

Rajya Sabha

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
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(Ministries : Civil Aviation; Coal; Defence; Housing and Urban Affairs; Jal Shakti; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Mines; Minority Affairs; Parliamentary Affairs; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Planning; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Steel)

Total number of questions -- 160

Expansion of airports

3521 **Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) the measures which have been taken by Government to expand airports at the current sites, particularly in the metro cities, where there is inadequate hangar space and unavailability of the land;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated by Government for the development of new airports under the Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode; and
- (c) the measures being taken by Government to bring the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and rules and regulations at par with the world standards and to keep pace with the technological changes?

Cheap air journey

3522 **Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formulated any scheme to facilitate cheaper air journey to the general public and, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the steps proposed to be taken by Government for operation of cheaper domestic flights;
- (c) the names of the States in which Government proposes to implement this system; and
- (d) the details of the rates likely to be made applicable, State-wise?

Ranking of airports

3523 # **Shri Brijlal:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indira Gandhi International (IGI) airport has been adjudged the best airport of Asia Pacific region, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the criteria fixed for the ranking of airports; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to modernise and make all the airports in the country

world class?

Rasgovindpur airport under UDAN Scheme

3524 **Dr. Prashanta Nanda:**

Smt. Mamata Mohanta:

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any proposal or will consider the demand to develop Rasgovindpur airstrip in Mayurbhanj district of Odisha, into an airport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof with the proposal of developing this airstrip which is lying unused for a long time;
- (c) whether the Ministry has taken up this issue with the Defence Ministry;
- (d) whether a No Objection Certificate (NOC) request is pending with Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) to start air services from Rasgovindpur Airport under the UDAN scheme;
- (e) if so, the present status thereof; and
- (f) by when Government would start commercial air services from this airport?

Setting up of greenfield airport at Bhogapuram, Andhra Pradesh

3525 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken any decision regarding setting up of new greenfield airport at Bhogapuram in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Evacuation of stranded students in Ukraine

3526 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had pressed into service aircrafts to evacuate the students who are stranded in Ukraine due to ongoing war between Russia and Ukraine;
- (b) if so, details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has paid any amount to the airlines for this purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, journey-wise?

Expansion of terminal building of Tirupati airport

3527 **Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that linear expansion of terminal building of Tirupati airport was to be completed by August, 2019;
- (b) if so, the status of the same;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that there is delay in execution of the project;
- (d) if so, the reasons for delay and time and cost overruns of the project; and
- (e) by when it is going to become operational?

Expenditure on evacuation of Indian citizens from Ukraine

3528 **Shri Abdul Wahab:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has charged any amount from Indian citizens evacuated from Ukraine for their flight tickets or any other services;
- (b) if so, the details of the amount collected;
- (c) the number of flights service held for the evacuation of Indian citizens stranded in Ukraine;
- (d) the details of the same including the name of various private flights; and
- (e) the amount paid to various flights services including the Indian Air Force for this evacuation process?

Flight cancellation and alternative arrangement provided to passengers

3529 **Shri Abdul Wahab:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any data on the number of flights cancelled due to the denial of permission from the DGCA;
- (b) if so, the details of the same for the last five years;
- (c) the names of airlines which made alternative arrangements for passengers of the cancelled flights;
- (d) whether Government has received any complaints from the passengers against any airlines with respect to the reimbursement of money due to cancellation; and
- (e) if so, the details of the complaints received against various airlines with year-wise breakup for the last five years?

Permission for wide body aircrafts at Calicut International airport

3530 **Shri Abdul Wahab:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government will consider the restoration of operation of wide body aircrafts from Calicut International airport;
- (b) if so, the time frame in which this would be effective; and
- (c) if not, the reason for not allowing the wide body aircrafts at Calicut International airport?

Affordable air travel

3531 **Shri Syed Zafar Islam:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the domestic air passengers number has increased; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government for affordable air travel?

Facial recognition systems

3532 # **Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to equip the airports with facial recognition system;
- (b) if so, by when it is likely to be implemented;
- (c) names of the airports in the country where the said system is proposed to be set up;
- (d) whether Government has set any time line for this purpose and, if so, the details

thereof;

(e) whether Government has any action plan with regard to other aspects taking into account the future security scenario; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Establishment of airport in Hosur, Krishnagiri (TN)

3533 **Shri P. Wilson:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for the delay in permitting grant for establishment of an airport in Hosur, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu (TN);

(b) whether Government has any proposals to tackle the huge air traffic that is a problem in Bengaluru airport and encourage industrial development and growth by allowing for an establishment of an airport in Hosur, Krishnagiri; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Beneficiaries of KUS

3534 **Shri Irranna Kadadi:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) the number of beneficiaries under the Krishi Udaan Scheme (KUS) from each State and Union Territory;

(b) the budget allocated to the scheme during 2022-23;

(c) the status of the scheme during the period 2019-22 during lockdown restrictions of COVID-19; and

(d) the criteria for selecting beneficiaries for the said scheme and whether Government plans to include Belagavi, Karnataka under the scheme?

Bhogapuram and Tirupati airports

3535 **Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

Shri Subhas Chandra Bose Pilli:

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) the progress on approval for the renewal of site clearances of the proposed greenfield international airport at Bhogapuram, Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether there is a plan to allocate funds for the airport at Bhogapuram, out of the planned investment of ₹ 36,000 crore by Government for development of new greenfield airports across the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether steps have been taken to identify and expand the commercial air traffic routes to meet the growing footfall of the Tirupati Airport; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Seizure of AAI amount held by IATA

3536 **Dr. Santanu Sen:**

Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas:

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the Swiss court order of the seizure of the amount held by International Air Transport Association (IATA) on behalf of AAI on an application by Deutsche Telekom;

- (b) the details of the legal action being taken by Government against the order;
- (c) whether Air India is still involved in Dewas Multimedia case;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether Government has tried to settle the Dewas Multimedia case and, if so, the details thereof?

Status of employees of AAI

3537 **Dr. Santanu Sen:**

Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas:

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of airports currently being run by private firms in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the number of employees, contractual and regular, of Airports Authority of India (AAI) who lost their jobs after the transfer of the airports to private firms;
- (c) the details of post abolished in AAI since 2016, year-wise; and
- (d) the details of post currently lying vacant in AAI?

Charging of extra fee for seat selection on flights

3538 **Shri Vaiko:**

Shri Y. S. Chowdary:

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether complaints have been received about various airlines charging extra fee for seat selection on flights;
- (b) if so, the response of Government thereto;
- (c) whether fixing of different fares for selection of seats in the same category arbitrary and unjustifiable;
- (d) if so, whether Government would issue instructions to discontinue the practice of levying seat selection fee at the time of ticket booking or issue of boarding pass to passengers; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Greenfield airports in HP

3539 # **Ms. Indu Bala Goswami:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 15th Finance Commission has recommended for expansion of greenfield airports at Nagchala, Mandi and the Gaggal located Kangra airport at Himachal Pradesh (HP); and
- (b) if so, the funds proposed to be allocated for these two projects?

Mandatory playing of Indian music in airlines and airports

3540 **Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the airlines in the country often play only foreign music, which one can neither understand nor enjoy the music;
- (b) whether the singers and music composers of various regional languages sought to play Indian classical or light vocal and instrumental music only to strengthen the emotional connect of the people to our civilizational traditions in music and arts;
- (c) whether the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) has also recommended to the

Civil Aviation Ministry to make it mandatory to play Indian music in the country's airlines and airports; and

(d) if so, the present status thereof?

