

Rajya Sabha

**List of Questions for WRITTEN 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)**

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**Launching of open digitized networks for cooperatives**

1601 **Shri Derek O' Brien:**

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

- (a) whether the Ministry is opening a digitized platform for cooperatives, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the process to get all cooperatives registered under the platform, the details thereof; and
- (c) the purpose of the platform, apart from keeping a track of all schemes, the details thereof?

**Residential schools under KGBV scheme for girls**

1602 **Shri Sanjay Seth:**

**Shri Iranna Kadadi:**

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

- (a) whether Government is providing residential/boarding schools under Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalyayas (KGBVs) scheme for girl students from Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes/Other Backward Classes, Minority Communities and BPL families in the educationally backward blocks and if so, details thereof;
- (b) the number of students provided such educational facilities during the last two years, State/UT-wise particularly in Karnataka;
- (c) whether the female rural literacy rate was below the national average and if so, whether KGBVs have been able to improve the rural literacy rate in educationally backward blocks; and
- (d) whether Government is considering to open KGBVs in all the educationally backward blocks?

**Specially-abled students impacted due to COVID-19**

1603 **Dr. Narendra Jadhav:**

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

- (a) whether hostels for visual, speech and hearing impaired students have been closed due

- to lack of funds during COVID-19, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether teachers were trained to impart education through online classes, to specially-abled students, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government has any data on how many specially-abled students dropped out of schools due to COVID-19, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Decrease in expenditure on education**

**1604 Shri Abdul Wahab:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that spending on education has decreased from 11.4 percentage of the total Government expenditure in 2011-12 to 10.4 per cent in 2020-21;
- (b) if so, the reasons for the decline in expenditure;
- (c) the details of expenditure on education since the last five years, year-wise;
- (d) whether Government has any data on the number of teacher positions vacant in primary, upper primary and higher secondary schools; and
- (e) if so, the State-wise details thereof?

### **Filling of vacancy in Central Higher Educational Institutions**

**1605 Shri Elamaram Kareem:**

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

- (a) the details of advertisements issued by each Central Higher Educational Institution for recruiting teachers through the ongoing 'mission mode vacancy filling', along with cadre-wise and category-wise data about the number of posts advertised;
- (b) the details of eligible applications received under these advertisements at each institution, cadre-wise and category-wise;
- (c) the details of applicants who attended interview at each institution, cadre-wise and category-wise;
- (d) details of vacancies filled at each institution, cadre-wise and category-wise; and
- (e) total number of sanctioned teaching posts and the number of teaching posts reserved category-wise in each cadre in each Centrally Funded Technical Institution (CFTI)?

### **Implementation of RTE Act, 2009**

**1606 Shri Elamaram Kareem:**

**Shri Ajit Kumar Bhuyan:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry is following the Right To Education (RTE) Act, 2009 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) what were the envisaged deadlines under RTE for infrastructure and for teachers to attain minimum qualifications and up to what extent these were attained;
- (c) whether there are new deadlines by when all schools are expected to comply with RTE norms; and
- (d) whether there is a timeline and roadmap for filling teacher vacancies in Government and Government-aided schools?

### Conditions of IITs

1607 **Smt. Ambika Soni:**

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

- (a) whether the eight new Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), established during 2008-09 have fallen short on all parameters including performance, administration, infrastructure, etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the corrective steps taken by Government in this regard?

### NEAT program

1608 **Shri Ramkumar Verma:**

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

- (a) whether AICTE has been running NEAT program as a public-private partnership, where Ed-tech platforms also offer courses and scholarships, the data about total number of beneficiaries under NEAT and how many private Ed-tech companies offer their courses;
- (b) how does Government plan to take advantage of existing Ed-tech companies so that they can help Government in setting up and running the proposed Digital University smoothly; and
- (c) whether under NEP, the students are allowed to do 40 per cent credits from online platform SWAYAM?

### Reluctance of teachers to work in rural areas

1609 **Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

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

- (a) whether as per UNESCO Report, one lakh schools run with just one teacher in the country;
- (b) the efforts being made by the Ministry to persuade States to recruit teachers, particularly in rural areas, as nearly 70 per cent teacher posts are lying vacant;
- (c) whether it is a fact that terms of employment, working conditions, etc., are some of the reasons people are not interested to work in rural areas;
- (d) any remedial measures that the Ministry can think of to solve this problem with States and if so, details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Ministry will consider teachers as 'frontline workers'?

### Access to education during lockdown

1610 **Shri Mallikarjun Kharge:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that a study of students between Grades I and VIII from underprivileged backgrounds has highlighted that only 8 per cent were attending online classes in rural areas and as many as 37 per cent had not studied at all for the entirety of the pandemic;
- (b) the steps taken by Government to ensure access to proper tools required for online learning;
- (c) whether 20 per cent students in urban areas and 14 per cent in rural areas said they had received no compensation in place of Mid-Day Meal at all; and
- (d) the steps taken to provide Mid-Day Meals at home?

### **Additional classes and opportunities for students**

**1611 Dr. Ameer Yajnik:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that most Government schools did not provide online classes to the students during 2020-2022 due to lack of infrastructure and promoted the student to higher class;
- (b) if so, whether Government has any plans to provide additional classes to the promoted students to help them adapt to the new academic session; and
- (c) whether there is any plan to provide additional opportunities to appear in competitive examinations to the candidates whose age have expired due to the COVID pandemic, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **NSIGSE and Mid-Day Meal Scheme**

**1612 Ms. Sushmita Dev:**

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

- (a) the details of the number of student benefitting from Mid-Day Meal Scheme, State-wise;
- (b) whether Government has any plans to provide breakfast to the students in the same way as Mid-Day Meal;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the percentage of population who are not literate, State-wise;
- (f) the details of the total amount of money sanctioned and spent under the National Scheme of Incentive to Girls for Secondary Education (NSIGSE), State-wise; and
- (g) the details of the number of girls who benefitted from NSIGSE scheme, State-wise?

### **RUSA 3.0**

**1613 Shri Muzibulla Khan:**

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

whether there is any possibility of addition of any new component in Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) 3.0 which would focus on imparting skill development of job oriented courses to the students in their higher education so as to enhance their skills for seeking jobs?

### **Improving quality of education under NEP**

**1614 Shri M.V. Shreyams Kumar:**

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

- (a) the details of various initiatives taken to improve the quality of education from Primary to University level under the new National Education Policy (NEP);
- (b) the amount of funds earmarked for the purpose during the last two years and the current year, year-wise;
- (c) the funds proposed to be allocated to various States including Kerala; and
- (d) whether Government has received any proposals from the State Governments to make education employment oriented at Secondary level so that the students can make an earning after passing Class XII and if so, the details thereof?

### Vacant teaching posts in IITs and IIMs

1615 **Shri Sanjay Raut:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that over 40 per cent of teaching posts in all 23 Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) are vacant;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and Government's response thereto;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the quality of education is deteriorating in these institutions due to lack of professors;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to fill the vacant posts with qualified/best faculty in IITs and IIMs?

### Complaints in the recruitment of various posts in AICTE

1616 **Shri M. Shanmugam:**

**Shri Vaiko:**

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

- (a) whether Government has received complaints regarding fraudulent recruitment of persons to various posts in the southern regional centres of All Indian Council of Technical Education (AICTE), if so, the details thereof, region-wise and post-wise;
- (b) the role of AICTE and others in this regard and action taken to nip the matter in the bud and to restore confidence among the job aspirants, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether all recruitment tests held in the last three years have been cancelled and fresh candidates are given opportunities to write the tests for filling up the vacant posts?

### Incorporation of climate change in the school curriculum

1617 **Shri Shaktisinh Gohil:**

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

- (a) whether Government has made efforts to incorporate climate change in the school curriculum;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to train teachers in this regard?

### Language under NEP

1618 # **Shri Brijlal:**

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

- (a) whether Government proposes that children up to Vth class would be imparted education in their mother language only under the new National Education Policy (NEP), if so, the efforts made in this direction;
- (b) the languages in which it is proposed to impart education to children under NEP;
- (c) whether any consultation has been done with the States in this regard, if so, the response of the States thereon; and
- (d) whether a high level committee has been constituted by Government to accord priority to Indian languages, if so, the structure and recommendations of this committee?

