

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4044  
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RESERVED VACANCIES  
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**Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:**

- (a) The total number of employees in Group A,B,C&D categories belonging to O.B.C.s in various Departments under his Ministry alongwith category-wise number thereof;
- (b) The percentage of reservation provided to O.B.C.s by the Union Government;
- (c) Whether the quota provided to O.B.C.s in various departments/undertakings under his Ministry has been filled up;
- (d) If not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) The time by which it is likely to be filled up;
- (f) Whether the employees belonging to O.B.C.s have been provided reservation in promotion also;
- (g) If so, the details thereof;
- (h) If not, whether a person belonging to the general category is recruited in case the person belonging to O.B.C. category is not found suitable for the post; and
- (i) If so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER, DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a) The total number of employees in Group A,B,C&D categories belonging to O.B.C.s in the main Department of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) and its organizations / Public Sector Undertakings is as under:-

Main Department NEC#/NEHHDC##/NERAMAC###

Group A	- Nil	1
Group B	- Nil	2
Group C	- 1	8
Group D	- 1	13

# NEC - North Eastern Council  
## NEHHDC - North Eastern Handicrafts & Handloom Development Corporation  
### NERAMAC - North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation

(b) 27 per cent of the vacancies in civil posts and services under the Government of India to be filled through direct recruitment are to be reserved for the O.B.C.s.

(c) Posts in the main Department in Category `A` and `B` have been filled up by transfer on deputation basis and not by direct recruitment. Group `C` posts (Except Drivers) have been filled by the Ministry of Home Affairs as the Cadre Controlling Authority.

The Department of Development of North Eastern Region has recruited 3 drivers (Group `C`) out of which one belongs to O.B.C. Out of 5 posts of peons filled up by the main Department one peon belongs to O.B.C. category.

O.B.C. quota in North Eastern Council (NEC), North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation (NERAMAC) and North Eastern Handicrafts and Handloom Development Corporation (NEHHDC) is not filled up.

(d) There has been no vacancy during the last 5 years in North Eastern Region Agricultural Marketing Corporation (NERAMAC) and North Eastern Handicrafts and Handloom Development Corporation (NEHHDC), the Government of India undertakings under this Department. Likewise, no vacancy has arisen in North Eastern Council (NEC) on account of reduction in staff strength. Therefore, no fresh recruitment has been made. Moreover, Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) is also in operation in NERAMAC and NEHHDC.

(e) Already existing strength has been reduced. As and when vacancies arise against reduced strength appointments which are through direct recruitment will be made taking into account the O.B.C. reservation.

(f) No reservation is provided to O.B.C.s for promotion as per rules.

(g) Question does not arise.

(h) The relevant Rules provide that General candidate shall be appointed to a reserved vacancy only if reserved candidates are either not available within the normal/extended/ zone or are found unsuitable and if dereservation is approved. However, there is no case in Department of Development of North Eastern Region where a general category candidate was appointed by direct recruitment due to non-availability of an O.B.C. candidate.

(i) Question does not arise.