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RAJYA SABHA**

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Q. No.	Correction
508.	Name of the Member may be read as 'Dr. Prashanta Nanda'.
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Rajya Sabha

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Monday, February 7, 2022/ 18 Magha, 1943 (Saka)

(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

Non availability of night landing facility at many airports

481 # **Shri Ram Vichar Netam:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the facility of night landing is not available at many airports of the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government proposes to upgrade technology in order to provide night landing facility at Bilaspur Airport of Chhattisgarh; and
- (c) if so, whether any time limit has been fixed for the same and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Use of electric vehicles at airports

482 **Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

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

- (a) the number of electric vehicles being used in various airports, airport-wise;
- (b) whether introduction of electric buses to transport passengers in the airports will give better visibility, avoid pollution and reduce expenditure on transportation;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government has any scheme to showcase Indian airports with all electric vehicles, including buses?

UDAN Yojana

483 **Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

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

- (a) the number of airports that have been interconnected through the UDAN Yojana since 2016;
- (b) the number of airports proposed to be interconnected by the said programme;
- (c) the number of them in Bihar;
- (d) with Begusarai being the only major industrial city in Bihar, whether Government will bring its airport under the UDAN yojana considering potentiality of air traffic and

passengers;

(e) if so, the time it will take; and

(f) if not, whether Government would make a study of potentiality of Begusarai under UDAN scheme by using realistic parameters?

Recession in the aviation industry

484 # Smt. Geeta alias Chandrababha:

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

(a) the details of average number of flights during the last five years, year-wise;

(b) whether the impact of recession due to the pandemic is visible on aviation industries too, if so, the efforts made by Government to bring possible boom post the recession; and

(c) the details of the steps taken by Government to increase the number of flights to cater to the needs of the aviation industry keeping in view the number of passengers?

Easy and comfortable journey of international passengers during COVID-19

485 # Smt. Geeta alias Chandrababha:

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

(a) the efforts made by Government to ensure easy and comfortable journey of international passengers coming to India; and

(b) the guidelines which are mandatory to be followed by international passengers coming to or passing through the countries at risk during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Fixation of fare under UDAN scheme

486 # Shri Ramkumar Verma:

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

(a) whether fare for one hour duration flight has been fixed at ₹ 2500/- under the 'UDAN' scheme in the country including Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the total number of closed or sparingly used airports in the country including Rajasthan where Government intends to start air connectivity under UDAN Scheme, State-wise details thereof?

Expansion of Air cargo facilities

487 Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:

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

(a) whether Government has any plan to create facilities to start air cargo at important airports other than the existing 24 airports for faster movement of goods;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the potential for developing cargo handling facilities at more airports which are known as manufacturing hubs;

(c) whether Government has any plan for establishing cargo handling facilities at places which are located far away from major markets and movement of goods through road takes a lot of time like Kolhapur; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, including the reasons for not expanding the air cargo network in the country?

Basic facilities at airports in the country

488 **Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:**

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

- (a) whether re-fuelling, parking, minor repairs and other basic facilities for the civilian aircraft at smaller airports do not exist even after they have been opened for passenger traffic similar to Kolhapur;
- (b) if so, which are the airports where such facilities still do not exist;
- (c) whether Government has prepared any plan prioritising the establishment of such basic facilities as per the requirement within a time-bound span; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, including Kolhapur Airport?

Passengers stranded in various countries

489 **Shri A. Vijayakumar:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that many number of Indians who are stranded in various countries are not getting commercial flights return to the country;
- (b) if so, the steps taken to bring such stranded passengers to our country; and
- (c) the details thereof?

Funds allocated for expansion of airports

490 **Dr. Narendra Jadhav:**

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

- (a) whether Government has allocated funds for the expansion projects of various international and domestic airports and for the development of infrastructure of these airports, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated for new airport projects during the last two years, State-wise and airport-wise; and
- (d) whether it is a fact that airport projects and development works are halted because of the paucity of funds, if so, the action taken by Government in this regard?

Airports made operational under RCS

491 **Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:**

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

- (a) the number of airports made operational under the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) during the last three years and the total investment made under the scheme;
- (b) whether there are any new airports coming up under the scheme, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of flights operated per day average and the number of passengers and the cargo transported during the last one year;
- (d) the major parameters taken into consideration to start an airport under the Regional Connectivity Scheme; and
- (e) whether Government envisages any role to the State Governments in starting a new airport under this Scheme?

National Air Sports Policy

492 **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to come out with a National Air Sports Policy, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has maintained data on the degree of employment in this sector, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures being taken by Government to make India a hub for airports globally, if so, the details thereof along with the financial allocation proposed?

Expansion of civil aviation infrastructure in Bihar

493 **Shri Akhilesh Prasad Singh:**

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to expand civil aviation infrastructure in Bihar by constructing new airports in the State, if so, the cities identified for this purpose and the timeline of such project; and
- (b) whether Government is facing obstacles in terms of land acquisition for construction of new airports in Bihar, if so, the details thereof?

Airports in Uttar Pradesh

494 **Shri Sanjay Seth:**

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

- (a) the details of airports announced and started in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Uttar Pradesh is going to be the first state having three international airports;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time it will take in start of operations?

Shortage of commercial pilots

495 **Shri Ripun Bora:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that India has an annual requirement of 1,000 commercial pilots, but only 200-300 pilots are being trained each year in the country;
- (b) if so, total number of trained commercial pilots year-wise passed out since 2018 and has been employed during the period having Commercial Pilot Licence (CPL) thereof;
- (c) the number of pilot training institutes in the country and the scope of type rating after CPL in the country; and
- (d) the present status of type rating of the qualified CPL holders passed out during 2019 to till date therein?

Suspension of international flights

496 **Shri Sanjay Singh:**

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

- (a) the details of loss incurred by Government due to suspension of international flights, if any;

- (b) whether Government will provide any relief package to private carrier operators to recover losses incurred due to suspension of international flights, if any; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Increase in domestic airfares

497 Shri Jose K. Mani:

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

- (a) whether Government has noticed an increase in the domestic airfares in India during the last two years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has any plans to remove the lower and upper limits on airfares in domestic flights;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Government has any plans to decrease the cap on domestic airline capacity in the wake of the recent COVID-19 spread; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Renaming of Mangaluru Airport

498 Dr. Subramanian Swamy:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a great demand to rename the existing Mangaluru Airport;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that many suggestions have been received on the new names; and
- (c) the action Government has taken to rename the Airport?

MRO facilities at Tirupati

499 Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:

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

- (a) the reasons for not inviting tenders for Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) facilities at Tirupati which has been identified as one of the airports for MRO facilities; and
- (b) by when tender is going to be called for Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh?

Measures to boost civil sector of the country

500 Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

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

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has taken a decision to commence air services from small cities of the country under UDAN scheme in public interest; and
- (b) if so, the achievement made by Government in this regard along with measures taken by Government to boost the civil aviation sector of the country?

Air routes for the public in Odisha

501 Smt. Mamata Mohanta:

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

- (a) the details of the number of cities in the country connected/being connected with air

routes for the public;

(b) whether Government has any proposal under consideration for starting air connectivity in major cities of Odisha; and

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

Skill training and air ambulance

502 Dr. Vikas Mahatme:

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

(a) the total number of commercial pilot licenses granted to pilots from Indian flying training institutions as compared to licenses granted to pilots from abroad in last three years;

(b) what steps Government has taken to meet the skilled manpower demands such as pilots for the growing aviation industry;

(c) the number of air ambulances currently in service in the country, State-wise and the number of patients who have hired the ambulances in the last three years; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to make the facility more accessible for rural areas and the details thereof?

