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Office Memorandum

Subject: Monthly Summary Report for the month of September, 2019 in respect of Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare, Ministry of Defence.

The Monthly Summary for the Cabinet for the month of September, 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 September, 2019:-

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

- (i) ECHS beneficiaries have been allowed to obtain domiciliary medical equipments for which ECHS ceiling rates are available on the recommendations of Government Hospital Specialists in addition to the Specialist of the Military Hospital vide MoD letter No. 18(114)/2017/WE/D(Res-I) dated 18.9.2019.
- (ii) Instructions have been issued to all Command Headquarters and Regional Centres for according priority to ECHS members and dependents above 75 years age in ECHS OPD of Military Hospitals vide Central Organisation ECHS letter No. B/49701-PR/AG/ECHS/2019 dated 12.9.2019.
- (iii) A one day workshop on Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA) and Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (SBA) was organised on 6.9.2019 at Central Sainik Rest House (CSRH), Narainafor creating awareness, review the progress and lay down the future roadmap in support of the JSA and SBA respectively. The workshop was attended by approx. 70 participants. Dr.SumanChahar, Sr. Vice President of Sulabh International Social Service Organisation was invited as guest speaker and she explained the initiatives being taken regarding Water Conservation, Ground Water recharging, Sanitation and minimising Single Use Plastic at the national level.A total of 7370 ESM/dependents have participated so far in the various activities conducted by our attached offices and their field units under the Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA).
- (iv) An Interactive Voice Response System (IVRS) for the KSB Helplinewas launched on 6.9.2019 which canattend to 20 calls simultaneously both in Hindi and English. This will reduce the waiting time for the grievance redressal of the ESM and enable ESM to access information regarding the status of their applications.
- (v) The renovated/upgraded Central Sainik Rest House (CSRH), Naraina was inaugurated on 6.9.2019. The upgradation of 10 rooms and addition of 2 guest rooms with better facilities provides decent accommodation to ESM in the capital at affordable rates.
- (vi) Action Plan on Single Use Plastic (SUP) has been prepared and instructions have been issued to all our attached offices. The focus of the campaign is building, awareness, promotion of alternatives for SUPs and effective enforcement through regular monitoring. All the attached offices have been instructed to actively participate in the Shramdaan for collection of Plastic Waste w.e.f. 11.9.2019.
- (vii) Financial assistance of Rs. 12,80,04,000/- was released to 7162 cases under the Raksha Mantri's Ex-Servicemen Welfare Fund (RMEWF) during the month. The Progressive disbursement so far is Rs. 49,25,34,000/-.

- (viii) A total of 559 Ex-Servicemen (ESM) have been provided employment under Government, Non-Government and Self-Employment Schemes. 77 Officers and 510 JCOs/ORs were also been given resettlement training during the month.
- (ix) The Number of ESM/ dependents registered for Digital Life Certificate up to 31.8.2019 is 5,04,769.
