

Shri Kapur Singh: Will these helicopters which we are going to manufacture here be heavily foreign componented in the initial stages?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: I could not follow the question.

Shri Kapur Singh: Will the foreign components of these helicopters be very heavy in the initial stages?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: It will be a sort of progressive manufacture.

Mr. Speaker: So, in the beginning it must be so. Next question.

Shri Kapur Singh: Sir, my question has not been answered. I want to know whether they will be heavily foreign-componented.

Mr. Speaker: Yes, but they will reduce the foreign components.

Shri Kapur Singh: True. But, will the foreign components be more than 50 per cent in the initial stages?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: As I said, in the early stages we have to have quite a good proportion of foreign components. Progressively, we will reduce them and produce more and more components in our factory.

Mr. Speaker: The question was whether in the beginning more than 50 per cent of the components shall be from foreign countries.

Shri Y. B. Chavan: It is quite possible. I cannot say at this stage.

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Mr. Speaker: Next question. Shri Raghunath Singh. He is not here. Next question.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: In view of the importance of the previous question, even though the hon. Member who has given notice of it is not present here will you be pleased to request the hon. Minister to answer that question?

Mr. Speaker: Not at this stage. Next question.

Recruitment to Armed Forces

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Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
 *558. **Shri Yashpal Singh:**
Shri Surendra Pal Singh:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether technical teams had visited various engineering, medical and technical institutions to recruit candidates for the armed forces;

(b) if so, the number of such teams; and

(c) the regions where recruitment has been completed and the number of technical military personnel so recruited?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Defence (Shri D. R. Chavan):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 13 teams visited engineering colleges and institutions and 10 teams visited medical colleges.

(c) In March and April 1963 the technical teams visited engineering institutions in all the States (except J. & K.) and the Union Territory of Delhi. Out of the candidates recommended by them, 75 have so far been detailed for training. The teams have gone out again last month to visit the engineering institutions and their reports are awaited. On the medical side, the teams have started their work and so far completed it in Delhi, Punjab, Rajasthan, Madras and Maharashtra. 144 Candidates have been selected so far.

Shri D. C. Sharma: May I know whether it is the intention of the Government to recruit these persons before they have completed their courses or to recruit them as such and yet allow them to complete their courses and then permit them to join the army?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan): They become eligible for commission the moment they are selected but they will be given commission after they have qualified themselves.

Shri D. C. Sharma: What has been the response of the candidates, so far as recruitment to medical and technical branches are concerned? What percentage of the students interviewed have volunteered to join the services and how many of them have proved fit?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: It is rather difficult to give the percentages but out of the total number of students that we interviewed about 40 per cent were qualified.

Shri Surendra Pal Singh: May I know whether these mobile selection teams will also interview and enrol young doctors and technicians who are already in Government service and in public undertakings?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: These teams are visiting only the universities.

श्री यशपाल सिंह : इस से हमारी रक्षा सम्बन्धी आवश्यकताएँ किस हद तक पूरी हो जायेंगी और बाकी कितनी कमी रहेगी ?

श्री यशवन्त राव चव्हाण : मैंने पहले कहा था कि इस टेक्नीकल रिज्यूटमेंट के बारे में कई मुसीबतें हैं और इस रास्ते से मुसीबतें कुछ कम होती हैं। मैं नहीं मानता हूँ कि इससे पूरी वे हट जायेंगी।

Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee: May I know whether the remuneration and other terms and conditions of service which will be accorded to these technical personnel will be the same as are enjoyed by the general duty officers or whether in view of their specialised training they will get different terms?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: I do not think they will get different terms; they will get the same terms.

श्री क० ना० तिवारी : बहुत से हमारे मैडीकल और इंजीनियरिंग के स्टुडेंट्स यू० के०, यू० एस० ए० आदि फारेन कंट्रीज में पढ़ रहे हैं। क्या वहां भी ये टीमें जायेंगी जिससे उन लोगों की सर्विस इस काम में ली जा सके ?

श्री यशवन्त राव चव्हाण : नहीं ये टीमें हमारे देश की यूनिवर्सिटीज को ही विजिट करेंगी।

Shri Sham Lal Saraf: May I know whether, in spite of the fact that technical teams had not visited Jammu and Kashmir State, all the same suitable candidates, both engineers and doctors, offered their services for this purpose and, if so, what action has been taken in regard to them?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: As far as engineers are concerned, some candidates had offered themselves. The Border Roads Organisation particularly wanted them. They were approached and were interviewed.