Programme to increase the number of international airports in the country

503 Dr. Ameer Yajnik:

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

(a) whether Government has any programme to increase the number of international airports to add convenience to travellers from different cities going abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any new guideline has been released by Government at international airports regarding COVID-19 new variant Omicron; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Uniform rates for RT-PCR and Rapid RT-PCR test

504 Shri John Brittas:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that charges applied for RT-PCR and rapid RT-PCR tests at various International Airports in the country are not uniform;

(b) if so, the rates applied for covid tests in different International Airports; and

(c) the details thereof and the actions taken to mitigate the hardships faced by passengers?

Cancellation of flights due to fog

505 Dr. Anil Agrawal:

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

(a) the number of flights got late, diverted and cancelled by each airline due to fog during the last three months, airlines-wise;

(b) whether Government has taken cognizance in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures taken by Government to deal with this problem?

Compensation to displaced people

506 # Shri Ram Vichar Netam:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government provides compensation and employment to the people displaced due to land acquisition for coal mining works;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that many cases related to compensation and employment of the people displaced due to land acquisition for coal mining remain pending in the State of Chhattisgarh;
- (d) if so, the district-wise details thereof and whether any timeline has been fixed by Government for disposal of said pending cases; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Funds for hunar haat under USTTAD

507 Shri Subhas Chandra Bose Pilli:

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

- (a) whether Government has an estimate of the country competitiveness at the global level in the handicrafts sector;
- (b) the details of the funds sanctioned and utilized for Hunar Haat under Upgrading the Skill and Training Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development (USTAAD) scheme promoting the crafts sector; and
- (c) the progress achieved in creation of Hunar Hubs across the country?

Coal mines auctioned in Odisha.

508 Shri Prashanta Nanda:

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

- (a) the details of the coal mines auctioned in Odisha in last five years;
- (b) the number of coal mines operationalised till date and which started coal production;
- (c) the amount of revenue generated from these auctioned mines; and
- (d) the details of revenue benefits which will be received by the Union and the State Government during the mining lease period?

Shortage of coal for industries in Odisha

509 Dr. Amar Patnaik:

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

- (a) whether out of the 150 million tonne of coal produced through Mahanadi Coalfields, 65 per cent is being transferred to other States, and only 3 per cent is reserved for local industries, against the actual minimum requirement of 55 per cent for local Captive Power Plants (CPPs) based industries;
- (b) if so, the reasons for such a policy; and
- (c) whether local CPPs are getting just 40-50 per cent of the required coal supplies, creating a backlog of over 1,500 coal rakes, since most of the available coal rakes are being diverted away from CPPs, if so, the reasons therefor?

Illegal coal mining

510 **Dr. C.M. Ramesh:**

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

- (a) whether illegal coal mining is taking place in some of the North Eastern States in the country, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the number of such cases which have been detected by Government during the last three years and the action taken against those people?

Rampant encroachment of wakf assets

511 **Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

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

- (a) whether rampant encroachment, misuse and usurpation of wakf assets have been noticed across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps being taken in this regard by Government in consultation with each State Government?

Status of closed coal mines

512 **Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

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

- (a) whether Government is contemplating on addressing the concerns of the closed coal mines in the country; and
- (b) the details and the present status of the closed coal mines along with the plans of Government for using them for alternative purposes?

Timeline for coal phasedown

513 **Shri Tiruchi Siva:**

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

- (a) whether Government has decided on any timeline yet for the coal phasedown as agreed in the recent Glasgow Climate Pact at the COP26;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of current loss-making coal mines in the country, district-wise?

Coal reserves in India

514 # **Shri Naresh Bansal:**

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

- (a) the present reserves of coal available in India;
- (b) the amount of tonnes of coal produced by Coal India Limited during each of the last three financial years;
- (c) the amount of tonnes of coal imported by India during the last three financial years; and
- (d) the details of specific measures taken by Coal India Limited to increase the production of coal?

Provision to return land acquired for coal mining

515 # Shri Deepak Prakash:

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

- (a) whether there is any provision under the Coal Bearing Areas (Acquisition and Development) Act, 1957 to return the land acquired for coal mining to the raiyats after the completion of mining work; and
- (b) if so, the district-wise details of land in Jharkhand which has been returned to the raiyats so far?

Defence PSUs in Andhra Pradesh

516 Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao:

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

- (a) the list of Public Sector undertakings (PSUs) under the Ministry with headquarters or units and plants located in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the year of establishment of such Central PSUs or its units and plants;
- (c) the total investment so far in such units, year-wise;
- (d) the number of persons employed in Andhra Pradesh (full time and on contract basis) in the defence PSUs or its units located in Andhra Pradesh, category-wise and level-wise;
- (e) whether there are any new defence PSUs or their units and plants being established in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Urban Infrastructure Development scheme

517 Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:

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

- (a) the funds allocated by Government under Urban Infrastructure Development scheme for small and medium towns, to all States including Tamil Nadu, State-wise;
- (b) whether the scheme is being implemented as per the scheduled time frame and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether responsibilities have been fixed by Government in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Make in India in defence sector

518 Shri M.V. Shreyams Kumar:

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

- (a) the details of defence equipment"s produced under Make in India scheme during the last five years;
- (b) whether self reliance in defence sector has been achieved after the implementation of the said scheme;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the new defence equipments that Government plans to produce under Make in India scheme?

Mission Sagar

519 Shri Sanjay Seth:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has Mission Sagar to assist friendly foreign countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government of Mozambique has been helped recently under Mission Sagar to cope up with ongoing drought and concurrent challenges of pandemic; and
- (d) if so, the details of help provided to different countries?

Defence Production and Export Promotion Policy

520 Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:

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

- (a) whether Government has any plan to have a Defence Production and Export Promotion Policy paving the way ahead for boosting defence production within the country and help facilitate their export to friendly foreign countries; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Cancellation of purchase deals of surface to air missiles

521 Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has cancelled multiple deals for the purchase of short range surface to air missiles and purchase of a number of choppers for the Indian Coast Guards;
- (b) whether Government has decided to purchase them from the domestic defence sector;
- (c) whether Government has any plan to further review the import deals from foreign vendors;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps being taken to ensure that security of the country is not compromised in any way while reviewing these imports?

Proposals from Andhra Pradesh regarding Sainik Schools

522 Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:

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

- (a) whether five proposals were received from Andhra Pradesh for affiliating to Sainik Schools under the Ministry's recent initiative of opening up of 100 Sainik Schools in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Ministry on the same?

DRL, Tezpur

523 Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya:

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

- (a) the products made/invented so far by Defense Research Laboratory (DRL), Tezpur in the field of health, hygiene, environment and local agriculture;
- (b) whether any of these products have been found beneficial for use of Armed Forces and local people, if so, names of the products and their prices;
- (c) the sanctioned and presently held manpower of DRL, Tezpur, grade-wise; and
- (d) the number of persons recruited grade-wise in DRL, Tezpur in 2021 and out of those recruits how many are from Northeastern States and steps being taken by Government to make DRL, Tezpur more effective?

