

Rajya Sabha

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, March 16, 2022/ 25 Phalgun, 1943 (Saka)

(Ministries : Cooperation; Education; Home Affairs; Panchayati Raj; Road Transport and Highways; Rural Development; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Social Justice and Empowerment; Tribal Affairs; Women and Child Development)

Total number of questions -- 15

Teacher-Student relations in early schooling system

151 **Smt. Roopa Ganguly:**

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has any plans to revive the teacher-student relationship on the Guru-Shisya Parampara;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of the teacher to student ratio in primary and secondary education, State-wise?

Fatal road accidents on highways

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

Will the Minister of **Road Transport and Highways** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of road accidents during the last three years, year-wise including the current year and the State-wise number of the persons injured/died in the said accidents till date in the country;
- (b) the reasons for the increasing number of such accidents in the country;
- (c) whether Government has taken any measures to prevent road accidents, especially the accidents taking place on highways, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the compensation paid by Government to the victims of road accidents during the said period?

Reservation limits for EWS

153 # **Smt. Chhaya Verma:**

Will the Minister of **Social Justice and Empowerment** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that due to the EWS reservation to General category, the reservation has exceeded 50 per cent, causing violation of rules;
- (b) whether Government would propose to restrict reservation below 50 per cent;
- (c) whether Government would propose to give reservation to Economically Weaker Sections of OBCs on the lines of 10 per cent reservation for EWS of General Category in

addition to 27 per cent reservation; and

(d) whether giving 10 per cent reservation to the General Category by ignoring social and educational backwardness for reservation is constitutional?

Status of sale of Electric Vehicles

154 Shri John Brittas:

Will the Minister of **Road Transport and Highways** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that sales of Electric Vehicles (EVs) have gone up in the country during the last two years;

(b) if so, the details of the sales, in ratio to petrol and diesel vehicles, State-wise; and

(c) the details of subsidies and incentives being provided by Government for EV manufacturers and customers?

Coordination between NDRF and SDRFs

155 Shri M. Shanmugam:

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

(a) whether Government is stressing the need for better coordination between the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and State Disaster Response Forces (SDRFs) in individual States;

(b) if so, the details of such meetings held and the outcome thereof; and

(c) the details of any progress made in terms of coordinated action which would provide multiplier effect towards relief and rehabilitation in case of natural disasters?

Engaging empanelled private publishers for printing of NCERT books

156 Shri K.C. Venugopal:

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

(a) the reasons for engaging empanelled private publishers for printing of NCERT books;

(b) whether Government is providing papers through selected paper mills to these publishers for printing of NCERT books;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government has received complaints for using poor quality papers for printing of NCERT books by the empanelled publishers/printers; and

(e) if so, whether Government has conducted any enquiry and audit of empanelled publishers for utilization of allotted papers and if so, the outcome thereof?

Ed-tech companies in the country

157 Shri Binoy Viswam:

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

(a) whether Government has framed any rules, regulations and policies relating to the functioning of Educational-technology (Ed-tech) companies in the country;

(b) the total number of complaints against Ed-tech companies and the reasons for the UGC to issue an advisory to parents against such companies;

(c) whether Government has engaged any such Ed-tech companies to develop curriculum for students at the school and college level, if so, the details of the companies and the terms of their engagement; and

(d) what safeguards are being taken to ensure quality of education in light of the UGC amendments to allow online degrees?

Framing of rules for development and protection for women and children

158 # **Shri Ram Shakal:**

Will the Minister of ***Women and Child Development*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has framed any rules for development and protection of women and children; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Job-oriented school education

159 **Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the steps taken to make school education job-oriented are inadequate and organisations concerned with school education have been emphasizing on the need to make school education job-oriented and qualitative;
- (b) whether the Ministry has conducted any study on making school education job-oriented and to improve quality of education at primary level so that the tendency of dropping out may be contained; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Subjects under skill development courses

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

Will the Minister of ***Skill Development and Entrepreneurship*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of subjects included under the skill development courses to make school education employment oriented across the country;
- (b) the number of students benefitted thereof;
- (c) whether there is shortage of basic facilities and trainers in Government schools of the country for the said purpose;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Government has taken any measures to overcome the said shortage; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Skill India Centre accreditation process

161 **Dr. Amee Yajnik:**

Will the Minister of ***Skill Development and Entrepreneurship*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has eased out the procedure to initiate Skill India Centre accreditation process for training unemployed youth;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of its impact on employment generation?

National Overseas Scholarship

162 **Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the number of students who have been granted National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) in the last five years has been lesser than the proposed 100;
- (b) the percentage of students who access the benefits of NOS out of the total students who study at foreign universities;

- (c) whether it is also a fact that Government has decided to exclude humanities and social sciences from NOS;
- (d) if so, reasons therefor;
- (e) whether Government has devised a new scheme to enable students from these categories to pursue education in foreign universities; and
- (f) if so, details thereof?

Implementation of ULPIN in India

163 Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:

Will the Minister of **Rural Development** be pleased to state:

- (a) in what manner Government proposes to implement the Unique Land Parcel Identification Number (ULPIN) scheme given the digital divide that still exists in the country; and
- (b) whether Government has held consultations with either farmer groups or State Governments to implement the AgriStack scheme as blind reliance on technology often leads to exclusion errors in welfare schemes?

Battery swapping for Electric Vehicles

164 Shri K.J. Alphans:

Will the Minister of **Road Transport and Highways** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has worked out the details of the proposal for battery swapping scheme for Electric Vehicles (EVs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether there is any budgetary support for the scheme?

Irregularities under PMAY-G in Odisha

165 Shri Bhaskar Rao Nekkanti:

Will the Minister of **Rural Development** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received any complaints regarding large scale irregularities in the implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) in the State of Odisha;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government would go for a full-scale enquiry to find out all faults and irregularities, get it corrected and ensure that the pro-poor ambitious scheme of Government is not derailed in Odisha; and
- (d) the details of action, including criminal action, taken or proposed to be taken by Government against the culprit officials for the irregularities caused willingly and deliberately?

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