

PENSION AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES TO THE EX-SERVICEMEN

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The Government is providing adequate pension to the ex-servicemen in the country as per extant rules. Additionally, the One Rank One Pension (OROP) scheme seeks to bridge the gap between the rates of pension of current and past pensioners retiring in the same rank with the same length of service. Further, various Re-settlement/ Skill Development Training Courses, Employment and Self-Employment Schemes are being run by the Government to provide job opportunities to the Ex-Servicemen in Government Organizations, Public Sector Undertaking, Corporate Houses, Private Sector, Central Para Military Forces etc. based on their requisition for employment of ESM.

The total population of ex-servicemen in the country, State/UT-wise, is as follows:

Census Data of ESM as on 30.06.2024		
S No	States/UTs	Total
1.	Andhra Pradesh	78,148
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	986
3.	Assam	41,656
4.	Bihar	1,33,526
5.	Chhattisgarh	7,355
6.	Goa	2,389
7.	Gujarat	33,773
8.	Haryana	1,77,771
9.	Himachal Pradesh	1,29,656
10.	Jharkhand	30,546
11.	Karnataka	94,530
12.	Kerala	1,82,368
13.	Madhya Pradesh	58,464
14.	Maharashtra	2,01,628
15.	Manipur	8,744
16.	Meghalaya	3,012
17.	Mizoram	5,975
18.	Nagaland	3,284
19.	Odisha	53,025
20.	Punjab	3,82,694
21.	Rajasthan	2,12,415

22.	Sikkim	1,094
23.	Tamil Nadu	1,23,349
24.	Telangana	27,853
25.	Tripura	2,609
26.	Uttar Pradesh	4,26,179
27.	Uttarakhand	1,39,882
28.	West Bengal	1,07,450
29.	Andaman & Nicobar	1,123
30.	Chandigarh	8,463
31.	Daman & Diu and Dadra Nagar Haveli	0
32.	Delhi	63,614
33.	Jammu & Kashmir	78,592
34.	Lakshadweep	0
35.	Leh & Ladakh	6,479
36.	Puducherry	2,477
Total		28,31,109

The Government organises the job fairs for ex-servicemen across pan India in collaboration with Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) and with the support of all the three Service Headquarters. It offers a direct interface between the employer and the prospective candidate that includes on the spot skill test, interview and employment by the Corporate sector.

Further, there is a reservation of 14.5% vacancies in Group 'C' and 24.5% vacancies in Group 'D' posts for Ex-servicemen in Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) and Public Sector Banks (PSBs). This includes 4.5% vacancies for disabled Ex-servicemen & dependents of service personnel killed in action.

This information was given by Raksha Rajya Mantri Shri Sanjay Seth in a written reply in the Rajya Sabha today.

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