Mid Day Meal in Cantonment Board schools

524 # Shri Kailash Soni:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Cantonment Board is the governing body under the Ministry and is an urban body under Article 243P of the Constitution of India and the operation of the Cantonment Board schools is carried out with the grant received from the Central Government;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that Mid Day Meal is not being provided in Cantonment Board schools and other places of Madhya Pradesh;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) by when it would be provided; and
- (e) the details thereof?

Admission of girls in Sainik Schools

525 # Shri Brijlal:

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

- (a) the progress made so far in the direction of the approval granted by Government last year for the admission of girls in Sainik Schools;
- (b) the number of registrations done so far; and
- (c) the details thereof?

Accidents inside the properties of Indian Navy

526 Dr. V. Sivadasan:

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

- (a) the number of accidents or mishaps taken place inside the properties owned by Indian Navy and Indian Air Force since 2010, the details thereof, year-wise, category-wise;
- (b) the number of personnel died in these accidents, year-wise category-wise; and
- (c) the loss in terms of money in these accidents, year-wise, category-wise?

Electricity allowance for defence personnel

527 # Shri Shaktisinh Gohil:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the defence personnel used to get electricity allowance till 2017, if otherwise, the cut off date thereof;
- (b) whether this allowance was meant for waiving off the power consumption upto 100 units only, and the reasons for discontinuing the said allowance; and
- (c) whether any requests have been received to restore electricity allowance for defence personnel, if so, the details thereof?

Foreign procurement by the Defence Services

528 Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:

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

- (a) the details of expenditure incurred on foreign procurement by the Defence Services from 2014-15 to current fiscal year;
- (b) whether foreign procurement by the Defence Services has increased over time;
- (c) if so, measures taken to reduce the dependency and the progress of the measures

taken; and

(d) the details of indigenous production of defence and aerospace related items from 2014-15 to 2020-21?

Tableaux for Republic Day parade

529 Shri John Brittas:

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

- (a) whether number of tableaux of various State Governments were disallowed for the Republic Day parade on 26.01.2021;
- (b) if so, the tableaux disallowed and reasons therefor;
- (c) the criteria for the permission of tableaux; and
- (d) the composition of Committee for examining the same?

Benefits of OROP scheme

530 Shri Prakash Javadekar:

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

- (a) the details of One Rank One Pension (OROP) scheme;
- (b) the benefits for the defence personnel; and
- (c) the additional expenditure incurred/allocated since its implementation?

Use of vacant Defence land

531 # Shri Ram Shakal:

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

- (a) the details of vacant land of various departments of the Ministry and, whether any master plan has been made in order to utilize the entire land; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Corporatisation of ordnance factories

532 Shri Binoy Viswam:

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

- (a) whether Government had made any assurances to the employees regarding their service conditions and applicability of rules and regulations of central Government employees to the employees of the ordnance factories;
- (b) whether the Ministry has received representation from employees unions/federations regarding the arbitrary change in service conditions by the new management of the seven new corporations;
- (c) if so, the steps the Ministry has taken to address these issues;
- (d) whether the employees of the ordnance factories are now on "deemed deputation" to the seven new corporations; and
- (e) the total number and value of contracts currently with the seven corporations?

Projects under the AMRUT scheme in Haryana

533 Shri Deepender Singh Hooda:

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

- (a) the details of district-wise ongoing projects under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) in Haryana;

- (b) whether Government has a mechanism to monitor projects undertaken by various Municipal Corporations and other bodies;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government has received complaints of misappropriation of funds meant for development works in Faridabad MC of Haryana; and
- (e) if so, the complete details thereof including the action taken?

HRIDAY scheme

534 Shri Ramkumar Verma:

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

- (a) the details of funds allocated, released and utilized under National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana – (HRIDAY) during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the number of projects proposal pending under the scheme; and
- (c) the fresh steps taken by Government for implementation of all the pending projects proposals under the scheme?

Implementation of AMRUT in Gujarat

535 # Shri Narhari Amin:

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

- (a) the current status of implementation of the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) in the country, especially in Gujarat;
- (b) the number of cities selected under this centrally sponsored scheme in Gujarat along with the criterion of selection thereof;
- (c) the year-wise and city-wise details of fund allotted and spent under this scheme during the last three years in Gujarat; and
- (d) whether Government is planning to include any other city in the next phase of this scheme, and if so, the details thereof?

CLSS under PMAY

536 Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that the Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) is a benefit under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) which focuses on helping the Middle Income Groups, Economically Weaker Sections, and Lower Income Groups in India by bringing down their housing loan EMIs by over ₹ 2,000 per month by offering an interest subsidy;
- (b) if so, the total number of beneficiaries during the last five years, State-wise, particularly in Tamil Nadu;
- (c) whether Government is now considering to scrap this scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Commercial dispute between HSCL and NTPC Kahalgaon

537 Shri Anil Desai:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the resolution of a commercial dispute through Administrative Mechanism for Resolution of CPSs Disputes (AMRCD) between Hindustan

Steelworks Construction Ltd (HSCL) and National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) Kahalgaon, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government contemplates to demand MSME interest rate from NTPC for the sub-contractor of HSCL as mandated in the MSME Act, if so, the details of the proposal submitted to AMRCD; and

(c) the time limit in this case for its final decision?

Rehabilitation of population living in Slums

538 Dr. Narendra Jadhav:

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

(a) whether Government has conducted any study on the number of urban slum households that have increased in the past five year, if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the total number of urban households located in slums; category-wise like SC,ST, OBC, minorities and others and State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to rehabilitate the population living in slums in last three years and the outcome thereof?

Progress of satellite townships

539 Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:

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

(a) the present status and progress of the satellite township proposed around seven megacities;

(b) the total amount spent by the Central and State Government in the project;

(c) whether there is any new proposal to increase the number of satellite townships in other cities by Government;

(d) whether any proposal has been received from any State Government to create satellite township in any particular State; and

(e) whether there is any proposal to develop the satellite cities under the Smart City Mission, if so, the details thereof?

Development of infrastructure around Jewar Airport

540 Shri Sanjay Seth:

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

(a) whether Government is planning to further develop construction of roads and other infrastructure around Jewar Airport like toy park and film city;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether State Government has submitted multiple proposal in connection with development projects; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

High water bills in Dwarka flats

541 Shri P. Bhattacharya:

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

(a) whether DDA is paying charges to DJB for purchasing water for purpose of supplying the same to the residents of Golf Link DDA flats, Pocket-8, Sector-23B, Dwarka;

(b) if so, the details of bills and payments from 2015 till date;

- (c) if not, why residents of said society are getting huge water bills (₹ 28,000/- to ₹ 32,000/-) from year 2015 to 2020; and
 (d) whether the water bills raised by DDA is not only unethical but is an injustice to residents of said society housing complex since DJB has already exempted water bills for each household water connection upto 20,000 litres per month?

Eviction of slum dwellers for Smart Cities Mission

542 Shri Sanjay Singh:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that slums dwellers are being rehabilitated / evicted for the construction of Smart Cities Mission;
 (b) if so, State-wise and city-wise list of total number of slums dwellers that have been rehabilitated or evicted for the construction of Smart Cities Mission;
 (c) whether Government will require more evictions of slum dwellers for the Smart Cities Mission in the future;
 (d) if so, the details thereof; and
 (e) the details of rehabilitation policy in place for this purpose?