### **New India Literacy Programme**

1619 # **Shri Brijlal:**

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

- (a) whether Government has recently launched an education programme named 'New India Literacy Programme', if so, the salient features of this programme;
- (b) the details of target set for this programme for the next five years;
- (c) whether the syllabus for imparting education to adults has also been included in this programme, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government also proposes to take the help of voluntary organizations in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

### **Setting up of Model Colleges**

1620 **Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu :**

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

- (a) whether Government has set up Model Colleges in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of such Model Colleges set up in Tamil Nadu during the last five years; and
- (d) the details of the total number of such Model Colleges proposed to be set up in the coming years, State-wise?

### **Number of illiterate people in the country**

1621 # **Shri Narain Dass Gupta:**

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

- (a) the total number of illiterate people in the country;
- (b) the gender-wise and State-wise details of the total number of illiterate minors and adults in the country; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to bridge this gap, the details thereof?

### **Increasing enrolment of girls in school**

1622 **Shri Syed Zafar Islam:**

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

- (a) whether the enrolment of girls in schools has increased in the country as a result of the efforts made by Government and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government is considering to make more concrete efforts to promote education among girls in the country and if so, the details thereof including Uttar Pradesh?

### **SSA in Chhattisgarh**

1623 # **Shri Ram Vichar Netam:**

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

- (a) the number of schools and educational institutions established under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) during the last five years in the State of Chhattisgarh, especially in Surguja, Balrampur Ramanujganj, Bastar, Dantewada and other districts;
- (b) the district-wise and year-wise details of the amount released to the State of Chhattisgarh for this purpose during the said period;
- (c) whether Government is planning to set up many more schools and education centres in

Chhattisgarh, especially in the said districts, keeping in view their backwardness; and  
(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Vacant positions of Vice-Chancellors in public universities**

1624 **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

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

- (a) the number of Government universities in the country which are functioning without a full-time Vice-Chancellor, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) the number of vacant positions of Vice-Chancellors which were filled in the last three years, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures being taken by Government to expedite the appointment, the details thereof?

#### **Regularisation of temporary and adhoc teachers in Delhi University**

1625 **Dr. C.M. Ramesh:**

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

- (a) whether Government may consider regularisation of temporary and adhoc teachers in Delhi University, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (b) the details of temporary and adhoc teachers at various colleges of Delhi University, subject-wise and year-wise?

#### **NCC/NSS education in the curriculum under NEP**

1626 # **Dr. Sumer Singh Solanki:**

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

- (a) whether there is proposal to include NCC/NSS education in the curriculum of Class VI to XII under the new National Education Policy (NEP) so that disciplined students can be educated through the said education;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether it is proposed to make NCC/NSS education compulsory, if so, the detail thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Free meal schemes under CSR**

1627 **Shri N.R. Elango:**

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

- (a) whether Government agrees with the view that the free meal schemes should be modified to include milk and fruits and the cost can be covered under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) of corporates;
- (b) if so, what steps are proposed to be taken by Government in this connection; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Compensating learning loss of children**

1628 **Shri Ripun Bora:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the learning loss of two years of the children in the country;
- (b) if so, the proposal of Government to compensate the loss of learning of our children by

opening the schools and get children back for in-person learning; and  
 (c) the details of the syllabus or the policy method to regularise the children from online to offline guidance?

### **Promotion of tribal language in CTUAP**

**1629 Shri Venkataramana Rao Mopidevi:**

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

- (a) whether Government can establish a centre for promotion and protection of tribal languages in Central Tribal University of Andhra Pradesh (CTUAP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has fixed a time frame for completing the construction of permanent campus of CTUAP; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Central Government schools in Andhra Pradesh**

**1630 Shri Venkataramana Rao Mopidevi:**

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

- (a) the district-wise list of the Central Government schools in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the gender-wise list of number of students enrolled, dropout rate and teacher-to-pupil ratio at primary, secondary and senior secondary levels for all the schools in the above list; and
- (c) the number of functional classrooms in each school in the above list?

### **Action plan for inclusive and equitable quality education**

**1631 Shri K.R. Suresh Reddy:**

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

- (a) whether Government has drawn any action plan to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all by 2030;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Reimbursement benefits to SC, ST, OBC and Minority students**

**1632 Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

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

- (a) whether Government plans to provide full fee reimbursement benefits to SC, ST, OBC and minority students for higher education like Jagananna Vidya Deevena scheme implemented by Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, which degrees would be considered under the ambit of the same;
- (c) the steps to identify the eligible beneficiaries for the said benefit; and
- (d) the method of monetary transaction that would be adopted for the initiative?

### **Unspent budgetary allocation of Mid-Day Meals in schools**

**1633 Shri John Brittas:**

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

- (a) whether Government has made an estimate of the unspent budgetary allocation for Mid-Day Meals in schools while they were closed due to COVID-19 pandemic;



- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government has any plans for utilizing the unspent amount to address the deficit in nutrition of school children caused by absence of Mid-Day Meals?

### **Rape cases registered in the country**

**1634 Shri Jawhar Sircar:**

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

- (a) how many rape cases are registered in the country every year and whether the number is going up or down;
- (b) how many women are raped every day in the country;
- (c) whether 94 percent of the perpetrators are known to the victims;
- (d) the reasons why conviction rate has gone down in last three years;
- (e) whether Government intends to make the law more stringent and compel police to take more proactive and immediate action;
- (f) whether there is any plan to punish offenders in a shorter period of time; and
- (g) whether chemical castration of proven serial rapists has been considered?

### **Assistance to States to address LWE violence**

**1635 Shri Satish Chandra Dubey:**

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

- (a) which are the top two States reporting incidence of Left Wing Extremism (LWE) violence in the country; and
- (b) the assistance being provided by Government to these States to address LWE?

### **Flood relief and SDRF funds to Tamil Nadu**

**1636 Shri P. Wilson:**

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

- (a) whether the Inter-Ministerial Central Team visited flood affected areas in Tamil Nadu from 21.11.2021 to 24.11.2021 and made an on the spot assessment, the details thereof;
- (b) whether action has been taken by the Ministry with regard to repeated requests from the Members of Parliament belonging to Tamil Nadu highlighting the demand of the Hon'ble Chief Minister with regard to releasing of funds to the tune of ₹ 6230.45 crores towards flood relief and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) funds to Tamil Nadu; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Undertrial prisoners from minority communities**

**1637 Shri Abdul Wahab:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that amongst the undertrial prisoners a significant number are from the Muslim community;
- (b) whether Government has any data on undertrial prisoners belonging to minority communities;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, whether Government will constitute a committee under the supervision of a retired High Court or Supreme Court judge to understand the details of undertrial prisoners from minority communities?

### **Drug trafficking cases in the country**

1638 **Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa:**

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

- (a) the number of cases registered for drug trafficking in the country during the last one year along with the percentage of Indian nationals and foreign nationals involved in the said cases;
- (b) the number of persons apprehended in this connection and the quantum of drugs seized during last one year, border-wise;
- (c) whether all international borders are considered as the safest gateways for smuggling drugs into the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the measures adopted by Government to curb drug smuggling in the country?

### **Spreading of communalism**

1639 # **Shri Digvijaya Singh:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of an app named 'Tek Fog' through which the poison of communalism is being spread openly in the country and the social media accounts are being misused by hacking; and
- (b) whether Government has received any complaints in this regard, if so, the details of the legal action being taken by Government?

### **Technical advancement of police**

1640 **Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas:**

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

- (a) the funds spent for the technical advancement of police during last five years, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the details of the technologies being used by the police force currently in the country;
- (c) whether body cameras for policemen and dash cameras for police vehicles are included under the police modernisation; and
- (d) if so, the States where police are using these types of equipment?

