

date only 15 posts are vacant. Filling up of vacant posts at a station is a continuous process. It is, however, not possible to prescribe any time limit.

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DAVP Advertisements to small and medium newspapers

1083. SHRI KALP PRASAD PANDEY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Small and Medium Newspapers Federation has expressed its deep concern over the hike in prices of newsprint and has requested Union Government to give 70 percent advertisements of DAVP to small and medium newspapers; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.K. TEWARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The advertisements are issued to various newspapers keeping in view the publicity requirements and availability of funds. Since these are not given as a measure of financial assistance, no percentage can be fixed for different categories of newspapers. However, Government have requested all concerned to consider greater flow of advertisements to small and medium newspapers consistent with their publicity requirements.

Allotment of Petrol Pumps and LPG Agencies to Scheduled Castes in M.P.

1084. SHRI NANDLAL CHOUDHARY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places in Madhya Pradesh where petrol pumps and LPG agencies are proposed to be allotted to Scheduled Castes during 1989-90 and 1990-91;

(b) whether the petrol pumps and LPG agencies have not been allotted to Scheduled Castes during the last few years in accordance with their reserved quota;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which the reserved quota for Scheduled Castes is likely to be filled up fully?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHMA DUTT): (a) Upto the Marketing Plan 1987-88, the oil industry proposes to allot six retail outlets (Petrol/Diesel) to persons belonging to SC category in the State of Madhya Pradesh at the following locations:

	<i>Location</i>	<i>District</i>
	1	2
1.	Allot	Ratlam
2.	Singrauli	Sidhi
3.	Ranpur Bhagelon	Satna
4.	Ajaygarh	Panna
5.	Bilkeesganj	Bhopal
6.	Banmore	Morena

Upto the Marketing Plan 1988-89 the oil industry proposes to allot 8 LPG distributorships to persons belonging to SC category at the following locations: