	Punsh Up	40
(c)	Pull Up	06
(d)	Sit Up	30
(e)	Squats	Two Set of 30 Repetitions
(f)	Lunges	Two Set of 10 Repetitions
(g)	Swimming	Should know Fundamentals of swimming

Note. The date of birth recorded in the Matriculation/ Secondary School Examination Certificate or an equivalent examination certificate on the date of submission of application will only be accepted. No other document relating to age

will be accepted and no subsequent request for its change will be considered or granted.

2.3 Educational Qualification for Applying. Candidates who have passed the requisite Engineering Degree course or are in the final year of Engineering Degree course are eligible to apply. Candidates studying in the final year of Engineering degree course should be able to submit proof of passing Engineering Degree Examination alongwith marksheets of all semesters/years by **01 APR 2027** and produce the Engineering Degree Certificate within 12 weeks from the date of commencement of training at **Pre-Commissioning Training Academy (PCTA)**. Such candidates will be inducted on **Additional Bond Basis** for recovery of the cost of training at **Pre-Commissioning Training Academy (PCTA)** as notified from time to time as well as stipend and pay & allowances paid, in case they fail to produce the requisite degree certificate.

Note-1. ALL FINAL YEAR APPEARING CANDIDATES WHOSE FINAL YEAR/FINAL SEMESTER EXAM RESULT WILL BE DECLARED AFTER 29 MAR 2027 ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THIS COURSE. Candidates, who have yet to pass their degree examination, will be eligible only if they are studying in the final year of degree examination. Those candidates, who have yet to qualify in the final year Degree Examination and are allowed to appear for SSB, should note that this is only a special concession given to them. They are required to submit proof of passing Engineering Degree Examination alongwith all marksheets towards the Engineering Degree Examination by the above prescribed date and no request for extending this date will be entertained on the grounds of late conduct of basic qualifying University Examination, delay in declaration of results or any other grounds whatsoever.

Note-2. For induction to Pre Commission Training Academy, after final selection, the minimum educational qualification is passing BE/B.Tech degree in the Engineering streams notified below at Para 3. To become eligible for induction into SSC(Tech)-68(Men) Course at Pre-Commissioning Training Academy (PCTA), candidates studying in final year of Engineering are required to submit proof of passing Engineering Degree Examination alongwith marksheets of all semesters/years by 01 APR 2027 to Directorate General of Recruiting and ensure that the cumulative percentage of marks upto final semester/ year is not less than the approved cut off percentage, failing which the candidature will be cancelled.

Note-3. Final semester/year studying candidates will be provisionally allowed to appear in SSB; subject to following conditions:-

(a) Their cumulative percentage of marks upto 6th semester/3rd year of Engineering degree, upto 8th semester/4th year of B. Architecture (B. Arch) and upto 2nd semester/1st year of M.Sc in notified equivalent stream/ discipline is not below the approved cut off percentage in their respective streams.

(b) After declaration of final results, the cumulative percentage of marks upto final semester/ year of degree course will also be not less than the approved cut off percentage, failing which the candidature will be cancelled.

Note. Candidate studying in final year of Degree must ensure that she submits the proof of passing Degree exam by 01 Apr 2027 to Directorate General of Recruiting, failing which his candidature will be cancelled.

3. **Vacancies.** Candidates must note that only the Engineering streams and their acceptable equivalent streams, strictly as notified in the table below, will be accepted. Candidates with degrees in any other Engineering stream(s) are not eligible to apply. **Any variation between the nomenclature of Engineering stream as given on the degree parchment / marksheet and that submitted by the candidate in his online application will result in cancellation of candidature.**

S N	Core Engg Stream	Engg Streams (Listed in AI)	Equivalent Stream (AICTE Appd)	Vacs
3.1	Civil	Civil	Civil Engineering	75
			Civil Environmental Engineering	
			Civil Engineering and Planning	
			Civil and Infrastructure Engineering	
			Civil Technology	
			Construction Engineering	
			Construction Engineering and Management	
			Construction Technology	
			Construction Technology and Management	
		Architecture	Architecture Engineering	
		Building Construction & Technology	Building Engineering and Construction Management	
			Building and Construction Technology	
			Building Construction Technology	
3.2	Computer Science	Computer Science & Engg	Computer Engineering	60
			Computer Science	
			Computer Technology	
		Computer Technology	Computer Science and Engineering	
			3-D Animation and Graphics	
		M Sc. Computer Science	Advanced Computer Application	
			Computer and Communication Engineering	
			Computer Engineering and Application	
			Computer Networking	
			Computer Science and Technology	
			Computer Science and Information Technology	
			Computer Science and System Engineering	
			Computing in Computing	
			Computing in Multimedia	
			Computing in Software	
			Electrical and Computer Engineering	
			Electronics and Computer Science	
			Electronics and Computer Engineering	
			Mathematics and Computing	
			Computer Engineering (Software Engineering)	
			Computer Science and Engineering (Networks)	
			Nano Science and Technology	
		Nano Technology		
Computer Science and Applied				

			Mathematics	
			Computer Science and Engineering (Cyber Security)	
			Computer Science and Engineering (Artificial Intelligence)	
			Computer Science & Engineering (Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning)	
			Computer Science & Engineering (Internet of things & Cyber Security Including Block Chain Technology)	
			Computer Science and Engineering (Internet of things)	
			Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Data Science	
			Artificial Intelligence(AI) and Machine Learning	
			Data Science and Engineering (Data Science)	
		Information Technology	Information Technology	
			Information Science and Engineering	
			Software Engineering	
			Information and Communication Technology	
			Information Engineering	
			Information Science and Technology	
			Information Technology and Engineering	
			Geo Informatics	
3.3	Electrical	Electrical Engineering	Electrical Engineering	33
		Electrical and Electronics	Electrical and Electronics Engineering	
			Electrical and Electronics (Power System)	
			Electrical and Mechanical Engineering	
3.4	Electronics	Electronics & Communication Engineering	Communication Engineering	64
			Electronics Communication Engineering	
			Electronics Communication & Instrumentation Engineering	
			Applied Electronics & Communications	
			Electronics and Communication Engineering (Communication System Engineering)	
			Electronics & Communication Engineering (industry Integrated)	
			Electronics & Communication Engineering (Microwaves)	
			Advanced Electronics and Communication Engineering	
			Electronics Communication & Instrumentation Engineering	
			Electronics and Communication Engineering (Technologynician Electronic Radio)	
		Electronics & Instrumentation	Applied Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering	
		Instrumentation	Electronics Instrumentation & Control	

			Engineering	
			Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering	
			Instrumentation and Control Engineering	
			Instrumentation & Electronics	
			Instrumentation Engineering	
			Instrumentation Technology	
			Robotics & Automation	
			Automation and Robotics	
		Electronics Engineering	Electronics Engineering	
			Power Electronics	
			Power Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering	
			Electronics and Power Engineering	
			Digital Techniques for Design and Planning	
			Electronics Science and Engineering	
			Electronics and Control Systems	
			Electronics and Electrical Engineering	
			Electronics Design Technology	
			Electronics System Engineering	
			Electronics Technology	
			Radio Physics and Electronics	
			Electronics and Biomedical Engineering	
			Electronics and Computer Science	
			Electronics and Computer Engineering	
		Electronics & Telecommunication	Electronics & Telecommunication	
			Electronics & Telematics Engineering	
			Electronic & Telecommunication Engineering	
		Telecommunication	Telecommunication Engineering	
		Opto Electronics	Opto Electronics	
			Optics & Opto Electronics	
		Micro Electronics & Microwave	Micro Electronics and Microwave Engineering	
		Fibre Optics	Fibre Optics	
		Satellite Communication	Satellite Communication	
3.5	Mechanical	Mechanical Engineering	Mechanical Engineering	101
			Mechatronics Engineering	
			Mechanical and Automation Engineering	
			Advance Mechatronics and Industrial Automation Engineering	
			Mechanical Engineering (Automobile)	
			Mechanical Engineering (Industry Integrated)	
			Mechanical Engineering (Manufacturing Engineering)	
			Mechanical Engineering (Production)	
			Mechanical Engineering (Welding Technology)	
			Mechanical Engineering (Automobile)	
			Mechanical Engineering Design	
		Production	Production Engineering	

			Production & Industrial Engineering	
		Automobile	Automobile Engineering	
			Automobile Maintenance Engineering	
			Automotive Technology	
		Industrial	Industrial Engineering	
			Industrial Engineering & Management	
		Industrial / Manufacturing	Industrial and Production Engineering	
			Manufacturing Engineering	
			Manufacturing Engineering & Technology	
		Industrial Engg & Magt	Manufacturing Process & Automation Engineering	
			Manufacturing Science & Engineering	
			Manufacturing Technology	
		Workshop Technology	Workshop Technology	
		Aeronautical	Aeronautical Engineering	
		Aerospace	Aerospace Engineering	
			Aero Space Engineering	
			Aircraft Maintenance Engineering	
		Avionics	Avionics Engineering	
			Aviation Engineering	
3.6	Misc Engg Streams	Plastic Tech	Plastic Technology	17
		Remote Sensing	Remote Sensing	
		Ballistics	Ballistics Engineering	
		Bio Medical Engg	Bio Medical Engineering	
			Electronics and Bio Medical Engineering	
		Food Tech	Food Engineering and Technology	
		Agriculture	Agricultural Engineering	
		Metallurgical	Metallurgical Engineering	
			Metallurgy & Material Technology	
		Metallurgy and Explosive	Metallurgy & Material Engineering	
			Material Science and Technology	
			Metallurgy and Explosives Engineering	
		Laser Tech	Laser Technology	
		Bio Tech	Bio Technology	
		Rubber Technology	Rubber Technology	
		Chemical Engg	Chemical Technology	
		Transportation Engineering	Transportation Engineering	
		Mining	Mining Engineering	
		Nuclear Technology	Nuclear Science and Technology	
		Textile	Textile Engineering	
Total				350

The vacancies mentioned at Para 3 are tentative and may be changed or re-appropriated by Army depending on organizational requirements during any stage of selection process.