### **Wrongful convictions**

1641 **Dr. Vikas Mahatme:**

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

- (a) whether Government has statistics regarding wrongful convictions and malicious prosecution of persons in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government proposes to bring out any legislation to reduce wrongful convictions; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to bring any policy or scheme to provide compensation to victims of wrongful conviction as per the recommendations of Law Commission of India, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Undertrials in prisons**

1642 **Smt. Vandana Chavan:**

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

- (a) the State-wise/UT-wise/district-wise details of total number of undertrials;
- (b) whether there has been an increase in undertrials every year and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has data on number of undertrials spending more than 365 days in prison during the last five years and if so, the State-wise/UT-wise/district-wise details thereof;
- (d) whether undertrials can contest elections;
- (e) whether undertrials have the right to vote, and if not, whether Government accepts this as violative of their constitutional/legal right to vote, and if so, whether Government offers compensation for such violation; and
- (f) the actions taken for early release of undertrials?

### **Zonal Councils**

**1643 Shri Ramkumar Verma:**

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

- (a) how many Zonal Councils have been established under the States Reorganisation Act, 1956;
- (b) what is the composition of the Zonal Councils and who chairs the meetings; and
- (c) how many meetings of the Zonal Councils have been held during the last three years?

### **Status of requests for asylum and citizenship**

**1644 Shri Tiruchi Siva:**

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

- (a) the details of asylum and citizenship requests from communities from China including Tibetans, Uyghurs, Mongolians and other democratic dissidents since 2019; and
- (b) the status of those requests, including the number of requests accepted?

### **Coastal Security Police along Andhra Pradesh coastline**

**1645 Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

**Shri Venkataramana Rao Mopidevi:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that there are only 21 police stations guarding the 974 kilometer coastline of Andhra Pradesh, with 18 fast interceptor boats lying defunct and no jetties built near the police stations;
- (b) whether any additional funds have been sanctioned other than ₹ 3.5 crore for building jetties;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of establishment of a training facility at Machilipatnam for the police force to be upskilled as seafarers?

### **Infrastructure status of J&K**

**1646 Shri Jugalsinh Lokhandwala:**

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

- (a) what was the status and size of infrastructure in the erstwhile State of Jammu and Kashmir before granting the status of Union Territory;
- (b) whether Government has contemplated upgrading the requirement of infrastructure to meet the aspirations of U.T. of Jammu and Kashmir; and

(c) if so, what are the infrastructure building projects in the pipeline relating to road and power projects in the U.T.?

### **National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)**

1647 **Dr. Amee Yajnik:**

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

- (a) whether National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) acts as a central depository;
- (b) if so, the number of police stations in the country that have filed First Information Reports (FIRs) in the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and System (CCTNS) database, State-wise;
- (c) the details of complaints lodged with the NCRB under various offences specifically against women and children;
- (d) whether it is a fact that the NCRB does not have current data for all the States and Union Territories of the country; and
- (e) if not, the reasons why NCRB does not have its own data, details thereof?

### **Issuance of visas to PIOs and OCIs**

1648 # **Shri Deepak Prakash:**

**Shri Syed Zafar Islam:**

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

- (a) whether Government is planning to simplify the process of issuing visas to Person of Indian Origin (PIO) and Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) card holders; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by when it is likely to be done?

### **Controlling crimes against women**

1649 # **Shri Neeraj Dangi:**

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

- (a) the steps being taken to strengthen the police force in order to control and deal with the crimes against women;
- (b) whether it is a fact that disposal rate of cases of crime against women has been very poor; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

### **Female inmates in prisons**

1650 **Dr. Amar Patnaik:**

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

- (a) the number of female convicts in prison across the country, State-wise;
- (b) the number of women inmates that are undertrial in prisons across the country, State-wise;
- (c) the number of women that have given birth to infants in prisons during last five years;
- (d) the number of children that are below the age of 6 that live with mothers in prisons during the last five years;
- (e) whether Government has undertaken any measures to ensure that all necessary health and social facilities are provided to females and their children in prisons; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

### Marine Police Stations in Odisha

1651 **Dr. Amar Patnaik:**

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

- (a) whether Government has any proposals for the sanction of two new Marine Police Stations at Balasore and Puri districts each;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has any pending proposals requesting additional funds for the construction of jetties for Marine Police Stations in the State of Odisha; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons thereto for pendency, if any?

### Attacks against RTI activists

1652 **Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:**

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

- (a) whether there has been an increase in the number of attacks against RTI activists during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the number of such cases reported and the number of times FIRs have been filed;
- (c) whether any concrete steps have been taken to protect the lives of these activists; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Vacancies in Paramilitary and Police forces

1653 **Dr. V. Sivadasan:**

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

- (a) how many posts are lying vacant in Paramilitary forces and Police forces in Union Territories, the category-wise details thereof;
- (b) the reasons for vacancies;
- (c) the number of recruitments which happened in these forces during the last five years, the year-wise, category-wise details thereof; and
- (d) by when does Government intend to fill these vacancies?

### SMART Policing Index

1654 **Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

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

- (a) how Ministry looks at Andhra Pradesh scoring 8.11 in SMART Policing Index by Indian Police Foundation which gauges public perception about policing;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Hon'ble Prime Minister has been insisting on SMART policing since 2015; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Ministry to help States which are performing well on policing, law and order, etc., apart from providing funds under Modernisation of Police Force?

### Undertrial prisoners in the country

1655 **Shri Jose K. Mani:**

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

- (a) whether Government has the data regarding the number of prisoners lodged in various jails across the country;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

- (c) whether Government has the details regarding the share of undertrials among Indian prisoners across the country;
- (d) if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (e) whether Government has any plans/proposals to reduce the proportion of undertrials among Indian prisoners across the country by taking into account Supreme Court's directions in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details of the action taken in this regard?

#### **Domestic violence and abuse against women**

1656 **Shri Jose K. Mani:**

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

- (a) whether Government has the data regarding the cases of domestic violence and abuse against women throughout the country over the last two years;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has noticed any increase in domestic violence and abuse against women since the start of COVID-19 pandemic;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Government has taken any steps to prevent the cases of domestic violence and abuse in the country; and
- (f) if so, the details of the action taken in this regard?

#### **Law and order situation in North-Eastern States**

1657 # **Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:**

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

- (a) whether Government has chalked out any plan to root out internal terrorism from the country;
- (b) if so, the details pertaining to North-Eastern States;
- (c) the steps taken by Government in the North-Eastern States to strengthen the law and order situation there; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government to ensure action with reference to the attacks on public representatives in the North-Eastern States during the last five years?

#### **Directive Principles of State Policy**

1658 **Shri Anil Desai:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Directive Principles of State Policy (DPSPs) i.e. Article 36 to 51 of the Constitution of India are not enforceable by any court of law and it is left to the various States to obey or disobey;
- (b) how many directions/suggestions have since been issued by Central Government to States to follow it; and
- (c) whether there is any challenge in any court of law against these Directive Principles, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Cases of acid attacks in the country**

1659 **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

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

- (a) how many instances of acid attacks were reported during the last three years, the

details thereof, State-wise;

(b) how many victims have been granted compensation from the compensation funds from Government during the last three years, the details thereof; and

(c) what measures are being taken by Government to ensure that such incidents do not take place, the details thereof?

### **Strengthening EWDS**

1660 **Shri Sujeet Kumar:**

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

(a) what quantum of funds of the ₹800 crores as recommended by the 15th Finance Commission has been disbursed to the State of Odisha to further strengthen the Early Warning Dissemination System (EWDS);

(b) the States in which EWDS exists and whether there are plans to expand such a system to other States in the country; and

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

### **Enabling IT environment for police organization**

1661 **Shri K.R. Suresh Reddy:**

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

(a) whether Government has taken any initiative to lead and coordinate development of IT applications and create an enabling IT environment for police organizations, national repository of fingerprints of all criminals, and provide training and capacity building in Police Forces in Information Technology and Finger Print Science;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Dispute resolution of bilateral issues between Andhra Pradesh and Telangana**

1662 **Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao:**

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

(a) the bilateral issues being addressed by the Dispute Resolution Sub-Committee constituted by the Ministry for Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;

(b) the stand of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana Governments with regard to each of the bilateral issues;

(c) whether the agenda circulated by the Ministry initially for the meeting on February 17, 2022 include Revenue Gap, Special Category Status (SCS), grants for backward districts in AP, tax incentives;

(d) the reasons above subjects were dropped from revised agenda of the meeting;

(e) whether dropped subjects from the agenda would be included in future; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Campaign to sensitise people regarding danger of drug abuse**

1663 **Shri Y. S. Chowdary:**

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

(a) the steps being taken to launch an intensive campaign to sensitise people to the dangers of drug abuse and encourage them to share information leading to prevention and detection of the use of narcotic substances and conduct drives against narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;

- (b) the response received/implementation status thereof, particularly at inter-border States; and
- (c) the efforts made to involve public participation in the fight against drug abuse, as it is a societal problem?

