

## RAJYA SABHA

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### List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
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(Ministries : Prime Minister; Atomic Energy; Development of North Eastern Region; Earth Sciences; Environment, Forests and Climate Change; External Affairs; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Overseas Indian Affairs; Parliamentary Affairs; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; 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 — 160

#### Negotiation for nuclear plants and fuel

†1921. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is negotiating with foreign countries for the establishment of more new nuclear power plants and for the supply of fuel;

(b) if so, the names of the countries with whom negotiations are taking place;

(c) by when a final decision is likely to be taken; and

(d) the names of the places where nuclear power plants could not be

established despite approval being granted and the reasons therefor?

#### Third stage of nuclear programme

1922. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is very keen to implement the third stage of Indian Nuclear Power Programme and if so, the details thereof and its salient features;

(b) the list of nuclear power projects initiated during the last five years and to be initiated in near future; and

(c) the amount earmarked for this programme and the estimated power production to be generated?

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**Contribution of atomic energy in total energy production**

1923. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the contribution of atomic energy in total energy production is very low in India compared to developed countries;

(b) whether Government plans to substantially increase the contribution of Nuclear Energy in the next decade; and

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

**Decrease in production of Thorium**

1924. SHRIMATI GUNDU SUDHARANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production of Thorium as Thorium Nitrate has consistently been decreasing since 2000;

(b) whether it is also a fact that in spite of continuous reduction in the production of Thorium as Thorium Nitrate, the export of the same is going up since 2008-09, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what are the reasons that production of Thorium as Thorium Oxalate has stopped from 2013-14?

**Commissioning of Jaitapur Nuclear Power Plant**

1925. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether techno commercial negotiation to evolve an appropriate business model for implementation of the Jaitapur Nuclear Power Project has been completed, if so, the features thereof;

(b) whether any target has been fixed for commissioning of the Plant, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the present position so far rehabilitation and resettlement of project affected people are concerned?

**Plans for increased nuclear power capacity**

1926. SHRI AAYANUR MANJUNATHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has put in abeyance/on hold a plan to install 20 gigawatts of nuclear power capacity in the country by 2020;

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

(c) the manner in which Government proposes to carry forward the nuclear programme in the country?

**Licence for regular operation of Kundankulam Plant**

1927. SHRI A.W. RABI BERNARD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) has granted licence for regular operation of a Kundankulam Nuclear Plant unit 1, currently operated by Nuclear Power Corporation of India, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Regulatory Board revealed that the safety review of Kundankulam's Water-Water Energetic Reactor (VVER) Pressurised Water Reactor has confirmed that they satisfy the requirements specified by it and the current International safety standards and if so, the details thereof?

### **Cost of nuclear power generation**

1928. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the generation of atomic power in India under the Indian Government's nuclear deal with foreign countries;

(b) whether the cost of such power generation would be less than the power generated by means of other resources, if so, the details of percentage-wise difference thereof; and

(c) the percentage of the power generation likely to increase in the country as a result of the said deal, and if so, the details thereof?

### **Understanding between India-US and Sri Lanka on nuclear power**

1929. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) to what extent the understanding between India and USA and Sri Lanka helps in achieving the targets of 63,000 MW by 2032;

(b) the details of power projects that are under various stages of construction;

(c) by when each of the above projects start producing power; and

(d) what efforts his Ministry is making to construct reactors in 4-5 years instead of 7-8 years that we are taking now?

### **Development of infrastructure in NE Region**

1930. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF

NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects initiated by Government to develop infrastructure in the North-Eastern Region (NER) during each of the last three years and in the current year, State-wise; and

(b) the allocation and utilization of funds from all the schemes being implemented by Government for the development of NER in the past two years and in the current year, State-wise and Scheme-wise?

### **NLCPR allocated to NE States**

1931. SHRI SANTIUSE KUJUR: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that NLCPR funds are allocated to North Eastern States if so, the details thereof;

(b) how many projects have been retained for funding in 2014-15 and how much percentage of amount utilized in the sanctioned amount so far, State-wise and what is the present status of the retained projects, State-wise; and

(c) the details of funds utilized in the allocated budget for NLCPR in 2014-15, State-wise?

### **Hailstorm Control Technology Programme**

†1932. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government considers to launch any project for accurate forecast of Monsoon, cyclone and other emergent incidents related to weather, if so, the details thereof;

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(b) the length capacity of hailstorm control technology programme *i.e.* weather monitoring capacity in the area thereof;

(c) whether this technology provides twenty four hours, updation of cloud mass and rain patch after every ten minutes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the benefits to farmers thereof from it?

#### **Improvement in late weather forecasting**

1933. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that though weather forecasting has improved in the country but it is still not at par with international standards, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the remedial measures that Government propose to take in this regard?

#### **Solution to hardships of human beings and wild animals**

1934. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that population of most of wild animals has increased substantially in last two decades and if so, the details of main animals;

(b) whether human and wild animals conflicts are on the rise leading to serious injuries and deaths as well as substantial crop damage, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that wild animals too face hardships such as dearth of water and food as also insecurity; and

(d) in what manner Government intends to look a solution to hardships to both the human beings and wild animals?

#### **Study of changes occurring in Himalayan Region**

†1935. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware of the fact that many type of incidents similar to natural calamities are occurring in Himalayan Region due to Global Warming, if so, the details of the action taken by Government, so far;

(b) whether Government would consider to constitute a group of experts to study the incidents occurring in the Himalayan Region which could advise the Government with reference to changes; and

(c) if so, by when the group would be constituted and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Steps taken to protect 48 species of bumblebees**

1936. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is home to 48 species of bumblebees; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken to protect such species?

#### **Steps taken to increase forest area**

1937. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD:  
SHRI D.P. TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT,

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FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that forest area is decreasing gradually and density of population with respect to land area is increasing in Maharashtra, Karnataka, Chhattisgarh, Odisha and drastic changes in Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by Government to improve its condition and the target for the next three years?

#### **Review of Social and Environment Audit**

1938. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to consider performance review of social and environment audit mandatory for all Government schemes;

(b) if so, the details thereof and time by which the decision on the same is likely to be taken; and

(c) Ministry-wise details of the programmes which do not have performance review, social and environment audit?

#### **Menace of e-waste**

†1939. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that menace of e-waste is increasing day-by-day;

(b) the details of norms fixed for safety of workers working in the recycling process of e-waste, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether due to non-solubility of e-waste in soil, its fertility decreases and ground water get contaminated and if so, the steps taken by Government to check e-waste?

#### **Garbage disposal in pilgrim centres**

1940. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has addressed the issue of garbage disposal, especially non-biodegradable waste from the pilgrim centres in the country;

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

(c) the measures taken/being taken by Government to prevent pollution and waste in major pilgrim centres?

