GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3246 (TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023)

RETIREMENT AGE OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

3246. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to change the retirement age of the Government employees and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of employees who have been given compulsory retirement under Rule 56(j) during the last three years and the current year, year-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken in the direction of strengthening and bringing transparency in administration during the last three years and the current year?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a): There is no proposal under consideration to change the retirement age of the Central Government employees.
- (b) & (c): As per the updated information /data available on the Probity Portal (as on 30.06.2023) as provided by the different Ministries/Departments/Cadre Controlling Authorities (CCAs), provisions of Fundamental Rules (FR)-56(j)/similar provisions have been invoked against a total of 122 officers during the last three years (2020-2023), including the current year.

The objective of the review process under the FR 56(j)/similar provisions is to bring efficiency and to strengthen the administrative machinery. Government has also been continuously endeavouring for greater emphasis on digitization, enhanced use of e-office, simplification of rules, periodic cadre restructuring and abolition of redundant laws for strengthening the administration and improving the overall work efficiency in governance.