### **Implementation of PESA Act**

1664 **Dr. Vikas Mahatme:**

Will the Minister of **Panchayati Raj** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of States which have framed, and implemented the rules under the Panchayats Extension to Scheduled Areas (PESA) Act;
- (b) what steps has Government taken to expedite the on-ground implementation of the Act; and
- (c) whether Government has conducted any study/survey to determine the implementation of PESA Act, if so, the details thereof?

### **Status of Panchayat Bhawans in Gram Panchayats**

1665 # **Shri Neeraj Dangi:**

Will the Minister of **Panchayati Raj** be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of Panchayat Bhawans in all the Gram Panchayats in the country during the last three years;
- (b) the State-wise number of Gram Panchayats where Panchayat Bhawans have been constructed and the number of Gram Panchayats where buildings are yet to be constructed; and
- (c) the details of funds spent on the construction of the buildings in these Gram Panchayats?

### **Status of SVAMITVA Scheme in Assam**

1666 **Shri Ajit Kumar Bhuyan:**

Will the Minister of **Panchayati Raj** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that SVAMITVA Scheme is a property survey program to promote socio-economic empowerment and a more self-reliant rural India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated to the State of Assam during the last three years under the various schemes of Panchayati Raj;
- (d) whether Government has expedited the village land survey mapping under SVAMITVA Scheme; and
- (e) the details of steps taken by Government for ensuring uniformity in revenue laws of States under this scheme?

### **Funds for Gram Panchayat Schemes**

1667 **Shri Ajit Kumar Bhuyan:**

Will the Minister of **Panchayati Raj** be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government for monitoring proper utilization of funds allocated under various schemes to Gram Panchayats in the country;
- (b) whether Government has received any complaint regarding misutilisation of funds in various States/UTs;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by Government; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by Government to ensure proper utilization of funds?



### Fund allocation under 14th Finance Commission

1668 **Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

Will the Minister of **Panchayati Raj** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Finance Commission(FC) recommendations regarding release of funds are mandatory;
- (b) whether the period of 14th FC is over and hence dues to be released under 14th FC Award period cannot be released;
- (c) who will pay ₹ 529.96 crore balance amount to be paid to Andhra Pradesh as per 14th FC recommendations;
- (d) whether it is justified to say that Finance Ministry has not released funds since the Award period is over; and
- (e) the efforts made by Ministry to release balance amounts from Finance Ministry and pay the same to States?

### Implementation of BRGF in Uttar Pradesh

1669 **Shri Syed Zafar Islam:**

Will the Minister of **Panchayati Raj** be pleased to state:

- (a) the name of the districts covered under Backward Region Grant Fund (BRGF) in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) the details of funds allocated and released to Uttar Pradesh under BRGF during each of the last three years and current year;
- (c) whether there is a provision for district-wise allocation of funds under BRGF and if so, details thereof;
- (d) whether district-wise scheme is also formulated for proper utilisation of these funds and if so, details thereof; and
- (e) whether the local public representatives are included in the monitoring committee for monitoring of works undertaken under BRGF and if so, details thereof?

### Infrastructure status of Gram Panchayats

1670 # **Dr. Sumer Singh Solanki:**

Will the Minister of **Panchayati Raj** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of villages as on date in the country along with the number of the Gram Panchayats;
- (b) the number of Gram Panchayats which have pucca Gram Panchayat offices of their own;
- (c) the number of Gram Panchayats being operated from rented or kutchha offices;
- (d) whether Government has any plan to provide pucca buildings, electricity, water and the cutting edge facilities to all the Gram Panchayats; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

### Progress of RGSA in the country

1671 **Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:**

Will the Minister of **Panchayati Raj** be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government for effective capacity building of Panchayati Raj System in the country;
- (b) the details of the steps taken for implementation of Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) in the country, State-wise; and

(c) the details of the progress of RGSA in the country?

### **Computerisation of Gram Panchayats under RGSA**

1672 **Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:**

Will the Minister of **Panchayati Raj** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that out of the total 13,370 Panchayats in Andhra Pradesh, more than 5,500 do not have computers;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that Government is extending financial assistance to Gram Panchayats (GPs) under Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyaan to States to purchase computers to make GPs e-enablers;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the 15th Finance Commission has also recommended funds for purchasing computer by rural local bodies; and
- (d) if so, the details of assistance given to 5,500 GPs in Andhra Pradesh to purchase computers and become e-enablers?

### **Promotion of car pooling in the country**

1673 **Smt. Rajani Ashokrao Patil:**

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

- (a) whether Government has any proposal for promoting alternative efficient mobility options such as car pooling and shared two wheelers across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any State is actively working towards promoting car pooling as an efficient mobility option for transportation and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government has any plan to regulate car pooling activities by having separate guidelines for the same and if so, the details thereof?

### **Deregistration of premium diesel vehicles**

1674 **Shri Naranbhai J. Rathwa:**

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

- (a) whether Government has decided to deregister all diesel vehicles which have completed 10 years on 1st January, 2022;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government is aware that several top end four wheeler vehicles which have not completed even 1 lakh kilometres during the last 10 years and are not polluting are also covered under the scheme of deregistration; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and whether Government would reconsider its decision and allow these vehicles at least for 15 years and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Legalising the use of mobile during driving**

1675 **Shri K.C. Venugopal:**

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

- (a) whether Government is planning to legalise talking on phone while driving in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time it will take for its implementation as phone is a major communication channel?

### Road Projects under CRIF

1676 **Shri K.C. Venugopal:**

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

- (a) whether Government has plans to earmark the Central Road and Infrastructure Fund (CRIF) for various infrastructure projects of highway link as well as last mile road connectivity to tourist destinations including historical places and temples such as Gulmarg, Pahalgam, Shankaracharya Temple, Srinagar, Leh, Ladakh, Manali, Coorg, Alleppey, etc.; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and State/UT-wise funds allocated for these projects?

### Release of funds from Motor Vehicle Accident Fund

1677 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

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

- (a) whether Government has any scheme for cashless treatment of road accident victims during golden hour;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is also providing relief to accident victims across the country including the State of Andhra Pradesh from Motor Vehicle Accident Fund;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Poor road conditions in Assam

1678 **Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the four lanes of Assam are in very dilapidated condition and they are not fit for travel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by Government for an immediate repair; and
- (c) by when the pitiable condition of an extended four-lane road on both sides of Brahmaputra would be completed?

### Conversion of SHs into NHs in West Bengal

1679 **Smt. Shanta Chhetri:**

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

- (a) the detail of number of State Highways (SHs) that have been converted into National Highways (NHs) in the State of West Bengal during the last three years;
- (b) whether Government has received any proposal/requests from the State Government for conversion of SHs into NHs; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Ministry thereon?

### Firms banned by NHAI

1680 **Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas:**

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

- (a) the firms that were banned by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for doing any kind of business with it since 2014, year-wise;

- (b) whether Government has ordered any firm for the reconstruction of the roads due to poor build quality since 2014;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, year-wise; and
- (d) the details of the technological advancement NHAI has made in road construction since 2014?

### **Progress of Brahmani Bridge in Rourkela**

**1681 Dr. Prashanta Nanda:**

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

- (a) the progress and expenditure made so far for construction of second Brahmani Bridge in Rourkela;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the bridge construction activities are running behind schedule; and
- (c) the expected target date to complete this bridge?

### **Status of roughness test of Rewa-Hanumana road**

**1682 Shri Rajmani Patel:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that more than five thousand patches have been installed in the Rewa-Hanumana (M.P.) 90 km four-lane National Highway and due to the bad condition of the road, the number of accident cases are increasing day by day;
- (b) whether according to the terms of the contract, it is mandatory for the company collecting the toll to conduct roughness test every year and if it is not doing the same, whether any action has been taken against the concerned officers of Madhya Pradesh Road Development Corporation Limited (MPRDC) and the toll collection company; and
- (c) if so, the details, thereof?

