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Pay Parity in Services

Recommendations of the Sixth Central Pay Commission and several improvements made thereon by the Government have been largely well received by the armed forces personnel. Some issues regarding service conditions, pay and allowances have subsequently been received. These issues are examined by the Government on case to case basis.

In the matter relating to retirement benefits, an Anomaly Committee was set up under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Defence/Finance). This Committee identified some anomalies which have since been addressed to by the Government. Improvement of service conditions, pay, allowances and retirement benefits of armed forces personnel is a continuous process.

This information was given by Minister of Defence Shri A K Antony in a written reply to Dr. P. Venugopalin Lok Sabha today.

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