Note 1. Candidates should have obtained degree in Engineering from University/Institutions recognized by an Act of Central or State Legislature in India or other educational institutions established by an Act of parliament or declared to be deemed as Universities/Autonomous Universities under UGC Act 1956, IIT Act 1961, AICTE Act 1987, NITSER Act 2007 & IIIT Act

2024. Candidates with graduation from foreign countries are not permitted to apply for this course.

Note 2. A candidate is permitted to apply for only one entry/ discipline of the above courses. Change of Entry or qualification choice will not be entertained at any stage of selection process.

4. **Selection Procedure.** The selection procedure is as follows: -

4.1 **Short listing of Applications.** Integrated HQ of MoD (Army) reserves the right to shortlist applications based on the vacancy to call up ratio for each Engineering discipline/stream without assigning any reason. The cut off will be applied in each stream on the cumulative percentage of marks obtained by the candidates upto the final semester/year. Final semester/year studying candidates will be provisionally allowed to appear in SSB; subject to following conditions: -

(4.1.1) Their cumulative percentage of marks upto 6th semester/3rd year of Engineering degree, upto 8th semester/4th year of B. Architecture (B. Arch) and upto 2nd semester/1st year of M.Sc in notified equivalent stream/ discipline is not below the approved cut off percentage in their respective streams.

(4.1.2) After declaration of final results, the cumulative percentage of marks upto final semester/ year of degree course will also be not less than the approved cut off percentage, failing which the candidature will be cancelled.

Note 1 The application form on www.joinindianarmy.nic.in converts marks to percentage by using simple formula of percentage and same is used for shortlisting. Candidates to note that the percentages as given by College/University after applying CGPA to percentage formula as adopted by respective College/University, will be considered final. Any candidate whose percentage arrived at after applying CGPA to percentage conversion formula, goes below cut off, should not report for SSB even if he/she is shortlisted as per marks filled in application form.

Note 2 Candidates will be shortlisted based on their eligibility criteria and in a vacancy to call up ratio decided by Recruiting Directorate.

4.2 **Allotment of Selection Centre & Dates.** After Shortlisting of applications, the candidates will have to login to the website and select their SSB dates & centres which are available on a first come, first serve basis. SSB Centre and Date once selected will not be changed later.

The option to select the dates & centres for SSB by candidates may be forfeited due to occurrence of any exceptional circumstance/events. Directorate General of Recruiting, Integrated Headquarters of Ministry of Defence (Army) reserves the right to change SSB Centre and Date once selected.

4.3 **Conduct of SSB**

4.3.1 Only shortlisted eligible candidates depending on the cut off percentage will be called at one of the Selection Centres viz. Prayagraj (UP), Bhopal (MP), Bengaluru (Karnataka) and Jalandhar (Punjab) for SSB. Call Up letter for SSB interview will be issued by respective Selection Centres through candidate's registered e-mail id and SMS only. **No request for changes is entertained in this regard.**

4.3.2 Candidates will be put through **two stage selection procedure.** Those who clear **Stage-1** will go to **Stage-2.** Those who fail in **Stage-1** will be

returned on the same day. Duration of SSB interviews is maximum **five days**, and details of the same are available on official website of Directorate General of Recruiting i.e. www.joinindianarmy.nic.in. This will be followed by a medical examination for the candidates who get recommended after Stage-2.

4.4 **Joining Pre-Commission Training Academy (PCTA).** Candidates recommended by the SSB and declared medically fit, will be issued Joining Letter for training in the order of merit, depending on the number of vacancies available, subject to meeting all eligibility criteria. Post joining of PCTA, permission to appear in SSB of another entry may be granted only once during 1st term of training, provided the Officer Cadet (OC) has qualified/ shortlisted for SSB before joining the PCTA. Such leave is permitted only if candidate is upgrading his career i.e. from Short Service Commission (SSC) to permanent Commission (PC) entries.

5. **Medical Examination.** Please visit www.joinindianarmy.nic.in for Medical Standards and Procedures of Medical Examination for Officers Entry into Army as applicable. The validity of SSB medical examination is 270 days i.e. Special Medical Board (SMB) to PCTA joining date. Any candidate who has undergone SSB medical (SMB/AMB/RMB) for any SSB of any service and declared 'Med FIT' need not undergo medical examination again after the SSB of SSC(Tech)-68 provided the date of medical (SMB) upto date of joining this course i.e. 01 Apr 2027 is less than 270 days.