#### **Pollution caused by thermal power plants**

1941. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Green Tribunal has taken note of the alarming pollution caused by thermal power plants in Vidharbha region using inferior quality coal in violation of Ministry's norms;

(b) whether Government is monitoring the thermal power plant for usage of better quality coal, clean coal technology and control of pollution;

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(c) the steps taken by Government to control the pollution caused by the thermal plants in the country; and

(d) whether Government has conducted/ will conduct any study on the rising temperature, health fatalities like increasing respiratory and other ailments and environmental degradation resulting from thermal plants?

#### **Respiratory diseases due to air pollution**

1942. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the range of respiratory diseases with regard to lung function, palpitation, vision and blood pressure-arising in children on account of air pollution in the country; and

(b) the details of increase in incidence of ARI (Acute Respiratory Infections) in children over the past decade, State/UT-wise and details of Governmental action regarding the prevention and control of these diseases?

#### **Compensation for elephant death**

1943. SHRI SANTIUSE KUJUR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are so many fatal human-elephant conflicts in Assam and if so, the details thereof;

(b) how many people killed in the last five years, year-wise, district-wise, how many elephants killed in the last five years, year-wise, district-wise, how many houses damaged in the last five years, year-wise, district-wise;

(c) the total amount of compensation given in the last five years, district-wise; and

(d) whether any measures/steps are taken by Government to increase the compensation amount for such type of conflicts?

#### **Green bonus to States**

†1944. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to policy measures and special efforts made by Government in last one year, the diminishing of forest areas has stopped, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether there is proposal to provide green bonus to States for enhancing forest area in the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Speedy clearance of infrastructure projects**

1945. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various infrastructure projects pending for want of environmental clearance, project-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether any mechanism exists for speedy clearance of infrastructure projects;

(c) the reasons for delay in providing clearance to the infrastructure projects; and

(d) in what manner Government propose to remove the barriers on the way of clearance of these infrastructure projects?

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**Sickness of people due to fly ashes**

†1946. SHRIMATI KAHKASHAN PERWEEN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the people are getting sick due to fly ashes discharging from power projects in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government to stop it?

**Theft of wood in forest of Odisha**

1947. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) the total forest area in the State of Odisha;

(b) whether the Minister is satisfied with the manner in which the forests are being monitored and maintained; and

(c) how many cases of theft of wood from the forest of Odisha has been reported and solved?

**Environmental Surveillance Squad**

1948. DR. T. N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether 'Environmental Surveillance Squad' (ESS) programme of CPCB has failed in carrying out surprise inspections on a larger scale, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) if not, details of the complaints received/registered and surprise raids/inspections of industrial units including distilleries carried out by ESS during last

two years and the current year along with the names of the unit against whom action was initiated; and

(c) details of the mechanism existing with Government to monitor the compliance of National standards stipulated for treatment of effluents by industrial units and also penalize those who flout pollution norms or violate green laws?

**Steps taken to prevent depleting forest area**

1949. SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Forest Policy (NFP) envisages one third of the total land of the country under forest or tree cover as National goal, if so, the details thereof along with the total land under forest or tree cover in the country, as on date, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether Government has received representations/suggestions from various quarters including environmental activists over the fast depleting forest cover in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of Government thereto; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to prevent depleting forest area and effective implementation of the NFP across the country?

**Funds to save endangered animals**

1950. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has sanctioned

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funds to save endangered animals, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) is meant to protect endangered species of flora and fauna, including conservation of wildlife reserves and ecologically sensitive areas; and

(c) if so, the details of CAMPA funds disbursed to various States in the country in the last three years?

#### **Threat to the bio-diversity of the river**

1951. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the deadly fish Piranhas landed in Godavari river and also in coastal Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether Government has made any assessment about the threat this species poses to the bio-diversity of the river due to its aggressive and predatory nature; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to check further spread of this species by initiating measures to eradicate it from the Godavari River System?

#### **Rise in earth's temperature**

1952. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware of the fact that some scientific reports have claimed that the growing tendency of rise in earth's temperature will make summers unliveable in India in the near future;

(b) whether the Ministry has done any independent study or assessment in this regard; and

(c) the steps that are proposed by Government to combat the threat of rising temperature of the earth?

#### **Deteriorating condition of seashore and beaches**

1953. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note of the deteriorating condition of seashore and beaches along the country;

(b) whether Government has implemented or plans to implement any scheme to protect and revive the seashore ecosystem in the country; and

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

#### **Problem of poaching of animals**

1954. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether poaching of animals is a perennial problem in every jungle of the country;

(b) whether the officers and the staff of the Forest Department are fully equipped with vehicles and armaments to counter and contain the poachers in the jungle;

(c) the number of poaching cases that have been reported from the jungles of the country; and

(d) how many arrests have been made for poaching for the last two years ending 31st May 2015?



### **BRICS Nations Summit**

1955. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister had attended the Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS) Summit taken place in Ufa, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the discussions have done with regard to Make-in-India Programme, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Members of BRICS have come forward to participate in Make-in-India programme, the details thereof?

### **Modernisation of PSKs**

1956. SHRI AAYANUR MANJUNATHA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the PSKs currently functioning in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the modernisation process of passport offices/Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) are underway in the country, if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the time by which all the PSKs are likely to be modernised along with the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

### **Cooperation between India and Myanmar**

1957. SHRI A. W. RABI BERNARD: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and Myanmar have

decided to broad-base their defence and security cooperation to fight terrorism and insurgent activities, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the countries also reviewed the gamut of ties and agreed to step up co-operation in Border Management and also in sectors like petroleum, trade and commerce and if so, the details thereof?

### **Indian in Bangladesh conclaves**

1958. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indians living in Bangladeshi conclaves presently;

(b) how many of them want to shift to the Indian side; and

(c) what are the measures adopted for their rehabilitation?

### **Endorsement to Indian suggestion in UN conference at Doha**

1959. SHRI PAUL MANOJ PANDIAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a UN conference in Doha recently endorsed India's suggestions on promoting global cooperation in fighting the menace of money-laundering, international terrorism and cyber crime, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether a clause in the declaration prominently took care of the concern that the Indian Government has been emphasizing recently at all possible forums, if so, the details thereof?

**Assistance for nuclear programme**

1960. SHRI K. C. TYAGI:

SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is getting any assistance from foreign countries to its nuclear energy programme, the details of reactor that is going to be supplied to India; and

(b) whether any agreement has been signed between India and any foreign country on this during recent visit of Prime Minister to foreign countries and if so, the details thereof?

Council Court through abstainment from voting;

(b) whether the resolution was related to strikes in Gaza over a period of two months in 2014 which left the 2200 people dead including 1462 Palestine citizens;

(c) whether there is any departure from India's stand on Palestine and towards Israel;

(d) if so, on what grounds did India withdrew its support for the cause of Palestine people; and

(e) if not, the reasons for taking such a stand by India in support of Israel?

**Civil nuclear deal with Australia**

1961. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the issues yet to be resolved with Australia over civil nuclear deal;

(b) whether it is not true that the Australian Foreign Minister assured that framework for uranium trade would be finalized this year, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) when would India start getting uranium from Australia?