Shortage of housing

543 Shri Jose K. Mani:

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

- (a) whether Government has evaluated the present shortage of housing in various States of the country, if so, the details thereof;
 (b) the number of slums in each State;
 (c) whether there is any scheme for building enough houses for the BPL and for converting slums into habitable housing colonies; and
 (d) whether a policy would be taken to initiate reverse mortgage of houses in the country?

Availability of houses for urban poor

544 # Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to facilitate the availability of houses to the urban poor and middle class people in the country;
 (b) if so, the steps taken by Government to provide houses to the poor and middle class urban people and the schemes being run in this regard;
 (c) the number of houses provided under this scheme in the State of Rajasthan during the last three years, the district-wise details thereof; and
 (d) the State/Union Territory-wise details thereof during the last three years?

Homeless and landless people

545 Dr. V. Sivadasan:

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

- (a) the number of homeless people in the country, State-wise ;
 (b) the number of landless people in the country, State-wise; and
 (c) the reasons for these high figures?

PM Awas Yojana in Tamil Nadu

546 **Shri M. Shanmugam:**

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

- (a) the details of funds disbursed under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Rural and Urban), State-wise including Tamil Nadu for the last three years;
- (b) the details of financial assistance for metropolitan cities and major cities for development of infrastructure, proper colonization/urbanization including having a restructured drainage and sewerage system in major cities like Chennai, Madurai, Coimbatore;
- (c) whether Government has any new model plans for a new urbanization and colonization for the States, in view of water stagnation and flooding of cities during heavy rains; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Convergence of SBM-U and AMRUT

547 **Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

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

- (a) whether the revamped versions of the Swachh Bharat Mission Urban (SBM-U) and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) would include convergence with the corresponding missions for rural areas and outcome based funding for cities; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the progress made so far, State-wise and project-wise including funds sanctioned/spent till date?

Housing for the homeless

548 **Shri Vaiko:**

Shri M. Shanmugam:

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

- (a) the number of houses built under the centrally sponsored scheme, Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM) for the homeless in the country, State-wise, in the last three years;
- (b) whether any special focus has been emphasized during the pandemic for providing permanent shelters to the homeless in cities and towns, with particular reference to Tamil Nadu; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Revamping city architecture

549 **Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:**

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

- (a) whether Government has conducted any studies on making cities more friendly for street dwellers and the homeless;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the current design and architecture of most Indian cities are against the interests of street dwellers as well as street vendors; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor, including the steps adopted by Government to address this issue?

Making cities disabled friendly

550 Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:

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

- (a) whether Government has adopted measures to make cities more user friendly to all categories of disabled people;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has any mechanism in place to ensure that all newly constructed buildings for public use adhere to National Building Code;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the number of buildings constructed following after its adoption in 2016;
- (f) whether Government has conducted any studies to understand if the adoption of National Building Code has increased the number of disabled persons accessing these buildings; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Progress of Smart Cities Mission

551 Shri Derek O' Brien:

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

- (a) the number of new cities approved for the Smart Cities Mission in 2022;
- (b) the percentage of started which projects have been completed so far, and in how many cities;
- (c) the quantum of funds allocated for new cities in 2022; and
- (d) the quantum of funds allocated, released and utilised so far?

Approval of construction design for prevention of pandemic

552 # Smt. Seema Dwivedi:

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

- (a) whether keeping in view the precautions against COVID-19, in approval of all the designs regarding construction of civic bodies, some special arrangements have been made right at the entry of each house, community hall, hotel so that primary prevention against the pandemic like COVID-19 can be assured;
- (b) if so, the details of the schemes under which work is being done to implement this;
- (c) if not, whether Government is considering any such plans; and
- (d) if so, the State-wise details thereof?

Auto Fuel Vision and Policy-2025

553 # Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:

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

- (a) the plans being made by Government to meet the priorities of energy availability, energy efficiency, energy sustainability and energy security on account of oil and gas imports;
- (b) the initiatives taken to increase production and utilisation of all domestic petroleum resources, the details thereof;
- (c) the action plan and roadmap of Auto Fuel Vision and Policy-2025, the details of work Government is doing at present, in this regard; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government to improve the engine technology of the vehicle along with an improvement in the fuel quality?

Depletion of ground water

554 **Shri Prasanna Acharya:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that in some parts of the country there has been serious depletion of ground water, if so, the details thereof, and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether any study/research have been conducted on the reasons and consequential effects of decrease in ground water level and, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to mitigate the problem?

Persons having access to potable water

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

Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

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

- (a) whether Government has the data, pertaining to the number of persons having access to potable water in the country during the past three years, State-wise;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has any target and plan to provide potable water to 100 per cent of the population; and
- (d) if so, the details of the target and plan fixed in this regard?

Monitoring mechanism for river pollution

556 **Shri Anand Sharma:**

Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:

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

- (a) whether Government has taken any steps towards implementing the orders of National Green Tribunal with respect to establishing a mechanism to better monitor river pollution and river rejuvenation, namely the National River Rejuvenation Mechanism;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has set the timeline for compliance of the mechanism and to ensure it is functional completely; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Tap water supply under Har Ghar Jal Yojana

557 **Shri Anand Sharma:**

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

- (a) the details of States that have achieved 100 per cent tap water supply under Har Ghar Jal Yojana, from 2019 till date year-wise;
- (b) whether Government has ensured the quality of tap water being supplied;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the number of deaths due to consumption of hazardous quality water supply in rural districts from 2019 till date, State-wise and year-wise; and
- (e) the measures taken or proposed to be taken to ensure uncontaminated water supply in rural areas in the light of recent deaths in Uttar Pradesh due to consumption of contaminated water?

National policy for natural and man-made water bodies

558 # Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

Shri Ram Nath Thakur:

Smt. Chhaya Verma:

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

- (a) whether Government is contemplating on formulating any National policy toward protecting natural and man-made step wells, ports, ponds, tanks or lakes; and
- (b) whether Government has undertaken any study in the country to ascertain the number of step wells, ports, ponds, tanks or lakes which are illegally encroached upon during last one decade, the details thereof, State-wise?

Rehabilitation and resettlement work of PIP

559 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

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

- (a) whether Government has taken note of the fact that the rehabilitation and resettlement (R&R) work pertaining to Polavaram Irrigation Project (PIP) is not being implemented in true letter and spirit;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has issued any stern warning to Andhra Pradesh Government in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Setting up of water testing laboratories

560 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

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

- (a) whether Government has made any elaborate arrangements for setting up of drinking water quality testing laboratories across the country including the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details, thereof;
- (c) whether Government is providing financial assistance to States/UTs for setting up of water testing laboratories; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

Revival of rivers

561 **Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:**

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

- (a) the details of river revitalisation projects under Government, by year from its inception in 2019 till date including location of project, date of project approval, funds allocated, approved and utilised, original project deadline for completion and extensions if any and project status, whether complete or ongoing; and
- (b) whether any river revitalisation projects are pending for approval and, if so, the details thereof including the reasons for delay in approval?

Interlinking of rivers projects

562 **Shri A. Vijayakumar:**

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

- (a) the number of projects on interlinking of rivers projects estimated in the country;
- (b) whether there is any project for interlinking of rivers for Tamil Nadu State;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it will be a Centre-State programme; and
- (e) if so, the ratio of projects cost shared by Centre and State?

