

(b) Does not arise.

(c) It has not been possible for the Government to accept the demand of the employees of banks/financial institutions for pensions as a third retirement benefit in view of the financial liabilities involved.

Construction of Bye-Pass at Mangaldoi In Assam

7966. SHRI PROBIN DEKA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have made any survey for construction of a bye-pass along the national highway at Mangaldoi in Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the work on this project is likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The alignment for construction of a buy-pass at Mangaldoi on National Highway No. 52 in Assam has been approved in February, 1992. It is too early to indicate the time by which the work is likely to start as it will depend on inclusion of this project in the Eighth Five Year Plan which is yet to be finalised.

Promotion of Firemen in Indian Air Force Station Chakeri

7967. SHRI JAGAT VIR SINGH
DRONA:
SHRI SHYAM BIHARI MISRA:
DR. LAL BAHADUR RAWAL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred

Question No. 711 on February 28, 1992 and state:

(a) the details of the conditions and minimum essential qualifications for promotion of grade-I Firemen to Leading Hand Fire in Indian Air Force.

(b) whether recently a Board was convened at Air Force Station Chakeri for promotion of Grade-I, Firemen to Leading Hand Fire;

(c) whether all persons recommended for promotion fulfilled the required qualifications

(d) if so, the details of the persons considered for and recommended promotion by the Board alongwith their qualifications; and

(e) if not, the remedial steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR) : (a) According to the Recruitment Rules, a Fireman Grade-I with three years of continuous service in the grade, failing which six years combined service in the Grade of Fireman Gde I and Fireman Gde II, rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis, and subject to passing a departmental trade test, is eligible for promotion to the post of Leading Hand Fire.

(b) to (d). A departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) was recently convened at Air Force Station, Chakeri for filling up vacancies of Leading Hand Fire (LHF). 7 Firemen Grade-I fulfilling the eligibility conditions were considered by the DPC and 3 of them have been promoted to the grade of LHF.

(e). Does not arise.