**Country's refusal to vote against Israel**

1962. SHRI D. RAJA:

SHRI K. K. RAGESH:

SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India refused to vote against Israel in a resolution in UN Human Rights

**China rejecting clarification on LAC**

1963. SHRI ARVIND KUMAR

SINGH:

SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

SHRI RANJIB BISWAL:

SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether China has rejected the Indian Government's proposal seeking Line of Actual Control (LAC) clarification for peace along the Indo-Chinese borders, if so, the details thereof, the response of Government thereto; and

(b) the other measures Government has taken recently to resolve the border issue and intrusion by Chinese army in Indian territory?

**Full membership of SCO**

1964. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has

been accepted as a full member of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) by 2016, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that India which has had an observer status for the past ten years will ethnically become a member by next year after completion of certain procedures; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that India had agreed to work in combating terror and boosting trade by easing barriers?

#### **Deals between Pakistan and China**

1965. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of 51 deals that Pakistan and China entered into recently;

(b) the details of projects, out of above 51 which impacts India economically, from security point of view and otherwise; and

(c) what are the reasons that in spite of India's opposition, China decided to construct economic corridor through Pakistan occupied Kashmir (PoK) and how India is planning to counter this?

#### **Setting up of Passport Seva Kendras**

1966. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 83 given in the Rajya Sabha on 16th August, 2012 and state:

(a) whether National Institute for Smart Government has examined all proposals regarding establishing Passport Seva Kendras/Mini Passport Seva Kendras at various places in the country and submitted its Report;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon by Government;

(c) the details of number of places identified by Government for opening up of new Kendras, State-wise, including Gujarat;

(d) whether Government is going to open Passport Seva Kendra in Bhavnagar, Gujarat, if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when adequate staff would be provided for Regional Passport Office at Surat?

#### **PM invited for India-EU Summit**

1967. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the European Union (EU) has invited the Prime Minister of India for an India-EU Summit to be held in Brussels in November this year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the PMO thereto;

(c) the details of the issues likely to be discussed during the Summit;

(d) whether the EU is one of the largest sources of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) for India; and

(e) if so, the details of FDI inflows from the EU to India during the last three years, year-wise?

**Issue of release of LeT commander,  
Lakhvi**

1968. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM:  
SHRI RAJ BABBAR:  
DR. K. P. RAMALINGAM:  
SHRI RANJIB BISWAL:  
SHRI PAUL MANOJ  
PANDIAN:  
SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether China had blocked an Indian move at the UN Sanctions Committee last month seeking action against Pakistan for the release of LeT commander Lakhvi in the 26/11 trial in violation of UN Resolution UNSC Resolution 1267;

(b) whether upon India taking up this matter, China has defended its step saying it was based on facts and in the spirit of objectiveness and fairness; and

(c) whether India would like the matter to rest with the Chinese rejoinder?

**Relation with Russia on nuclear liabilities**

1969. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts being made to remove differences between India and Russia regarding issues relating to nuclear liabilities; and

(b) the other steps taken by Government to strengthen relations with Russia in future?

**Attack on Indian fishermen**

1970. DR. T. N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of fishermen

being frequently attacked and arrested by Sri Lankan and Pakistani naval agencies during the last two years and the current year along with the number of fishermen arrested by these countries, country-wise;

(b) whether India has taken up the matter with the respective countries, if so, the response of these countries in this regard, and the steps taken by Government to find a mutually agreed long term solution to the issue; and

(c) the steps taken by Government in all coastal States so that passports are issued to these fishermen without difficulty?

**New private tour operators for Haj purposes**

1971. SHRI GULAM RASOOL BALYAWI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that applications were recently invited for registration/empanelment of new private tour operators for Haj purposes;

(b) whether the terms and conditions were later altered/changed through a subsequent Circular;

(c) whether the subsequent change has an effect of favouring the lobby of those private tour operators who are already registered/empanelled and keeping the new applicants away from those activities; and

(d) whether Government is aware that a racket is operating between them and some of the officers of Ministry and the steps being taken to break the nexus?

**Discussion with Pakistan**

1972. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the discussion between both the Prime Ministers of Pakistan and India it has been

agreed to resume dialogue in the form of an exchange between their national security advisers over all issues connected to terrorism, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that while India agreed to Pakistan's demand to discuss all outstanding issues, as a euphemism for J&K, Pakistan has assured that it would expedite the Mumbai attacks trial and condemned terrorism in all its forms?

#### **Profit/loss to CPSUs in Maharashtra**

†1973. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the profit/loss incurred to each Central Public Sector Undertaking operating in the country, especially in Maharashtra;

(b) the steps to be taken to revive the units running in loss; and

(c) whether Government proposes to set up more undertakings in Government sector in the State and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Rehabilitation of employees of CPSEs from Karnataka and Maharashtra**

1974. SHRI D. P. TRIPATHI:  
SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) identified by Government as sick/loss making CPSEs during 2014-15 in Karnataka and Maharashtra;

(b) whether Government has taken any

steps for transforming those sick CPSEs into profit making enterprises;

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

(d) the number of employees rendered jobless or affected due to the closure or sickness of CPSEs during the last three years and the current year; and

(e) the steps taken by Government for their rehabilitation?

#### **State-wise Public Sector Undertakings in operation**

1975. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of State Public Sector Undertakings, sector-wise, that are in operation at present, State-wise, and how many of these are economically sound and viable;

(b) how many are incurring losses; and

(c) the policy of Government towards the loss making undertakings?

#### **Strengthening of PSUs**

1976. SHRI AAYANUR MANJUNATHA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to strengthen Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in the core and strategic areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by Government in this regard;

(c) whether Government proposes to extend more autonomy to PSUs and if so, the details thereof; and

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(d) whether Government proposes to stop disinvestment of the profit making PSUs and if so, the details of the policy in this regard?

**Houses for economically weaker sections in Delhi**

1977. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is plan to provide houses to Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) in Delhi;

(b) whether Government has provided and constructed some houses under this scheme; and

(c) number of dwelling units constructed and handed over to EWS people in the last three years till June, 2015?

**Land requirement for EWS/LIG housing**

1978. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has an estimate of the land required to clear the backlog for Economically Weaker Section and Lower Income Group (EWS/LIG) housing if any, if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government has an action plan to clear this backlog; and

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

**Public housing projects**

1979. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of public housing projects undertaken by the Ministry in various States;

(b) the present status of those projects, along with funds earmarked, State-wise and project-wise; and

(c) by when the public housing projects would be completed and expected number of beneficiaries thereof?

**Housing for all scheme in Chhattisgarh and Uttar Pradesh**

1980. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA:  
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH  
YADAV:  
SHRIMATI MOHSINA  
KIDWAI:  
SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Cabinet has approved Housing for all 2022 scheme to provide housing to urban poor, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of focus areas in its three phases and the proposed time-frame for the same and the sub missions envisaged under the scheme;

(c) the funds proposed to be allocated under the scheme along with the criteria for identifying the beneficiaries particularly in Chhattisgarh and Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) the nature of investment proposed to be roped in for the scheme?

