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The Monthly Summary for the Cabinet for the month of December, 2019 relating to the significant activities of the Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare, Ministry of Defence is enclosed.

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Important/Significant achievements in the Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare including Minimum Government Maximum Governance during December, 2019:-

The following are the significant achievements in the Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare including Minimum Government Maximum Governance during December, 2019:-

(i) Entrepreneurship-cum-Resettlement Seminars for Veterans and prospective retirees were conducted by Directorate of Resettlement Zone (North) at Samba and Rakh Muthi, Akhnoor, J&K on 6.12.2019 and 14.12.2019 respectively. Veterans, Veer Naaris, their dependents and retiring personnel were given guidance about the various opportunities available post-retirement for a second career especially entrepreneurial/ self-employment options.

(ii) The Armed Forces Flag Day was celebrated on 7th December across the country to commemorate the supreme sacrifices of our armed forces. This year, the Armed Forces Flag Day Week was observed from 2nd to 8th December, 2019 for an active campaign involving the print, electronic and social media. Video Spots of beneficiaries and celebrities were broadcasted on TV channels, Railway Stations and Airports across the country to increase awareness and participation.

(iii) A CSR conclave was organized in association with the Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) and the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industries (FICCI) on 2.12.2019 at the Manekshaw Centre, which was presided over by the Hon’ble Raksha Mantri. The objective was to create awareness about the challenges faced by ex-servicemen and how the corporate sector can play an important part for their welfare, resettlement and rehabilitation. Various Corporate firms/PSUs were also felicitated during the event for their contribution.

(iv) An event for plogging was flagged off by the Hon’ble RM on 7.12.2019 as a special day to mark the Armed Forces Flag Day at Sadar Bazar, Delhi Cantonment Board. The Slogan for the event was ‘Plastic Se Raksha-Swachhata Hi Suraksha’. A large number of ex-servicemen across the country participated in the community awareness programmes which were organised by the various Rajya/Zila Sainik Boards to mark the day.

(v) An amount of Rs. 1,60,505/- was disbursed under the Defence Service Estimate (DSE) Budget during the month to the Kendriya Sainik Board. The Progressive disbursement under DSE Budget so far is Rs. 22,41,06,896/-.

(vi) Financial assistance of Rs. 8,12,700/- was released to War Memorial Hostels during the month. The progressive disbursement for the year so far is Rs. 13,64,789/-. 
(vii) Financial assistance of Rs. 35,35,650/- has been released to the Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centre (PRC), Kirkee during the month. The progressive disbursement for the year is Rs. 1,05,59,925/-.

(viii) An amount of Rs. 45,70,190/- was disbursed out of the Armed Forces Flag Day Fund for various welfare activities during the month. The progressive disbursement in the year so far is Rs. 67,42,46,441/-.

(ix) A total of 756 Ex-Servicemen (ESM) have been provided employment under Government, Non-Government and Self-Employment Schemes. 33 Officers and 447 JCOs/OR have undergone resettlement training during the month.

(x) The Number of ESM/ dependents registered for Digital Life Certificate up to 30.11.2019 is 5,05,690.

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