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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1869

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7TH MARCH, 2018

PRINCESS PARK OFFICERS HOSTEL

1869. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h

be pleased to state:

(a)   whether the Government has decided to demolish Princess Park Officers Hostel, New Delhi to construct National War Memorial there;

(b)   if so, whether a Defence Unit Run Canteen (URC) functioning in the said premises was also permanently closed by virtue of the said decision;

(c)   if so, whether the regular services of all civilian employees of this URC were dismissed without their rehabilitation in the form of providing them regular employment in other identical URCs;

(d)   if so, whether some of these categories of employees were randomly selected and adjusted in some URCs leaving others to face the brunt;

(e)   if so, whether the Government has received any representations from these affected employees for providing them suitable and regular employment in other similar URCs; and

(f)   if so, the details of directives issued by the Government to the concerned authorities in this regard?

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MINISTER OF STATE   (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(a) & (b):   Yes, Madam. Princess Park area near India gate, New Delhi has been approved as the site for construction of National War Museum. Accordingly, one Unit Run Canteen (URC) has been closed.

(c)   As URCs are private entities in accordance with judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in RR Pillai case in 2009, the employees of URCs are not employees of Government. Accordingly after the closure of the URC, the services of all employees of this URC have been terminated.

(d) to (f):   Some ex-employees of this URC have forwarded the representations seeking suitable employment / rehabilitation. As the employees of URCs are not employees of Government, no directives has been issued by the Government. However, such terminated employees can approach other URCs for appointment on humanitarian ground.

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