Note 1. Candidates who are already undergoing training in any of the PCTAs need not undergo fresh medicals for SSC(Tech)-68 even if gap between SMB to join this course i.e. 01 Apr 2027 is more than 270 days.

Note 2. The proceedings of the Medical Board are confidential and will not be divulged to anyone. Directorate General of Recruiting has no role to play in any Medical Boards and procedure advised by the Competent Medical Authorities will be strictly adhered.

6. **Type of Commission.**

6.1 **Grant of Commission.** Selected candidates will be granted Short Service Commission on probation in the rank of Lieutenant from the date of commencement of the course or the date of reporting at **Pre-Commissioning Training Academy (PCTA)**, whichever is later and will be entitled to full pay and allowances admissible to Lieutenant during training period. Pay & allowances will be paid after successful completion of training.

6.2 **Confirmation of Short Service Commission.** On successful completion of Pre-Commission training at PCTA, Officer will be confirmed Short Service Commission (Technical) in the rank of Lieutenant.

6.3 **Ante Date Seniority.** One year ante date seniority from the date of commission will be granted to Engineering Graduates of Short Service Commission (Technical) in the rank of Lieutenant.

6.4 **Termination of Commission.** An officer granted Short Service Commission will be liable to serve for ten years but his/her Commission may be terminated at any time by the Government of India for: -

6.4.1 Misconduct or if his/her services are found to be unsatisfactory, or

6.4.2 On account of medical unfitness, or

6.4.3 If his/her services are no longer required, or

6.4.4 If he/she fails to qualify in any prescribed test or course.

6.4.5 An officer may on giving three months notice be permitted to resign his/her commission on compassionate grounds of which the Government of India will be the sole judge. An officer who is permitted to resign his/her commission on compassionate grounds will not be eligible for terminal gratuity.

7. **Training.**

7.1 **Induction in PCTA.** Selected candidates will be detailed for training at Officers Training Academy, according to their position in the final order of merit (engineering stream-wise) upto the number of available vacancies and subject to meeting all eligibility criteria. Duration of Training is 46 weeks (excluding term break).

7.2 **Marriage During Training.** Candidates will neither be allowed to marry during the period of training nor he be allowed to live with Parents/ Guardians. Candidates must not marry until they complete the full training at the Officers Training Academy. A candidate, if he marries while under training, shall be **discharged** and will be liable to refund all expenditure incurred on him by the government. A candidate, who marries subsequent to the date of his application, though successful at the Service Selection Board interview and medical examination, will **not** be inducted for training, and his candidature will be **cancelled**.

7.3 **Academic Degree.** Training at PCTA is at Govt expense. All candidates who successfully complete Pre-Commission training at Officers Training Academy, Gaya will be awarded '**Post Graduate Diploma in Military Studies & Defence Management**' by Magadh University, Bodh Gaya.

7.4 **Suitability to Retain Short Service Commission.** If an officer is reported upon within a period of six months from the date of confirmation of Short Service Commission as unsuitable to retain his commission, his commission may be terminated at any time, whether before or after the above period.

7.5 **Liability of Service.** Officers may be granted Short Service Commission in any Arm/ Service and will be liable for service in any part of the world on selected appointments as decided by Integrated Headquarters of Ministry of Defence (Army), from time to time.

7.6 **Tenure of Engagement.** Officers (Male) shall be liable to serve for ten years, with a provision for release to desirous officers on completion of 5th years of service with the approval of Army HQ based on merit of the case. The tenure of ten years of service, however, may be extendable by a further period of four years subject to their opting for the same and found eligible and suitable for extension of service as per terms of engagement issued from time to time. Officers who are desirous of seeking Permanent Commission (PC) may be considered for the same in the 10th year of service in accordance with the eligibility and suitability as per terms of engagement issued from time to time. Those Officers seeking PC but are not granted the same, may opt for extension of service. Officers found eligible and suitable for grant of extension of service as per terms of engagement issued from time to time, may be granted extension for a period of four years on expiry of which they will be released from the Army.

7.6.1 **Special Provision for Release for SSC on Completion of 5th Year of Service.** SSCOs other than those who have undergone or are undergoing any

specialised course, who are desirous of leaving the service after completion of five years service may, during the fifth year of service, apply to the Army HQs for release. Army HQ will consider the applications of such officers on merits and the decision of the Army HQ will be final and irrevocable. On approval such officers will be released from service on completion of 5th year of service. Those SSCOs who have undergone or are undergoing any specialised course will not be released before expiry of full tenure of 14 years unless the cost of training of such specialised course as prescribed is recovered from them. They will be required to execute a bond to this effect on nomination for such specialised course.

