RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, December 2, 2015/Agrahayana 11, 1937 (Saka)

(Ministries: Commerce and Industry; Culture; Home Affairs; Labour and Employment; Mines; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Steel; Tourism; Tribal Affairs; Youth Affairs and Sports)

Total number of questions — 15

Website to track missing children

- *31. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has developed a website to track missing children in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the year-wise number of such children who have been reported missing, registered and recovered; and
- (d) the number of such children who have been traced out and handed over to their parents?

Rise in crimes in Delhi

- *32. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether it is a fact that the number

- of crimes in Delhi have risen and threat of terrorism is looming large over Delhi;
- (b) if so, the measures taken by Government to check rise in crimes in Delhi;
- (c) the details of steps taken to modernize Delhi Police in a time-bound and effective manner together with the quantum of funds allocated to Delhi Police for the same; and
- (d) the details of Delhi Police personnel arrested during the last three years together with reasons therefor?

Repository of satellite based surveillance photographs of protected monuments

- *33. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to create a repository of satellite based surveillance photographs on more than 3,000 protected monuments that

are under threat from frenzied construction activity, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether it is also a fact that Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) and Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) have joined hands in this regard; and
- (c) whether it is also a fact that around 1,50,000 old heritage structures across India will be added to the database in a phased manner and if so, the details thereof?

Recognition to tribal leaders of Jharkhand

- *34. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that tribal leaders like Tilka Manjhi, Sidho and Kanho were the harbingers of India's freedom movement and fought valiantly against the British; and
- (b) what steps are being taken by the Central Government to accord due recognition to the great tribal leaders of Jharkhand like Tilka Manjhi, Sidho and Kanho?

Refusal by NCST to meet tribals evicted by Polavaram dam

- *35. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the National Commission on Scheduled Tribes (NCST) refused to meet tribals and their leaders from Polavaram dam who were evicted from their villages;
- (b) what are the reasons for not meeting the tribals and their leaders; and

(c) what were the reasons for the NCST refusing to help lakhs of tribals under Polavaram dam?

Revenue earned on tobacco products

- *36. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) the total revenue earned by Government on tobacco products during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether tobacco production has declined in the country during past years;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Atrocities against dalits and other backward classes

- *37. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that atrocities against dalits and other backward classes in the country have increased manifold, including in the State of Haryana during recent months; and
- (b) if so, the action taken by Government to control such menace prevailing in the country?

Crimes against women and children

- *38. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether incidents of crimes against women and children in the country have increased manifold during the last one year;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by Government to curb such crimes related to women and children?

Corruption in BPR&D

- *39. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Ministry is aware of the rampant corruption in Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) especially in Research and Correctional Administration Division (R&CA) and Training Division since 2008;
- (b) whether officers by misusing their official position, forging documents, financial irregularities in various projects under Plan and Non-Plan schemes caused financial losses to Government, if so, details thereof:
- (c) whether such officers have been identified, if so, what action has been initiated to bring them to book; and
- (d) whether the Ministry is aware of pending Audit paras against BPR&D for financial irregularities and non-settlement of Government funds released as advances?

Banning extreme right wing organisations

- *40. SHRI K.T.S. TULSI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is any connection/ linkage between the recent murders of rationalists like Shri Govind Pansare, Shri

- Narendra Dabholkar and Shri M.M. Kalburgi, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government is considering banning extreme right wing organisations like Sanathan Sanstha and other such similar organisations on the lines of banning outfits like LeT, SIMI and others, in view of the involvement of their members in serious hate crimes and anti-social activities?

Vacancies of doctors in ESIC hospitals

- *41. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the State-wise and hospital-wise details of number of vacancies of doctors and paramedical staff in the Employees' State Insurance Corporation hospitals in the country; and
- (b) the details of steps being taken to fill up the vacant posts in these hospitals?

Shortage of natural gas

- *42. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the shortfall of natural gas in the country is set to widen over the next couple of years and then stabilize by 2017-18;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that India's natural gas production would touch 46.3 billion cubic metres in 2017-18, up from the 33.6 BCM achieved in 2014-15;

- (c) whether it is a fact that at current annual growth rates of supply and demand, it will take till 2062 for India to become self sufficient in natural gas; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Condition of archaeological and historical sites in West Bengal

- *43. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that many archaeological and historical sites under Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in West Bengal are in a poor and deplorable condition;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of sites under ASI and managed by it in West Bengal; and
- (d) the details of year-wise funds allocated and used by ASI for maintenance of such sites in West Bengal?

Development of CGD networks

*44. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government plans for development of City Gas Distribution networks in certain more geographical areas and cities in near future:
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof including Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to ensure time-bound execution of the new City Gas Distribution projects?

Financial assistance/grants to Goa for new projects

- *45. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of new Tourism related projects or schemes undertaken by the State Government of Goa under the central scheme or financial package from Central Government since last three years;
- (b) the year-wise financial assistance/ grants or other assistance sought by the State; and
- (c) the details of preparedness to meet requirement of domestic as also international tourists in the coming peak season of Goa?

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