International flights from North Eastern States

3541 **Shri Bhubaneswar Kalita:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to introduce international flights from different airports of North Eastern States under the Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN);

(b) if so, the number of such international flights proposed to different neighbouring countries from North Eastern States under UDAN with details thereof; and

(c) whether Government is planning to improve the different airports of North Eastern States to international standard for international flights, if so, the details thereof?

Measures to support Civil Aviation sector

3542 **Dr. Ameer Yajnik:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken by Government to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the civil aviation sector of our country since April 2020;

(b) whether Government has made any changes in regulatory guidelines and taxes to support the civil aviation sector; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Black marketing of coal

3543 # **Shri Digvijaya Singh:**

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

(a) the names, addresses and present status of agencies which supply coal to small and medium enterprises with a requirement upto 4200 tonnes of coal in Gujarat under the New Coal Distribution Policy;

(b) the number of enterprises of said category in Gujarat to whom coal was provided at subsidized rate since 2016 till date along with year-wise details of the quantity of coal provided and revenue generated from it; and

(c) whether Government has received any complaints of black marketing of coal obtained for the industries there into other States by above-mentioned agencies of Gujarat, if so, details thereof and action being taken?

Illegal mining in Singrauli

3544 # **Shri Ajay Pratap Singh:**

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of illegal mining of coal reported in Singrauli in Madhya Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the details of the actions taken thereon; and

(c) the persons found responsible for 40,000 metric tonnes of illegal coal seized in Singrauli a few days ago and the details of the actions taken against them?

New coalfield in Karbi Anglong district

3545 **Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya:**

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has identified new coal reserve and coalfield in Karbi Anglong district, Assam;
- (b) the amount of coal and natural gas exported and imported; and
- (c) the number of coal mines in operation in the country and the number of mines which are still non operative?

Coal washeries in the country

3546 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has set up new coal washeries in the country to reduce the quantity of ash and useless component from coal so as to make the domestic coal competitive compared to imported coal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Availability of coal reserve

3547 **Dr. Narendra Jadhav:**

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total coal reserve available in the country;
- (b) whether Government has conducted any study as to how long the country's coal reserves are expected to last, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the total quantity of coal that has been imported in the country during the last five years, year-wise?

Coal scam in Gujarat

3548 # **Shri Narain Dass Gupta:**

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the coal scam exposed worth more than six thousand crore rupees in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, whether Government proposes to constitute a high level Committee for the investigation of the said incident; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Black Lung disease among coal workers

3549 **Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:**

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has recorded the cases of pneumoconiosis among coal workers in the country;
- (b) if so, details of the cases since 2017, year-wise and State-wise;
- (c) whether Government has set exposure limit for respirable dust in underground and opencast coal mines, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the health support given to workers diagnosed with pneumoconiosis since

the last five years, State-wise?

Displacement due to coal mining

3550 Shri Binoy Viswam:

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of coal mines in the country that are currently operational and those that have been shut down, State-wise;
- (b) the total number of such mines that are privately owned and Government-owned, State-wise;
- (c) the total amount of land acquired for these mines and compensation paid thereof, State-wise;
- (d) the total number of people displaced by these mines, State-wise;
- (e) the details of rehabilitation and compensation given to those displaced by mines; and
- (f) whether Government has ensured alternative livelihood and skill development for displaced persons and, if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Illegal storage and mining of coal

3551 Smt. Mamata Mohanta:

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has conducted any assessment/inspection for illegal storage and mining of coal;
- (b) if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof especially Odisha;
- (c) whether Government has taken cognizance of illegal mining/theft/possession by coal mafia in the country particularly in the State of Odisha and, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by Government to monitor the activities of illegal mining of coal and to strengthen information system?

Increasing the coal production

3552 # Lt.Gen. (Dr.) D. P. Vats (Retd.):

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India is world's fourth largest producer of coal;
- (b) if so, whether it is also a fact that India is second largest coal importer country; and
- (c) whether Government has taken any concrete steps to increase coal production in India so that India can become a self-reliant country in this sector, if so, the details thereof?

Allocation of captive mines to RINL

3553 Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is emphasizing on Atma Nirbhar Bharat to make the county self-reliant in all sectors;
- (b) whether the Ministry plays a very crucial role in making Atma Nirbhar Bharat a reality;
- (c) whether it is obligatory on part of the Ministry to provide coal to steel, power and other companies in public sector to make them Atma Nirbhar;
- (d) if so, the reason for not allocating captive mines to RINL; and
- (e) whether it hampers the very core objective of Atma Nirbhar Bharat?

Coal stock in Northeast region

3554 **Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of coal available in the Northeastern States;
- (b) their State-wise distribution;
- (c) the number of coal mines being operated under Government agencies;
- (d) the number of private licences given for coal mines in the region;
- (e) whether Government has estimated total loss due to illegal coal mines in 2021-22; and
- (f) the steps taken to stop illegal mines in the region?

Coal blocks under CIL

3555 **Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

Will the Minister of **Coal** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of coal blocks under Coal India Limited (CIL);
- (b) the estimate of coal demand in the country by 2030;
- (c) with the present rate of exploration and extraction, for how many years coal stock in the country can provide thermal power; and
- (d) whether Government will restructure the management of CIL to make it more effective and efficient?

Sainik schools in Rajasthan

3556 # **Shri Rajendra Gehlot:**

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of Sainik schools established in the country including Rajasthan during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether Government has any scheme to set up 100 new Sainik Schools with the partnership of non-governmental organisation and private institutions, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any proposals have been received from States and non-governmental organisations to establish Sainik Schools under the said scheme, if so, the details of the sanctioned and unsanctioned proposals received and whether the Sainik School Authority has submitted its evaluation report to Government for this purpose, if so, the details thereof?

Offset obligations in defence contracts

3557 **Shri John Brittas:**

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details including the amount involved in the defaulted/non-performed offset clause obligation of various vendors in the defence field during the last five years, i.e. of those defence contracts which would not come within the ambit of 'subjudice';
- (b) the details of actions taken against them for violation of offset clause obligation, i.e., the action taken which would not come within the ambit of 'subjudice'; and
- (c) the details including amount involved of the works/contracts done under offset clause obligation of various vendors during the last five years which would not come within the ambit of 'subjudice'?

Appointments on compassionate grounds

3558 # **Shri Neeraj Dangi:**

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of appointments made on compassionate ground, against the Armed Forces personnel having died in harness, during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the pending cases of compassionate ground appointments to be made by Government for the next-of-kins of these Armed Forces personnel; and
- (c) the details of action taken by Government during the said period?

Indian National Defence University (INDU) , Gurugram

3559 **Shri Deepender Singh Hooda:**

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the construction work on the Indian National Defence University (INDU), Gurugram, Haryana is going on as per the schedule;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the total investment made for completion of work so far and the time by which the work is likely to be completed and the University will be fully functional; and
- (d) the reasons for establishing a dedicated Defence University in the country and the details thereof?

Air Force Administrative College in Chennai

3560 **Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu :**

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian Air Force has set up an Air Force Administrative College in Chennai;
- (b) if so, the intake of the college;
- (c) the selection procedure of students;
- (d) whether the Air Force Administrative College bears the entire expenditure of the student including accommodation; and
- (e) if so, the estimated annual expenditure for running the said college?

Sainik schools in Jharkhand

3561 # **Shri Deepak Prakash:**

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

whether Central Government is taking any steps to open Sainik school in the State of Jharkhand?

Indigenisation of defence production

3562 # **Shri Samir Oraon:**

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any scheme for indigenisation of defence production;
- (b) if so, the percentage increase noted in indigenous defence production during the last two years; and
- (c) the total number of new defence production factories established during the last two years and the details thereof?

