



JOIN TERRITORIAL ARMY AS AN OFFICER

(ONLY FOR EX ARMED FORCES COMMISSIONED OFFICERS)

PART TIME COMMITMENT AND NOT A FULL TIME CAREER!



ARMY HEADQUARTERS SELECTION BOARD (ASB) EX OFFICERS – 2026

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION: 27 JULY 2026 TO 25 AUGUST 2026

(DATE OF INTERVIEW: SEPTEMBER 2026)

(LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATION: 25 AUGUST 2026)

(Official Website: www.indianarmy.nic.in)

Applications are invited from gainfully employed Ex Armed Forces Commissioned Officers for an opportunity of donning the uniform again and serving the Nation as Territorial Army Officers based on the concept of enabling motivated Ex Service Officers to serve in a military environment without having to sacrifice their primary professions. You can serve the Nation in two capacities - as a civilian and as a soldier.

1. **TOTAL NUMBER OF VACANCIES (FOR PROVINCIAL TA):**

(a) Male - 04 (b) Female - 01

Note: Vacancies are subject to change as per organizational requirement.

2. **CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY:**

(a) Only Ex Service Commissioned Officer can apply.

(b) **Nationality:** Only citizen of India (male and female).

(c) **Age Limits:** 18 to 42 years on the date of application.

(d) **Educational Qualifications:** Graduate from recognized university.

(e) **Physical Standards:** A candidate must be physically and medically fit in all respects.

(f) **Employment:** Gainfully Employed.

Note: Serving member of the Regular Army/ Navy/ Air Force/ Police/ GREF/ Para Military and like forces are not eligible.

3. **DATE OF INTERVIEW: SEPTEMBER 2026** (Firm dates will be communicated later by e-mail).

4. **LAST DATE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION:** Application form completed in all respects should reach by **25 August 2026**.

5. The date of holding the interview as mentioned above is liable to be changed at the discretion of the competent authority.

6. **Ex Service Officers to ensure their eligibility for the examination:** The Ex Service Officers applying for the ASB Interview should ensure that they fulfill all eligibility conditions for admission to the interview. Their admission at all the stages of the interview will be purely **provisional** subject to satisfying the prescribed eligibility conditions. **Mere issue of**

documents are not produced for verifications will not be allowed to attend the interview.

(a) Application Form IAF (TA)-9 (Revised) Part-2 to be downloaded from www.indianarmy.nic.in in and filled up in their own hand writing.

(b) All educational qualification certificates (Matric onwards).

(c) Latest physical fitness certificate from a registered MBBS Doctor.

(d) Copy of Identity proof with photographs (Voter ID/PAN Card/Aadhar Card/Passport/Driving license etc).

(e) Domicile/ Residential proof.

(f) Certificate for proof of age (Matric/ Senior Secondary mark sheet & certificate for verification of date of birth).

(g) Service certificate by candidates employed in Central Govt/ Union Territory/ State/Semi Govt/ Private Sector Authenticated by Head of office alongwith No Objection Certificate by the department as per format given at Para 15 (a) & (c) below.

(h) Self-employed candidates are required to submit an Affidavit on Non-Judicial stamp paper of minimum value duly attested stating nature of employment and annual income alongwith photocopy of PAN card and self-certified character certificate.

(i) Ex Service Officers whose names vary in documents should submit copy of Gazette notification of India/ State showing the correct name duly supported by newspaper cuttings.

(k) Copy of Release Order.

(l) Copy of Release Medical Board Proceedings.

(m) Latest income proof from the appropriate authority (i.e. Income Tax Revenue Department / Magistrate / Employer).

