RAJYA SABHA

List of Ouestions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Thursday, February 2, 2017/Magha 13, 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

Guidelines for empanelment of print media with DAVP

- *1. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of print media empanelled with Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether DAVP has revised the guidelines for empanelment/renewal of print media for advertisement and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether any drastic decrease in empanelment/renewal has been noted during the current year; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

UGC norms on ad-hoc teachers working in D.U.

- †*2. SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of vacancies in various universities of the country and the steps taken to make regular appointments against these posts and the reasons for delay in filling up those posts; and
- (b) what is the stand of Academic Council of Delhi University on the new norms laid down by University Grants Commission (UGC) with regard to ad-hoc teachers working in the University for many years and whether the ad-hoc teachers would lose their permanent position, if UGC norms are implemented?

[†]Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Water leakage/seepage in Sector-4, Raza Bazar

- *3. DR. ANIL KUMAR SAHANI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether top floor of quarters get water leakage/seepage, dampness during monsoon season in 22 Block of DIZ Area, Sector-4, Raja Bazar, Gole Market, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether despite several complaints, no action has been taken or inspection done by concerned authorities;
- (c) if so, the details of complaints received and the reasons for delay in attending to them; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by Government in this regard?

Assistance to Tamil Nadu for construction of houses

- *4. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has received any request from Tamil Nadu to sanction a special project for construction of 50,000 houses for the poor living on the banks of Adyar River, Coovam and Buckingham Canal in Chennai and other water bodies in Kanchipuram and Tiruvallur, districts of the State:
- (b) if so, the steps taken to expedite the same; and
- (c) the amount released during the last three years, as against the total amount sanctioned during the corresponding period for construction of houses for the urban poor in Tamil Nadu, year-wise?

Beneficiaries under IGMSY

- *5. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana (IGMSY), a conditional maternity benefit scheme, is universally applicable to all the districts of the country;
- (b) if not, the reasons for not making it universal and restricting it to 53 pilot districts only;
- (c) the details of budgetary allocations for this scheme since 2010, year-wise;
- (d) what monitoring mechanism is in place to ensure that the benefit of the scheme is disbursed to the beneficiaries in a timely manner; and
- (e) the number of beneficiaries since 2010-11, who received the entire benefit, year-wise and State-wise?

Agreement with foreign countries for skill development

- *6. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has signed agreements with some foreign countries for professional skill development in various sectors:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of MoUs signed, alongwith the names of countries with which they have been signed and the field of specialization?

Community mobilization and sensitization programmes for women

*7. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the initiatives taken by Government under Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao for community mobilization and sensitization programmes apart from those which are already running under National Mission for Women Empowerment;
- (b) the funds allocated specifically for community mobilization and sensitization programmes during the last two years; and
- (c) the funds utilized under the scheme for community mobilization and sensitization programmes during the above period?

Sale of items with images of Indian tricolour

- †*8. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that certain items like doormats and slippers etc. bearing images of Indian tricolour are being sold on e-commerce sites of Canada, Britain, America and Australia and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether Government could not put a legal ban on sale of these products in other countries and if so, the details of steps being taken by Government to prevent the same; and
- (c) whether Government has issued instructions to Indian units of the said e-commerce company to ban the sale of these products and if so, the details thereof?

Fund for Government schools

- *9. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that more than $\mathbf{\xi}$ 5,500 crore are being spent on running

- Kendriya Vidyalaya (KV) and Navodaya Vidyalaya (NV) schools;
- (b) if so, what is the average expenditure per school annually;
- (c) whether Government is creating elite schools by supporting these vidyalayas; and
- (d) whether Government proposes to spend this amount for strengthening/ improving manpower/infrastructure in existing Government schools to bring them upto the desired level?

Television Rating Points of channels

- *10. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the present mechanism of calculating Television Rating Points (TRPs) of various television programmes telecast by different channels has been recognised by Government;
- (b) whether Government issues advertisements to TV channels based on TRP results and if so, which TRP mechanism is relied upon by Government; and
- (c) the details of TRP of various channels of Doordarshan as against other private channels?

Prefabricated toilets for the poor

- *11. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is considering to build prefabricated toilets for the poor in urban and rural areas;

- (b) whether Government has carried out any research to analyse the feasibility of such toilets and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has made such toilets available to the poor people and if so, at what cost; and
- (d) whether Government has sought foreign assistance in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Central Tribal University in Andhra Pradesh

- *12. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that subsequent to the bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh, a proposal is under consideration for establishment of Central Tribal University in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) what is the rationale for establishment of such a University there; and
- (c) by when the University is likely to be established?

Status of second reactor of KNPP

- *13. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the second reactor of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant (KNPP) which became critical in July, 2016 crossed another milestone when the turbine of 1,000 MW unit was successfully synchronized to southern power grid;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;

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- (c) whether it is also a fact that the unit would be shut down for a mandatory inspection of turbine generator after a few days of operations; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

New television channel on agriculture

- †*14. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any new television channel on agriculture has been started to benefit the farmers;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to increase the broadcasting time of agriculture-related programmes on Doordarshan for the benefit of farmers and if so, the details thereof?

Improvement in food ingredients of THR

- *15. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of contents of Take Home Rations (THR) that are being provided to children below three years and to pregnant and lactating mothers across the country;
- (b) whether Government has received any representations from any stake holders regarding improvement in ingredients of THR; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF, Secretary-General.

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