New procurement policy

3563 Shri Iranna Kadadi:

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is considering to adopt a new procurement policy that would define the level of indigenous content for defence equipment and give higher preference to local vendors in contracts;
- (b) if so, the salient features of the aforesaid policy;
- (c) whether Government has identified other defence equipments wherein the policy can be applied and, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Government has consulted various stakeholders before finalizing the new procurement policy and, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other policy decisions taken by Government to give preference to the Indian vendors?

Affiliated Sainik Schools in Northeastern States

3564 Shri Bhubaneswar Kalita:

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to launch affiliated Sainik Schools under Sainik School Society;
- (b) if so, whether it would be different from the existing Sainik Schools, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the expenditure will be drawn on State Governments, NGOs and Public Private Partnership (PPP), if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the number of such schools to be setup in Assam and other Northeastern States with details thereof?

Role of NCC in empowerment of youth

3565 # Smt. Geeta alias Chandraprabha:

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Cadet Corps (NCC) plays an important role in the empowerment of young students by developing their personality and character; and
- (b) the efforts being made by Government to strengthen the National Cadet Corps?

Regularisation of colonies under PM-UDAY

3566 Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:

Will the Minister of **Housing and Urban Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has fixed any cut-off date for regularisation of unauthorized colonies under PM-Unauthorised Colonies in Delhi Awas Adhikar Yojana (PM-UDAY), if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there have been any further amendments in cut off date as per request made by Delhi Government, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether there is any proposal to include notary certificate as the proof for cut-off date?

Open space policy

3567 Dr. Amar Patnaik:

Will the Minister of **Housing and Urban Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether most Indian cities are under the Urban and Regional Development Plans Formulation and Implementation (URDPFI) recommended 10-12 sq.m open space per person;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and measures taken to improve accessible and safe space per person;
- (c) whether Government has any proposal for the formation of open space policy for Indian cities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Demolition of slums

3568 **Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:**

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of slums and the population of slum dwellers in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the number of slums demolished during the last three years and the amount of compensation disbursed, State-wise and year-wise; and
- (c) the fund disbursed for construction of low cost housing during the last three years and the number of houses constructed, State-wise and year-wise?

Delhi-Meerut RRTS

3569 # **Shri Brijlal:**

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of Delhi-Meerut Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) and by when it is likely to be completed;
- (b) whether Government proposes to connect other parts of the country particularly small cities with RRTS; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken in this regard so far?

Allotment of plots by DDA for CNG pumps

3570 # **Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:**

Shri Ram Nath Thakur:

Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

Smt. Chhaya Verma:

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the DDA has allotted plots for six sites to set up CNG pumps and electronic AVM charging points during the last three years;
- (b) whether pollution in Delhi has increased instead of decreasing due to such slow pace; and
- (c) whether, in view of the increasing level of pollution from vehicles in Delhi, Government would consider, under a single window, to facilitate allocation of land from DDA to the people desirous of setting up CNG pumps and electronic AVM charging points so that sufficient number of them can be built in Delhi?

Implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission in urban centres

3571 **Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:**

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has prioritized the urban centres located in different cities for the introduction of Swachh Bharat Mission and making them free from garbage because the

effect of the efforts made are not visible uniformly;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the local bodies are not allotted funds as per the requirements; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and further action Government proposes to take to ensure that the efforts of cleanliness and garbage removal are visible on the ground?

Repairing of damaged DDA buildings

3572 # **Shri Ram Nath Thakur:**

Smt. Chhaya Verma:

Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

Will the Minister of **Housing and Urban Affairs** be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 135 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 14th March, 2022 and state:

(a) with regard to parts (c) and (d) of the answer, the date-wise details of the maintenance and repair works to be undertaken in the stipulated timeframe in the flats allotted under the DDA Housing Scheme, 2010;

(b) the details of the works that are still pending; and

(c) the nature of works for which the letters were written to DDA by Moladband Society Association as well as the local public representative for undertaking repair of the flats and the date-wise details of the said letters alongwith the details of the works undertaken after the said letters were written?

Increase in cost of Central Vista project

3573 **Shri Sanjay Singh:**

Will the Minister of **Housing and Urban Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the cost of Central Vista project has shot up by 29 per cent to over ₹ 1,290 crore;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of estimated costs to be incurred on the Central Vista Redevelopment project for the financial year 2022-23?

Affordable Rental Housing Complex

3574 **Shri Derek O' Brien:**

Smt. Vandana Chavan:

Shri Kumar Ketkar:

Shri Tiruchi Siva:

Will the Minister of **Housing and Urban Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified number of vacant houses under Model I of Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs), if so, numbers of houses, year-wise, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether Government has identified number of houses to be constructed under ARHCs Model II, if so, number of such houses, year-wise, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether Government has set city-wise targets for migrants, if so, whether any State-wise need-based assessment was done;

(d) if so, details thereof;

(e) whether city-wise calculations of rental amount under ARHC Model I has been done, if so, details of rent fixed and collected; and

(f) the Central Assistance allocated, sanctioned and utilized under both models?

PMAY-U In Kerala

3575 **Shri John Brittas:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of houses constructed so far under PMAY–Urban (PMAY-U), year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the details of families who are yet to have an all-weather dwelling unit in those areas where PMAY-Urban scheme is applicable, State-wise; and
- (c) the total number of houses approved in Kerala during the last three years, district-wise?

Uprooting of trees in Central Vista project

3576 **Shri John Brittas:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that several hundreds of trees are to be uprooted for the ongoing Central Vista project;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken to protect the environment; and
- (d) the details of the environmental impact study and the Expert Appraisal Committee's decision?

Integrated Command and Control Centres under Smart Cities Mission

3577 **Shri Subhas Chandra Bose Pilli:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Integrated Command and Control Centres (ICCCs) set up and are in the process of being set-up under the Smart Cities Mission including in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) whether Government has taken any steps to speed up the process of setting up of such Centres in all the smart cities; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Effect of COVID-19 on implementation of PMAY

3578 **Shri K.J. Alphons:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of houses proposed to be delivered under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) this year;
- (b) whether COVID-19 affected the implementation; and
- (c) the constraints in the implementation of the scheme?

Implementation status of PMAY(U)

3579 **Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:**

Shri Kumar Ketkar:

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of implementation of PMAY(U), State-wise, city-wise and year-wise;
- (b) number of houses sanctioned under each component of PMAY(U), year-wise, State/UT-wise and city-wise;
- (c) number of houses grounded for construction and completed under each component of

- PMAY(U), year-wise, State/UT-wise and city-wise;
- (d) allocation, sanction and release of funds under Central assistance, State/UT-wise, city-wise and year-wise;
- (e) details of Central budget utilised, State/UT-wise, year-wise and city-wise;
- (f) the number of people belonging to minority communities i.e. Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Class who benefited since 2015, State-wise and city-wise; and
- (g) next strategy to expedite implementation of constructing and allocating new houses under PMAY(U) till 2022?

Implementation of ARHCs

3580 **Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has identified the number of vacant houses where Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs) will be used for Model I and, if so, the number of such houses, year-wise and State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether Government has identified the number of houses to be constructed and operated under ARHCs Model II and, if so, the number of such houses, year-wise and State/UT-wise; and
- (c) whether Government has set a city-wise target of migrants to be benefitted, and if so, whether Government has done a need-based assessment before ARHC taking place and, if so, the year-wise and State-wise details thereof?

Aims and objectives of AMRUT 2.0

3581 **Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of AMRUT 2.0 launched recently;
- (b) whether AMRUT 2.0 also focuses on universal coverage of water, provide sewerage management in 500 AMRUT cities, apart from other identified components;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of cities identified in Karnataka under AMRUT 2.0 along with financial allocation projects going to be undertaken in the identified cities?