Bansagar Irrigation Scheme

563 **Shri Rajmani Patel:**

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

- (a) whether through the Bansagar Irrigation Scheme, a number of villages have put forward a proposal to be irrigated under the Sooti (Loni Dam) irrigation scheme under the Tyothar flow scheme of Rewa in Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so then in addition to the command area, how many hectares have been added for additional irrigation; and
- (c) the details of the total cost of the above scheme and the construction work done so far, and the time by which it will be completed?

Status of irrigation scheme in Madhya Pradesh

564 # **Shri Kailash Soni:**

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

- (a) the status of the irrigation scheme in which irrigation was proposed from Chinki village to Udaipura of Raisen district through pipes under the lift irrigation project on Narmada river in Chinki village of Narsingpur district in Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if not, progress in this regard, the reasons therefor: and (c) if so, the details thereof?

Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) work done in Assam

565 **Ms. Sushmita Dev:**

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

- (a) the details of the number of Individual Household Latrines (IHHLs) that have been constructed in Assam under the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) till date, district-wise;
- (b) the details of the number of Community Sanitary Complexes that have been constructed under phase II of the SBM(G) scheme in Assam, district-wise;
- (c) the details of the amount of funds sanctioned and utilized under the SBM(G) mission in Assam from its inception till date, year-wise and district-wise; and
- (d) the details of the number of facilities for biodegradable waste management, greywater management that have been constructed or are being constructed in Assam under this scheme, district-wise?

Contamination of water in Assam

566 **Ms. Sushmita Dev:**

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

- (a) whether Government has made any assessment of the number of people in Assam affected by contaminated water;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether it is a fact that there has been extreme improvement in the quality of water in Assam due to lockdown in the month of May and June, 2020;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of the steps being taken to ensure maintaining the improvement in the quality of water in Assam in future also?

Water stressed districts

567 Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:

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

- (a) the details of water stressed districts/blocks identified in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the aims and objectives of Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA);
- (c) the details of blocks identified under JSA in the State of Andhra Pradesh; and
- (d) whether it is a fact that block level water conservation plans have been prepared and, if so, the details thereof with a particular reference to Andhra Pradesh?

Deaths due to contaminated drinking water

568 # Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

Smt. Chhaya Verma:

Shri Ram Nath Thakur:

Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that every year more than one lakh people die in the country due to contaminated drinking water;
- (b) the details thereof during the last three years State-wise and year-wise;
- (c) whether Government would conduct a survey afresh to estimate the deaths owing to contaminated drinking water and water contamination;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Tap water connection under JJM in Bihar

569 # Shri Satish Chandra Dubey:

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

- (a) the number of households where drinking tap water connections have been provided under Jal Jeevan Misson (JJM) in various States of the country including Bihar, district-wise;
- (b) the number of connections to be covered under the said scheme during the next two years, and (c) the details of allocated funds under the said scheme, district-wise?

Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY)

570 Smt. Vandana Chavan:

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

- (a) the percentage of land and area of cultivated land that is currently entirely or partially rain fed, since 2018;
- (b) the details of projects that are sanctioned, underway, and completed under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY), since 2018 State/UT-wise;

- (c) the details of projects that are yet to commence and the reasons thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the details of monitoring and redressal mechanisms to ensure maintenance and quality control of irrigation projects?

Heli-borne survey for Ground Water Management

571 Shri Parimal Nathwani:

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

- (a) whether Government has recently initiated a heli-borne geophysical survey and other scientific studies in selected States under the Aquifer Mapping Programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is aware that Rayalaseema Region in Andhra Pradesh is one of the most arid and drought prone regions in the country; and
- (d) if so, the reason for not selecting the State of Andhra Pradesh for such a survey?

Progress of Namami Gange Project

572 Shri Derek O' Brien:

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

- (a) the break up of expenditure of the funds allocated to Namami Gange, specifically for media and publicity;
- (b) the number of COVID-19 related dead bodies estimated to have been dumped in the Ganga;
- (c) what measures have been taken to remove these and dispose off them as per COVID-19 protocols; and
- (d) what has been the improvement in pollution levels in the Ganga from 2015, when the programme was launched, till date?

Designed capacity of Indira Gandhi Feeder

573 Shri K.C. Venugopal:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the capacity of Head Regulator of Indira Gandhi Feeder at Harike is 15,000 Cusecs while the designed capacity of the Indira Gandhi Feeder is 18,500 Cusecs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government intends to advise the State Government of Punjab to increase capacity of Head Regulator of IGF at Harike from 15,000 Cusecs to 18,500 Cusecs so as to reduce the wastage of water during floods; and
- (d) if so, till when and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Short supply of Yamuna water

574 Shri K.C. Venugopal:

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

- (a) whether the State of Rajasthan is getting short supply of Yamuna water;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has issued directions to State of Uttar Pradesh and State of Haryana to prevent unauthorized lifting of Rajasthan's share of Yamuna water in their territory; and

(d) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor?

Scheme approved under NGP in Bihar

575 # Shri Sushil Kumar Modi:

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

- (a) the number of schemes approved under Namami Gange programme in Bihar and the funds released by the Central Government for same;
- (b) the number of schemes out of those which have been completed and the funds spent thereon and the details thereof;
- (c) the volume of sewer used to be discharged in the Ganga prior to the launch of this scheme and the volume of sewer being discharged now; and
- (d) the reasons behind slow progress of this scheme in Bihar?

Data on water bodies in the country

576 Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:

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

- (a) number of water bodies in in the country during the last five years for which data has been collected, State-wise;
- (b) whether the number of water bodies has decreased in the 6th Minor Irrigation census as compared to the previous Minor Irrigation Census and, if so, the reasons identified by Government for the same;
- (c) the number of cases of encroachment of water bodies reported across in the country during the last three years, by year-wise and State-wise; and
- (d) the details of action taken on reported water encroachments so far and details of how Government plans to curb encroachments in future?

Water-borne diseases due to insufficient drinking water

577 Shri N.R. Elango:

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

- (a) whether Government is presently focusing on the water-borne diseases that harm millions of people in view of the fact that as a result of insufficient drinking water and sanitation, water-borne diseases such as cholera, gastroenteritis, and diarrhoea spread throughout country's summer and rainy seasons;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Allocation of funds for tap water to households

578 Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla:

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

- (a) the amount of funds allocated, disbursed and utilised for providing tap water to households under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in Pudukkottai District, from 2019 and the details thereof year-wise;
- (b) the number of households provided with tap water connections under the JJM in Pudukkottai district, from 2019 and the details thereof year-wise; and
- (c) the list of water bodies identified in Tamil Nadu under the Jal Shakti Abhiyaan and the details thereof?

Water stressed blocks

579 **Shri K.R. Suresh Reddy:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the country's most water-stressed blocks are in Tamil Nadu, followed by Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Telangana;
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by Government to mitigate this problems given that India sustains 18 per cent of the world's population and 15 per cent of global livestock with just about 4 per cent of global fresh water resources; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Supply of potable water under Har Ghar Nal Se Jal

580 **Dr. Vinay P. Sahasrabudhe:**

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

- (a) whether there is any mechanism to monitor that reliable and enduring supply of potable water is ensured before water pipelines are laid under the Har Ghar Nal Se Jal scheme, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the details of the implementation mechanism that ensures this; and
- (c) whether Government has come across cases of laying water pipelines without ensuring supply of water by certain States and if so, the details thereof ?