**Public Private Partnership for affordable housing**

1981. SHRI D.P. TRIPATHI:  
SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether recently Government proposes to encourage a Public Private Partnership (PPP) in the construction of affordable houses for all in the country; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of ongoing projects undertaken during the current year in each State/UT in the country?

**National Urban Livelihood Mission**

1982. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of the National Urban Livelihood Mission;

(B) whether any projects have been sanctioned under the above Mission;

(c) if so, details of projects sanctioned and the progress of each project, year-wise and city-wise; and

(d) to what extent the above Mission helped in organizing urban poor into Self-Help Groups (SHGs)?

**ILCS scheme in Himachal Pradesh**

1983. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of toilets constructed under the Integrated Low Cost Sanitation (ILCS) scheme during the last three years

and current year in the country including Himachal Pradesh;

(b) whether steps have been taken to ensure maintenance of these toilets; and

(c) whether Government is planning to introduce and establish any system to eliminate open defecation, conversion of insanitary latrines and eradication of manual scavenging in the country, if so, the State-wise details thereof?

**Demand assessment for 'Housing for All' scheme**

1984. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted a base line survey in order to understand the State-wise demand assessment for the scheme for 'Housing for All' by 2022, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the houses to be constructed under the scheme will be accessible to persons with disabilities and take into consideration their infrastructural requirements, if so, the details thereof, if not, reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government shall take into consideration the safety concerns in disaster prone areas and ensure resilient construction under the scheme, if so, the details thereof?

**People living in Urban Slums**

1985. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any data about the increase of urban slums in India;

(b) if so, the details of the last five years, State-wise; and

(c) the data about the number of people living in the urban slums for last three years-number of men, women and children?

#### **Housing for all in Tamil Nadu**

1986. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what will be the size of the house for the economically weaker sections and low income groups, built under the 'Housing for All by 2022' scheme; and

(b) whether the State-wise allocation of number of houses have been planned, if so, how many houses will be built in Tamil Nadu under this scheme?

#### **Financial support to entrepreneurs in Odisha**

1987. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) how successful had been the National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC) in encouraging people to take Entrepreneurship in the past five years;

(b) how many people were able to take entrepreneurship with the help of NSIC in the State of Odisha during the years 2013-14 and 2014-15;

(c) whether Government provide any financial support also to such entrepreneurs; and

(d) if so, then what kind of provisions are available through which the financial support to the entrepreneurs are provided?

#### **New PMEGP projects**

1988. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Ministry has set target of 100 new Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) projects per year for each district;

(b) if so, how many districts have so far met even half of that target, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the details of districts that have achieved aggregate 100 PMEGP projects ever since the PMEGP was launched anew; and

(d) the number of districts that have not set aggregate 100 PMEGP projects ever since the PMEGP was launched anew, the details thereof, State-wise?

#### **Global competitiveness of Indian MSME sector**

1989. SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO: SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Technology is the foremost factor for enhancing the global competitiveness of Indian MSME sector, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether technology, generally used by the MSME sector, is a major cause for poor competitiveness of the sector, if so, the response of Government thereon; and

(c) whether there is urgent need to develop appropriate technologies for various manufacturing processes to bring



down cost and if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard?

**Women Entrepreneurship Development Programme**

1990. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to implement any special, dedicated Women Entrepreneurship Development Programme to assist, educate and empower women entrepreneurs in MSME sector of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the purpose during the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) the other steps taken by Government to generate employment opportunities for women; and

(d) what initiatives have been taken by State Government in Chhattisgarh and Uttar Pradesh related to this programme?

**Number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises**

1991. DR. BHALCHANDRA MUNGEKAR: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises in the country for last two years as on 31st March, 2015;

(b) State-wise number of each category of these enterprises;

(c) the total employment generated by these enterprises, State-wise; and

(d) the total credit made available by

the Central and State Governments to these enterprises?

**Registration of recruitment agents**

1992. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR:  
SHRI AMBETH RAJAN:

Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received proposals/applications during the current year from various States for issue of recruiting agent certificate for overseas manpower supply, and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) whether any amendments have been made to the guidelines for registration of recruiting agents and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any mechanism has been put in place to regulate and monitor recruitment agencies/agents and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of agencies/agents against whom action was initiated during the last one year for fraudulent activities, State-wise, including Himachal Pradesh?

**Birth registration of children of Indians abroad**

1993. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Missions abroad have been asked to register the birth of the children of Indians abroad, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that this will help several thousand of Indians living abroad to the extent of obtaining the Indian citizenship for their children and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Aadhaar card facility to NRIs**

1994. SHRI PAUL MANOJ PANDIAN: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to provide Aadhaar card facility to Non-Resident Indians, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that more than 11.3 millions of Non-Resident Indians would be benefited of this, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Disclosure of RTI information of Ministry**

1995. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to an independent audit, the Department of Personnel and Training, the nodal, department for Right to Information Act, is itself not disclosing information as laid down under the transparency law, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government has asked the department to strictly comply with the requirement of the Right to Information Act, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Officers belonging to SC/ST/OBC**

1996. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of IAS, IPS, IFS officers belonging to SC/ST/OBC as on date; and

(b) whether they have been given representation on the basis of their population during the last three years

and current year, and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Mechanism for receiving communication through e-mail in UPSC**

1997. SHRI ARVIND KUMAR SINGH:

SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether UPSC has mechanism to receive communication through electronic mail from Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) applicants/aspirants, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether on the website of UPSC, mail IDs of officials of UPSC have not been given, if so, the reasons for the same; and

(c) whether UPSC is also part of Digital India, if so, the details and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Constitution of Civil Services Board**

1998. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has constituted any Civil Services board as per the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to look after matter related with transfer and posting of civil servant, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has fixed any period for posting of civil servant at a particular place or department; and

(c) if not, is it not violation of court's direction and if so, the details thereof?

### **Studying of RTI legislation**

†1999. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is seriously considering to undertake study of the RTI legislation with a view to know its status and direction;

(b) if so, whether Government is contemplating to take steps in this regard; and

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

### **Backlog in vacancies for SC/ST/OBC**

†2000. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recruitment in Government services at Centre and States target for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and OBC categories have not been as per reservation prescribed for them, if so, the details of the backlog up till now, State-wise; and

(b) whether Government has prepared any action plan in order to expedite the filling in of the backlog, by when the backlogs would be filled in, the details thereof?

### **Setting up of Civil Services Board**

2001. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Centre has taken up with the States particularly Andhra Pradesh and telangana the need to set up Civil Services Boards on transfer and postings of IAS and IPS officers if so, the response from the State Governments; and

(b) whether the Centre considers advising the State Governments to give fixed tenures to their top bureaucrats?

