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State govt decided to block civilians from getting jobs through UPNL

DEHRADUN: As the state government decided to block civilians from getting jobs through the Uttarakhand Purva Sainik Nigam Limited (UPNL), the new managing director is introducing technologies to exclusively cater to recruitment of ex-servicemen and their dependants for getting contractual jobs.

"Our first priority is to cater to ex-servicemen living in both Garhwal and Kumaon region. For bringing transparency and keeping them informed about job vacancies, details of jobs and the announcements appearing in the UPNL website will be synced with all the websites of district administration and other state government department websites," managing director Brig (Rtd) PPS Pahwa said.

Pahwa took over as the head of the UPNL on September 2. The agency is the biggest agency that provides job to the ex-armymen community in the state and has recruited more than 27,000 people. The jobs are mainly of lower and middle level in the state-owned and central government offices inside and outside Uttarakhand.

"Now all the vacancies are being updated in the UPNL website. We are looking at new avenues, where both officers and army personnel can be given jobs in all fields," he said.

After recruitment, the UPNL gets payments from the employers and they disburse salaries into the accounts of the employees.

The state has over 23 lakh population of ex-servicemen. "Earlier, the ex-armymen and their dependants used to run from pillar to post in UPNL offices to get jobs and civilians with political influences used to get employment easily but I hope now we will get a fair chance," said subedar (retire) Gajinder Rawat.