Establishment of MSMEs

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

Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

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

- (a) whether Government has taken a decision to establish more and more Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) for the all round development of the country and, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the details of the steps being taken by Government for establishment of MSMEs in large scale and incentives and sops being offered to enthusiastic entrepreneurs for establishment of MSMEs in the country?

Establishment of technology centres

582 **Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

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

- (a) the details of States where 15 technology centres under Technology Centres Systems Programme (TCSP) were established;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government is going to set up 20 more such centres and 100 extension centres in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details of technology centres and extension centres going to set up in Karnataka to enhance competitiveness of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises?

Achievements of NSIC

583 **Shri K.J. Alphons:**

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

- (a) what are the functions of the National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC);
- (b) the number of Entrepreneur orientation programmes conducted by NSIC during the past

five years; and

(c) what are the achievements of NSIC Technical Services Centres during the said period?

Establishment of agriculture and rural based small enterprises

584 # Shri Ram Chander Jangra:

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

- (a) the details of the number of agriculture and rural based small enterprises established by Government during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether any new discovery or experiments have been done for better results of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises during the said period, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the measures under consideration to keep up the competition with inexpensive products of China, Japan and other countries?

Financial assistance under PMEGP

585 # Shri Ram Chander Jangra:

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

- (a) the details of the areas and the number of micro enterprises which have been provided financial assistance under the Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP);
- (b) whether beneficiaries who have established new micro enterprises are also imparted training under this programme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of budget provisioned per year for the programme?

Complaint against KVIC officials

586 Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu:

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

- (a) whether Government has received any complaint against Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) officials for subversion of KVIC rules and norms and embezzlement of funds from various Sarvodaya Sanghs located in Tamil Nadu during the period between 2014 and 2019;
- (b) details thereof and the action initiated against the officials of KVIC and Secretaries of the Sarvodaya Sanghs for misusing the funds allocated to Government schemes; and
- (c) whether Government has received any request from any aggrieved person to initiate action against the KVIC officials for misappropriation of funds allocated to the weavers, spinners and artisans during 2014-2019?

Revival of MSMEs sector

587 Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:

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

- (a) the number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) registered and the number of those shut down, annually from 2014 till date;
- (b) whether Government has framed an enhanced financial incentivisation policy to boost the MSMEs sector;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, reasons therefor;
- (d) the number of MSMEs currently functioning, and the number of those currently lying closed, by State/UT;
- (e) whether Government plans on providing employment, subsidies and financial

compensation to persons affected by the closure of MSMEs due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

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

Assistance to MSMEs sector

588 Shri Y. S. Chowdary:

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 has taken efforts to get the dues cleared by the public sector units of 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 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?

PMEGP scheme in Puducherry

589 Shri S. Selvaganabathy:

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

(a) whether all banks in Puducherry falling under Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) scheme are fulfilling their target every year;

(b) if so, the details of the loans sanctioned by each bank during the last five years; and

(c) what action will be taken against the bank which do not achieved the target fixed by Government under the scheme?

Women MSMEs Entrepreneurs

590 Dr. Amar Patnaik:

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

(a) the number of women entrepreneurs that are running their own business in the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector;

(b) the number of women that have started their own business in the MSMEs sector during the past three years, Year-wise;

(c) the number of women entrepreneurs that are registered with the Udyam Sakhi, an initiative of Government;

(d) the details of the benefit and assistance extended to women entrepreneurs by the Udyam Sakhi initiative; and

(e) whether Government has any other proposal to increase women entrepreneurship in the MSMEs sector and, if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of CFC

591 Shri Muzibulla Khan:

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

(a) whether the timeline for implementation of the Common Facility Centre (CFC) in Rice Milling Cluster at Balasore will be revised in the corrected administrative approval; and

(b) whether grant of Government will be released during the current financial year?

Financial assistance under SFURTI

592 **Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Amalapuram Coir Cluster in East Godavari district of Andhra Pradesh was approved to help nearly 1100 artisans with financial assistance under Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI);
- (b) if so, reasons for the delay in commissioning the cluster; and
- (c) by when it is likely to be commissioned?

Status of the Solar Charkha Mission

593 **Shri Sujeet Kumar:**

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

- (a) the current status of the Solar Charkha Mission;
- (b) the number of jobs created till now under the said Mission; and
- (c) the details of amounts of funds sanctioned and spent under the said Mission during the last three years?

MSMEs clusters development programme

594 **Shri Iranna Kadadi:**

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

- (a) the number of clusters developed under the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) cluster development programme during the last three years, State/UT-wise particularly in Karnataka;
- (b) the turnover and production within each of these clusters during the said period;
- (c) the number of clusters under the said programme that export their products;
- (d) whether Government has any scheme for the unorganized MSMEs clusters in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Scheme to set up agro based industry in rural areas

595 # **Shri Satish Chandra Dubey:**

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

- (a) whether Government has formulated any scheme to set up some agro based industry in the rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details of allocated funds for these industries during current year and last three years, State/Union territory-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government for promoting agro based industries in the rural areas?

Establishment of new hub for MSMEs

596 **Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:**

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

- (a) whether Government proposes a new project to establish a new hub or industrial parks for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government is considering to develop MSMEs cluster in Uttar Pradesh; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Issues faced by MSMEs in Tamil Nadu

597 **Shri P. Wilson:**

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

- (a) with the boom in the semi-conductor dependent Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in Tamil Nadu and the current global scenario of semi-conductor shortage, how does Government propose to overcome the said situation given that the semi-conductor needs of the country are completely imported;
- (b) whether any developments/measures undertaken so as to make the country self-sustaining given the said situation; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Credit Guarantee Scheme for Subordinate Debt

598 **Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

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

- (a) whether Government has recently extended the time period of Credit Guarantee Scheme for Subordinate Debt scheme till March 2022;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total amount of credit facility given through lending institutions to the promoters of stressed Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises from the State of Andhra Pradesh and the details thereof?

Status of PMEGP in Bihar

599 # **Shri Ram Nath Thakur:**

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

- (a) the current status of the Pradhan Mantri Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) in the country including Bihar;
- (b) the details of units established under this scheme in Bihar to set up agro-based and food-processing industries during the last five years;
- (c) the details of the funds released for Bihar under this scheme during the last five years; and
- (d) the details of margin money subsidy distribution for Bihar under this scheme?

Copper production in the country

600 **Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

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

- (a) India's global share in copper production;
- (b) the number of copper mines in operation in the country and number of mines which are still non operative;
- (c) the amount of copper exported and imported;
- (d) the number of copper mines auctioned in the last five years; and
- (e) the amount of copper produced under public sector and private sector, respectively?

Geological Survey of India's Lithium Project in Andhra Pradesh

601 **Shri Venkataramana Rao Mopidevi:**

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

- (a) whether Government is apprised with Geological Survey of India's (GSI's) Lithium

Project in Andhra Pradesh under the Field Survey Project 2021-22;

(b) if so, the details of GSI's findings and the progress made so far under the project in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Auction of iron ore and non-coal mines

602 **Shri Prashanta Nanda:**

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

(a) the details of the iron ore and other non-coal mines auctioned in Odisha in last five years;

(b) the number of mines operationalised and which started production till date;

(c) the amount of revenue generated from these auctioned mines; and

(d) the details of revenue benefits which will be received by the Union and State Government during the mining lease period?

