

(c) the reasons for not utilising the material for construction of sub-marines and how the Government propose to consume the material;

(d) whether any responsibility has been fixed for the same; and

(e) if so, the action taken against the concerned persons?

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

(b) and (c) The total value of submarine material imported from West Germany so far is valued at Rs. 138.00 crores. Of this, material valued at Rs. 134.88 crores (97.3%) has already been used in the construction of the two submarines. The balance 2.7% will be utilised as under:—

Material valued at — within one year for the remaining construction work  
Rs. 3.12 crores

Material valued at — During future refits/repairs.  
Rs. 60 lakhs

(d) and (e) Do not arise in view of replies to parts (b) and (c) above.

#### Curbs on Imports

661. **SHRI LOKANATH CHOUHDURY:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to lift curbs on imports; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM):** (a) and (b) The Reserve Bank of India in the recent past had introduced certain restrictions on import finance. Lifting of curbs will depend on the 'Balance of Payment' position.

[Translation]

#### Resettlement of Ex-Servicemen

662. **PROF. PREM DHUMAL:** Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of ex-servicemen who have been resettled after their retirement during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether they are being resettled as per the prescribed percentage provided for ex-servicemen; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR):** (a) Placement of ex-Servicemen, in civil jobs including the private sector, is as follows:—

Year	No. of retires	No. desires of employment assistance	No. provided employment	No. % w.r.t. Col. (3)
1988	55,295	35,882	21,872	60.96%
1989	62,274	37,849	18,853	49.81%
1990	53,979	31,868	15,909	49.92%