PMAY(U) in Bihar

3582 # **Shri Ahmad Ashfaque Karim:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of beneficiaries across the country under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U), State-wise; and
- (b) the details of the number of people who have got accommodation under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) in the State of Bihar, district-wise?

Update on AMRUT 2.0

3583 **Shri P. Wilson:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the cities covered under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation 2.0 (AMRUT 2.0) across the country;
- (b) the details of distribution of fund and the details of budgetary allocation for the AMRUT

2.0 projects across the country in comparison to AMRUT 1.0; and
 (c) the reasons that the budgetary allocation proportion in AMRUT 2.0 has not increased in Tamil Nadu in comparison to other States and the details thereof?

Misappropriation of funds under PMAY

3584 Shri Vivek K. Tankha:

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government conducts timely audits of the funds provided under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) to various States across the country, if so, the details of the funds used and construction done;
- (b) if not, how Government is monitoring the funds released under PMAY;
- (c) the steps taken by Government to alleviate corruption and malpractices and whether there is any grievance redressal mechanism present for registering complaints; and
- (d) whether Government is aware of the mass irregularity that has taken place in Nagar Parishad Shahpura Bhitoni, District Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh under PMAY?

Issuance of smart cards for street vendors

3585 Shri Parimal Nathwani:

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to integrate details of ID cards, Certificate of Vending (CoV) and any other documents into smart cards to prevent possibility of tampering associated with paper-based documents;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has taken steps to improve inclusivity of surveys under Street Vendors Act, 2014, given that many street vendors and hawkers are left out of surveys carried out due to lack of documents or not registered due to lack of awareness about survey; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Status of funds provided for PMAY(U)

3586 Shri Kumar Ketkar:

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds sanctioned, released and utilised under each of the five components of the PMAY-(U) i.e In-Situ Rehabilitation (ISR), Affordable Housing Partnership (AHP), Beneficiary-led Individual House Construction/Enhancement (BLC), Credit Linked Subsidy (CLS) and Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs), year-wise, State-wise and city-wise for the last five years; and
- (b) the details of demand assessed, houses sanctioned, grounded for construction, completed, year-wise and State-wise and city-wise under all five PMAY-(U) verticals i.e., ISR, AHP, BLC, CLS, ARHCs?

Social audit of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban)

3587 Shri Kumar Ketkar:

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

the details of the social audit under all verticals of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY)(U), year-wise, State-wise and city-wise for the last five years?

Augmentation of city bus services

3588 **Shri K.C. Venugopal:**

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of vehicles and financial aid provided under augmentation of city bus services, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that tier II cities largely depends on polluting modes of transport, and lack dependable bus services; and
- (c) if so, how it will be helpful in terms of affordability, comfort and convenience among all the eco-friendlier transport services?

Availability of water in public toilets

3589 **Shri Sujeet Kumar:**

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken any steps to ensure the maintenance and availability of water in the public toilets situated in urban areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Implementation of SBM-U

3590 **Shri Tiruchi Siva:**

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Swachh Survekshan under the SBM (U) scheme, year-wise and city wise;
- (b) the details of financial assistance given by Government to the States during the last five years to improve cleanliness; and
- (c) the details of Central assistance of funds towards the implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission Urban (SBM-U), year-wise, State-wise and city-wise?

Status of implementation of NERUDP

3591 **Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas:**

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds given to the five Northeastern States since 2014 under North Eastern Region Urban Development Programme (NERUDP), State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) whether Government has received Fund Utilisation Certificate for all the funds issued till date;
- (c) whether all the projects have met their deadline of June 2019; and
- (d) if not, the details of the delayed projects along with the reasons for the delay?

Policy for management of urban flooding under AMRUT

3592 **Dr. Vikas Mahatme:**

Will the Minister of ***Housing and Urban Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formulated any policy for management of frequent urban flooding due to climate change under the AMRUT, if so, the implementation details thereof; and
- (b) the steps Government has taken to provide assistance and urban policy planning in view of increasing cases of urban flooding and the details thereof?

Tender procedure in CPWD

3593 **Shri Muzibulla Khan:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether CPWD has fixed any minimum limit for tendering in Government contracts;
- (b) whether the department has also made a provision for not allotting work to the executing agencies/companies if they put the tender below the prescribed minimum criteria;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the quality of work will be affected if the tender is allotted below a limit; and
- (e) if so, the detailed provision in this regard?

Liability for delay in getting occupancy certificate

3594 **Shri Naranbhai J. Rathwa:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether according to recent orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court, all builders are liable to pay damages for delay in obtaining occupancy certificate;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereto; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to issue guidelines to Real Estate Regulation Authorities to ensure efficient and transparent transactions and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Allotment of CWG village flats

3595 **Shri Naranbhai J. Rathwa:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Development Authority has allotted CWG village flats in Akshardham, New Delhi to a few prominent individuals;
- (b) if so, the names of such prominent individuals with price and area of flats; and
- (c) the selection procedure adopted by the DDA in allotting these flats to prominent individuals with the dates of e-auction?

Jal Jeevan Mission (Urban) in Gujarat

3596 **Dr. Ameer Yajnik:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of works done under Jal Jeevan Mission (Urban) in the State of Gujarat during the last three years;
- (b) the amount sanctioned, allocated and spent for these works in the last three years; and
- (c) the number of houses in which tap water has been supplied and the number of houses which are still left under Jal Jeevan Mission (Urban) in Gujarat?

House for homeless urban people under PMAY(U)

3597 # **Ms. Saroj Pandey:**

Will the Minister of *Housing and Urban Affairs* be pleased to state:

the number of homeless urban people who have been provided the facility of houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) till now since its implementation and the State-wise details of cities where this facility has been provided and by when remaining homeless people will be provided houses?

Linking of five rivers

3598 **Shri Sanjay Seth:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to link five rivers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) how it will be helpful in supply of water to water scarce States?

Impact of Ken Betwa project

3599 **Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:**

Shri Rajmani Patel:

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has assessed the impact of the Ken Betwa project on local population that will be displaced by the project implementation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including the number of persons to be displaced and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the displaced persons will be relocated and provided with any forms of compensation;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of measures taken to ensure that local populations were provided detailed information about the project before being asked to attend public hearings?

NRCP in Maharashtra

3600 **Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the rivers and river stretches identified for cleaning under the National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) in the State of Maharashtra;
- (b) the current status of progress made in each river stretches; and
- (c) the time by which all the river stretches are likely to be cleaned along with the funds allocated, released and spent so far on these stretches?

Restoration of thirteen major rivers

3601 # **Shri Brijlal:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any proposal for the restoration of thirteen major rivers in the country, if so, the names of rivers included in that proposal;
- (b) whether Government has prepared the Detailed Project Report (DPR) in this regard, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantum of funds sanctioned and allocated by Government for this project; and
- (d) the extent to which drinking and irrigation water issues in the country would be resolved by this project?

Flood management and control system

3602 **Dr. Prashanta Nanda:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of project proposals pending or sanctioned by Government to manage and control flood situation caused by river Subernarekha in north Odisha and parts of West

Bengal and Jharkhand;

(b) whether Government has conducted any study to control or manage flood situation of Subernarekha river; and

(c) if so, recommendation details of such report and Government's action in this regard?

