

**REVISED PENSION RATES FOR THE ARMY
RESERVISTS**

*63. SHRI SARDAR SINGH: Will the Minister for DEFENCE be pleased to state

(a) whether Government have recently revised the pension rates of Army Reservists; and

(b) if so, what were the reasons for the revision?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR DEFENCE (SARDAR S. S. MAJITHIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the context of the general enhancement of pensions of Armed Forces personnel announced last year, Government considered it necessary to enhance the rates of pensions of Army Reservists who form an important part of the Defence Organization.

SHRI SARDAR SINGH: May I know, Sir, what is the difference? How much increment has been given?

SARDAR S. S. MAJITHIA: Formerly, they used to get Rs. 7 per month or a gratuity of Rs. 300 in lieu thereof. But now the terms are that after seven years' colour service and eight years' reserve, they will get Rs. 10 per month or a gratuity of Rs. 750, which is more than double; for ten years' colour service and ten years' reserve, Rs. 11 per month or Rs. 900 as gratuity in lieu thereof; for twelve years' colour service and eight years' reserve, Rs. 12 per month pension or Rs. 1,000 as gratuity in lieu.

**CASES OF "HEAVY REJECTIONS" IN OR-
DNANCE FACTORIES DURING THE YEARS
1952-53 AND 1953-54**

*64. DR. R. P. DUBE: Will the Minister for FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of "heavy rejections" in Ordnance Factories during the years 1952-53 and 1953-54 corresponding to the two cases of "heavy

rejections" noted in the Audit Report on the Commercial Appendix to the Appropriation Accounts of the Defence Services for 1951-52; and

(b) when the Audit Reports for 1952-53 and 1953-54 are likely to be published?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR FINANCE (SHRI A. C. GUHA): (a) Eight cases of heavy rejections in Ordnance Factories have been reported for the year 1952-53. The information in respect of the year 1953-54 is not yet available.

(b) The Audit Report on the Appropriation Accounts and Commercial Appendix for 1952-53 is expected to be presented to the House during the current session and that for 1953-54 during the year 1955.

DR. R. P. DUBE: What is the amount of percentage of rejection in 1952-53?

SHRI A. C. GUHA: It is a very tricky question. Does he mean the percentage of rejection of the total production of the Ordnance Factories, or of the particular items?

DR. R. P. DUBE: You have given it in the last report that it is 24 per cent. I wanted to know the percentage in 1952-53.

SHRI A. C. GUHA: 24 per cent., that is of a particular item of production, not of the entire production of the Ordnance Factories. Ordnance Factories have been producing articles worth crores of rupees, and only in eight items there have been rejections worth Rs. 10,42,000, and the total value of those eight items was Rs. 38,00,000.

DR. R. P. DUBE: Rs. 38 lakhs?

SHRI A. C. GUHA: The total value of the articles in which rejections have occurred was Rs. 38,67,000, and out of this the rejections were worth Rs. 10,42,000. This, compared with the value of the total annual production of the Ordnance Factories of about Rs. 30 crores would be quite small.