7.6.2 **Special Provisions During Extended Tenure.** During extended tenure, they will be permitted to seek release from the Army on following grounds: -

- 7.6.2.1 Taking up a civil job.
- 7.6.2.2 Pursuing higher education.
- 7.6.2.3 Starting own business / joining family business.

7.7 **Cost of Training.** The entire cost of training at PCTA is at Government expense. In case an Officer Cadet resigned/Withdrawn from training academy due to reasons other than medical ground or the reasons not beyond his control, he will be liable to refund cost of training @ ₹ 20,482.40/- per week (01 Jul 26 to 30 Jun 27) and as notified from time to time, per week (for the stay at the Academy). The Cost of training is borne by State, will be recovered from candidates in case of resignation on personal reasons or withdrawal by the Academy on Disciplinary Grounds.

8. The final allocation of Arms/Services will be made prior to passing out of Officer Cadets (OCs) from PCTA and will be at the sole discretion of Integrated HQ Ministry of Defence (Army) keeping in view the existing policy. The candidate will not have any objection in the event of his final selection on allotment of any arms/service in the interest of the organization. No representation is tenable on this account.

9. **TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICES.**

9.1 **Promotion Criteria.**

Rank	Promotion Criteria
Lieutenant	On Commission
Captain	On completion of 02 Yrs reckonable commissioned service
Major	On completion of 06 Yrs reckonable commissioned service
Lieutenant Colonel	On completion of 13 Yrs reckonable commissioned service
Colonel (TS)	On completion of 26 Yrs reckonable commissioned service
Colonel	On selection basis subject to fulfillment of requisite service conditions.
Brigadier	
Major General	
Lieutenant General /HAG Scale	
HAG + Scale (*Admissible to 1/3 of total strength of Lieutenant Generals)	
VCOAS/Army Cdr/Lieutenant Gen (NFSG)	
COAS	

9.1.1 **Adjustment of Seniority.** To make adjustment for shorter training period of SSC officers vis-à-vis PC officers, the seniority of SSC officers will be depressed by the period corresponding to the difference in training period between the SSC course under consideration and the training period of its equivalent PC Course. This adjustment of seniority will be carried out at the time of grant of first substantive rank of Captain.

9.1.2 **Reckonable Commissioned Service.** Subject to the provisions of Para 9(a)(i) above, reckonable commissioned service for the purpose of these orders will count from the date of grant of Short Service Commission to an officer and will include any antedate granted. The period of service forfeited by sentence of Court Martial or by summary award under the Army Act and the period of absence without leave will not be reckonable. The period during which furlough rates of pay are drawn and the period of captivity at POWs rates of pay will be reckonable. The period of service for promotion lost by an officer in consequence of his having been granted leave without pay also be reckonable. Such an officer will, however, become entitled to the pay and allowances of the higher substantive rank granted by inclusion of this period only from the date on which he would have qualified by service if this period had not been so reckoned and not with effect from the date of grant of substantive rank.

9.2 **Pay.**

Rank	Level	(Pay in ₹)
Lieutenant	Level-10	56,100 - 1,77,500
Captain	Level- 10B	61,300-1,93,900
Major	Level- 11	69,400-2,07,200
Lieutenant Colonel	Level- 12A	1,21,200-2,12,400
Colonel	Level- 13	1,30,600-2,15,900
Brigadier	Level -13A	1,39,600-2,17,600
Major General	Level- 14	1,44,200-2,18,200
Lieutenant General HAG Scale	Level- 15	1,82,200-2,24,100
Lieutenant General HAG +Scale	Level- 16	2,05,400-2,24,400
VCOAS/Army Cdr/Lieutenant General (NFSG)	Level- 17	2,25,000/-(fixed)
COAS	Level- 18	2,50,000/-(fixed)

9.3 **Military Service Pay (MSP).**

Military Service Pay (MSP) to the Officers from the rank of Lieutenant to Brig	₹15,500/- Per month fixed.
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9.4 **Fixed Stipend for Cadet Training.**

Stipend to Gentlemen or Lady Cadets during the entire duration of training in Service academy i.e. during training period at PCTA.	₹ 56,100/- Per month * (Starting pay in Level- 10)
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*On successful commissioning, the pay in the Pay Matrix of the Officer Commissioned shall be fixed in first Cell of Level-10 and the period of training shall not be treated as commissioned service and arrears on account of admissible allowances, as applicable, for the training period shall be paid to cadets.