### **Objections of cab aggregators against MVA Guidelines, 2020**

**1683 Shri Rajmani Patel:**

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

- (a) whether Government received any objections from various cab aggregators against the specified compliances imposed under the Motor Vehicles Aggregator Guidelines 2020;
- (b) whether these cab aggregators have proposed any amendments in the said Guidelines for reducing the number of specified compliances, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said Guidelines have been able to promote alternative mobility options such as carpooling by differentiating carpooling activities from commercial aggregators; and
- (d) whether Government has any plan to make further amendments to the said guidelines and if so, the details thereof?

### **Technology to mitigate road accidents**

**1684 Dr. Anil Agrawal:**

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

- (a) the number of deaths in road accidents in the country every year;
- (b) the measures being taken by Government to reduce road accidents;
- (c) whether Government has tried to identify accident prone spots on National Highways;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) whether big data and analytics is increasingly being used the world over for identifying

accident prone spots; and

(f) if so, whether the Ministry is planning to make use of the same technology to mitigate road accidents in the country?

### **Diversion of NH-52 in Assam**

**1685 Shri Bhubaneswar Kalita:**

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

(a) whether Government has proposed for diversion of NH-52 Mangaldoi (Assam) and Kharpetia to reduce congestion etc. of the township;

(b) if so, whether any survey has been done and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the scheduled date of completion of the project?

### **Road projects in Gujarat under Bharatmala Pariyojana**

**1686 # Shri Narhari Amin:**

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

(a) the number of projects being implemented under Bharatmala Pariyojana in Gujarat;

(b) the total length of the roads, in kilometres, to be built under this Pariyojana and the amount of funds allocated for this purpose; and

(c) the length of roads in kilometres, constructed under Bharatmala Pariyojana in Gujarat and the length of roads in kilometres where the work is in progress and the targets of the same?

### **New NHs in Gujarat**

**1687 # Shri Narhari Amin:**

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

(a) the details of new National Highways approved for construction in Gujarat during the last three years;

(b) whether Government has received any proposal from State Government for the construction of new National Highways during the said period;

(c) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(d) the year-wise details of funds allocated and utilized for the development and construction of National Highways in Gujarat during the said period?

### **Pending payment under MGNREGA**

**1688 Shri K.J. Alphons:**

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

(a) the number of days of employment provided under MGNREGA during the last three years, state-wise;

(b) is there any pending payment to beneficiaries under the above scheme; and

(c) if so, when will the outstanding amount be paid?

### **Status of pending road projects**

**1689 Shri Prakash Javadekar:**

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

(a) the long pending road projects taken up and completed in the last five years;

(b) the details thereof; and

(c) the benefits people will get after completion of long pending projects?

### **Mandatory airbags in vehicles**

1690 **Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved a draft notification making it mandatory for automobile manufacturers to provide a minimum of six airbags in motor vehicles that can carry up to eight passengers;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) the steps being taken to address the concerns of car manufacturers in this regard?

### **Preventive measures to curb road accidents**

1691 **Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:**

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

- (a) whether Government has any plan to identify the black spots where maximum road accidents take place with the help of the State Government and other agencies, including NGOs;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) whether Government has taken any action in the last three years against those consultancy firms who were found guilty of poor project preparation and supervision?

### **Status of PDRC in the country**

1692 **Shri Ripun Bora:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Per Day Road Construction (PDRC) in the country recorded 22 kilometers in 2021-22 against 28 kilometers in 2020-21 fiscal and 30 kilometers in 2019-20;
- (b) if so, whether it is also a fact that in allocation of budget 2022-23, there is decrease of 2 per cent over the revised estimates of 2021-22 thereof; and
- (c) the plan to complete the target of construction of 25,000 kilometers of National Highways (NHs) in the next fiscal under the present rate of PDRC?

### **Electronic monitoring of highways**

1693 **Dr. Ashok Bajpai:**

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

- (a) the details of the notification issued under Section 1(2) of the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 to bring into force Section 136A for electronic monitoring and enforcement of road safety;
- (b) the details of the rules for electronic monitoring framed under section 136A(2) of the Act;
- (c) whether 'electronic monitoring' is to be necessarily carried out by every concessioner of the National Highway;
- (d) the details of the use of electronic monitoring and technology by Government on highways; and
- (e) whether NHAI maintains the record of accidents with reference to each National Highway for proper monitoring?

### Progress of four lane projects in Bihar

1694 # **Shri Sushil Kumar Modi:**

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

- (a) the project-wise cost of Patna-Bakhtiarpur-Mokama four-lane, Koilwar-Bhojpur Buxar four-lane, Ara-Mohaniya four-lane and Patna-Gaya-Dobhi four-lane and the physical and financial progress made so far; and
- (b) the project-wise likely dates of completion?

### Development under GKRA

1695 **Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:**

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

- (a) the expenditure made under Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan (GKRA) so far;
- (b) the details about the infrastructure developed under GKRA;
- (c) whether Government is planning to carry the programme beyond the initial mandates; and
- (d) the fresh steps taken by Government to promote skilling and entrepreneurship for rural development?

### Skill development institutes

1696 # **Ms. Saroj Pandey:**

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

- (a) the number of skill development institutes being run by public and private sector in the country at present and the number of youth being trained in these institutes; and
- (b) the steps taken by Government to provide employment to them after the training and the number of youth who have been given employment under this scheme till now?

### MGNREGA negative balance

1697 **Shri G.C. Chandrashekhar:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that MGNREGA allocation for 22 States have negative balance;
- (b) if so, details thereof for the last five years and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) if not, the details of MGNREGA beneficiaries, amount allocated, spent, remaining balance, State-wise for the last five years?

### Beneficiaries under DDU-GKY

1698 # **Shri Satish Chandra Dubey:**

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

- (a) the number of persons trained under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushal Yojana during the last three years and the number of people targeted to be trained by the year 2024;
- (b) the State-wise details thereof, including the State of Bihar; and
- (c) the State-wise number of training centers opened and proposed to be opened?

### Less allocation under MGNREGA

1699 **Shri P. Wilson:**

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

- (a) whether the MNREGA has helped around 11 crore rural workers across the country in 2019-2020, if so, the reasons Government did not advocate these statistics to the Ministry of Finance as they have reduced the allocation of this programme to ₹ 73,000 crores, while the country still faces the wrath of unemployment due to the global pandemic;
- (b) the number of rural workers who will lose opportunities due to less allocation of funds compared to 2021 with ₹ 98,000 crore allocation; and
- (c) the details thereof?

### Beneficiaries under MGNREGA Scheme

1700 **Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

**Shri Mallikarjun Kharge:**

**Smt. Vandana Chavan:**

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

- (a) the total number of individuals availing employment under the MGNREGA scheme, year-wise and State-wise for the last five years;
- (b) the average number of work days provided and wages earned by each beneficiary, year-wise and State-wise for the last five years;
- (c) whether wages are being disbursed as per the Minimum Wages Act, and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the total number of individuals receiving unemployment allowance as per Section 7 of the Act, year-wise and State-wise for the last five years; and
- (e) the total number of job cards added and removed, year-wise and State-wise for the last five years?

### Status of SAGY scheme

1701 **Shri Syed Nasir Hussain:**

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

- (a) the State-wise and district-wise distribution of Adarsh Grams chosen by nominated MPs;
- (b) the number of charge officers who have been appointed by District Collectors so far for the implementation of the scheme;
- (c) the number of charge officers who have received training by the Ministry since 2014;
- (d) the status of the scheme in all the States; and
- (e) the various sources through which the MPs are raising funds for the scheme and how else could these efforts be supplemented?

### Job card holders under MGNREGS

1702 **Shri Neeraj Shekhar:**

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

- (a) the details of number of MGNREGS job card holders in the country as on date, State-wise;
- (b) the job card holders who have sought jobs under MGNREGA during 2021-22 till date, State-wise;
- (c) the details of job card holders who were provided jobs for 100 or more than 100 days



under MGNREGS during 2021-22 till date, State-wise; and  
(d) the details of status of social audit of MGNREGS in various States, as on date, State-wise?

