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RECRUITMENT IN PRASAR BHARATI

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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a recruitment board for Prasar Bharati has been constituted;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the time by which the same is likely to be constituted;
- (c) the total number of posts lying vacant in the Prasar Bharati vis-a-vis sanctioned posts, cadre and State-wise including Jammu & Kashmir and Uttarakhand;
- (d) whether most of the promotions in the Prasar Bharati are made on ad hoc basis and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to regularise such promotions and to address the issues pertaining to the career prospects of the employees working in the Prasar Bharati?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

- (a) & (b): The Prasar Bharati Recruitment Board (PBRB) has not yet been constituted. The draft Rules regarding establishment of PBRB is under finalization. Upon finalization of the Rules, the posts of Chairman and Members of PBRB will be created. The PBRB shall be constituted once these posts are created and filled up.
- (c): The information is being collected by Prasar Bharati and will be laid on the table of the House.
- (d): Adhoc promotions to some of the Programme posts in Prasar Bharati were made in order to mitigate stagnation due to non-convening of DPC by UPSC during 1997-2002 and from 2013 onwards and also due to litigations impacting regular promotions.
- (e): The Ministry of Information & Broadcasting is in dialogue with UPSC for convening DPCs for regular promotions. The Ministry has also requested Prasar Bharati to forward proposals for cadre review of Indian Broadcasting Programme Service and Indian Broadcasting Engineering Service for approval of the Government.