

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Tuesday, December 6, 2016/Agrahayana 15, 1938 (Saka)*

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

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Relaxation in fiscal laws regarding money transfer for medical treatment

*211. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the
Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether corporate hospitals in
India have made a request to Government
to relax fiscal laws for making money
transfer easier for medical treatment by
genuine patients; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and by
when the laws will be relaxed for genuine
patients and if not, reasons therefor?

Leakages of confidential defence- related information

*212. SHRI PARTAP SINGH
BAJWA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there have
been cases of leakages of confidential defence-
related information in the past three years;

(b) if so, the causes of such leakages
during the last two years and the current
year; and

(c) whether Government has
prosecuted any official for being
responsible for leakage of confidential
information during this period?

Opening of branches of NIA

*213. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY:
Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA
& NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA
AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to
state:

(a) whether Government plans to setup
branches of National Institute of Ayurveda
(NIA) in various States of the Country;
and

(b) if so, the details thereof, along with
the locations identified and if not, the
reasons therefor?

Missing IAF AN-32 aircraft

*214. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has not been able to trace out the missing IAF AN-32 aircraft till date; and

(b) if so, the details of initiatives taken and whether Government has taken help of satellites to locate the missing AN-32 aircraft?

Printing of nutritional contents in Hindi and regional languages on food packets

*215. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that printing of nutritional contents on food packets in English language only is a major obstacle in spreading nutritional literacy among general masses; and

(b) if so, whether Government is considering to issue guidelines to food packaging industries to print nutritional contents in Hindi and possibly in regional languages also, along with English; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Faculty and doctors' shortage at six new AIIMS

*216. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that six new AIIMS at Bhopal, Patna, Raipur, Rishikesh, Jodhpur and Bhubaneswar,

which have become operational, have an appalling shortage of faculty and doctors against the sanctioned posts;

(b) if so, the details of the sanctioned posts of faculty, senior and junior residents and the percentage of vacant posts; and

(c) the reasons for not filling up these vacant posts?

Action plan to prevent the spread of Zika virus

*217. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Health Organisation (WHO) has issued a warning regarding spread of Zika virus in Asian Countries including India;

(b) if so, what is the action plan of Government to prevent the virus from spreading in India;

(c) whether the Country has the infrastructure and expertise for testing and treatment of persons infected with Zika virus; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, how Government proposes to deal with the situation?

Measures to check preterm births

*218. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of preterm delivery of babies which resulted in the birth of still-borns in India during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether Government is aware that India has the highest number of preterm births in the world and it accounts for 35 per cent of the world's total, if so, the measures taken by Government to reduce this number; and

(c) the measures taken by Government to check the presence of Group B Streptococcus bacteria in female body which causes preterm birth and stillbirths?

Bringing the rural areas under health care purview

*219. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH NAGAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the private sector is actively engaged in secondary and tertiary health care sectors in urban areas;

(b) whether there is a need to focus on primary health care and bring rural areas under the health care purview which have remained under-served;

(c) whether shortage and lack of trained medical practitioners and support staff is an issue that needs to be addressed urgently; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

Eradication of leprosy

*220. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons affected from leprosy in the Country, State-wise, particularly in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) the measures being taken under the National Leprosy Eradication Programme to eradicate leprosy and the achievements made so far?

Medical equipments in tea gardens' PHCs of Assam

*221. SHRI SANTIUSE KUJUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of medical equipments in the Primary Health Centres (PHCs) in the tea gardens of Assam are lying non-functional thereby causing inconvenience to the patients and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has any monitoring mechanism in place to ensure proper maintenance of medical equipments used in those PHCs;

(c) the details of funds allocated and utilised for procurement of medical equipments for those PHCs in Assam during the current year; and

(d) the action taken by Government to improve the maintenance of medical equipments in these PHCs?

Construction of new airports

†*222. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of requests received by Government for the construction of new airports during last two years;

(b) the names of States which made the request and the locations identified; and

(c) the details of States and locations where Government has approved the construction of new airports?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**Bank loan waiver for drought/flood
affected farmers**

*223. SHRI K. T. S. TULSI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has provided any waiver on loans repayment by farmers in 2016-17 in view of drought and/or floods which affected several States of the Country this year; and

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

**Hurdles in operationalization of
AIIMS, Patna**

†*224. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that various hurdles are being faced to fully operationalise the AIIMS at Patna;

(b) whether it is also a fact that people of Bihar are not getting the full benefits of AIIMS, Patna on account of non-deployment of doctors and other support staff in various important Departments;

(c) if so, the Departments wherein adequate number of doctors and staff have not been deployed; and

(d) by when the vacant posts would be filled up and the Patna based AIIMS made fully operational so that people of Bihar could avail health facilities?

Negotiating team for Rafale deal

*225. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the team constituted to negotiate terms and conditions for procurement of 36 Rafale Jets had recommended any draft agreement to Government;

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

(c) whether the negotiating team will also push for Make in India programme while finalising negotiating terms and conditions with France; and

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

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