Shri Nath Pai: In view of the fact that we came to know of the shortages with which the Armed Forces were confronted soon after the Chinese invasion, is the response to this recruitment drive commensurate with the needs of the Armed Force?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: Generally I should say 'Yes'.

Shri Warior: In view of this necessity for recruitment from these colleges may I know whether any action has been taken to add more seats to these technical colleges so that there will not be a dearth on the civil side?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: I do not think the addition of seats is going to solve the problem.

Shri Ranga: Has the attention of Government been drawn to the number of letters to the editor published in the *Hindu* last month and this month from engineers who have applied for commission or posts in the Armed Forces and who have not been

recruited although several months have passed while, at the same time, there is complaint on the part of the Defence Ministry that technical personnel, specially engineers, are not coming forward for recruitment?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: I do not think that is a correct statement of facts; but if any specific case is brought to my notice, certainly I will look into it.

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*५५६. श्री भक्त दर्शन : क्या प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री ८ अप्रैल, १९६३ के तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या ७७१ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि भारतीय सेना में पहाड़ी डिवीजन स्थापित करने का जो निश्चय किया गया था, उसके बारे में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है ?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Defence (Shri D. R. Chavan): As stated in reply to Question No. 771 answered on 8-4-1963, one of the existing divisions and four of the new divisions will be in the form of Mountain Divisions. Every effort is being made to complete the training of these divisions as early as possible. Some progress has already been made. Raisings will be completed as and when necessary equipment is available through manufacture or procurement from abroad.

श्री भक्त दर्शन: श्रीमन्, माउंटेन डिवीजन की तैयारी और उनकी ट्रेनिंग, (प्रशिक्षण) के सम्बन्ध में जो प्रगति हो रही है, क्या मंत्री महोदय उससे संतुष्ट हैं और क्या हम इस स्थिति में हैं कि इस समय हमारे सैनिक इतना प्रशिक्षण प्राप्त कर चुके थे कि चीनी सैनिकों का सफलता के साथ मुकाबला कर सकें ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री (श्री यशवन्तराव चव्हाण) : मैं नहीं कह सकता हूँ कि मैं पूरा संतुष्ट हूँ लेकिन पहाड़ी सैनिकों का जो प्रशिक्षण है वह तो शुरू है। यह सब निर्भर करेगा इस

पर कि इन्क्विपमेंट हमारे पास कितनी जल्दी पहुँचता है।

श्री भक्त दर्शन : हाल ही में इस आशय का एक समाचार प्रकाशित हुआ था कि छः माउंटेन डिवीजन जो पहले बनाये जाने वाले थे, उनके अतिरिक्त तीन और डिवीजन्ज की तैयारी की जा रही है। इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कोई निश्चय किया गया है, यदि हाँ, तो किस तरह की प्रगति हो रही है ?

श्री यशवन्तराव चव्हाण : छः का निश्चय तो कायम है। उनमें से तीन पूरे हो गये हैं। चौथा इस साल के आखिर तक पूरा हो जायेगा और इस तरह से हम आगे बढ़ते जायेंगे।

Shri Tridib Kumar Chaudhuri: May I know if, in addition to the regularly equipped mountain divisions, the formation of some irregular divisions of the local Tribal people in the mountain areas is also under contemplation like the lascars of the old days in the frontiers?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: This is a general question of recruitment.

डा० गोविन्द दास : इन पहाड़ी डिवीजन्ज में जो सैनिक रखे जा रहे हैं या रखे जायेंगे क्या वे सब स्थानों के होंगे या इस बात का ध्यान रखा जायेगा कि जिन को पहाड़ी आबोहवा और पहाड़ी स्थानों का कुछ खास तजुर्बा हो, ऐसे लोगों को अधिकतर पहाड़ी डिवीजन्ज में रखा जाये ?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: There seems to be some misconception of a mountain division. A mountain division does not necessarily mean constituting people of the mountain areas only. It is a question of orientation of training and particularly of the specialised arms that the division can use and that gives the characteristics of the mountain division.

Shri Surendra Pal Singh: Is it a fact that the Government of U.S.A. and the Government of Britain have