Increasing groundwater level

3603 **Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:**

Will the Minister of ***Jal Shakti*** be pleased to state:

(a) whether some positive results have been observed in the efforts made through Jal Shakti Abhiyan for water conservation to stop the depletion of groundwater level and storage of rainwater as far as possible;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what special measures Government proposes to take to tackle fast depletion of groundwater level in metropolitan cities like Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Delhi, etc.; and

(d) whether Government has any concrete plan to revive the defunct water bodies throughout the country after the due identification of their locations?

Water crisis in Rajasthan

3604 # **Shri Rajendra Gehlot:**

Will the Minister of ***Jal Shakti*** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted a survey of the places of Rajasthan facing water crisis, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has formulated any plan to deal with the problem of water in the places identified for water crisis in the State of Rajasthan and, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the expenditure made for the purpose during the last three years, year-wise, and whether any target has been set to deal with this water crisis, if so, the details thereof?

Establishment of water cleaning units under NMCG

3605 **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

Will the Minister of ***Jal Shakti*** be pleased to state:

(a) the number of water cleaning units established under National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) during the last five years and the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) how much of the allocated funds have been utilized under Clean Ganga programme during the last three years and the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has conducted any independent assessment to ascertain quality of water in Ganga across different States and, if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) how does Government propose to tackle Arsenic pollution in drinking water and what measures have been taken to ensure that 'Nal Se Jal' drinking water would be Arsenic-free?

Amendment in Easements Act, 1882

3606 **Shri Derek O' Brien:**

Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:

Will the Minister of ***Jal Shakti*** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the Easements Act, 1882 grants groundwater

- ownership rights to the landowner;
- (b) whether Government recognises that this contributes to groundwater over-usage and its subsequent depletion;
- (c) whether Government is considering to amend the Act in order to quash the groundwater ownership to landowner; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the timeline of completion of amendment and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Progress made under JSAs

3607 **Shri Jawhar Sircar:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for slow progress under the Jal Shakti Abhiyans (JSAs) and why is coverage so little;
- (b) whether Government has verified reports and claims made by States that show extremely high achievements under the JSAs; and
- (c) whether satellites' images have been used or physical verification made to locate the check dams claimed to have been set up in water stressed districts?

Status of representation for creation of a lake for fresh water

3608 # **Shri Shaktisinh Gohil:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) the date on which the representation received by the Prime Minister for creating a lake of fresh water in the Little Rann of Kutch in Gujarat was sent to the Ministry of Jal Shakti;
- (b) the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the progress made in reference to the proposal of Rann lake received through Prime Minister's Office (PMO)?

Special committee on interlinking of rivers

3609 # **Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a meeting of the special committee on interlinking of rivers was held recently;
- (b) if so, the details of issues discussed therein along with the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether the Detailed Project Report (DPR) related to interlinking of rivers has been prepared;
- (d) if so, the details of current status of DPR related to interlinking of rivers (ILR) project, which includes various States; and
- (e) whether Government has taken steps to expedite various ILR projects and, if so, the details thereof?

Declaration of Upper Bhadra project as National Project

3610 **Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of declaring Upper Bhadra as National Project in Karnataka;
- (b) whether Investment Committee of Government has given its approval for investment on Upper Bhadra;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) what is the estimated expenditure involved for construction of Upper Bhadra as a

National Project?

Water scarcity and over exploitation of groundwater

3611 **Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that less than 50 per cent of India's population has access to safely managed drinking water;
- (b) whether Government has taken cognizance of the fact that the figure is set to worsen over time with an increasing population, climate change related adversities, and depleting clean water sources;
- (c) whether Government is aware of the fact that due to over exploitation of ground water, there has been a substantial drop in groundwater levels across the country; and
- (d) the number of districts in the country reporting critical or over exploited groundwater levels?

Funds for water conservation

3612 **Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated from Challenge Fund for Fifty Million-Plus cities for the purpose of water conservation;
- (b) the percentage of the funds utilized for meeting service level benchmarks on drinking water supply, rainwater harvesting, water recycling, solid waste management and sanitation and details thereof;
- (c) whether any notable impact was created in these cities for the conservation of water; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of Clean Ganga targets

3613 **Smt. Vandana Chavan:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has failed to achieve the target of 100 per cent Clean Ganga by 2020 announced in 2018 and, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether there is a revised deadline for the same;
- (c) the details of real-time water monitoring stations recording parameters exceeding WHO safe limits for Ammonia, Nitrate, Chloride, Boron and Arsenic, State-wise;
- (d) the details of Sewage Infrastructure Projects sanctioned, completed and functional, State-wise/year-wise ;
- (e) the details of drains in numbers and million-litres, discharging sewage directly into the river, State-wise; and
- (f) whether standards for minimum ecological flow in Ganga have been formulated and, if so, details thereof?

Demand for clean and potable drinking water

3614 **Shri K.C. Venugopal:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the demand for clean and potable drinking water is increasing day-by-day due to ever increasing population;

- (b) if so, the details of water requirement, State-wise; and
 (c) what are the steps Government is taking for revival and rejuvenation of traditional water bodies and conservation of water?

Water connections in remote areas

3615 **Dr. V. Sivadasan:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any concrete plan to ensure water connections to the people living in remote areas;
 (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 (c) what per cent of the rural population in the country are facing scarcity of water, details thereof for last five years, year-wise?

Open defecation free villages

3616 **Shri M. Shanmugam:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken under Open Defecation Free (ODF Plus) villages under the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) Phase-II programme and the number of villages in the States in each district covered in the ODF Plus list;
 (b) the funds sanctioned/spent therefor; and
 (c) the action plan proposed to make all villages ODF and details thereof?

Compensation paid to farmers for Polavaram project

3617 **Shri Y. S. Chowdary:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the farmers who gave land for Polavaram project in Andhra Pradesh were given recently compensation of ₹ 5 lakh per acre;
 (b) if so, the total amount of compensation paid to farmers per acre;
 (c) the number of farmers given compensation and the total amount dispersed;
 (d) the number of farmers still left for getting compensation; and
 (e) by when the Polavaram project would be fully operational and details thereof?

RRR of water bodies

3618 **Smt. Mamata Mohanta:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any projects have been carried out or are proposed to be carried out under Renovation, Rejuvenation and Restoration (RRR) of water bodies in the country including Odisha and if so, the details thereof;
 (b) the details of funds allocated and utilized under RRR of water bodies scheme in the country including Odisha;
 (c) the details of projects on cleaning of traditional water bodies in the country including Odisha completed and expenses incurred for the same from 2016, year-wise; and
 (d) the steps taken by Government for prevention of encroachment of water bodies across the country including Odisha?

Godavari, Krishna and Cauvery river linking project

3619 **Dr. Anbumani Ramadoss:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received any feedback, response or communication from the stakeholder States with regard to Government's Draft Detailed Project Report for Godavari, Krishna and Cauvery river linking project; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Guidelines for designing of drinking water pipeline distribution projects

3620 **Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

Will the Minister of *Jal Shakti* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has issued any guidelines on adherence of Central Public Health and Environmental Engineering Organisation (CPHEEO) Manual while designing drinking water pipeline distribution projects and selection of pipe materials thereof under Jal Jeewan Mission scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether as per the said manual, Government has banned the use of any of the pipe material among DI/PVC/HDPC/ACP/CI/GI;
- (d) if so, details thereof and, if not, whether any study has been conducted to know health impact of pipe materials on humans that is used for piped drinking water and, if so, the details thereof?

Atmanirbhar in MSMEs sector

3621 **Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:**

Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

Lt.Gen. (Dr.) D. P. Vats (Retd.):

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formulated any scheme in the name of Atma Nirbhar to promote Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs);
- (b) if so, the criteria followed for the same along with the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has made or proposes to make any assessment for the development of Small Scale Industries (SSI) in the country;
- (d) whether Government proposes to give new technologies to SSI so that SSI may play an important role in economic growth of the country; and
- (e) if so, the concrete steps likely to be taken by Government in this regard?