9.5 **Other Allowances.** #

Dearness Allowance	Admissible at the same rates and under the same conditions as are applicable to the civilian personnel from time to time.
Para Reserve Allowance	₹ 2625/-* per month
Technical Allowance (Tier-I)	₹ 3,000/- per month
Technical Allowance (Tier-II)	₹ 4,500/- per month

9.6# Depending upon rank and area of posting, officer posted to Field Areas will be eligible for the following Field Area allowances: -

RH-Max Offr-₹42500/-* Siachen Allce		<u>HARDSHIP</u>		
		<u>HIGH</u>	<u>MEDIUM</u>	<u>LOW</u>
<u>RISK</u>	<u>HIGH</u>	<u>R1H1</u> Offrs-₹25000* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flying Allowance MARCOS and Chariot Allce Special Forces Allce Submarine Allce COBRA Allce High Altitude Allce Cat III 	<u>R1H2</u> Offrs-₹16900* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hafa Allce CI (Fd) Allce (CI Mod Fd @77% of CI Fd) 	<u>R1H3</u> Offrs-₹5300* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hosp patient care Allce (HPCA) Patient Care Allce (PCA) Test Pilot and Ft Engr Allce
	<u>MEDIUM</u>	<u>R2H1</u> Offrs-₹16900* Nil	<u>R2H2</u> Offrs-₹10500* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fd Area Allce (Mod Fd Area @60% of Fd Area Allce) CI (Peace) Allce Sea Going Allce Free Fall Jump Instr Allce Para Jump Instr Allce Para Allce 	<u>R2H3</u> Offrs-₹3400* Nil
	<u>LOW</u>	<u>R3H1</u> Offrs-₹5300* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High Altitude Allce Cat II Tough Location Allce-I Boiler watch Keeping Allce Submarine Duty Allce 	<u>R3H2</u> Offrs-₹3400* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High Altitude Allce Cat I Tough Location Allce - II Project Allce Compensatory (Const or Svy) Allce Hydro Svy Allce (except non- surveyors) 	<u>R3H3</u> Offrs-₹1200* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tough Location Allce -III Cooking Allce Hardlying Money (Full Rate) Health and Malaria Allce Special LC Gate Allce Submarine Tech Allce Hydro Svy Allce (for non- surveyors)

*The rate of allowances would be enhanced by 25% automatically each time the DA goes up by 50%.
 # These allces at Para 9(5) and 9(6) are applicable strictly as per the laid down qualification/eligibility conditions and are not entitled to everyone.

9.7 **Dress Allowance.** ₹ 20,000/-* per year.

9.8 **Ration in Kind.** In peace and field areas.

9.9 **Transport Allowance (TPTA).**

Pay Level	Higher TPTA Cities (₹ Per month)	Other Places (₹ Per month)
Pay Level-10 and above	₹ 7200/- + DA thereon	₹ 3600/- + DA thereon

Note.

9.9.1 **Higher TPTA Cities (UA).** Hyderabad, Patna, Delhi, Ahmedabad, Surat, Bengaluru, Kochi, Kozhikode, Indore, Greater Mumbai, Nagpur, Pune, Jaipur, Chennai, Coimbatore, Ghaziabad, Kanpur, Lucknow and Kolkata.

9.9.2 The allowance shall not be admissible to those service personnel who have been provided with the facility of Government transport.

9.9.3 Officers in Pay Level- 14 and above, who are entitled to use official car, will have the option to avail official car facility or to draw the TPTA at the rate of ₹ 15,750/ + DA per month thereon.

9.9.4 The allowance will not be admissible for the calendar month(s) wholly covered by leave.

9.9.5 Physically disabled service personnel will continue to be paid at double rate, subject to a minimum of ₹ 2,250/- + DA per month.

9.10 **Children Education Allowance.** ₹ 2,250/-* per month per child for two eldest surviving children only. CEA is admissible from Nursery to 12th Classes.

9.10.1 Reimbursement should be done just once a year, after completion of the financial year (which for most schools coincides with the Academic year).

9.10.2 Certificate from the head of institution where the ward of government employee studies should be sufficient for this purpose. The certificate should confirm that the child studied in the school during the previous academic year.

Note. In the case of allowances specific to Defence Forces, the rates of these allowances would be enhanced by 25% automatically each time the Dearness Allowance payable on the revised pay band goes up by 50% (Gol letter No. A-27012/ 02/2017-Est. (AL) dated 16 Aug 2017).

9.11 **Hostel Subsidy.** ₹ 6,750/-* per month per child for two eldest surviving only. Hostel subsidy is admissible from Nursery to 12th class.

***The rate of allowances would be enhanced by 25% automatically each time the DA goes up by 50%.**

Note. Please note that pay & allowances and rules/ provisions thereof are subject to revision from time to time.

