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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3420 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4TH AUGUST. 2017

RECRUITMENT IN ORDNANCE FACTORIES

3420. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had published vacancies to be recruited on many posts in ordnance factories in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has cancelled the same later on, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether due to inclusion in non-core group, vehicle factory in Jabalpur and other ordnance factories do not have to face the competition and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the sanctioned posts in vehicle factory, Jabalpur have been deceased recently and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government considers to assign new work and make fresh recruitment in place of downsizing the number of employees with a view to the big set-up and capacity of these ordnance factories and if so, the details thereof?

<u>A N S W E R</u> MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE रारायमं (डा. स्भाष भामरे)

- (a) Yes, Madam. An advertisement towards direct recruitment of 5186 number of Industrial Employees (IEs) was issued by Ordnance Factory Recruitment Centre (OFRC) on 27.5.2017.
- (b) No, Madam. The advertisement had not been cancelled but the number of IEs to be recruited had been revised to 3587 from 5186 earlier, the revision in the figure was made in the light of decision with regard to procurement of non-core items from Indian Private Industries by Indian Army without obtaining No Objection Certificate (NOC) from Ordnance Factory Board (OFB).

- (c) Army would go for procurement of non-core items through competitive tendering as per relevant clauses of Defence Procurement Manual (DPM)-2009 ensuring equity and inclusiveness. Ordnance factories will be under no obligation to supply the non-core items unless they choose to participate in the tender.
- (d) Yes, Madam. Keeping in view the futuristic load pattern of each factory, the sanctioned posts in Vehicle Factory, Jabalpur (VFJ) have been decreased recently as detailed under:
 - (i) <u>Industrial Employees</u>: The sanctioned strength of tradesman at VFJ has been revised from 4629 to 3357. Sanctioned strength of Labourer / Semiskilled has been revised from 1103 to 230.
 - (ii) Non-Industrial Employees (NIEs): The sanctioned strength of NIEs at VFJ has been revised from 984 to 737.
- (e) OFB is optimally utilizing the resources among various Ordnance Factories keeping in view the futuristic load pattern in these factories. There is no proposal for downsizing the organization at present.
