

Number of Ex-servicemen provided jobs in the last three years

10804. DR. VASANT KUMAR PANDIT: Will the DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Ex-servicemen retired during the years 1976, 1977 and 1978;

(b) how many of them were given jobs during each of the above three years; and

(c) whether it is a fact that large number of Reserved Vacancies for Ex-servicemen could not be filled up due to lack of qualified candidates?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) The number of ex-servicemen who retired during 1976, 1977 and 1978 is as follows:—

1976	24,334
1977	33,946
1978	58,400

(b) According to our information, the number of ex-servicemen placed in employment during the three years is as under:—

1976	19,785
1977	17,842
1978	18,488

Since the figures relating to number of ex-servicemen registered for employment are not maintained according to their year of release, the information pertains to the total number of ex-servicemen who found employment during the three years.

(c) Yes Sir.

Urdu Programmes from Dharwar, Gulbarga and Bhadravati Stations

10805. SHRI F. H. MOHSIN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) in view of the large Urdu knowing population in Karnataka will the Government consider of relaying more Urdu programmes from Dharwar, Gulbarga, Bhadravati and Bangalore stations; and

(b) what is the time fixed for Urdu programme at present?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) and (b). Linguistic population is one of the several considerations taken into account while deciding the introduction of a programme in a particular language spoken in the service area of a Radio Station. The details of the Urdu programmes broadcast by AIR Stations located in Karnataka are as follows:—

(i) Dharwar	40 minutes weekly
(ii) Gulbarga	70 minutes weekly
(iii) Bangalore	60 minutes weekly
(iv) Bhadravati	60 minutes weekly

(Occasionally excerpts from Mushairas and Urdu Talks on some festivals are also broadcast by AIR Bangalore).

A re-appraisal of the existing quantum of Urdu programmes from these Stations is being considered.

Setting up of a T.V. Centre at Kolhapur in Maharashtra

10806. SHRI RAJARAM SHANKARRAO MANE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kolhapur city in Maharashtra has been included for setting a T.V. Centre or a Relay Centre on satellite for T.V. during sixth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, and how much is the provision and when the survey work will be completed; and

(c) by what time people in that area will get the benefit of T.V.?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a), (b) and (c). There is no allocation in the approved Draft Sixth Plan of Doordarshan for utilisation of the Indian National Satellite (INSAT) for telecast of T.V. programmes. However, the feasibility of such utilisation is being examined