10. **Army Group Insurance Fund (AGIF).** The Gentlemen/ Lady Cadets when in receipt of stipend are insured for ₹ 1.25 Cr as applicable to officers of the regular Army. Subscription at the rate of ₹ 12,500/- will have to be paid in advance on monthly basis by Gentlemen/Lady Cadets to become member under the AGI Scheme as applicable to regular Indian Army Officers. **For those who are invalidated out by Invalidating Medical Board (IMB) on**

account of disability and not entitled to any pension will be provided ₹25 lakhs for 100 percent disability. This will be proportionately reduced to ₹ 5 lakhs for 20 percent disability. However, for less than 20 percent disability, an Ex-Gratia Grant of ₹ 50,000/- only will be paid. Disability due to alcoholism, drug addiction and due to the diseases of pre-enrolment origin will not qualify for disability benefit and Ex-Gratia grant. In addition, Gentlemen/ Lady Cadets withdrawn on disciplinary grounds, expelled as undesirable or leaving the Academy voluntarily will not be eligible for disability benefits and Ex-Gratia.

11. **How to Apply.**

11.1 Applications will only be accepted online on website **www.joinindianarmy.nic.in**. Click on '**Officer Entry Application/Login**' and then click '**Registration**' (Registration is not required, if already registered on www.joinindianarmy.nic.in). Fill the online registration form after reading the instructions carefully. After getting registered, click on '**Apply Online**' under Dashboard. A page 'Officers Selection – '**Eligibility**' will open. Then click '**Apply**' shown against Short Service Commission Technical Course. A page '**Application Form**' will open. Read the instructions carefully and click '**Continue**' to fill details as required under various segments - Personal information, Communication details, Education details and details of previous SSB. '**Save & Continue**' each time before you go to the next segment. After filling details on the last segment, you will move to a page '**Summary of your information**' wherein you can check and edit the entries already made. Only after ascertaining the correctness of all your details, click on '**Submit**'. Candidates must click on '**Submit**' each time they open the application for editing any details. The candidates are required to take out two copies of their application having Roll Number, 30 minutes after final closure of online application on last day.

CANDIDATES ARE ADVISED TO READ THE NOTIFICATION CAREFULLY AND THEN FILL UP ONLINE APPLICATION FORM TO AVOID MISTAKES, AND THEREBY REJECTION OF APPLICATION.

Aadhar number and matriculation certificate is mandatory for registration on the website www.joinindianarmy.nic.in.

Note 1. No changes to details submitted in online application can be made after closure of application. No representation in this regard shall be entertained.

Note 2. CGPA/ Grades must be converted into Marks as per the formulae adopted by the concerned University for filling 'Marks obtained in Graduation' in online application. Any discrepancy observed at any stage of selection process will lead to cancellation of candidature.

Note 3. Candidate's name/ Parent's name (Father & Mother)/ Date of Birth in the profile and online application must be as per Matriculation/ Secondary School Examination Certificate or Equivalent certificate issued by the concerned Board of Education. Variation in above details will lead to cancellation of the candidature.

11.2 **Self attested** copy of following documents alongwith their **originals** are to be carried to the Selection Centre by the candidates:-

DIGILOCKER Certificate will not be accepted in lieu of ORIGINAL certificates.

11.2.1 One copy of the Print out of application duly signed and affixed with self attested photograph.

11.2.2 Matriculation/ Secondary School Examination Certificate or equivalent certificate and Marksheet issued by the Concerned Board of Education.

Note 1. Matriculation/ Secondary School Examination Certificate or equivalent certificate issued by the Concerned Board of Education will only be accepted as proof of Date of Birth, Candidate's name and Parent's name (Father & Mother) (No other document like Admit Card/ Marksheet/ Transfer Certificate etc, are acceptable).

Note 2. In case Parent's name (Father & Mother) is not mentioned in Matriculation/ Secondary School Examination Certificate or equivalent certificate, the candidate is required to produce any document issued by Govt of India or States Govt such as Birth Certificate, PAN Card, Aadhaar Card, Passport, Driving licence etc. for verification. However, Candidate's name and their Parent's name filled in online application must match exactly with those mentioned in the produced document.

11.2.3 12th class marksheet and certificate or Equivalent certificate/ Diploma marksheet and certificate (Diploma holders).

11.2.4 Engineering Degree/Provisional Degree issued by the recognised university. *Provisional Degree should not be more than six months old at the time of the candidate joining the Academy.*

11.2.5 Marksheets of all semesters/years.

11.2.6 Certificate issued by the Controller of Examination/Registrar of the concerned University regarding formula for conversion of CGPA/ Grades into marks followed by the University.

11.2.7 A certificate issued by the Controller of Exam/Registrar/Dean of the concerned University or Principal of the College regarding cumulative percentage of marks upto 6th semester/3rd year of Engineering degree, upto 8th semester/4th year of B. Architecture (B.Arch) and upto 2nd semester/1st year of M.Sc. in notified stream/ discipline as per Rules/Guidelines of the University which is applicable to the candidate (**for final year appearing candidates**).

11.2.8 Certificate from the Principal/ Head of the Institution stating that the candidate is studying in final year and his result will be declared by **01 Apr 2027**.

