

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, March 9, 2016/Phalguna 19, 1937 (Saka)*

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

Total number of questions — 160

Imposition of anti-dumping duty

1280. SHRI RAJ BABBAR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the products on which anti-dumping duty is being imposed by Government;

(b) whether Government has made any review of the imposition of the dumping system;

(c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(d) whether various associations including the Automotive Tyre Manufacturers Association (ATMA), have requested Government to restrict import of cheap products from China and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereto; and

(e) whether Government has evolved any methodology to simplify the complex anti-dumping system and if so, the details thereof?

Employment generated in SEZs

1281. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any data about the employment generated in the Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in the country during the last three years;

(b) whether there are any incidents of human rights violations reported in SEZs during the last three years; and

(c) if so, the State-wise details thereof?

Energising bilateral trade ties

1282. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had decided to energise bilateral trade ties with many countries, including its neighbours;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government had entered into various trade agreements and treaties with many countries in last more than one year; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Identification of States that will lead NIMZ project

1283. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE:
SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA:
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH
YADAV:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified some States that will lead the National Investment and Manufacturing Zone (NIMZ) project as part of National Manufacturing Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government also proposed to set up some world class urban centres that will help to increase the share of manufacturing from 16 per cent of GDP to 25 per cent; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Investment commitments secured under 'Make in India' programme

1284. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI
REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the investment commitments secured so far after the launch of 'Make in India' campaign by Government;

(b) the State-wise details of total investment commitments secured in the

week-long 'Make in India' event held at Mumbai;

(c) the details of MoUs signed with Indian private companies and foreign companies/Government, separately for investments and in which sector; and

(d) the details of efforts made by Government to increase the tempo in manufacturing sector, since the orders fell short of 28-month low in December?

Import of arhar

†1285. SHRIMATI KANAK LATA
SINGH:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of total quantity of arhar pulse imported in the last two years;

(b) whether it is a fact that the arhar which was imported last year, was inferior in quality to the Indian pulses and it had also been banned for some time in India; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Opening of sectors through automatic route for FDI

1286. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.:
Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) is targeting to open 98 per cent sectors through automatic route for Foreign Direct Investment (FDI);

(b) the percentage of FDI that the country is presently getting through automatic route and through approved route by DIPP;

(c) the details of sectors that

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Government has identified as drivers of growth and how it is pushing FDI in such sectors in the last nearly two years; and

(d) what are the goals set up by DIPP to attract FDI by 2020?

Increase in industrial production

†1287. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage increase in industrial production sector in the country this year;

(b) whether this increase matches global standards; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and the measures contemplated by Government to improve it?

Going slow on future liberalisation commitments under WTO

1288. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether on the sidelines of the recently held interactive session of CII and Centre for WTO studies in Delhi, it was conveyed that in the backdrop of outcome of Nairobi Ministerial Conference, India has decided to go slow on future liberalisation commitments taken in the farm sector;

(b) whether at the Nairobi Ministerial Conference, WTO Members decided to phase out export subsidies with India agreeing to do away with flexibilities in transport and marketing subsidies by 2023; and

(c) whether India is still committed to

push through the Doha Development Agenda 2001 of WTO?

Acquisition of sick tea gardens in West Bengal

1289. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has acquired sick tea gardens in West Bengal in the last three months;

(b) if so, the garden-wise details thereof;

(c) how many starvation deaths have taken place in these gardens in the last three years; and

(d) what are the remedial measures adopted to stop the deaths?

Special rebate on investments by NRIs and foreign companies

†1290. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government intends to offer special rebate on investments to be made by NRIs, and foreign companies in various sectors to attract foreign investment, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the targets set with regard to direct investment to be made by NRIs and foreign companies during the last three years and in the current year; and

(c) whether the foreign companies and the entrepreneurs have been allowed to set up industries in various sector of the country, if so, the State-wise details of the areas where these industries are going to be established?

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Decline in industrial growth

1291. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL : Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that industrial growth in the country has declined significantly in 2015 as compared to the year 2013-14;

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

(c) how far the decline in industrial growth is due to the appreciation of the rupee *vis-a-vis* the US dollar; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to increase industrial growth?

Cities picked up under 'Start up India' scheme

1292. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bengaluru or any other city in Karnataka or Kerala has been picked up as a centre for innovation, start-up centre, incubation centre or research park under various schemes of 'Start up India' ;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what are the programmes allocated to Bengaluru under the Atal Innovation, Mission (AIM) under 'Start up India'?