### **Recruitment of OBCs/disabled in Government jobs**

2002. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recruitment of OBCs to Central Government jobs is way short of the job quota for OBCs;

(b) whether Government's attention has been drawn to reports that only a tenth of disabled quota is filled in Central Government jobs;

(c) the details of OBC/disabled recruitment taken up since May, 2014, particularly in respect of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, State-wise; and

(d) what steps are proposed to increase the representation of disabled/OBCs in Government jobs?

### **Application received under RTI**

2003. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications received under RTI, State-wise during last two years; and

(b) whether the gap between receipt and disposal of RTI cases has increased recently, if so, the magnitude of this gap and the steps taken to accelerate disposal of RTI cases?

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### **Completion of CBI cases**

2004. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) how many cases are pending in CBI and how many cases have been disposed of by CBI since 2010; and

(b) whether there is any time-frame for completing the incomplete cases, if so, the details thereof?

### **Benefits of Sixth Pay Commission**

2005. SHRI BALWINDER SINGH BHUNDER: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minister is aware that the Supreme Court had recently given its verdict that the benefit of Sixth Pay Commission should be paid to employees who retired before 1st January, 2006 and had given four months time for its implementation;

(b) whether the CAT as well as High Court had rejected Government's plea in this case earlier too;

(c) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to implement the Supreme Court verdict; and

(d) by when the order in this regard will be issued?

### **Representation of SC/ST/OBCs in Ministries/Departments**

2006. DR. BHALCHANDRA MUNGEKAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what was the number of Secretaries, Additional Secretaries, Joint Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries and Under Secretaries

in the various Central Government Ministries/Departments, belonging to SCs, STs and OBCs as on 31st March, 2015;

(b) whether this representation is adequate; and

(c) if not, what steps has been taken to improve the representation which is secured through the statutory reservation?

### **Proposal for New National Energy Policy**

2007. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to come up with a new national energy policy, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has consulted all the stakeholders in this regard;

(c) if so, the details of the views expressed by them; and

(d) the time by which a new energy policy is likely to be put in place?

### **Government initiative under NMSHE**

2008. SHRI DEREK O BRIEN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the initiatives taken by Government under the National Mission for Sustaining Himalayan Ecosystem (NMSHE); and

(b) the details on the budgetary allocation in undertaking the initiatives in the 12 Himalayan States and the amount of unspent funds, if any?

#### **Australia-India strategic research fund**

2009. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of research projects going on at present under Australia-India Strategic Research Fund (AISRF);

(b) the total amount so far provided by Australia under AISRF in this regard;

(c) the number of students exchanged for research work for each country during the last three years and the road map chalked out for the year 2016;

(d) the areas identified by both the countries on research in education field; and

(e) the further collaboration and joint ventures in research field identified by both the countries for funding under AISRF?

#### **Full time researchers in India**

2010. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has only two lakh full time researchers with 14 per cent of them being women;

(b) whether it is also a fact that India registers far fewer patent applications per capita than any other top filing Nation; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that domestic and foreign patents filed per 1 million population in India is at 17 compared to 4451 in South Korea, 3716 in Japan with even China filing 541 patents and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Project Implementation Agency for skill training in Uttar Pradesh**

2011. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Project Implementing Agencies (PIA), which implement skill training and placement projects for rural youth, under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) for the State of Uttar Pradesh have been identified and notified; and

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

#### **Integration of Skill Development guidelines**

2012. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved a proposal to integrate skill development guidelines among 21 Ministries and departments in order to streamline the skill India mission and reap a better demographic dividend, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has also proposed a new skill development and entrepreneurship policy to improve the efficiency of human resources, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Female Entrepreneurship Index**

2013. SHRI DEREK O BRIEN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that

India ranks a low 70 among 77 countries in Female Entrepreneurship Index; and

(b) if so, whether Government is planning to launch a scheme aimed specifically at facilitating women entrepreneurs and the details thereof?

**Skill development of unorganised labour population**

2014. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any plans to provide skill development training to the unorganized labour in India, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the measures, benefit schemes and skill development projects implemented by Government to protect the unorganized labour population and their families in the country and to increase their livelihood; and

(c) the total amount allocated, disbursed and spent in the last five years, State-wise, scheme-wise and project-wise?

**India as global Human Resource power house**

2015. SHRI S. THANGAVELU:  
SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that by 2020, almost 60 per cent of India's population of 1.3 billion will be in the working age group of 15-59 years;

(b) whether it is also true that if

adequately skilled this demographic divide could make India a global Human Resource (HR) power house; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and various Ministries and institutions are on a collaboration spree to bridge the gap and it will be a herculean task to keep the 2022 targets, if so, the details thereof?

**Kaushal Vikas Yojana**

†2016. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH  
VERMA:  
SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister has formally launched 'Kaushal Vikas Yojana' to impart professional and technical education to the youth;

(b) if so, whether the Prime Minister has fixed any time limit to make India the centre of human resources in the world, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has conducted any studies in regard to the requirements of resources to make India a centre of human resources;

(d) if so, the quantum of resources required per year to make India centre of human resources; and

(e) the strategy formulated to meet these resources and the complete details thereof?

**Funds for skill development in Rajasthan**

†2017. SHRI NARAYAN LAL  
PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of

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**SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP** be pleased to state:

(a) the name of the schemes formulated by Government to train the youth to give them employment, the details thereof;

(b) the fund allocated so far for the skill-development schemes in Rajasthan and the fund earmarked for the year 2015-16; and

(c) the total number of the young people, who were trained in Rajasthan in the last year 2014-15 and the number of young people who were given employment and the details thereof?

#### **Vocational training under NSDC**

2018. **SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA:** Will the Minister of **SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has met the target of providing vocational training to eligible candidates under the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) Programme;

(b) if so, the number of candidates benefited under the said programme during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) the year-wise and State/UT-wise number of candidates who have passed out and have been employed based on NSDC's vocational training in the country during the said period; and

(d) whether Government has tied up with various industrial associations like FICCI, CII to run such vocational training programmes under their mandatory

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) contributions, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Increase in duration of training courses**

2019. **SHRI PAUL MANOJ PANDIAN:** Will the Minister of **SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that currently training courses offered by Ministries range from 80 to 675 hours;

(b) whether it is also true that as per the new rule, a minimum of 200 hours training is required for fresh skilling courses and 80 hours for re-skilling programmes; and

(c) whether it is also true that the vision of the new skill policy is to create an ecosystem of empowerment by skilling on a large scale at speed with high standards and to promote a culture of innovation based entrepreneurship which can generate wealth and employment so as to ensure sustainable livelihood for all citizens in the country, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Demographic challenges against skill development**

2020. **DR. R. LAKSHMANAN:** Will the Minister of **SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made any assessment regarding heterogeneity of demographic challenges and opportunities across different States before addressing the issue of Skill Development, if so, details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether Government will come forward to constitute Sub Group of Chief

Ministers to address this issue in future, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Skill Development university in Bihar**

†2021. SHRI HARIVANSH:  
SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for establishment of Skill Development University in Bihar, if so, by when, it would be established;

(b) whether any negotiation have been held with Bihar Government in this regard;

(c) whether adequate resources are available for providing skill development training to thirty crore youths in five years and the expenditure to be incurred on this ; and

(d) whether it is proposed to seek collaboration from the private sector also for skill development?

