

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Tuesday, May 3, 2016/Vaisakha 13, 1938 (Saka)*

(Ministries: Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Civil Aviation; Corporate Affairs; Defence; Finance; Health and Family Welfare; Information and Broadcasting; Minority Affairs)

Total number of questions — 15

Payments System Vision Document 2012-15

*91. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared Payments System Vision Document 2012-15 for ushering in a cashless economy; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and its implementation status?

during the last two years, the details thereof;

(b) whether any analysis/inspection has been made to ascertain the reasons and the conclusion and remedial measures suggested by the DGCA; and

(c) the follow up action taken by Government to ensure air safety by all airlines in the country, in view of increase in air traffic?

Emergency landings by passenger aircrafts

*92. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the no. of passenger aircrafts of various airlines, including Air India which made emergency landings in the country

Supply of raw material for drugs manufacturing at IMPCL

†*93. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the drugs along with

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their quantity that are being manufactured at IMPCL situated at Mohan, Almora district in Uttarakhand;

(b) the details of the raw material and its quantity, required on daily basis for manufacturing;

(c) whether arrangement of raw material is made locally;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether any programme will be initiated to encourage the local farmers for providing the raw material at local level?

Medicine for jaundice patients

*94. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has directed the Health Department authorities of various States to prescribe any specific medicines for the patients of jaundice in different places of the country; and

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

Research and development in AYUSH

*95. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of herbal medicine research centres functioning in the country at present along with their number engaged in empirical research, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether Government provides training for production, extraction, storage and marketing of herbs, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any special scheme has been formulated to promote research in the AYUSH sector particularly for the development of quality, effectiveness and capacity of ayurvedic products; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the said purpose?

Inflated price of cataract lens

†*96. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that the lens which is implanted at the time of operation of the cataract patients, is made available to the concerned doctors at a very low price and patients are charged 15 to 20 times more than its value;

(b) if so, whether Government is taking any steps in this direction in the interest of the patients; and

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

PG medical seats in the country

*97. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of medical colleges in India, State-wise;

(b) the total number of seats available for admission in these colleges in a year;

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(c) the number of seats available in post graduate diploma and degree courses after completing the graduation in medicine;

(d) whether the available number of seats are adequate to meet the growing demand for post graduate education; and

(e) if not, proposal of Government to overcome the bottle neck?

Central assistance to drought affected States

*98. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated to the States which are currently affected by drought;

(b) the number of centrally sponsored schemes/financial assistance provided by the Government to the drought affected States, particularly for Maharashtra; and

(c) whether Government is formulating any policy to hand over Central assistance directly to the drought affected people and if so, the details thereof?

Nai Manzil scheme for Minorities

*99. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the salient features and the beneficiaries of the Nai Manzil scheme for welfare of Minorities;

(b) the progress made under the scheme and the number of people benefitting from

the scheme in terms of education and skill development after the project was taken up on a pilot basis in Bihar in the last year;

(c) the details of the funds allocated to the States to implement this scheme, State-wise; and

(d) whether the Nai Manzil scheme is likely to be aligned with Skill India and Digital India scheme in the field of education and vocational training?

Shortage of Army officers

*100. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of officers in the Indian Army;

(b) if so, the details of shortage in the technical and non-technical wings with reasons therefor;

(c) what steps Government proposes to take in order to overcome the shortage of officers; and

(d) by when Government proposes to overcome the shortage?

Censorship on TV programmes

†*101. DR. VIJAYLAXMI SADHO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether censorship is proposed to be applied on the programmes of television on the lines of the feature films, as in order

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to raise T.R.P., such programmes are being telecast by some television channels on the pretext of reality shows, which can not be viewed along with children and which are affecting them adversely;

(b) whether it is proposed to make mandatory to obtain censor certificate, like feature films, for telecast of such programmes on television;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government proposes to enact any law in this regard, the details thereof?

Tax evasion by service providers

*102. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that many services providers like hoteliers, traders etc. are collecting sales tax/service tax/other Government taxes from their customers, but are not depositing it in Government accounts;

(b) if so, whether Government has assessed the tune of losses that has been incurred and the details thereof for the last three financial years;

(c) the steps taken by Government to prevent such malpractice; and

(d) whether Government would make it mandatory for all service providers to use and issue bar-coded billing system receipts to customers so that such tax evasion is tracked and contained, the details thereof?

Procedure for writing-off of PSB loans

*103. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of procedure for writing-off loans of more than ₹ one crore and below ₹ 100 crores and the final authority empowered to write-off the said loans, PSB-wise, separately;

(b) the details of procedure and final authority for writing-off the loans of more than ₹ 100 crores, PSB-wise;

(c) whether there are any guidelines of RBI for writing-off the loans above ₹ 100 crores by PSBs; and

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

New AYUSH hospitals

*104. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved setting up of 14 AYUSH hospitals in 9 States, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government is also implementing a tribal health care research programme, if so, the details thereof?

Depreciation of Indian currency against dollar

*105. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for failure of Indian rupee to remain stable against dollar; and price rise due to depreciation in Indian currency and the specific steps being taken in this regard?
- (b) the details of the impact on the

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SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF,
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