### **Status of houses constructed under PMAY-G**

**1703 Dr. Anil Agrawal:**

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

- (a) the details of houses built under the Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) in the year 2020 and 2021 in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether there is a mismatch between the number of houses sanctioned and built;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the COVID-19 pandemic impeded the roll out of PMAY-G; and
- (e) if so, the measure taken to meet housing for all targets by India's 75th year of independence?

### **Inclusion of handloom weavers and artisans under MGNREGS**

**1704 Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

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

- (a) whether Government proposes any scheme to include handloom weavers and other artisans in MGNREGA Scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the stand of Government in this regard?

### **Skill-based mapping under GKRA**

**1705 Shri Iranna Kadadi:**

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

- (a) whether skill-based mapping has been done for the selected districts under the Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan (GKRA);
- (b) if so, the details regarding the number of workers available for each of the 25 activities designated under the scheme, district-wise in Karnataka;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of the number of jobs in each of the 25 activities designated under the scheme in the 116 selected districts, district-wise; and
- (e) the details of the number of jobs provided so far under the scheme, district-wise?

### **Pending funds with DRDAs**

**1706 Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that huge corpus of funds are pending with the District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government is drawing up any plan to ensure proper and timely utilisation of funds allocated for centrally sponsored schemes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

### Fund allocation under MGNREGS

1707 **Shri Sanjay Raut:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that allocation for the flagship Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme is at least 25 per cent lower than revised estimates of the previous year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and reasons for the cut; and
- (c) the details of steps being taken or proposed to be taken by Government to assure minimum 100 days employment to every desiring rural unemployed persons in the country?

### Status of AWAS Plus Portal of PMAY-G

1708 **Dr. Sasmit Patra:**

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

- (a) how many times the AWAS Plus Portal of PMAY-G was opened in the last five years for States to add their data, the details thereof, date-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the reasons for which the AWAS Plus Portal of PMAY-G has not been opened for the States in the last few years; and
- (c) when is the AWAS Plus Portal of PMAY-G again expected to be opened for the States?

### Pending dues of MGNREGA towards States

1709 **Dr. Sasmit Patra:**

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

- (a) the pending dues of MGNREGA payable towards the States, State-wise;
- (b) by when are they expected to be provided to the States; and
- (c) the reasons, if any, for the delay in providing the same to the States?

### Beneficiaries under DAY-NRLM

1710 **Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:**

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

- (a) the number and details of households covered under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) during the last three years;
- (b) the number and details of people who have been mobilized into Self Help Groups (SHGs) under DAY- NRLM during the above period;
- (c) the details and percentage of women mobilized into SHGs under DAY-NRLM during the said period; and
- (d) the details of finance accessed by such SHGs during the above period?

### Funds allocated under PMGSY in Chhattisgarh

1711 # **Shri Ram Vichar Netam:**

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

- (a) the budget allocated to the State of Chhattisgarh under the second phase of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) and the length of road in kilometres to be built under the same;
- (b) the length of road constructed out of total target fixed and the funds spent thereon; and
- (c) the status of progress of other proposed roads in Chhattisgarh under the said scheme and the details of proposed pending roads?

### Skill development projects

1712 **Smt. Rajani Ashokrao Patil:**

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

- (a) the number and details of the Skill Development Projects being run in Maharashtra, Jammu and Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) the project-wise and year-wise details of funds spent on these projects during last three years; and
- (c) the details of institutions working under these projects in Maharashtra, Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh and Himachal Pradesh?

### Candidates under PMKVY

1713 **Shri Mallikarjun Kharge:**

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

- (a) the total number of candidates that have enrolled under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 3.0;
- (b) the total number of candidates of the same that have been reportedly placed/employed so far;
- (c) the reasons identified for the low proportion of placements to the total enrolled candidates in PMKVY 2.0 and PMKVY 1.0, i.e., 18.2 per cent and 13.4 per cent respectively, details thereof;
- (d) whether the Ministry has collected placement retention data (sustained employment retained even after 3 or 6 months from the job starting date) for PMKVY candidates; and
- (e) if so, details thereof, State-wise and, if not, reasons therefor?

### Upskilling of people

1714 **Shri Iranna Kadadi:**

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

- (a) the target of the Ministry to skill/upskill the people during the year 2021-22, particularly in Karnataka;
- (b) the extent to which it has been achieved during the aforesaid period along with the reason for its shortfall, if any;
- (c) the plan prepared by Government in this regard and the target set to skill/upskill the people during the year 2019-20; and
- (d) the corrective steps taken by Government for effective plan preparation and implementation to achieve the targets?

### Allocation under schemes for the Marathwada Region

1715 **Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

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

- (a) the details of the funds released to the Marathwada Region (Jalna, Aurangabad, Parbhani, Hingoli, Nanded, Latur, Osmanabad and Beed districts) of Maharashtra under various schemes of the Ministry, year-wise during last five years;
- (b) whether the funds released under the said schemes have been utilized under the respective schemes;
- (c) if so, the details of the schemes under which the work has been completed or is near completion and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the district-wise number of youth that have been provided training in the said region

under the Skill Development Programme during the said period?

### **PMKVY in Jharkhand**

**1716 # Shri Deepak Prakash:**

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

- (a) the total number of the people who benefitted in Jharkhand under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY); and
- (b) the details of the persons who benefitted under the scheme in Jharkhand after establishment of National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF)?

### **Diploma courses**

**1717 Shri P. Bhattacharya:**

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

- (a) whether some companies have collaborated with the Ministry for launching diploma courses to make the next generation skilled enough to take up future jobs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether industries and Government partnerships can go a long way in tapping the immense potential of India's young and vibrant workforce;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there is a need for working closely with the industries and academia to expand and scale the skill development programmes; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Central Government in this regard?

### **SWADES Skill Cards**

**1718 Shri Partap Singh Bajwa:**

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

- (a) the number of Skilled Workers Arrival Database for Employment Support (SWADES) Skill Cards issued to returnees under the scheme;
- (b) the details of educational qualification of returnees that received SWADES Skill Card under the scheme;
- (c) the details of number of returnees holding SWADES Skill Card under the scheme, country-wise; and
- (d) whether any jobs were provided to returnees under the scheme and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Training for dairy industry**

**1719 Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:**

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

- (a) whether training for dairy industry is imparted under the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the duration of the said training along with the number of people who have been imparted training so far;
- (c) whether Government is running any programme for entrepreneurship development in the dairy sector; and
- (d) the percentage of people who get employment opportunities after training for skill development?

### Introducing/revising of Skill Development courses

1720 **Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu :**

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

- (a) whether Government recognises the need for introducing or revising Skill Development courses in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and the displacement of jobs and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has set a revised target for skilling for the post-pandemic market in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government has explored the possibility of conducting and recognising wider online Skill Development courses through the e-Skilling India portal and if so, the details thereof?

### Skill development of unemployed women and girls

1721 # **Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:**

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

- (a) the steps being taken by Government to promote skill development of unemployed women and girls; and
- (b) the schemes on which Government is working to promote skill development, the details thereof?

### Training in skill development

1722 **Shri K.J. Alphons:**

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

- (a) how many persons have been trained in skill development during the last three years, category-wise;
- (b) how many of these have found a job, category-wise; and
- (c) whether Government takes the initiative to find a placement for all those who are being trained by them?

### Youth and women trained under skill development

1723 # **Ms. Saroj Pandey:**

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

- (a) the number of youth trained under skill development, during the last five years, the State-wise details thereof; and
- (b) the number of women trained and after this training the number of trainees being successful in getting an employment, till date?

### Deaths due to manual cleaning of sewers and septic tanks

1724 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that deaths due to manual cleaning of sewers and septic tanks have increased manifolds in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has formulated any policy to prevent such deaths;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Schemes for the welfare of senior citizens

1725 **Smt. Shanta Chhetri:**

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

- (a) the various schemes for the welfare of senior citizens;
- (b) whether Government is aware that a huge section of the elderly is deprived of love, care, medical, housing, etc and that the need for senior citizens old age home schemes and a life of dignity for the elderly is a growing need as more and more children are not taking care of their aging parents; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Status of old age homes

1726 # **Shri Ajay Pratap Singh:**

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

- (a) the number of proposals received from the State of Madhya Pradesh under the scheme for the old age homes and prohibition during the last three years;
- (b) the number of cases in which approval has been given; and
- (c) the number of cases pending for approval?

