

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Thursday, December 1, 2016/Agrahayana 10, 1938 (Saka)*

(Ministries: Prime Minister; Atomic Energy; Development of North Eastern Region; Earth Sciences; External Affairs; Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation; Human Resource Development; Information and Broadcasting; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Science and Technology; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Social Justice and Empowerment; Space; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Urban Development; Women and Child Development)

Total number of questions — 15

Data on drug and substance abuse

*166. SHRI DEREK O'BRIEN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the data regarding drug and substance abuse in the country for the past three years, State-wise;

(b) the data regarding deaths caused due to drug and substance abuse for the past three years, State-wise;

(c) the status of the National Policy on Drug Demand Reduction, 2016; and

(d) whether the Ministry is taking any steps to prevent the demand and supply of such drugs?

Funds generated for Smart City Mission

*167. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cities approved

for development as Smart Cities in the country;

(b) the funds earmarked by Government for development of Smart Cities and the status of implementation; and

(c) the quantity of funds generated for Smart City Mission and State-wise allocation?

Temporary houses for the homeless people

*168. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted any survey with regard to the poor homeless people under the BPL category, if so, the details of such people, State-wise; and

(b) whether there is any scheme to provide temporary houses to such poor homeless people and if so, the details thereof?

Planning of sub-cities in Delhi by DDA

*169. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Development Authority (DDA) is planning to build three sub-cities in Delhi, if so, the details thereof;

(b) what is the progress of identification and acquisition of land and the extent of the area, sub-city-wise;

(c) whether green zone would be kept in mind while developing such sub-cities, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by what time, each sub-city would be functional with all infrastructure?

Decisions taken by Executive Council of Manipur University

*170. SHRI D. P. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Academic Council or Executive Council of a Central University including Manipur University has the authority to take decision to alter the provisions of the Central Education Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006 as amended by Parliament in 2012;

(b) if so, the details of rule position thereof; and

(c) if not, whether the various decisions taken by the Academic Council of Manipur University especially, relating to the above Act, in the year 2016 would be considered as null and void?

Ban on broadcasting of Pakistani TV/radio channels in India

†*171. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to ban the broadcasting of Pakistani TV/radio channels in India, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the total number of such TV/radio channels directly broadcasting in India; and

(c) the manner in which Government monitors their audio/video contents?

Allocation for Smart City Mission in 2015-16

*172. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total budgetary allocation for the Smart City Mission in the year 2015-16 and whether these funds have been fully utilized;

(b) if so, the percentage of funds directed towards the proper development of water supply, sewerage, drainage and constructing smart toilets in Smart City projects; and

(c) the total percentage of funds directed towards mobility, smart parking facilities and smart transit?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**Complaints by allottees of DDA
Housing Scheme 2014**

*173. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether in Housing Scheme 2014, DDA has allotted EWS flats as a LIG flat to public and taken money of LIG flats even though these EWS flats do not meet standard of LIG norms;

(b) whether various complaints have already been made by allottees but no action has been taken, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether allottees cannot do sale/purchase for five years from the date of allotment and also cannot do any commercial use of these flats; and

(d) if so, the action taken by Government to redress grievances of the people?

Filing of wealth details of employees

*174. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has insisted on all the IAS, IRS, IPS officers in both Centre and States as well as in PSEs to file their wealth details along with wealth of their spouses; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Status of malnutrition in Gujarat

*175. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has reviewed the status of malnutrition amongst children

and adolescent girls in Gujarat and the rest of the country;

(b) if so, the details and outcome thereof; and

(c) what action Government has taken or proposes to take to plug the shortcomings?

Implementation of PMKVY

†*176. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the objectives and the current status of implementation of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), together with the details of the programmes formulated for providing training to various categories under the scheme, State-wise;

(b) whether Government proposes to revise the targets under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of funds allocated/sanctioned for the scheme during last three years till date, year-wise and State-wise?

Indo-Japan nuclear deal

*177. SHRID. RAJA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India and Japan have signed a nuclear deal during Prime Minister's recent visit to Tokyo; and

(b) if so, the details of the deal signed?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Regulations regarding wages of visual media journalists

*178. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state whether Government is planning to introduce any regulations regarding wages of visual media journalists and staff on the lines of Print Media Wage Board, if so, the details thereof?

Global ranking of Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore

*179. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore which once

used to be almost at par with the best institutions in the world, has dropped 130 ranks in a decade as per global standards; and

(b) if so, whether Government is planning to constitute a committee to go into the details and make recommendations to improve its ranking and if so, the details thereof?

Ban on electronic news channel

*180. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the electronic news channels on which ban had been imposed for coverage of news and the ban has been put on hold, during the last two years; and

(b) the reasons for hold on ban on news channels, channel-wise?

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SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF,
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