GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL & TRAINING)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1458 (TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2018)

RECRUITMENT OF HANDICAPPED AND BLIND PERSONS

1458. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government in consultation with the State Governments is going to launch a special recruitment programme for handicapped and blind persons in Government, Semi Government, Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and PSU Banks as a large number of such posts are lying vacant for a long time;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of posts that are lying vacant and the action taken by the Government to fill up the vacant posts, State-wise; and
- (d) the time that would be taken to complete such recruitment?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) & (b): At present, there is no proposal to launch a Special Recruitment Drive for filling up the vacancies for Persons With Disabilities (PWDs).

By virtue of Entry 9 and 41 of State List of the Constitution of India, the respective States are required to implement the provisions relating to reservation for PWDs in their establishments.

(c) & (d): As per data obtained from various Central Government Ministries/ Departments which also include vacancies in Central Public Sector Undertakings, Nationalised Banks and Financial Institutions etc., there were more than 15000 vacancies identified in the year 2015 for PWDs. These, inter-alia, included backlog vacancies carried forward from earlier years. Till date, total of 14231 vacancies of PWDs have been filled up. Department of Personnel & Training regularly reviews the position with the Departments/Ministries for expeditious action to fill up the vacancies.
