

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, August 5, 2015/Sravana 14, 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

Enhancing strategic crude oil storage capacity

*166. SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has been proposing to enhance the strategic crude oil storage capacity during the Twelfth Five Year Plan, if so, the details in this regard;

(b) the details of the funds allocated and so far released for the said purpose during the current Plan period;

(c) the present storage capacity of crude oil and the extent to which it is likely to be enhanced during the current Plan period; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to complete the Plan targets and enhance the storage capacity of crude oil to meet emergent requirement of the country?

Status of missing children in the country

*167. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the existing status of missing children in the country including the percentage of recovery of such children and their restoration to their parents;

(b) whether the Apex Court has issued some direction on the poor status of recovery of such children in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is proposed to frame new effective rules to control this menace, if so, the details thereof?

Registered unemployed persons in the country

*168. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise total number of registered unemployed persons in the country at present;

(b) whether employment opportunities have not increased in the country in the recent years; and

(c) if so, the sector-wise details of targets fixed and achieved for employment generation during 2014-15?

Impact of cheap imports on domestic paper industry

*169. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that rise in cheaper imports threatens fresh investments in the paper industry of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken to protect the domestic players of paper industry?

Unnatural deaths in Vyapam Scam

*170. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as many as 25 witnesses and accused persons have died unnatural deaths since Vyapam Scam came to light in 2013; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Poor condition of SAI hostels

*171. DR. T.N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some hostels of Sports Authority of India (SAI) centres set up in various parts of the country are in very dilapidated condition and numerous complaints are received regarding the unhygienic rooms/toilets, poor quality food provided for the athletes in SAI hostels;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto, the details of action taken by Government against the authorities/officials responsible for the same, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the complaint redressal and monitoring mechanism existing with Government for addressing such issues; and

(d) the action/steps taken by Government to develop SAI hostels across the country?

Setting up of spice development agencies

*172. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering to set up spice development agencies to give a push to spices exports, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government will consider setting up such agencies in Andhra Pradesh or Telangana since both States produce a variety of spices?

Challenges faced by tourism industry

*173. SHRI AAYANUR MANJUNATHA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various challenges/issues/problems being faced by the tourism industry;

(b) the steps taken/being taken by the Ministry to solve these issues; and

(c) the measures taken by Government for generation of additional employment during the Twelfth Five Year Plan to help in resolving issues relating to tourism industry?

Illegal constructions around Humayun's Tomb

*174. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has given permission to a number of real estate operators to build new structures around the UNESCO recognized Humayun's Tomb in Delhi in the last three years;

(b) if so, the details of permissions given by ASI in 2013-14 and 2014-15 and the current year;

(c) whether it is a fact that the ASI has agreed to regularize all such illegal constructions around the Tomb for payment of a token fee;

(d) if so, the total fees collected and the number of permits given; and

(e) whether the ASI has suggested a new policy to encourage constructions around the Tomb?

Development of Buddhist Circuit and Ayodhya

*175. SHRI TARUN VIJAY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the plan made by Government to strengthen Buddhist Circuit;

(b) the number of foreign and domestic tourists who visited availing facilities in this Circuit in last one year; and

(c) what are Government's plans to attract more tourists to Ayodhya and provide appropriate facilities including international airport at Ayodhya?

Establishment of Industrial Parks

*176. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) which are the States where Industrial Parks have been established or are being proposed to be established;

(b) whether Odisha is also being considered for establishing an Industrial Park; and

(c) if so, by when it will be established and the details of the industries that will form part of such establishment?

Prior clearance to research projects for foreign scholars

*177. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that for foreign scholars, research projects have to be cleared first by the Ministry; and

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

BSF helicopters stationed in Delhi

*178. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that for the past 12 years, six MI-17 IV helicopters of BSF have been stationed in Delhi resulting in drastically reducing the number of flying hours left for the task;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has made any efforts to train BSF personnel to maintain, service and operate these helicopters and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the corrective steps taken by Government to ensure proper utilization of helicopters and manpower of BSF?

Committee of Ministers for dialogue on Small Factories Bill

*179. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government

has set up a Committee of four Central Union Ministers to hold dialogue with the stake holders about the contentious provisions of the Small Factories Bill, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the said Committee had held any discussions with the trade unions in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

**SAI schemes for promotion
of sports**

†*180. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND

SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of sports promotion schemes being implemented by the Sports Authority of India (SAI);

(b) the State-wise details of the amount of funds spent on these schemes during the last three years; and

(c) the amount of funds proposed to be spent in various States and particularly Uttar Pradesh and Assam during Financial Year 2015-16?

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†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

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