

(a) whether the Army Recruitment office situated in Lancedown in Garhwal district of Uttar Pradesh is able to meet the recruitment requirement of the whole region;

(b) if not, whether the Government propose to open one recruitment office each in Gopeshwar (Chamoli) and Narendra Nagar (Tehri); and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). In view of (a) above, there is no proposal to open a Recruitment office at Gopeshwar or Narendra Nagar.

Opening of Branches of RRBS In Garhwal Region

415. SHRIBHUWAN CHANDRA KHAN-DURI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to State:—

(a) the total district-wise number of branches of Regional Rural Banks in Pauri, Chamoli, Dehradun, Tehri and Uttarkashi districts of Garhwal Mandal of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether any proposals have been received to open the branches of the said rural banks at some other places in these districts; and

(c) if so, the names of the places and the time by which branches of the rural banks would be opened there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) The District-wise number of branches of Regional Rural Banks in Pauri, Chamoli, Dehradun, Tehri and Uttarkashi Districts of Uttar Pradesh (as on 30.6. 91) are given below:-

<i>District</i>	<i>Number of branches</i>
Pauri Garhwal	37
Chamoli	14
Dehradun	14
Tehri Garhwal	24
Uttarkashi	5

(b) and (c). Under the extant policy of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for opening of branches in rural areas, the list of identified centres with necessary particulars in each district has to be given to the lead bank of that District. The lead bank after consolidating the list received from all banks submits it to the District Collector for recommendations and onward transmission to the Reserve Bank of India through the concerned State Government. Under the Branch Licensing Policy (1990-95), opening of branches of Public Sector Banks Including Regional Rural Banks is a continuous process and hence it is not possible to project number of branches that will be opened in these districts.

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Investigation Into Bofors Case

416. SHRI CHITTA BASU:
SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA:
SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN:
SHRI LOKANATH CH-
OUDHURY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the latest position in regard to the Bofors case currently under investigation