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All desirous Ex Service Officers (Commissioned Officers only) of three services can download Application Form (IAF (TA)-9 (Revised) Part - 1) from www.indianarmy.nic.in (FREE OF COST) and send applications alongwith Photocopy of Release Order and Photocopy of Release Medical Board Proceedings to Directorate General Territorial Army, Integrated Headquarters of Ministry of Defence, 4th Floor, 'A' Block, Ministry of Defence Office Complex, KG Marg, New Delhi - 110001. The application be sent by India Post only. 9. Ex Service Officer should note that no request for change of date of Interview will be granted. 10. The eligible Ex Service Officers shall be issued a call up letter and will be sent by email by the Territorial Army Directorate. 11. SELECTION PROCEDURE: (a) The Ex-Service Officers will be screened by the Army Headquarters Selection Board (ASB) held at Directorate General Territorial Army (TA-4), Integrated Headquarters of Ministry of Defence, 4th Floor, 'A' Block, Ministry of Defence Office Complex, KG Marg, New Delhi - 110001. (b) Based upon the total number of applications received & the requirement to fill vacancies, the Army HQ reserves the right to call up number of applicants for interview. In case the applicant does not receive call up letter, the candidature for ASB-2026 is deemed to be cancelled. (c) Recommended candidates in ASB will undergo Medical Examination at Armed Forces Clinic, New Delhi followed by their Police Verification for final selection. 12. EMBODIMENT FOR TRAINING: - (a) Pre-Commission Training as provided in TA Rule 20A. (Candidates shall be commissioned in TA only on successful completion of the said Pre-Commission Training). (b) Two months Annual Training Camp every year including the first year (as applicable). 13. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE: (a) Territorial Army is part time concept with mandatory two months training in a year and does not provide full time career. (b) Service in Territorial Army do not guarantee pension and the same is subject to embodied service as per organisational requirement. (c) Commission is granted in the rank of Lieutenant, subject to meeting requirements laid down in TA Rule 20A. (d) Pay and Allowances and privileges will be same as Regular Army Officers when embodied for training and military service.	(k) Copy of Release Order. (l) Copy of Release Medical Board Proceedings. (m) Latest income proof from the appropriate authority (i.e. Income Tax Revenue Department / Magistrate / Employer). (n) Copy of PAN Card. (o) Copy of Aadhar Card. (p) Copy of Certificates / Reports of all Courses. (q) Discharge / Service Particular Booklet. (r) Copy of latest Income Tax Return (ITR) filed. 15. THE FOLLOWING APPLICABLE CERTIFICATES WILL BE COMPULSORILY PRODUCED AT THE TIME OF INTERVIEW: (a) CERTIFICATE TO BE RENDERED BY CANDIDATES EMPLOYED IN CENTRAL GOVT/ UNION TERRITORY/ STATE GOVT/ SEMI GOVT DULY AUTHENTICATED BY HEAD OF OFFICE I certify that Shri/Smt/Kumari _____ S/o D/o W/o _____ employed under me as _____ for the last _____ yrs and that their character as far as known to me is good. He/She is/is not recommended for the grant of commission in Territorial Army. It is also certified that Shri/Smt/Kumari will be made available for Training/embodiment for service of the Territorial Army as and when required. It is further certified that Shri/Smt/Kumari _____ does not hold and/or is not likely to hold in the foreseeable future a key-post in _____ (Department/ Organisation) which could affect the minimum essential functions of this Department/ Organisation. However, in the event of him/her becoming a key person subsequently the Director General Territorial Army, New Delhi shall be requested immediately to release or discharge him/her from the Territorial Army. Place _____ Signature _____ Date _____ Designation _____ Stamp/Seal of Office _____ (b) CERTIFICATE TO BE RENDERED BY SELF EMPLOYED PERSONNEL (SELF CERTIFIED BY THE CANDIDATE) (i) I _____ (Name) S/o D/o W/o _____ certify that I possess good moral character to the best of my belief and knowledge. Place _____ Signature _____ Date _____ Name _____ (ii) Affidavit on Non-Judicial stamp paper of minimum value duly endorsed by notary. I _____ (Name) S/o D/o W/o _____ resident of _____ do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows: - (a) That I am a resident of above address. (b) That I am self-employed as _____ (c) That my annual income from all sources is approximately Rs. _____ The above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Deponent
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- (d) Pay and Allowances and privileges will be same as Regular Army Officers when embodied for training and military service.
- (e) Promotions upto Lt Col by time scale subject to fulfilling laid down criteria. Promotion to Colonel and Brigadier by selection.
- (f) Once previous service is verified from concerned PCDA (O) they are granted Ante-Date Seniority for Pay and Promotion.
- (g) **Pay Scales (Vilth CPC):**

Rank	Level	Pay Matrix	Military Service Pay
Lieutenant	Level 10	56,100 - 1,77,500	15500/-
Captain	Level 10A	61,300 - 1,93,900	15500/-
Major	Level 11	69,400 - 2,07,200	15500/-
Lt Colonel	Level 12A	1,21,200 - 2,12,400	15500/-
Colonel	Level 13	1,30,600 - 2,15,900	15500/-
Brigadier	Level 13A	1,39,600 - 2,17,600	15500/-

14. Ex Service Officers are required to bring the following documents in original alongwith self-attested copies at the time of interview. All those ex-service officers whose complete

(g) that my annual income from all sources is approximately Rs. _____
The above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Deponent

Verification: Verified at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 20____ that the contents of above affidavit are true to my knowledge & belief and nothing has been concealed therein.

Deponent

(c) CERTIFICATE TO BE RENDERED BY CANDIDATES EMPLOYED IN PRIVATE SECTOR (TO BE AUTHENTICATED BY HEAD OF OFFICE)

Certified that any difference between the civil and military pay and allowances of the applicant Name _____ S/o D/o W/o _____ an employee of this organization will be paid by us for the period of his/her training/military duties in the Territorial Army. On return from military duty in the Territorial Army Shri/Smt/Kumari _____ will be absorbed in the same or equivalent post which he/she would have held if his/her service in the civil had not been so interrupted and the such training/military service would count for all benefits in his/her civil job, like seniority for promotion, increment of pay, bonus and provident fund etc to which he/she would have otherwise been entitled.

**Place
Date**

**Signature
Designation
Stamp/ Seal of Office**

16. LAST DATE: Form completed in all respects will be accepted till **25 August 2026** at Directorate General Territorial Army (TA-4), Integrated Headquarters of Ministry of Defence, 'A' Block, 4th Floor, Ministry of Defence Office Complex, KG Marg, New Delhi – 110001 and download **APPLICATION FORM (FREE OF COST)**.

17. INCOMPLETE/ INELIGIBLE APPLICATION FORM AND THOSE APPLICATION FORM RECEIVED AFTER 25 AUGUST 2026 WILL BE REJECTED WITHOUT INTIMATION.

18. APPLICATION FORM OF CIVILIAN CANDIDATES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE REJECTED WITHOUT INTIMATION.

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