11.2.9 Declaration by the candidate of final year Engineering degree course that he will submit the proof of passing Engineering Degree Examination alongwith marksheets of all semesters/years by **01 Apr 2027** to Directorate General of Recruiting, failing which his candidature will be cancelled (**for final year appearing candidates**).

11.2.10 Candidates are required to carry documents related to civil verification.

11.3 Any candidate who does not carry the above documents for the SSB interview, his candidature will be cancelled and he will be returned.

11.4 All certificates in original to be carried by the candidates for SSB interview for verification. Originals will be returned after verification at the Service Selection Board itself.

11.5 DIGILOCKER Certificate will not be accepted in lieu of ORIGINAL Certificates. In case any School/ College does not issue Certificate in hard/Physical format, a certificate must be obtained from the School/College (Principal/Registrar) to that effect stating that only e-certificates has been issued through DIGILOCKER and no hard copy has been provided. In such cases, candidates must produce a colour printout of the e-certificate, duly authenticated by the concerned School/College or University.

11.6 The second copy of the printout of online application is to be retained by the candidate for reference. **There is no need to send any hard copy to Dte Gen of Recruiting.**

11.7 Candidates must submit only one online application. Receipt of multiple applications from the same candidate will result in cancellation of candidature, and NO representation will be entertained in this regard.

11.8 Candidates serving in the Armed Forces are required to inform their Commanding Officer in writing that they have applied for this examination. Applications of candidates serving in the Armed Forces, duly countersigned by the Commanding Officer should be taken alongwith all other documents as stated above to the SSB as and when called for the same.

12. **Entitlement for Travelling Allowance.** Candidates appearing for SSB interview for the first time for a particular type of commission shall be entitled for AC-3 Tier to and for Railway fare or Bus fare including reservation cum sleeper charges within Indian limits. Candidates who apply again for the same type of commission will NOT be entitled to travelling allowance on any subsequent occasion. **For any query/ clarification regarding admissibility or payment of Travelling Allowance, the candidates may directly approach the concerned Selection Centres.**

13. **Merit List.** It is to be noted that mere qualifying at the SSB Interview does not confirm final selection. Merit list will be prepared engineering stream/subject wise on the basis of the marks obtained by the candidate at SSB interview. In case equal SSB marks are obtained by more than one candidate, the older candidate(s) in age will be ranked higher in the merit. In case both SSB marks and age of more than one candidate are same, the candidate(s) with higher percentage of marks in degree for eligibility as mentioned in Para 3 will be placed higher in the merit. Higher educational qualifications, previous performances, etc have no role to play. Those in the merit list and who come within the stipulated stream wise vacancies and are medically fit will be issued joining letters for pre-commissioning training at Pre-Commissioning Training Academy (PCTA) subject to meeting all eligibility criteria.

Note 1. In case a candidate fails to report to PCTA within 07 days from reporting date mentioned in his Joining Letter without prior permission of the concerned academy Adjutant, his candidature will be cancelled and the next candidate in merit will be issued a joining letter.

14. On joining the Army, some of personal restrictions in service will be imposed in accordance with Article 33 of the Constitution of India as promulgated in the Army Act and Army Rules from time to time.

15. **Change of Interview Date/ Centre.** Request for change of SSB Interview Date/ Center will NOT be entertained or replied.

Note 1. Any ambiguity/ false information/ concealment of information detected in the certificates/ documents/ online application will result in cancellation of the candidature at any stage of selection and thereafter.

Note 2. The candidate should have never been debarred from appearing in any examination by UPSC.

Note 3. The candidate should have never been arrested or convicted by a criminal court. In case any such issue comes to notice during the selection process or pre-commission training, candidate/ cadet will be subject to cancellation of candidature/ withdrawal from the Academy by IHQ of MoD (Army).

Note 4. Candidates withdrawn from NDA, IMA, PCTA, Naval Academy, Air Force Academy or any Service Training Academy on disciplinary grounds are not eligible to apply.

Note 5. For all queries regarding Allotment of Centres, Date of Interview, Merit list, Joining Instructions and any other relevant information, please visit our website www.joinindianarmy.nic.in. Queries will be replied **ONLY** through 'Feedback/ Query option available on the website'.

Note 6. Please read the Notification, Tickers on website, Joining Instructions, frequently asked questions (FAQs) and other instructions uploaded on the website thoroughly before submission of queries in 'Feedback/Query' on our website.

Note 7. In order to avoid last hour rush and ensure timely response, queries received upto 03 days prior to closing of online application will **ONLY** be entertained/ replied.

Note 8. This notification is published in Hindi and English language versions. Both versions will be of equal effect provided that the English version will prevail in the event of any discrepancy between the two language versions.

**ONLINE APPLICATION WILL OPEN ON 09 JUL 2026 AT 1500 HR AND
WILL BE CLOSED ON 07 AUG 2026 AT 1500 HR.**