

Agniveer

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About Agniveer:

- The features and benefits offered under Agniveer Salary Package are similar to the Defence Salary Package.
- The first batch of Agniveers under the “Agnipath Scheme” will be joining Training Centres by January 2023.

Agnipath scheme

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh recently announced the “Agnipath” scheme, for recruitment of youth in the armed forces for four years.
- **Enrolment:** Enrolment to all three services will be through a centralised online system, with special rallies and campus interviews at recognised technical institutes.
- **Eligibility criteria:** The new system is only for **personnel below officer ranks**
- **Recruitment:** It will be carried out on an ‘All India All Class’ basis with the eligibility age ranging from **17.5 to 21 years**, with medical and physical fitness standards in accordance with existing norms.
- **Salary package:** Agniveers will receive **Rs 33,000 in the second year, Rs 36,500 in the third year and Rs 40,000 in the fourth year**. They will get Rs 11.71 lakh as Seva Nidhi Package after four years.
- **Qualification:** The required educational qualification will be **Class X-XII**.

- **Reselection:** For those who are re-selected, the initial four-year period will not be considered for retirement benefits.
- **Permanent Commission:** Up to 25% of each batch will be enrolled as regular cadre as under permanent commission and would be required to serve for a further minimum period of 15 years.

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