Utilization of DMF funds

603 **Shri Sanjay Raut:**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that more than ₹ 60,000 crore have been collected under the District Mineral Foundation (DMF) in the country since last five years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether Government has received many complaints from mining affected areas regarding utilization of funds and misuse in many parts of the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof ; and

(e) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government for the proper allocation and utilization of DMF funds?

Socio, economic and educational advancement made by Muslim community

604 **Shri Abdul Wahab:**

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

(a) whether Government has any statistics regarding the Muslim communities to prove that, Muslim community have made any substantial advancements made in the following indicators, viz, Literacy rate, participation in higher education, representation in Government executive jobs and representation in Legislative process and the details of the same;

(b) whether Government is considering to constitute a committee to assess the development made by Muslims post the Sachar Committee Report;

(c) if so, the expected time period within which Government plans to do so; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Discrimination against Muslims in renting a flat at urban communities

605 **Shri Abdul Wahab:**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Muslims are finding it hard to get a place to stay for rent particularly in urban parts of the country;

(b) whether issues of discrimination in renting a house or a flat particularly in metropolitan cities has come to the notice of Government;

(c) whether Government has received any letters concerning issues of such discriminations;

and

(d) whether Government is considering to bring any law to stop such discrimination to minorities as their constitutional rights are being violated?

Utilisation of fund for GNES

606 **Shri Venkataramana Rao Mopidevi:**

Shri Subhas Chandra Bose Pilli:

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

- (a) the funds transferred to the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years under the Garib Nawaz Employment Scheme (GNES); and
- (b) the details of utilisation of said funds?

Prime Minister's 15 Point Programme for Minorities

607 **Shri Anil Desai:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister has special policies for the welfare of Minorities in the country;
- (b) if so, what are the main features of Prime Minister's 15 Point Programme for Minorities and names of the minorities covered under the scheme;
- (c) the funds allocated and utilised by these minorities during the last five years; and
- (d) whether such minorities are satisfied with the help they received under the scheme?

Existence of different communities of Musilims

608 **Shri Syed Nasir Hussain:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the existence of different communities of Muslims such as Indigenous Pasmanda and other Muslim communities who are often excluded from various Government schemes;
- (b) whether Government has formulated guidelines to classify minorities based on population, State-wise;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government seeks to further identify and classify Muslims based on the different sections of the Muslim society; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Wakf properties in the country

609 **Shri S. Selvaganabathy:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government wanted to develop Wakf properties in the country to enhance revenue to Stats/UTs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of Wakf properties in the country and revenue generated from each of such property, State-wise and property-wise?

Imparting of vocational education and skill development

610 **Shri Sujeet Kumar:**

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

- (a) whether Government has undertaken any study to look into various issues of minority education and, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has taken any steps to impart vocational education and skill development in minority concentrated districts; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Funds for Nai Roshni Scheme

611 **Shri Subhas Chandra Bose Pilli:**

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

- (a) the details of funds sanctioned for Nai Roshni Scheme during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the details of expenditure made out of funds allocated; and
- (c) whether Government has undertaken steps to ensure that beneficiaries have attained socio-economic empowerment post training?

Garib Nawaz Employment Scheme

612 **Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:**

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

- (a) the beneficiaries of Garib Nawaz Employment Scheme since 2017, State-wise;
- (b) the total number of training centres opened and functional, State-wise, and district wise in Bihar; and
- (c) the total amount of stipend benefit that has been disbursed, State-wise and year-wise?

Fuel prices in the country

613 **Shri Elamaram Kareem:**

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

- (a) the different components in the retail price of petrol and diesel in India;
- (b) the percentage of tax levied on petrol and diesel by Central and each State Government at present;
- (c) how much is the amount received by Central and each State Government for a litre of petrol and diesel sold on 01-01-2022; and
- (d) how many times the excise duty and cess on petrol and diesel were increased since last two years and how much is the extra amount received through these hikes in each time?

Rise in prices of petroleum products

614 **Shri Elamaram Kareem:**

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

- (a) the details of crude oil price change during last three years and the retail rate of petrol and diesel in the country during each of these changes;
- (b) why the retail price of petrol and diesel kept on increasing despite of the sudden fall in crude oil price;
- (c) why did Government increased the excise duty and cesses on fuels when the crude oil

price got reduced drastically; and

(d) whether it is a fact that the people did not get any benefit of the crude oil price reduction as Government increased the taxes each time?

HPCL's Refinery Project in Visakhapatnam

615 Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao:

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

- (a) whether Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) is undertaking steps for modernisation and expansion of its refinery in Visakhapatnam;
- (b) whether cost of the project is more than ₹ 26,000 crore;
- (c) existing capacity of HPCL Visakhapatnam refinery and how much new capacity is expected to be added when project is completed;
- (d) whether this is the largest capacity expansion project undertaken by HPCL ever;
- (e) the expected date of completion of the project; and
- (f) likely short term and long term impacts of the project on HPCL financials, economy in Visakhapatnam area and Andhra Pradesh State as a whole on revenues, taxes, employment (direct and indirect) etc?

Costs associated with the petroleum and natural gas production

616 Dr. Sasmit Patra:

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

- (a) the costs involved in the production of petroleum and natural gas from the point of extraction of crude oil in off-shore/other countries till it is sold to the consumers;
- (b) the steps undertaken to reduce these costs so as to reduce the cost of the products for the consumers; and
- (c) how far has Government been successful in reducing such costs?

Status of projects under NGP

617 Shri Sushil Kumar Modi:

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

- (a) the number of projects with their costs sanctioned under the Namami Gange Programme (NGP) over the years; details of their completion and implementation status;
- (b) the quantum of sewerage which flowed into Ganga and the portion of it which has been either stopped or treated under this project; and
- (c) details of the targeted sewerage treatment capacity and portion of it which has been completed measures taken by the Government to address issues of slow implementation and underutilisation of funds under the NGP?

PRP and business expenses incurred on CVOs

618 Smt. Chhaya Verma:

Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Natural Gas** be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 153 given in the Rajya Sabha on 29 November, 2021 and state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that PRP and business expenses have been paid to CVOs of HPCL vide Document Nos. 20043774/ 20059136/ 20066160/ 20072422/

21011860/ 21026211/ 21026211/ 21034135/ 21045417 and 21061317 during 2020 and 2021;

(b) if so, the reasons for furnishing misleading information to the August House; and

(c) the details of inquiry initiated /to be initiated into alleged payments?

Measures to promote usage of CNG fuel

619 **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

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

(a) the number of CNG stations which have been established in the country in the last three years, and the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) the steps taken by Government to pool from the fertiliser (urea) sector, and the details thereof; and

(c) the budgetary allocation for the promotion of CNG fuel and how much has been utilized till date, and the details thereof?

Increase in the fuel price

620 **Shri G.C. Chandrashekhar:**

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

(a) the details of increase/decrease in the price of crude oil in international market from 2018 till date;

(b) the measures adopted by Government to pass on the benefits of low crude oil prices to the consumers, year-wise since 2018;

(c) the number of times the prices of petroleum products increased/ decreased during the said period with reasons for hike in the prices despite significant reduction of prices of crude oil in the international market, product-wise; and

(d) the measures taken by Government to control production, import, export of various petroleum products in order to check their prices in the country?

