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12.5% and 15% reservation in Group 'C' and 'D' posts in State Government departments. The State Government has issued instructions to each of its Department to follow the reservation policy for ex-Servicemen.

Written Answers

- (i) With a view to provide re-employment to ex-Servicemen against the posts of Security Guard and Chowkidar, the State Government has issued instructions to all State Boards and Corporations to employ ex-Servicemen only as Chowkidars and Security Guards. As regards, selection of suitable ex-Servicemen against the post of Lower Division Clerk, the State Government has released the vacancies for appointment with a request to Heads of Department to associate a Member of Rajya Sainik Board in the recruitment process.
- (ii) Details of the ex-Servicemen re-employed in the State during the last three years are as follows:

	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
Group 'C' and 'D' posts	42	298	767
Chowkidars & security Guard	s —	_	2817

(d) Central Government has issued instructions to all Ministries/Departments/Offices that no vacancy reserved for ex-Servicemen in a post to be filled otherwise than on the results of an open competitive examination shall be filled by the appointing authority by a general candidate until and unless it has obtained a certificate from the employment exchange, Director General Resettlement and Ministry of Labour (DGET) that no suitable ex-Servicemen is available for the post.

[Translation]

## Ganga Barrage

1291. SHRI JAGAT VIR SINGH DRONA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is aware that the construction work of Ganga Barrage at Kanpur in Uttar Pradesh has been stopped;
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Union Government and State Government for the early completion of Ganga Barrage?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) No such information has been received from the Government of Uttal Pradesh.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) In the budget estimates for the year 1998-99, and allocation of Rs.4.50 crores has been proposed under the Central plan, of this Ministry.

[English]

## Cauvery Water Supply Project

1292. SHRI C.P.M. GIRIYAPPA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether "Cauvery Water Supply Project Forth Stage" is likely to be completed during the current financial year;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Overseas Economic Corporation Fund
  (OECF) of Japan is providing financial assistance for this project; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI) : (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) The Cauvery Water Supply project Stage IV, Phase-I for Bangalore at an estimated cost of Rs.1072 crores is under implementation with loan assistance from OECF, Japan amounting to Japanese Yen 28,452 million. The loan agreement was signed on 25.1.96 and the credit closing date is on 26.3.2004.

[Translation]

## Survey for Banswara-Dhugarpur Rail Line

1293. SHRI MAHENDRAJEET SINGH MALVIYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to conduct survey for laying new rail line-from Banswara to Dhugarpur;
   and
- (b) if so, the time by which the above survey is likely to be conducted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Survey has been taken up and is likely to be completed in about one year's period from now.