

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RESERVATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of posts reserved for Ex-servicemen in Government jobs and Public Sector Undertakings which are lying vacant, Department-wise;
- (b) the total number of posts created/reserved for them during the last three years;
- (c) the reasons for the posts lying vacant and the action taken/proposed to be taken to fill up these vacancies;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to provide employment to the Ex-servicemen in the vicinity of their hometowns; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

(a) & (b): There is no provision for earmarking of posts exclusively for ex-servicemen therefore the data on the actual number of reserved posts and unfilled vacancies earmarked for the Ex-servicemen are not maintained. However, percentagewise reservations ranging from 10 to 24.5% of the total available vacancies in Group C & D posts in Government jobs and Public Sector Undertakings have been provided for the willing and eligible Ex-servicemen.

(c) It is the responsibility of concerned organization to fill the vacant posts. However the government endeavours to explore every possible avenue for increasing employment opportunities for the Ex-servicemen through various initiatives including trainings and awareness programmes. Moreover, the State Governments have also been advised to fill up the vacancies reserved for Ex-servicemen expeditiously. Since the Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare has no mandate to monitor the job reservations for Ex-servicemen, the matter has been taken up with Cabinet Secretariat in consultation with Department of Personnel & Training to empower Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare to monitor the same through appropriate changes in relevant rules.

(d) & (e): There is no such proposal at present.