Pending payments to MSMEs

3622 **Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of pending payments to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) for the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether any schemes or policies have been instituted to tackle the issue of pending payments;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the amount disbursed by Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana, State-wise and for Maharashtra specifically for the last three years?

Operational clusters under SFURTI

3623 **Dr. Amar Patnaik:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- the details of operational clusters under the Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI);
- the reasons causing delay in approval of clusters under the SFURTI scheme; and
- whether Government has successfully achieved its objectives under the SFURTI scheme and the assistance provided to its beneficiaries?

Export Ban on Bamboo Charcoal

3624 **Shri Narayana Koragappa:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- whether it is a fact that export ban on bamboo charcoal has hurt the profit margins of the industry;
- if so, the details thereof; and
- the position of the country in bamboo industry and the roadmap of the bamboo industry for AtmaNirbhar Bharat?

MSMEs permanently shut down during COVID-19 Pandemic

3625 **Shri Neeraj Shekhar:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- the details of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) declared sick during 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22;
- the number of MSMEs shut down permanently during COVID-19 pandemic; and
- the details of number of MSMEs revived/benefitted under ₹ 3 lakh crore Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme since inception, year-wise and State-wise?

Women employed in MSMEs

3626 **Dr. Narendra Jadhav:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- the total number of women employed by Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the country, pre-March 2020, State and sector-wise, the details thereof;
- the impact of COVID-19 on the MSMEs sector, especially the number of women who have been rendered unemployed;
- the total number of women employed by MSMEs in December 2021, State and sector-wise, the details thereof;
- the total number of MSMEs, that have defaulted on payment of loans during the past two years; and
- the steps being taken by Government to redress the issue?

Employment generated under PMEGP

3627 # **Shri Neeraj Dangi:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- the number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) set up under the Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) during the last three years;
- the details of employment generated by them, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by Government for employment generation and financing of small enterprises?

Credit support schemes in Maharashtra

3628 **Dr. Vinay P. Sahasrabudhe:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) the various credit support schemes active as of February 2022 and the details of the schemes and targeted beneficiaries thereof;
- (b) the total number of beneficiaries and credit support given under each scheme till February 2022, State-wise; and
- (c) the total number of beneficiaries under these schemes in the State of Maharashtra and the details thereof?

Impact of COVID-19 on MSMEs

3629 # **Shri Rewati Raman Singh:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) of the country were the worst hit due to the slump in the economy because of global COVID-19 pandemic during the last two years;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that MSMEs is the worst hit despite an announcement of loan restructuring schemes and packages by Reserve Bank of India and the Central Government; and
- (c) if so, the details of the remedial steps planned to be taken by Government in order to bring MSMEs back on track?

Outstanding payments to MSMEs units

3630 **Shri M. Shanmugam:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) the total outstanding payments to units in the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector during the last two years;
- (b) whether Government had taken efforts to get the dues cleared by the public sector units of the State and the Central Governments;
- (c) the concessions and schemes extended to this sector, with details, since the MSMEs sector is worst affected due to COVID-19 pandemic; and
- (d) the amount of loan eligibility in the bank for various units in the MSMEs sector without collateral security, for their working capital?

Financial assistance to MSMEs

3631 # **Ms. Saroj Pandey:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of financial assistance/loan waiver provided to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector during the corona period; and
- (b) the number of MSMEs units benefited from this and the details thereof, State-wise?

Assistance to training institutions

3632 **Shri S. Selvaganabathy:**

Will the Minister of **Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the grants released to all States/UTs for the last three years under the scheme of Assistance to Training Institutions (ATIs);
- (b) the number of training institutions in Puducherry registered under the scheme; and
- (c) the details of institutions in Puducherry which received assistance for the last three years for the development of infrastructure to impart training?

Eco-friendly mining

3633 **Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:**

Will the Minister of **Mines** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has conducted any research to map the environmental impact and carbon footprint of mining of major minerals in the mineral rich States of the country; and
- (b) whether Government has taken any steps to reduce the environmental impact and carbon footprint associated with mining, if so, the details thereof?

Diamond extraction in the country

3634 **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

Will the Minister of **Mines** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of untapped diamond reserve capacity in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the details of measures taken by Government to increase extraction of the same; and
- (c) the details of local employment generated from such extractions, State-wise?

Support under PMKKKY

3635 **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

Will the Minister of **Mines** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of beneficiaries under the Pradhan Mantri Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana (PMKKKY) in the last three years, the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) the number of original inhabitants who have been resettled under this scheme in the last three years and the details thereof; and
- (c) the amount of money collected and subsequently spent from the District Mineral Foundation, and on what areas have the same been spent and the State-wise details thereof especially for Jharkhand?

Sustainable mining

3636 **Shri K.J. Alphons:**

Will the Minister of **Mines** be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress country has made in sustainable mining;
- (b) the obstacles that Government is facing in the implementation; and
- (c) the immediate goals that Government has set in this regard?

Displacement due to mining

3637 **Shri Binoy Viswam:**

Will the Minister of **Mines** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of mines that are currently operational and those that have been shut down;
- (b) the total number of such mines that are privately owned and Government owned and the details of top five private owners;
- (c) the total amount of land acquired for these mines and compensation paid thereof, State-wise;
- (d) the total number of people displaced by these mines, State-wise;
- (e) whether Government has ensured alternative livelihood and skill development for displaced persons;
- (f) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the total number of accidents and deaths caused in these mines since 2017?

Mining of minerals

3638 Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas:

Will the Minister of ***Mines*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the mineral reserves which are present in the country but not mined as per the exploration carried out by Geological Survey of India and Mineral Exploration Corporation;
- (b) the quantity of glauconite/potash, emerald, the Platinum Group of Metals (PGM), andalusite and molybdenum imported since 2017, year-wise;
- (c) whether the reserves for glauconite/potash, emerald, PGM, andalusite and molybdenum are present in the country but the rate of royalty was not specified for them till 9th March, 2022; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by Government in this regard?

Reduction in budgetary allocation of the Ministry

3639 Shri Jawhar Sircar:

Will the Minister of ***Minority Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for the budget estimate for the Ministry of Minority Affairs being reduced from ₹ 4810.77 crore to ₹ 4346.45 crore in the financial year 2021-22;
- (b) how much of this reduced budget was actually spent; and
- (c) the numbers of scholarships under different categories given by Government each year during the last five years and what is their individual amount?

Nai Pahal scheme

3640 # Shri Ram Shakal:

Will the Minister of ***Minority Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is running the Nai Pahal scheme; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Pre-matric scholarship scheme

3641 Shri Jose K. Mani:

Will the Minister of ***Minority Affairs*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has details of scholarships provided under the Pre-matric scholarship scheme for minority communities over the last five years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether Government has any plans/proposals to increase the quota limit of Kerala State under the Pre-matric scholarship scheme;

- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
 (e) whether Government has any plans to increase the family income limit to be eligible under the scheme?

Imparting computer knowledge to youth of minority communities

3642 **Shri Sujeet Kumar:**

Will the Minister of *Minority Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has launched any scheme for imparting computer and information technology related knowledge to the youth belonging to minority communities;
 (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the said scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and
 (c) the names of educational institutes designated for the implementation of the said scheme in the country, State/UT-wise?

Welfare schemes for minorities

3643 **Dr. V. Sivadasan:**

Will the Minister of *Minority Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the various welfare schemes under the Minority Affairs Ministry;
 (b) the fund allocation for each of those schemes since 2016, year-wise;
 (c) the fund utilisation in each of the schemes since 2016, year-wise; and
 (d) the number of beneficiaries in each of the schemes since 2016?