#### **Skill development of OBCs**

2022. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the scheme of "assistance to voluntary organizations working for the welfare of the OBCs" was revised with focus on skill development; and

(b) if so, give details about the new scheme?

#### **Social security of old age people**

2023. SHRI PANKAJ BORA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the proposal of Government towards social security of the old age people;

(b) whether it is a fact that youth are not willing to come forward to help senior citizens; and

(c) if so, action proposed by Government thereon?

#### **Financial assistance to Rajasthan**

†2024. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the financial assistance provided by Government to the State of Rajasthan during the last three years for construction of hostels for the students belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and the Other Backward Classes;

(b) whether it is a fact that the proposal for construction of hostels for the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and the Other Backward Classes have been sent to Government by the State Government of Rajasthan in the current financial year; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government so far on the said proposals?

#### **National Council for Senior Citizens**

2025. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted

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any survey on the constant and rising incidents of abuse of elder persons especially women, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government proposes to set up a National Council for Senior Citizens and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has formulated any policy/scheme to provide separate and specialized comprehensive health care to senior citizens and improve the condition of old age homes, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Mentally retarded persons in the country**

2026. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any statistical data/information about mentally retarded persons in the country, if so, the details thereof, State-wise, and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government has any figures as to how many out of the persons are destitute abandoned by their families, if so, the details thereof along with Government's rehabilitation efforts for them, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government would take lead and coordinate with State Governments to address this important social issue, the details thereof?

#### **Inclusion of Mallah community in Scheduled Caste lists**

2027. DR. ANIL KUMAR SAHANI: SHRIMATI KAHKASHAN PERWEEN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has received

any proposal from Bihar for inclusion of communities in Scheduled Caste list, if so, the details and present status thereof;

(b) whether proposal of the State Government of Bihar for inclusion of Mallah caste in the list of Scheduled Castes are pending with Government, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which Mallah community is likely to be accorded Scheduled Caste status?

#### **Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers**

2028. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: SHRI D.P. TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has recently revised the Central Sector Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS), if so, the salient features of the revised scheme;

(b) whether Government has launched awareness campaigns to educate the existing manual scavengers regarding the benefits of the scheme, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government to ensure effective implementation of the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013 by all the States/Union Territories?

#### **OBC status to Gujjars**

2029. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has given OBC status to Gujjars and other communities in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the demands still pending with the Centre from various States including Andhra Pradesh for SC, ST and OBC inclusions of some other communities in the country?

#### **Functioning of NGOs**

2030. SHRIMATI SASIKALA  
PUSHPA:  
SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that some Non Governmental Organisations (NGOs) do not function properly;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of Government thereon; and

(c) whether Government has taken any decision to downgrade such NGOs which do not function properly, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government in this regard?

#### **Funds for Post Matric scholarship in Rajasthan**

†2031. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of budget of the amount of Central assistance announced during the last three years for the State Government of Rajasthan under Post Matric Scholarship Yojana for the students belonging to the Scheduled Castes;

(b) the quantum of amount utilised by the State Government under the said Yojana;

(c) the required remaining amount due to the State Government of Rajasthan from Government in the year 2014-15 under the Post Matric Scholarship Yojana for the students belonging to the Scheduled Castes; and

(d) by when the said amount would be provided to the State Government?

#### **Schemes for orphan and destitute childrens**

†2032. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the schemes being run in the country for the upliftment of orphan and destitute children and the number of orphan and destitute children who have benefited from them in the last one year, the State-wise details thereof; and

(b) whether Government has any data regarding number of orphan and destitute children in the country, if so, the details thereof, if not, whether Government acknowledges that the orphans and destitute children will not benefit from these schemes without authentic data and the details thereof?

#### **Increase in amount of pre-matric scholarship**

2033. SHRIMATI GUNDU SUDHARANI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) is it true that pre-matric scholarship for OBCs is just ₹ 25-50 per month for day scholars, if so, details of other allowance, if any, given to OBC students;

(b) will the Ministry considers that above are sufficient to meet their requirements;

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(c) whether it is also a fact that there have been demands to increase scholarship to a realistic figure keeping in mind the increase in cost of living, etc., if so, steps taken in this regard; and

(d) number of students benefited from Andhra Pradesh and Telangana in the last ten years under the above scheme, State-wise and district-wise?

#### **NGO's working in Madhya Pradesh**

‡2034. DR. VIJAYLAXMI SADHO: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether several Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) of Madhya Pradesh are receiving grant-in-aid from the Ministry for various schemes;

(b) if so, the details of NGOs receiving such grant;

(c) the scheme-wise and year-wise details of the amount provided as grants-in-aid during the last three years and in the present financial year; and

(d) the names of the defaulter NGOs and the details of the action taken or planned to be taken against them by the Ministry during the said period?

#### **Funds for pre-matric and post-matric schemes**

2035. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has released funds for pre-matric and post-matric scholarship schemes, hostel construction scheme and other schemes for the SC/ST during 2014-15;

(b) if so, the details of the funds allocated under the above schemes to State/ Union Territories and NGOs during 2014-15; and

(c) the steps taken or being taken by Government to ensure that funds released to NGOs for this purpose are utilized judiciously?

#### **Budget for social sector schemes**

2036. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of social sector schemes being implemented by Government;

(b) the details of physical targets set under these schemes for 2014-15 and 2015-16;

(c) what has been financial allocations made under the schemes for the above period; and

(d) how Government proposes to achieve the physical targets with reduced allocation for social such schemes?

#### **Old-age homes in Maharashtra**

‡2037. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) old-age homes operating in Maharashtra as well as in other States for the last three years;

(b) total number of old-age homes for which organisations seek help from Government for operation;

(c) the amount sanctioned for spending on the old-age homes; and

(d) whether these old-age homes are

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getting outside financial assistance for operation?

**Meritorious students with disability**

2038. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has any scheme to provide financial assistance/ scholarship to the meritorious students with disability at high school and college level, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, whether the Ministry will consider formulating such a scheme for the students with disabilities?

**Homeless senior citizens in country**

2039. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has conducted any study to assess the total number of homeless senior citizens in the rural and urban areas of the country; and

(b) whether the Ministry will consider proposals for setting up Old Age Homes for such people under PPP mode in various cities and villages of the country?

**OBC employees of Government**

2040. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether income from salary of a Government servant is being included as one of the criteria for deciding creamy layer

for issuance of OBC certificate to OBCs, if so, the complete details in this regard;

(b) the total number of Central Government employees belonging to OBC communities; and

(c) whether there are any OBC Employees Associations working in Government of India?