### Deaths due to manual scavenging

1727 **Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla:**

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

- (a) whether the National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC) conducted any survey about the number of deaths due to manual scavenging in the country for the year 2021-2022;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the deaths due to manual scavenging identified in Tamil Nadu for the last five years;
- (d) whether Government had taken any measures to rehabilitate those engaged in manual scavenging for the last five years; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Preventive measures for manual scavenging

1728 **Shri N.R. Elango:**

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

- (a) whether age-old methods of manual scavenging and cleaning of septic tanks and sewers still exist in our country; and
- (b) if so, the details of the initiative(s) taken by Government keeping in mind that it is high time the authorities take pragmatic steps to abolish such practices and effectively implement modern techniques?

### Beneficiaries under PM-DAKSH Yojana

1729 **Shri Binoy Viswam:**

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

- (a) the number of individuals belonging to SC, OBC, EBC, DNT and sanitation workers who have registered on the Pradhan Mantri-Dakshta Aur Kushalta Sampann Hitgrahi (PM-DAKSH) portal;
- (b) the process in place to encourage and support individuals who do not have access to

internet/smart phones to register on the portal;  
 (c) the number of individuals who have graduated from the different skill training programs, the State-wise and category-wise breakup thereof;  
 (d) the number of individuals who have received full-time placements after assessments and the organisation-wise breakup thereof; and  
 (e) the list of facilities being made available to people who register on the PM-DAKSH portal?

### **Tribal museums in West Bengal and Assam**

1730 **Ms. Sushmita Dev:**

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has considered how Tribal Museums can support active tribal artists and crafts people in West Bengal and Assam in addition to showcasing historic works;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any targets have been set for the establishment of Tribal Museums by Tribal Research Institutes as provided under the Central Sector Scheme of Support to Tribal Research Institutes in West Bengal and Assam;
- (d) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Ministry is extending support for the creation and/or operation of virtual Tribal Museums; and
- (f) if so, details thereof, and if not, reasons therefor?

### **Schemes for development of tribal population**

1731 # **Smt. Geeta alias Chandraprabha:**

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

- (a) the schemes being run by the Ministry for the development of the tribal population; and
- (b) the project-wise details of the funds allocated in respect of the projects under the Ministry during the last year?

### **TSP in tribal-dominated areas**

1732 **Shri Shaktisinh Gohil:**

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

- (a) whether large scale development work is going on under Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) in tribal-dominated areas across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last five years, State-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Scholarship for tribal youth for higher studies**

1733 **Shri Akhilesh Prasad Singh:**

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

- (a) whether Government has any scheme for providing scholarship to the talented youth from tribal community for pursuing higher studies, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (b) the measures taken by Government to encourage and promote tribal youth in the field of science and technology?

### Nomenclature difference of Mina and Meena

1734 # **Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Mina/Meena happens to be the same caste found in Rajasthan and the only difference lies in their nomenclature, if so, the details of letters sent by State Government to Central Government in this regard from year 2015 onwards;
- (b) the details of letters sent by the Central Government to State Government for clarification about Mina/Meena caste and apprising the status thereof; and
- (c) whether Government of Rajasthan has requested the Central Government to issue a clarification in this regard, if so, by when the Central Government proposes to make a necessary amendment accordingly?

### Status of GOAL programme

1735 **Shri Sujeet Kumar:**

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

- (a) the total number of tribal women who have enrolled in the 'Going Online as Leaders' (GOAL) programme so far, State-wise, and year-wise including Odisha; and
- (b) the details as to how the programme intends to bridge the digital gender gap for tribal women?

### Assistance for celebrating tribal festivals

1736 # **Shri Samir Oraon:**

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

- (a) whether Government is providing any financial assistance to celebrate other tribal festivals/fairs like Medaram Jatara celebrated in Telangana;
- (b) if so, the details of the festivals enlisted under this category in the country; and
- (c) the details of the total amount of funds allocated in Jharkhand to celebrate such festivals/fairs during the last two years?

### Funds for Nari Shakti Puraskar

1737 **Shri Sanjay Seth:**

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

- (a) whether Government has observed International Women's day recently and if so, the details thereof along with programmes/events organized on this occasion;
- (b) whether Government is conferring Nari Shakti Puraskar every year to individuals and institutions and if so, the details thereof and the aims and objective behind the move;
- (c) the financial allocation made for Nari Shakti Puraskar during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (d) the other steps taken by Government for economic and social empowerment of women in the country?

### Increasing number of stunted children

1738 **Shri G.C. Chandrashekar:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that India has reported high levels of stunting with 35.5 per cent of children below the age of five stunted and 32.1 per cent underweight between



2019-2021;

(b) the progress made towards Government's target of reducing stunting to 25 per cent by 2022 and how Government will meet this target;

(c) the names of the 235 districts to be identified under POSHAN Abhiyaan scheme in 2018-2019, the percentage of stunting in these districts, year-wise from 2019 till date; and

(d) whether Government has begun implementation of the scheme in the remaining districts of all 36 States/UTs?

### **Increasing incidents of atrocities against women and children**

1739 # **Shri Naresh Bansal:**

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

(a) whether Government has taken any initiative in view of the increasing incidents of atrocities against women and children in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Honorarium to Anganwadi workers**

1740 # **Shri Naresh Bansal:**

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

(a) whether there is a continuous demand by the Anganwadi workers to increase their honorarium and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the schemes/programmes being implemented through Anganwadis;

(c) the details of the Anganwadi centres being operated at present and the State/UT-wise details of the number of the Anganwadi workers/assistants/supervisors/employees; and

(d) the details of the honorarium being paid to such employees?

### **Assistance to Angawadi centres/workers**

1741 **Shri Jawhar Sircar:**

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

(a) the State-wise number of Angawadi Centres (AWCs) and how many are operating from their own buildings;

(b) the State-wise number of Anganwadi workers and helpers alongwith their honorarium and allowances;

(c) the State-wise number of mothers and children beneficiaries;

(d) the Centre's plans to expand and strengthen the network of AWCs; and

(e) how much per cent of the total cost of running the programme is borne by the Central Government and whether there is any plan to increase the Central assistance?

### **Decline in funds released under CPS Scheme**

1742 **Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the funds released under Child Protection Services (CPS) Scheme have reduced to almost fifty per cent in 2021-2022 compared to the funds released in 2020-21;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the funds released under the scheme have been declining from ₹ 74,546 lakhs in 2019-20 to ₹ 24,741 lakhs in 2021-22;

(c) the reasons for the decline in the funds released; and

(d) whether Government is taking any new scalable measures to improve the wellbeing of children in difficult circumstances?

### **Online cyber grooming of women and young children**

1743 **Shri Syed Nasir Hussain:**

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

- (a) the total cases of online cyber grooming of women and young children that have been reported over the last three years;
- (b) whether Government is planning any steps to define grooming as a separate category of crime with appropriate penal provisions;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons for not defining a separate category for grooming?

### **One Stop Centres in Indian Missions**

1744 **Smt. Ambika Soni:**

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

- (a) whether Government has decided to open One Stop Centres (OSCs) for women affected by violence in Indian Missions in certain countries;
- (b) if so, the current status in this regard; and
- (c) the time by when such centres are likely to be operational?

### **Children who lost their parents due to COVID-19**

1745 **Dr. Prashanta Nanda:**

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

- (a) the number of children who have lost their parents due to COVID-19 or other reason, since January 2020, State-wise, gender-wise and age group-wise;
- (b) the number of children who have lost both their parents in this period, State-wise, gender-wise and age group-wise;
- (c) the steps taken by Government to identify and rehabilitate these children; and
- (d) the details of assistance provided to these children till date, State-wise?

