# Rajya Sabha

#### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Friday, February 4, 2022/ 15 Magha, 1943 (Saka)

(Ministries : Agriculture and Farmers Welfare; Commerce and Industry; Communications; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Electronics and Information Technology; Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying; Food Processing Industries; Heavy Industries; Railways; Textiles)

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## Construction of over bridge near Karpurigram station

#### 31 # Shri Ram Nath Thakur:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Karpurigram railway station comes under Sonpur railway division;
- (b) whether a college, a high school and a hospital are closely situated north of Karpurigram railway station;
- (c) whether there is a long queue of trucks at the station as it is a rake point and patients visiting the hospital, the teachers, non-teaching staff and students have to wait for hours due to closure of level crossing; and
- (d) if so, whether Government proposes to construct at west side an over bridge or an underpass at the level crossing in public interest?

## Legal guarantee of MSP

#### 32 Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formed a committee for providing legal guarantee of Minimum Support Price (MSP) for agricultural crops as assured to Samyukta Kisan Morcha in December, 2021;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the composition; and
- (c) if not, the reasons for delay?

#### Guidelines for social media platforms

## 33 # Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:

Will the Minister of *Electronics and Information Technology* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formulated any rules or guidelines for the social media platforms (e.g. Twitter/Facebook);
- (b) the action Government would take against the companies in the event of non-adherence to rules by them; and
- (c) the steps being taken by Government especially in the wake of defiance being

exercised by Twitter?

# Implementation of Swaminathan Commission report recommendations

#### 34 Dr. Sasmit Patra:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) the specific recommendations of the Swaminathan Commission report that Government has implemented and not implemented so far; and
- (b) by when all the recommendations of the Swaminathan Commission report would be implemented by Government?

## Setting up of new industries in Rajasthan

# 35 # Shri Neeraj Dangi:

Will the Minister of *Commerce and Industry* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of assistance provided by Central Government to set up new industries in Rajasthan during the last three years, company-wise;
- (b) whether any proposal to setup new industries in Rajasthan is pending; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and whether Government has identified any sites to setup new small and heavy industries?

## Railway line work in Madhya Pradesh

#### 36 # Shri Kailash Soni:

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

- (a) the current status of the important railway line connecting very backward villages in Madhya Pradesh passing through Sagar and Kareli towards Nagpur, for which survey has been done; and
- (b) by when the work shall be started and the reasons for the work not being started yet?

#### Objectives of TRAI

## 37 Shri Harshvardhan Singh Dungarpur:

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

- (a) the objectives outlined by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) when it was formed and to what extent TRAI has been able to achieve those objectives;
- (b) the steps TRAI is likely to take in future to spread the telecom revolution to rural and remote areas all over the country; and
- (c) the manner in which TRAI is trying to achieve this objective?

# South Coast Railway Zone

#### 38 Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that over two and a half years have elapsed since the announcement was made regarding formation of a new railway zone i.e. South Coast Railway Zone (SCoR);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is also aware of the fact that the newly announced zone is yet to take final shape; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## CSCs across the country

#### 39 Shri Prakash Javadekar:

Will the Minister of *Electronics and Information Technology* be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Common Service Centres (CSCs) that are operational in the country;
- (b) the number and kind of services offered to the public in these CSCs; and
- (c) the direct and indirect employment generated under this initiative?

# Safe harbour protection principle

#### 40 Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:

Will the Minister of *Electronics and Information Technology* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the rising cases of commodification and harassment of women on social media platforms;
- (b) whether Government is aware that the social media platforms enjoy blanket exemption under safe harbour protection which often obstructs the course of investigation in aforementioned cases:
- (c) whether Government plans to revise the blanket exemption enjoyed by social media platforms under safe harbour principle; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## Compliance with IT Rules 2021

#### 41 Shri Binoy Viswam:

Will the Minister of *Electronics and Information Technology* be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of intermediaries and/or publishers currently under the ambit of the IT Rules 2021;
- (b) the total number of intermediaries and/or publishers that have not yet complied with the requirements under the IT Rules 2021, the details of non-compliance and action taken thereof:
- (c) whether Ministry is tracking the number of complaints received and action taken by intermediaries and/or publishers, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the current composition of the Inter-departmental committee established under Rule 14 of the Act, details of the number of meetings conducted by the committee and complaints examined by it?

## Pendency in consumer courts in Rajasthan

## 42 Shri K.J. Alphons:

Will the Minister of *Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution* be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases that are pending in consumer courts in Rajasthan;
- (b) the details of pendency of these cases;
- (c) whether Government is satisfied with the performance of consumer courts in the State; and
- (d) if not, the action proposed thereon?

#### Railway station redevelopment projects

## 43 Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:

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

- (a) whether station redevelopment projects were announced for providing good facilities for commuters and passengers and the progress of these projects is very slow;
- (b) whether IRSDC nominated as implementing agency for the same originally, is proposed to be disbanded and the respective railway zones are likely to take up the works of station redevelopment;
- (c) whether these projects now will be developed on EPC mode instead of PPP mode;
- (d) the reasons for transferring these projects from IRSDC to railway zones and implementation under EPC mode instead of PPP mode; and
- (e) the future of projects already awarded to IRSDC?

## **Doubling farmers' income**

### 44 # Shri Brijlal:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) the efforts being made by Government to double the income of farmers and provide them with necessary facilities and security; and
- (b) the details of changes brought about in the lives of farmers during the last five years, the details thereof?

# Rubber production in the country

#### 45 Shri Jose K. Mani:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has the State-wise data regarding rubber production in the country for the year 2021;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether Government has noticed a decrease in the rubber production in the State of Kerala last year;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details regarding the renewal of planting subsidy scheme of the Rubber Board and the amount disbursed so far under the scheme to the rubber producers of the State of Kerala; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

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P. C. Mody, Secretary-General.

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