Increase in consumption of petrol and diesel

621 **Shri Syed Nasir Hussain:**

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

(a) whether Government has taken note of the increasing consumption of petrol and diesel in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether vehicle usage is the major factor for the increase in consumption of petrol and diesel across the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has considered promoting awareness and methods to promote fuel conservation, if so, the details thereof?

Subsidy on petroleum products

622 **Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya:**

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

(a) whether Government has planned to rationalize the subsidy on petroleum products instead of burdening few oil PSUs to bear excess burden at the cost of their financial health and navaratna status;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how Government plans to balance the oil pricing mechanism by imposing lesser burden to the consumers in the event of hike in the international oil price?

Promotion of use of CNG/PNG

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

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to promote use of CNG/PNG in the country to control pollution and if so, the State-wise details thereof including Rajasthan;
- (b) the details of the districts of Rajasthan in which the said facility has been made available till date;
- (c) whether any CNG/PNG project has been started or is under consideration in the adjoining districts, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by when this scheme is proposed to be extended in the State of Rajasthan?

Increased prices of crude oil

624 **Shri P. Wilson:**

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

- (a) whether Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) has projected an increase in oil demand in various sectors of the country by as much as two folds by the year 2045;
- (b) if so, in view of increasing prices of the crude oil per barrel, how Government aims to counter the demand;
- (c) whether Government has any sustainable plan in countering the same without repercussions and whether funds are allocated to the States especially Tamil Nadu to face the issue of depletion of petroleum and natural gas; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

Export of petroleum products

625 **Dr. Ameer Yajnik:**

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

- (a) whether Government has registered any increase in export of petroleum products during last two years;
- (b) the detail of list of countries where Government has exported petroleum products in the last two years along with quantity and unit price of each petroleum product;
- (c) whether Government is working on any policy to control the all-time high price of petrol, diesel and LPG; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

City Gas Distribution network

626 **Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

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

- (a) the number and details of the Geographical Areas (GAs) as per Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) Act, 2006;
- (b) the State-wise distribution of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network including CNG stations;
- (c) whether Government has proposed to set up new City Gas Distribution (CGD); and
- (d) if so, the details of the proposal?

Rise in prices of petroleum products

627 **Shri Sanjay Raut:**

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

- (a) whether petroleum product prices are at record high and reaching nearly \$ 90 per barrel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and Government's response thereto;
- (c) whether Government has raised issue of high crude oil prices with Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and requested to increase their production of crude oil;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and OPEC's response thereto; and
- (e) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to control oil prices in the country?

Total number of petrol pumps operational in the country

628 **Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

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

- (a) the total number of petrol pumps operational in the country as on date, State-wise;
- (b) the total expenditure incurred on the advertising of various Union Government schemes/policies on the petrol pumps;
- (c) the details of the basic facilities which are mandatory to be provided at petrol pumps; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government to ensure that these basic facilities are provided at all these petrol pumps?

NITI AAYOG's feedback for Odisha

629 **Dr. Sasmit Patra:**

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

- (a) the details of the positive feedback expressed by NITI AAYOG and its office-bearers from time to time regarding Odisha; and
- (b) the details of the good practices/ high ranks that Odisha has secured in the NITI AAYOG rankings/surveys over the past five years?

Scheme for poverty alleviation

630 # **Shri Neeraj Dangi:**

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

- (a) whether Government has started various new schemes for poverty alleviation in the country during the last three years;
- (b) whether the number of families living below poverty line has come down in the country during the said duration; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Sustainable Development Goals of the UN

631 # **Shri Narhari Amin:**

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

- (a) the sector-wise details of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set up by the United Nations for India by the year 2030;

- (b) the investments required to be made by India to achieve SDGs and the allocation of funds so far; and
- (c) the Sector-wise progress made so far to meet the SDG targets and reasons responsible for its shortfalls and delays?

Disparity in per capita income

632 Shri M.V. Shreyams Kumar:

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

- (a) whether there is a huge disparity in per capita income among various States and, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) the urban and rural per capita income differentials in the country during the current year; and
- (c) the corrective steps taken/being taken by Government in this regard?

Developmental projects/schemes in Darjeeling

633 Smt. Shanta Chhetri:

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

- (a) the status of all the ongoing developmental projects/schemes of Government in Darjeeling Parliamentary Constituency; and
- (b) the funds allocated, sanctioned and utilized in this regard during the last three years and the current year so far?

World Inequality Database

634 Smt. Shanta Chhetri:

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

- (a) whether as per the World Inequality Database, share of top 10 per cent people in India's national income was about 56 per cent ;
- (b) whether data is domestically updated;
- (c) the reasons that Sustainable Development Goals-National Indicator Framework Progress Report, 2019 and 2020 continue to rely on NSSO data from 2011 and 2012, and NFHS-4 data from 2015-16, for several indicators of wealth inequality on SDG 10;
- (d) whether data would be updated and made available and is there any plan to regularly compile evidence on wealth and income inequality in the country; and
- (e) if so, details thereof?

Allocation of fund for implementation of JJM Programme in Tamil Nadu

635 Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu:

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

- (a) whether Government has sanctioned funds for implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission programme to Tamil Nadu State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the status of funds disbursed and utilised during the last three years till 31 March 2021 for the said programme; and
- (c) whether it is a fact that Water Resources Department and Central Water Commission has chalked out any new schemes for the safe potable drinking water in rural and arid regions and if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Salary settlement of employees of SAIL

636 # **Shri Dhiraj Prasad Sahu:**

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

- (a) the percentage of Minimum Guarantee Benefit (MGB) and variable perks received by executive and non-executive class in SAIL and RINL in the salary agreement 2017;
- (b) the reasons for keeping the salary increment patterns different within the same organisation for executive and non-executive employees; and
- (c) the reasons behind the executive and non-executive class being provided different MGBs and perks?

Shortage of railway racks.

637 **Shri Akhilesh Prasad Singh:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that steel plants located in Eastern part of the country are hit by severe shortage of railway racks causing disruption in the supply chain, if so, the reasons therefor and steps taken by Government to restore normalcy; and
- (b) whether this issue has been taken up with the Railways Ministry to ensure no such recurrence of shortage of railway racks for the steel industry and, if so, the details thereof?

Production of cost and refined steel

638 # **Shri Brijlal:**

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

- (a) the quantum of production of cost and refined steel during the last three years;
- (b) whether any growth has been registered in import and export of steel during these years; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Doubling of domestic steel making capacity

639 **Shri Iranna Kadadi:**

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

- (a) whether the target of more than doubling domestic steel making capacity to 300 MT by 2030-31 could be achieved smoothly, if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by Government in this regard;
- (b) whether Government has set up a task force to prepare a roadmap on increasing the use of steel in various infrastructure sectors and, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the said task force will also analyse the impact of imported steel on domestic steel industry and the level of percentage of use of imported steel in the ongoing projects?

Research and Development in steel sector

640 **Dr. Vikas Mahatme:**

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

- (a) the amount disbursed by Government for research and development in the steel sector; and
(b) what steps have been taken for low carbon production of steel in the country by the public sector steel companies and the details thereof?

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