**India's Mars Orbiter Mission**

2041. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the India Mars Orbiter Mission (MOM) has completed its hundredth orbit around Mars;

(b) whether it is also a fact that it is also gradually coming out for the blackout it had entered earlier this month;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the payload on the spacecraft is to be restarted in a few weeks; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that the MOM remains healthy and all its payloads are performing satisfactorily, if so, the details thereof?

**Test of indigenous cryo engines**

2042. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state whether it is a fact that ISRO has test fired indigenous cryogenic engine and if so, the details thereof?

**Commercial income by ISRO and other organisation**

2043. SHRI K.N. BALAGOPAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Space Research

Organisation (ISRO) and related organisations are making commercial income; and

(b) if so, the details about the last five financial years?

#### **Satellite to support farmers**

2044. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any satellite-enabled services are used to support farmers in India, if so, the details thereof;

(b) if so, how much fund is allocated and spent for such services for the last five years; and

(c) if not, whether Government has any plan to use satellite enabled services to support farmers?

#### **Commissioning of stalled infrastructure projects**

2045. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to commission 47 per cent of the 258 stalled major central infrastructure projects in the current financial year, if so, the details of the projects in different sector; and

(b) by when these projects would be completed without time overrun?

#### **Increase in national income**

2046. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI:  
SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA:  
SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:  
SHRI K.C. TYAGI:  
DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH:  
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH  
YADAV:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase in the national income and the per capita income of the country during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, State/Union Territory-wise details of the percentage increase in per capita income after including inflation during the above period; and

(c) if not, the action taken by Government in this regard?

#### **Reaction on Rapid Survey on Children**

2047. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government received the fact sheet/draft report on the Rapid Survey on Children (RSOC) conducted by Ministry of WCD and UNICEF for reviewing; and

(b) what were the major drawbacks of the survey conducted as per the review by the Ministry and the recommendations made thereof?

#### **Infrastructure projects under JNNURM in Karnataka**

2048. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Karnataka has proposed in March and August, 2014, for sanctioning of ₹ 221.35

crores in respect of infrastructure projects under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) namely construction of Elevated Corridor in Bangalore, Sewerage diversion at different locations, construction of depots at Mysore, Udipi, Procurement of buses for Mangalore and Udipi and improvement of public transport etc.;

(b) what is the present stage of consideration of these proposals; and

(c) when will these be approved for release of funds?

#### **Passenger handling management system at Huda Metro Station**

2049. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the passenger handling management system at Huda Metro Station is faulty due to which there is lot of chaos and commotion at the exit point particularly during peak hours; and

(b) if so, what remedial measures are proposed to tackle this problem by utilising unused available space in the station for efficient crowd management as well as preemptive measures to avoid any disaster?

#### **Empowering the existing urban centres**

2050. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM:  
SHRI PAUL MANOJ  
PANDIAN:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that Governmental intervention in planning the cities would be minimal as far as smart cities are concerned, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a popular view that before pushing India on to a similar American path, the Government must step back and rethink whether Government should invest in smart cities, or rather empower the existing urban centres by means of policies that cater to poor and middle class India, if so, the view of Government in this regard?

#### **Regularization of unauthorized colonies**

2051. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a concrete plan has been prepared for the regularization of unauthorized colonies in Delhi, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether there will be a single policy for all the unauthorized colonies but the compliance charges will be different according to the locality, size of plots and type of construction, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Welfare of SC/ST employees**

2052. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the PSUs under the administrative control of the Ministry;

(b) the details of SC/ST persons employed in various groups in these PSUs;

(c) the details of SC/ST Employees' Welfare Associations formed by SCs/STs working in these PSUs;

(d) the details of the facilities extended/ provided by the Government/PSUs for the SCs/STs Welfare Association viz., Office Accommodation, etc.; and

(e) the way and means in which PSUs/ Government involves SC/ST Welfare Association in the Administrative activities/ developmental activities/management of the PSUs?

**Proposal from Karnataka under JNNURM**

2053. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Government of Karnataka had submitted two proposals in August, 2011 and June, 2014 for release of ₹ 28.29 crores as Central Government share in respect of drinking water supply projects in Bengaluru and Mysore cities;

(b) whether another proposal involving release of funds to the extent of ₹ 138.05 crores in respect of several projects where 10 per cent ACA was withheld under JNNURM; and

(c) what is the present status of consideration of these proposals and when will these be sanctioned and funds released to the State Government?

**Drawbacks in development of cities**

2054. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the shortcomings found in the major and non-major cities hampering development;

(b) whether the absence of efficient waste disposal system, adequate infrastructure for drainage, etc., are the major drawbacks for the development of these cities; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to address these issues?

**Smart cities in Jharkhand**

2055. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has proposed to turn Ranchi, Jamshedpur and Dhanbad of Jharkhand into smart cities;

(b) whether turning above cities of Jharkhand into smart cities will minimize migration of its people into other States and help bringing back around one third of its population who have already been displaced over the years can be gainfully rehabilitated; and

(c) whether the project will bring about phenomenal changes in areas such as transportation, health, public security and energy resources?

**Phase III of metro project in Delhi**

2056. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the progress of construction of metro projects in Phase III in NCT of Delhi, project-wise;

(b) what is the schedule of projects, project-wise and by what time, all the projects under Phase III will be ready for operation;

(c) what is the progress of metro project connecting Sector 21 Dwarka and Gurgaon and by when it would be operational; and

(d) whether multimodal integration facility will be available at all the metro stations coming under Phase III, if so, details thereof?

**Cycle and bike park in Dwarka sub-city**

2057. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether DDA proposes to develop adventure cycle and bike park in Dwarka sub-city;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including special area for kids, fitness centre and jogging track;

(c) the total area of the park; and

(d) whether financial and technical viability of the projects have been examined, if so, the details?

**Metro rail projects in Odisha**

2058. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many metro rail projects have been approved by Government so far;

(b) the details of the projects including central funding to each and every approved metro project; and

(c) whether Government is considering any project in Odisha, if so, the action taken so far?

**Pending proposal of Rajasthan**

†2059. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether urban development plans forwarded by the State Government of Rajasthan are pending with the Government, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the total number of cities of Rajasthan which have been selected for being developed as 'smart city' and the names thereof; and

(c) whether Government has formulated any scheme apart from the 'smart city' for the development of big cities of India, if so, the details thereof?

**Implementation of Land Pooling Policy in Delhi**

2060. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Regulations finalised for implementation of Land Pooling Policy in Delhi;

(b) by when regulations will be notified and the names of 95 revenue villages included for Land Pooling;

(c) whether DDA will start pooling land from participants immediately after notification and how long will it take to allot final plot;

(d) whether DDA proposes to charge development fees at the time of submission of land by the participants or at the time of final allotment of plots; and

(e) whether development charges would be calculated on gross area or the net area returned *i.e.* 48-60 per cent?

