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Cabinet nod for recruitment in 130 posts

PANJIM: Ahead of the 2017 Assembly elections, the State Cabinet on Tuesday approved the filling up of around 130 posts in various government departments, including 50 posts in the tourist security force to man the beaches and ensure safety of tourists.

The Cabinet also granted its nod to enhance the retirement age of non-teaching doctors from 60 years to 62 years. In future, it proposes to increase the retirement age of teaching doctors from 60 years to 65 years.

Addressing media persons after the cabinet meeting, Chief Minister Laxmikant Parsekar said employees will be recruited on contractual basis for the tourist security force and deployed along the coastal belts. "Their main duty will be to keep a check on illegal activities on beaches and overall safety and security of tourists," he said.

Of the 50 posts, 39 posts of tourist wardens, drivers and chief tourist security officer will be reserved for ex-servicemen, Parsekar said.

The Chief Minister said that as assured on the Floor of the House, consent has been granted for appointment of 46 lecturers in various polytechnic institutions, with a basic pay scale ranging from Rs 31,000 to 38,000 per month based on experience.

Similarly, the Cabinet has revived 12 posts of audit assistant in the Department of Cooperation and another 15 posts in its new zonal offices.

Parsekar said the creation of five posts in the Department of Schedule Tribes Finance and Development Corporation, two posts in the Children's Court and two contractual appointments of junior stenographers at the Juvenile Justice Board and Child Welfare Committee, have been approved.

The Cabinet has consented to the appointment of two contractual workers, two government advocates and has appointed Pushpa Naik as private secretary to Goa Lokayukta, he stated.

The Cabinet has also given ex-facto approval to extend the term of ten homeopathic doctors by a year.

Parsekar said the Cabinet also granted its nod to enhance the retirement age of non-teaching doctors from 60 years to 62 years. "We had recently announced to increase the retirement age of teaching doctors from 60 years to 65 years and non-teaching doctors to 62 years. Accordingly, the decision has been taken," he said adding that the decision will benefit nearly 100 non-teaching doctors.