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Fast-track recruitment for paramilitary: Rajnath Singh

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WITH MORE than 55,000 vacancies in the country's six paramilitary forces, Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday ordered that the recruitment process to fill the posts be expedited and discussed a proposal to set up an independent recruitment process.

Taking stock of the vacancies and recruitment procedure for the paramilitary forces and Delhi Police, Singh during a high-level meeting directed initiation of special mechanisms for reducing delays and fast-tracking recruitment activities in a timebound manner, a ministry official said.

Of the total vacancies, 21,000 posts are lying vacant in the CRPF, the country's largest paramilitary force, while there are 16,000 vacant posts in the BSF. Among the vacancies, 233 posts are of DSPs and 140 of commandants and DIGs. Other forces with sizeable vacancies include the SSB, ITBP, CISF and the Assam Rifles.