PMJVK in Maharashtra

3644 **Dr. Vikas Mahatme:**

Will the Minister of *Minority Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) in the State of Maharashtra for the past two years;
 (b) the number of skill development centres opened and the number of persons benefitted from these centres under the scheme; and
 (c) the number of proposals received by Government from the State Government and the status and details of those proposals?

Grantee institution status for NCM

3645 **Shri Muzibulla Khan:**

Will the Minister of *Minority Affairs* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to make National Commission for Minorities (NCM) a Grantee institution;
 (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith reasons for making NCM a Grantee institution after 30 years of enactment of the NCM Act, 1992 which confers a statutory status to NCM and whether Government is planning to amend the NCM Act, 1992;
 (c) whether the employees of NCM and employees of other cadres posted in NCM will continue to enjoy the benefits hitherto been provided to them; and
 (d) if not, how Government will protect the interest of such employees?

Scholarship to minority students**3646 Shri Prakash Javadekar:**Will the Minister of **Minority Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of scholarships given to minority students;
- (b) the details thereof;
- (c) the number of minority youth who have been skilled during the last five years; and
- (d) the details thereof?

Usage of ethanol in vehicles**3647 Shri Sanjay Seth:**Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Natural Gas** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to increase the usage of ethanol in vehicles to decrease the dependence on crude imports;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the benefits Government is giving to ethanol manufacturers?

Vacancy in PNGRB**3648 Dr. Amar Patnaik:**Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Natural Gas** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of notifications that have been issued by the Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) in the absence of the legal member of the board;
- (b) the reasons for the vacancy of the legal member of the board since March 2021;
- (c) whether Government has any plans to fill this vacancy soon; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Crude oil withdrawal from strategic oil reserve.**3649 Dr. Prashanta Nanda:**Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Natural Gas** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is considering an option of withdrawing or releasing crude oil from strategic oil reserves to control petrol and diesel prices like the USA;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the details of steps taken to control oil prices and ensure availability of petroleum products in the country;
- (d) whether it is a fact that import of crude oil from Russia has been affected by war situation and international sanctions; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

DBT in PDS kerosene**3650 Shri Subhas Chandra Bose Pilli:**Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Natural Gas** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that under Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) in kerosene scheme, States/UTs are encouraged to become kerosene free and undertake voluntary cuts in their PDS Kerosene Allocation;
- (b) whether the overall kerosene consumption has been reduced in the country during the last five years, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of States which have been declared kerosene free in the last few years;

and

(d) whether Government is providing any incentives to the States to shift towards cleaner fuels, if so, the details thereof?

Usage of LPG gas

3651 **Shri Subhas Chandra Bose Pilli:**

Shri Parimal Nathwani:

Will the Minister of *Petroleum and Natural Gas* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of LPG coverage, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that despite high coverage of LPG, the usage of LPG remains low in various States and, if so, the reasons for the same; and
- (c) whether Government has any data on the usage of LPG gas in the country and, if so, the details thereof for the last three years?

Strategies to maximise results of Ujjwala yojana

3652 **Shri K.J. Alphons:**

Will the Minister of *Petroleum and Natural Gas* be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of people who have benefitted from the Ujjwala yojana scheme as of now;
- (b) the challenges faced in the implementation of the scheme; and
- (c) the strategies being used by Government to maximise results and cover more areas?

Cartelisation and unfair practices regarding Raw Petroleum Coke

3653 **Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

Will the Minister of *Petroleum and Natural Gas* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that locals in State calciners are functioning as cartels using illegal ways to reduce the price of domestic Raw Petroleum Coke (RPC) in Assam and are lifting all the material produced domestically, leaving behind nothing for Port Based/Outside State Calciners;
- (b) whether Government is aware that such local State based calciners of Assam are enjoying benefits of import and domestic RPC and are using unfair practices like blocking import quota for port based Calciners; and
- (c) whether any measures have been taken by Government to end cartelization and to ensure equitable treatment for purchase?

CNG pumps set up in the country

3654 **Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu :**

Will the Minister of *Petroleum and Natural Gas* be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of CNG pumps set up in the country, State-wise and district-wise details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has any proposal to set up new CNG filling stations in a number of States for making India pollution free;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise/District-wise including Tamil Nadu;
- (d) the number of stations proposed to be set up during the first phase and the time limit fixed for the same;
- (e) whether Government proposes to set up such pumps, specifically near National Highways; and
- (f) if so, by when?

Projects in oil and gas sectors to boost economic activities

3655 **Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu :**

Will the Minister of ***Petroleum and Natural Gas*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether oil and gas sectors have started a large number of projects to boost economic activities in the country, if so, the details thereof and the number of man-days of employment likely to be generated from these projects; and
- (b) the details of investments likely to be involved in such various projects and the extent to which operation of these projects will turn crisis into an opportunity in the country's economy and employment?

Status of PMUY in Tamil Nadu

3656 **Shri P. Wilson:**

Will the Minister of ***Petroleum and Natural Gas*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details with regards to the funds allotted and disbursed under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) across the country but especially in Tamil Nadu for the years 2016-2021; and
- (b) the number of households in rural areas across the country but especially in Tamil Nadu who have been provided clean cooking fuel and having LPG connections under Ujjwala 2.0, and the details thereof?

Hydrogen as an eco-friendly fuel

3657 # **Shri Rewati Raman Singh:**

Will the Minister of ***Petroleum and Natural Gas*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to develop Hydrogen as an eco-friendly fuel in place of petroleum, diesel and Compressed Natural Gas (CNG);
- (b) whether Government has undertaken any research to introduce any innovative way for Hydrogen manufacturing in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) by when utilisation of Hydrogen would be started as eco-friendly fuel in the country?

LPG access and affordability under Ujjwala scheme

3658 **Smt. Vandana Chavan:**

Will the Minister of ***Petroleum and Natural Gas*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of price rise of 5 kg and 14.2 kg cylinders under Ujjwala 2.0 in absolute and percentage terms, compared to Ujjwala 1.0 price in 2016;
- (b) the number of LPG price hikes alongwith their amounts announced during the pandemic (April 2020-March 2022);
- (c) whether Government has conducted any on-ground performance audit of LPG usage by Ujjwala beneficiaries, if so, details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether Government is aware of several beneficiaries not receiving LPG-subsidy in their bank accounts due to systemic flaws, if so, State/UT-wise details of amounts misdirected/lying unspent thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken to minimise errors in LPG-subsidy transfer?

Profit accrued by public sector petroleum companies

3659 **Shri Jose K. Mani:**

Will the Minister of ***Petroleum and Natural Gas*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has the data of total profit accrued by all public sector petroleum companies over the last five years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has the details of the method by which petroleum companies calculate their selling prices; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

CNG stations in AP

3660 **Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:**

Will the Minister of ***Petroleum and Natural Gas*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that as per the Minimum Work Plan (MWP), Andhra Pradesh needed 430 CNG stations;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that at present, there are only 70 CNG stations in the State;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, district-wise, and reasons for not increasing CNG stations as per the MWP;
- (d) when was the last assessment made about the requirement of number of CNG stations and whether there is any proposal to increase the number to other areas of the State; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

CSR fund of ONGC

3661 **Dr. Anbumani Ramadoss:**

Will the Minister of ***Petroleum and Natural Gas*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware about the total CSR fund spent by ONGC in the last five years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, district-wise, fund-wise and project-wise;
- (c) whether Government is aware about the total CSR fund spent by the ONGC in Tamil Nadu, specifically in the Kaveri delta districts of Tamil Nadu in the last five financial years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Price fixation mechanism

3662 **Dr. Subramanian Swamy:**

Will the Minister of ***Petroleum and Natural Gas*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that in recent weeks the international crude prices have fallen;
- (b) whether as per Government policy for oil companies, the price increase and decrease mechanism is in place;
- (c) whether as per this policy, in the decrease of the international crude oil recently, the price benefit has been passed on to the consumer; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Implementation of Ujjwala yojana

3663 **Dr. Sasmit Patra:**

Will the Minister of ***Petroleum and Natural Gas*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beneficiaries of Ujjwala yojana, State-wise;
- (b) the details of subsidy to the beneficiaries under Ujjwala yojana;
- (c) the details of total amount of bank transfers undertaken for the beneficiaries; and
- (d) the reduction in refills of the Ujjwala yojana cylinders, if any?