**Women suicides in country**

2061. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether number of women suicides also increasing every year these days;

(b) give their numbers, what are the main reasons;

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(c) whether sexual ill treatment is the main reason for the same, if not, what are other main reasons; and

(d) whether children also commit suicide, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Online tracking system for children**

2062. SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has set up/ proposes to set up a online tracking system for children in vulnerable conditions including mission/destitute children in order to bring them under the coverage of various welfare schemes/programmes being implemented in the country;

(b) the number of children who have been tracked from such tracking system so far in the country, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Ministry with the assistance of in co-ordination with other Ministries proposes to formulate any new scheme for education and employment of such children in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other steps taken/being taken by Government in this direction?

#### **Mechanism to track missing children**

2063. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether one of the objectives of Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) is to create a mechanism to track missing children in the country;

(b) whether on an average nearly 200 children are missing everyday in the

country and half of the children missed in 2014 are untraced;

(c) whether it is a fact that of the total children missing 63 per cent are girls; and

(d) if so, the reasons behind this and what special efforts Ministry is making to ensure that, at least, missed children are traced and given to their parents?

#### **Mamata scheme in Odisha**

2064. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) will the Ministry of Women and Child Development consider to extend the maternity benefit to all pregnant women of the country with financial support, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) will the Ministry of Women and Child Development agree to the proposal of the State Government of Odisha to retain the 'MAMATA' scheme to all the 30 districts of Odisha with financial support to each case; and

(c) if so, by when, if not, reasons therefor?

#### **SC/ST workers in anganwadi centres**

2065. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) details of the number of anganwadi centres in India presently, State-wise;

(b) details of the number of SC/ST workers and women workers in such centres and the number of women who belong to SC/ST; and

(c) steps taken by Government to increase the number of SC/ST anganwadi workers?

**Mahila Samridhi Yojana in Uttar Pradesh and Assam**

†2066. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) financial assistance provided to women of other backward class under Mahila Samridhi Yojana for last three years and current year, State-wise/Union Territory-wise details including Uttar Pradesh and Assam thereof;

(b) the number of women benefited under the scheme, State-wise/Union Territory-wise details thereof; and

(c) whether National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation has recently launched a new scheme for the development and status upgradation of women of other backward classes, if so, the details thereof?

**Rapid survey on children**

2067. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) key indicators on maternal and child health and nutrition, and access and usage of ICDS services for the Rapid Survey on Children (RSOC);

(b) State-wise break-up of data on malnutrition and immunization;

(c) what are the steps taken by Government for assuring the accuracy of the data; and

(d) reasons as to why Government delayed in publishing the results of the survey?

**Maintenance of women in live in relationship**

2068. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has studied the Hon'ble Supreme Court's ruling on determination of norms for maintenance of women in live in relationship;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to take any step in context of this ruling; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**Legal assistance to rape victims**

†2069. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of legal assistance provided to women in cases of rape and harassment along with measures for their social and financial rehabilitation; and

(b) in the light of the decision of High Court of Madras dated 18 June, 2015 regarding 'compromised with rapists' quashed later on, what are the measures provided for the safety, security as well as legal and financial assistance to the rape victims?

**Women in mental asylums**

2070. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Commission for Women has conducted survey to assess the plight of women in the mental asylums in the country;

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(b) whether it is a fact that a number of women are forced into such asylums after the death of their husbands etc., by women relations to help usurp their property; and

(c) whether Government proposes to bring out some legislation or a way-out to ensure that such women are not sent to such shelter illegally, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Welfare of widows living in Vrindavan**

2071. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Apex Court has given certain instructions to Uttar Pradesh Government to work for the welfare of Vrindavan widows to address their grievances in UP;

(b) if so, the details with progress that has so far been made in this direction; and

(c) the existing system that has been evolved to address their grievances/problems being faced by them?

#### **Economic empowerment of poor women**

†2072. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have started a revised training and employment programme for economic empowerment of poor women of rural and urban areas of the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the scheme has yielded expected results, so far and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Marital discord of NRI women**

†2073. DR. VIJAYLAXMI SADHO: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Commission for Women (NCW) has registered complaints like assault, domestic violence and other kind of atrocities on non-residential women married to NRI or foreign national or whether Government has carried out a survey in this regard throughout the country;

(b) whether NCW has recommended separate laws for issues like marital discord, alimony to wife and children and disposal of marital property, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has any scheme to provide justice to these women and action being taken/or to be taken by Government in this regard?

#### **Committee for gender parity in governance**

2074. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high level committee constituted by the Government in 2013 to study the status of women to help evolve policy interventions has submitted its final report to the Government;

(b) whether on increasing violence against women, the committee has called for several legislative interventions, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the committee has called for gender parity in governance and political participation as pre-requisite to the realisation of gender equality calling for 50

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per cent reservations for women on all legislative and decision making bodies?

### **Reforming juvenile offenders**

2075. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government collects or has collected any data regarding recidivism among juvenile offenders, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether any study has been conducted to ascertain if the Juvenile Justice system in India has failed to achieve the goal of reforming children in conflict with law, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Anganwadi centres and Sabla Yojana in Chhattisgarh**

†2076. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has not accorded sanction to the construction of 1600 buildings laced with all facilities for Anganwadi in Chhattisgarh;

(b) whether Government is considering the request of escalated cost from 4.5 lakhs to 7 lakh for the construction of Anganwadi buildings as stated in part (a);

(c) whether the 'Sabla Yojana' is to be implemented in the remaining 17 districts of the State and whether adolescent girls would also be provided ₹ 70 per month just as provided to pregnant lactating mothers as per their nutrition and diet under ICDS scheme; and

(d) whether Government is taking proper steps to encourage farmers to use organic manure in place of expensive chemical fertilizers?

### **Sabla scheme in Tamil Nadu**

2077. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Sabla scheme has been implemented in 205 districts across the country on pilot basis;

(b) if so, how many of these districts are in Tamil Nadu; and

(c) State-wise allocation of these districts?

### **Gender sensitive text books**

2078. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to set up a panel to make school text books gender sensitive;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with its composition and terms of reference;

(c) the time by which the panel is likely to submit its recommendations; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to include a chapter in the school text books on gender and body sensitization?

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**Powers of civil court for National  
Commission for women**

2079. SHRIMATI RENUKA  
CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of  
WOMEN AND CHILD  
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to  
grant powers of a civil court to the National  
Commission for Women, if so, the details  
thereof; and

(b) the time by which a legislation in  
this regard is likely to be brought before  
the Parliament?

**Modernisation of existing Anganwadi  
kendras**

2080. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR  
BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of  
WOMEN AND CHILD  
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government  
is contemplating on setting up of One Stop  
Centres across the country in a way to  
modernisation of existing Anganwadi  
Kendras for development of child care, if  
so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of such centres being  
established in Jharkhand?

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<b>Statistics and Programme Implementation</b>	: 2045, 2046, 2047,
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<b>Women and Child Development</b>	: 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 2068, 2069, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2073, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2078, 2079, 2080.