### **Status of amenities in child care institutions under Juvenile Justice Act**

1746 **Smt. Vandana Chavan:**

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

- (a) the State/UT-wise details of registered child-care institutions mandated under the Juvenile Justice Act;
- b) whether there is any national-level assessment/audit of provision of basic facilities in child-care institutions and if so, the findings thereof and if not, reasons therefor;
- (c) the State/UT-wise, district-wise details of the total child-care institutions having well-lit toilets and bathrooms, the number of children using one bathroom and not having pure drinking water facilities;
- (d) the State/UT-wise, district-wise details of percentage of total child-care institutions equipped with CCTV cameras with access to mental healthcare consultants; and
- (e) the steps taken to ensure access to the same?

### One-Stop Centres in Andhra Pradesh

1747 **Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

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

- (a) the details of the One-Stop Centres established in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the quantum of funds released and the quantum of funds utilized;
- (c) whether Government has identified any under-utilization of such released funds, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to increase the awareness of the scheme and ensure maximum utilization of the funds?

### Nirbhaya Fund

1748 **Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has allocated ₹ 6,200 crores under Nirbhaya Fund to various States and disbursed ₹ 4,100 crores;
- (b) if so, what are the reasons that States have been able to utilize only ₹ 2,900 crores;
- (c) whether States are finding difficulty in spending the amount or are not able to provide matching grants to implement schemes proposed under Nirbhaya Fund; and
- (d) the efforts being made by the Ministry and also Empowered Committee of Officers which appraises and release funds to persuade States to spend more money which helps to protect women in the country?

### Funds for POSHAN Abhiyaan

1749 **Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:**

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

- (a) whether Government has been able to spend the allocated funds for POSHAN Abhiyaan since 2019;
- (b) how much money out of the allocated funds was spent on buying cell phones for Anganwadi workers, recharging the phones and training workers on how to use the app respectively;
- (c) the percentage of the funds spent on nutritional support for each child; and
- (d) the reasons for the withdrawal of the Common Application Software (CAS) app in 2020 and replacement with the POSHAN Tracker App?

### Missing children from Child Care Institutions

1750 **Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that several children have gone missing from Government-owned Child Care Institutions (CCIs) over the past three years and the number of such missing children, State-wise;
- (b) how many of them have been traced back and rehabilitated, State-wise; and
- (c) whether Government has been able to understand the reasons for this security lapse and what measures have been taken by Government to ensure that the children are safe?

### Skewed sex ratio at birth in urban India

1751 **Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:**

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

- (a) whether sex ratio at birth in urban areas has been skewed in favour of male children in the last five years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including data for different States;
- (c) whether there exist any Government schemes with special focus on urban areas to address this issue;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including coverage in different States;
- (e) whether sex ratio in urban areas favours males;
- (f) whether Government has conducted any studies to understand the reason behind this phenomenon; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

### Malnutrition among children

1752 **Dr. V. Sivadasan:**

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

- (a) what percentage of the children in the country are suffering from malnutrition, State wise;
- (b) which are the districts and States in the country that have the highest number of children suffering from malnutrition;
- (c) which are the districts and States in the country that have the least number of children suffering from malnutrition; and
- (d) the measures taken till now by Government to deal with the issue of malnutrition among the children?

### Monetisation Plan for highways

1753 **Shri Derek O' Brien:**

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

- (a) the steps taken to ensure that monetisation of highways does not lead to excess toll charges on consumers;
- (b) steps taken to monitor and ensure regular maintenance of highways by private players; and
- (c) the expected revenue to Government this year from monetisation of highways?

### Nutritional diet for pregnant women

1754 # **Smt. Geeta alias Chandraprabha:**

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

- (a) the schemes being run in the country to look after the nutritional diet for pregnant women and their children; and
- (b) the steps being taken by the Ministry to provide nutritious food to pregnant women?

### Hostels for working women

1755 **Shri Akhilesh Prasad Singh:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Central Sector Scheme for construction of hostels for

working women has of late been receiving declining allocation in the budget, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) how many working women hostels are running in the country, State-wise and city-wise; and

(c) the criteria for selecting a city for construction of a working women hostel under the scheme?

### **Smartphone and tablets to Anganwadi workers**

1756 # **Shri Rajendra Gehlot:**

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

(a) whether Government has any plan to give smartphones and tablets to the Anganwadi workers, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the State/Union Territory-wise number of smartphones and tablets given to the Anganwadi workers including Rajasthan so far during the last three years; and

(c) whether Government has constituted any committee to review the honorarium and other benefits given to the workers of Anganwadi centres, if so, the details of the committee and the report prepared by the same?

### **Implementation of ICDS in Rajasthan**

1757 # **Shri Rajendra Gehlot:**

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

(a) whether Government is implementing Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS) in all the districts of Rajasthan, if so, the year-wise and district-wise details of implementation of the scheme during the last three years in Rajasthan;

(b) the district-wise details of the women and children who benefitted under the scheme in proportion to the population of Rajasthan; and

(c) the district-wise and year-wise details of the amount of funds allocated, sanctioned, approved and released under the said scheme during the last three years?

### **Implementation of Saksham Anganwadi Scheme and POSHAN 2.0**

1758 **Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla:**

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

(a) the current status of the implementation of the Saksham Anganwadi Scheme, district-wise in Tamil Nadu for the year 2021-2022;

(b) the number of Anganwadis selected for upgradation in Tamil Nadu under the umbrella schemes Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0 for the year 2022-2023 and the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the funds allocated, disbursed and utilized for the upgradation of Anganwadis in Tamil Nadu for the year 2021-2022, district-wise?

### **Addition of cell phones among children**

1759 **Shri Vaiko:**

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

(a) whether usage of cell phones among children had increased during the pandemic, resulting in internet addiction, if so, the details thereof comparatively pre and post-pandemic;

(b) whether some States provided special counselling for children and students to reduce

mobile phone usage and prevent internet addiction;  
(c) if so, the details and present status thereof; and  
(d) if not, by when such steps would be taken in future?

### **Addition of tobacco among children**

1760 **Shri Harshvardhan Singh Dungarpur:**

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

- (a) whether tobacco product usage among students aged 13-15 years was 8.5 per cent (9.6 per cent boys and 7.4 per cent girls);
- (b) whether according to GYTS, 38 per cent of cigarette, 47 per cent of bidi smokers and 52 per cent of smokeless tobacco users initiated use before their 10th birthday and the median age at initiation were 11.5, 10.5 and 9.9 years respectively;
- (c) whether Government is aware of these data, if so, steps being taken to stop this consumption among children; and
- (d) whether Government received any proposal to save these children from deadly addiction/consumption of tobacco?

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Education	: 1616, 1617, 1618, 1619, 1620, 1621, 1622, 1623, 1624, 1625, 1626, 1627, 1628, 1629, 1630, 1631, 1632, 1633 1634, 1635, 1636, 1637, 1638, 1639, 1640, 1641, 1642, 1643, 1644, 1645, 1646, 1647,
Home Affairs	: 1648, 1649, 1650, 1651, 1652, 1653, 1654, 1655, 1656, 1657, 1658, 1659, 1660, 1661, 1662, 1663
Panchayati Raj	: 1664, 1665, 1666, 1667, 1668, 1669, 1670, 1671, 1672 1673, 1674, 1675, 1676, 1677, 1678, 1679,
Road Transport and Highways	: 1680, 1681, 1682, 1683, 1684, 1685, 1686, 1687, 1689, 1690, 1691, 1692, 1693, 1694, 1753 1688, 1695, 1697, 1698, 1699, 1700, 1701,
Rural Development	: 1702, 1703, 1704, 1705, 1706, 1707, 1708, 1709, 1710, 1711 1696, 1712, 1713, 1714, 1715, 1716, 1717,
Skill Development and Entrepreneurship	: 1718, 1719, 1720, 1721, 1722, 1723
Social Justice and Empowerment	: 1724, 1725, 1726, 1727, 1728, 1729
Tribal Affairs	: 1730, 1731, 1732, 1733, 1734, 1735, 1736 1737, 1738, 1739, 1740, 1741, 1742, 1743, 1744, 1745, 1746, 1747, 1748, 1749, 1750,
Women and Child Development	: 1751, 1752, 1754, 1755, 1756, 1757, 1758, 1759, 1760