Benefits of SCS status

3664 **Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

Will the Minister of **Planning** be pleased to state:

- (a) the benefits given to Special Category States (SCSs);
- (b) the States in the country with 'Special Category Status' or getting all the benefits of Special Category Status;
- (c) whether it is a fact that Government has been propounding that 14th Finance Commission has removed distinction between general States and Special Category States;
- (d) if so, how North-Eastern States, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir and Uttarakhand have been identified as SCSs and benefits are given accordingly; and
- (e) the reason for Andhra Pradesh being denied SCS?

Shoonya initiative

3665 **Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

Will the Minister of **Planning** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is rapid growth in e-commerce and hence there is huge demand for vehicles in the coming years;
- (b) if so, the details of proposal to accelerate the adoption of fully electrified fleet vehicles in the urban freight sector in the coming years; and
- (c) the details of 'Shoonya' initiative of NITI Aayog and how players from industry are going to be encouraged to join this initiative?

Change in base year for GDP calculations

3666 **Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

Will the Minister of **Statistics and Programme Implementation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is planning to change the base year for Gross Domestic Product (GDP) calculations on constant prices to 2020-21;
- (b) if so, the rationale behind selecting 2020-21 as the appropriate base year and the progress with respect to operationalising the same; and
- (c) if not, the details of all the base years being considered, including the rationale for each thereof?

Outsourcing of data collection

3667 **Shri Jawhar Sircar:**

Will the Minister of **Statistics and Programme Implementation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the task of collecting data for economic and other surveys have been outsourced to private agencies much more than ever before in the past;
- (b) Government's guarantee that these data are reliable and what controls and validations are being exercised to ensure accuracy; and
- (c) whether it is also a fact that after citizenship has become a touchy and dangerous issue, people are less reluctant to part with their basic data?

Vacancies and employees on contract basis

3668 **Dr. Vinay P. Sahasrabudde:**

Will the Minister of **Statistics and Programme Implementation** be pleased to state:

- the total number of vacant positions in the Ministry and its autonomous institutions as of February 2022 and the details thereof;
- the total number of employees working on contractual basis in the Ministry and its autonomous institutions and the details thereof; and
- the way with which the Ministry and its autonomous institutions plan to fill these vacancies and the details thereof?

Using of obsolete items for computing inflation of CPI basket

3669 **Shri Tiruchi Siva:**

Dr. Fauzia Khan:

Will the Minister of **Statistics and Programme Implementation** be pleased to state:

- whether it is a fact that obsolete items such as VCRs are still used to compute inflation of the CPI basket and that such defunct items comprise about 10-12 per cent of the CPI basket;
- if so, the reasons the basket have not been updated to reflect changed consumption patterns;
- the reasons why the Consumer Expenditure Survey of 2017-18 was rejected by Government in 2019, and what deadlines has Government set to conduct the ones which were delayed in 2020 and 2021; and
- whether as a result, CPI figures are not accurate and, if so, the measures taken to rectify this anomaly?

Survey conducted on unemployment by NSSO

3670 # **Ms. Indu Bala Goswami:**

Will the Minister of **Statistics and Programme Implementation** be pleased to state:

- whether a nationwide unemployment survey has been conducted by the NSSO organisation of the Ministry;
- if so, when was this survey conducted;
- whether Government intends to conduct such survey again; and
- if so, the details thereof?

Women centric enterprises in Karnataka

3671 **Shri Iranna Kadadi:**

Will the Minister of **Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises** be pleased to state:

- the programs and schemes of the Ministry for women owned and women centric enterprises in Karnataka and the details thereof;
- the number of beneficiaries of the schemes in each State and Union Territory particularly in Karnataka, scheme wise;
- the criteria for selecting such enterprises for the schemes and programs; and
- the number of beneficiaries who were given the benefit of the schemes during the period of 2019-22 during lockdown restrictions of COVID-19?

Introduction of steel scrap policy

3672 **Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:**

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- whether Government has introduced steel scrap policy in the country;
- if so, whether the scrap centres have been established according to the said policy;
- if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by Government in this regard;
- whether Government has fixed any incentives on the sale of scrap and, if so, the details thereof; and
- the names of Ministries involved in the approval of the scrap centres?

Turnovers of RINL and VSP

3673 **Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- whether Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) recorded second highest turnover of ₹ 18,000 crore in 2020-21;
- performance of RINL in 2021-22;
- whether it is a fact that in the last four months of last fiscal, Visakhapatnam Steel Plant (VSP) had made a profit of ₹ 740 crore;
- if so, the details thereof;
- whether VSP has the potential to bounce back given an opportunity; and
- if so, whether the Ministry will at least, persuade the Coal Ministry and PMO for allocating captive mines to VSP, so that it achieves the targets set for itself in the coming years?

Import and export of steel

3674 # **Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:**

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- the volume of steel imported from and exported to various countries during the last five years;
- the details of steel production and factories in the country, State-wise;
- whether Government is contemplating to make a change in the policy related to the National Steel Policy (NSP), 2017; and
- if so, the details thereof?

Production of steel

3675 # **Shri Neeraj Dangi:**

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- the details of the units engaged in mining and production of steel at present in the country along with the production capacity thereof;
- the details of the location where Governmental and non-Governmental units are producing steel, State-wise; and
- the details of the steps taken by Government to improve and increase the steel production?

Steel production hubs in Jharkhand

3676 # **Shri Deepak Prakash:**

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of locations identified so far in the State of Jharkhand which would be developed as steel production hubs; and
- (b) whether any guidelines have been issued to achieve the aforesaid target?

Details of accidental deaths while working in SAIL

3677 # **Shri Dhiraj Prasad Sahu:**

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of accidental deaths occurred while working during the last five years in various units of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL); and
- (b) the details of the report submitted by the factory inspectors after the inquiry of accidents and the action taken against the culprits and the investigation-wise details of various inquiries thereof?

Development of steel sector in Odisha

3678 **Dr. Sasmit Patra:**

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the development of the steel sector in Odisha;
- (b) the details of development of capacity, capacity utilisation, production, foreign investment, etc. in this regard; and
- (c) the overall standing of Odisha in the steel sector as compared to other States in the country?

Recycling of scrap steel

3679 **Smt. Shanta Chhetri:**

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- (a) the measures taken with regards to steel scrap recycling in the country;
- (b) to what extent has it helped to enhance the availability of domestically generated scrap steel; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Import of steel

3680 # **Smt. Geeta alias Chandrababha:**

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether steel is being imported in the country;
- (b) if so, the total quantum of steel being imported;
- (c) the country from which the maximum quantity is imported; and
- (d) whether the price and import of steel are being affected by the Russia-Ukraine war, if so, the details thereof?

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