Upgradation of salt industries

1293. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 977 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 4th March, 2015 and to state:

(a) the year-wise amount of funds utilized by Government in upgrading and

modernizing the salt industries during the last three years and the amount proposed during 2016-17;

(b) the projects taken up for such upgradation/modernization in Gujarat during the last three years along with the achievement made in this regard; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to promote salt industries under its various new initiatives and to attract youth work force to the industry?

Appointment of consultants by STC

1294. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Trading Corporation (STC) appoints consultants for specific tasks in the corporation and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details and number of consultants appointed by the State Trading Corporation in last three years; and

(c) the details of remuneration given and time period for which such consultants are appointed?

Import of high-tech electronics

1295. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is likely to consume high-tech electronics worth 400 billion dollars by 2020;

(b) whether India will be importing almost 300 billion dollars of that, a bill that will easily exceed the oil imports; and

(c) if so, what concrete steps Government is taking to make more high-tech products locally and also to minimize the import?

Free Trade Agreement

1296. SHRI K.C. TYAGI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether international trade between India and several other countries is being carried out under the Free Trade Agreement (FTA);

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of the countries with which FTA has been signed;

(c) the reductions in taxes applicable under the agreement; and

(d) the average value of annual exports and imports made under the agreement during the last three years?

Fire mishap at 'Make in India' event at Mumbai

1297. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fire mishap at the 'Make in India' event at Girgaum Chowpatty, Mumbai attended by many celebrities and politicians has left them shocked;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the fire mishap; and

(c) what steps the Ministry is taking to prevent such mishaps in future?

Tax exemptions to SEZs

1298. SHRI DEREK O BRIEN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise amount of tax exemptions given to Special Economic Zones (SEZs) during the last three years;

(b) the year-wise revenue earned by these SEZs through exports during the last three years;

(c) whether Government is planning of increasing the tax exemptions and other benefits to these SEZs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

'Make in India' campaign

1299. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the year since 'Make in India' campaign has been launched;

(b) what gains have been made so far;

(c) the details of amount spent/to be spent on the scheme; and

(d) the employment generated from the scheme so far?

Export and import of apple

1300. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the country-wise quantum of apple exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the production of apple has been decreased during the said period;

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

(d) the steps taken by Government to increase the production and export of apple?

Increase in prices of petroleum products

†1301. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether prices of petroleum products are determined according to prices

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of these products in international market, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the quantum of increase/decrease made in prices of petrol/diesel in last three years and current year, date-wise and the quantum of increase/decrease recorded in prices of crude oil in international market at the time of this revision;

(c) whether reduction in prices of petrol/diesel by oil marketing companies has not been proportionate to the fall in prices of crude oil in international market; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and financial benefit accrued to Government from it?

Trade agreement between India and France

†1302. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some trade agreement has been made between India and France; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when it is likely to be implemented?

Decline in merchandise exports

#1303. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's merchandise exports have declined in recent months;

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

(c) the policy initiatives taken by Government to arrest falling exports and enhance merchandise exports?

Approval for setting up of NIMZs

1304. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has granted approval to set up the National Investment and Manufacturing Zones (NIMZs);

(b) if so, the details and the locations, thereof, particularly in Karnataka, Jharkhand, Odisha and Chhattisgarh; and

(c) whether current year and in previous year some proposals have been received from various States for inclusion of more cities under NIMZs and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by Government thereon?

Pending patent and trademark registration applications

1305. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of patent applications and trademark registration requests pending with Government at present;

(b) the reasons for huge pendency of applications; and

(c) the fresh steps taken by Government to bring down the huge pendency of Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) applications?

Inflow of FDI

†1306. SHRI HARIVANSH : Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the total Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the last two years and the areas in which such investment was made;

(b) the reasons for the manufacturing sector not gathering momentum despite of increase in investment in the said sector and the details of the new employment opportunities created in this sector; and

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(c) the details of capital investments made by various countries under 'Make in India' and the amount of benefits derived by the country out of this?

Non-finalization of CEPA with Canada

1307. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reasons that Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) negotiations between India and Canada are going on for the last five years but not yet finalized;

(b) what are the contentious issues in the CEPA;

(c) how many rounds of negotiations have been held so far; and

(d) the efforts being made by India to address the demands made by Canada?

Extending export benefits to e-Commerce exporters

1308. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the exporters exporting through e-commerce are not entitled for any export benefits;

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

(c) the steps taken by Government to simplify the Shipping Bill procedure for e-commerce transactions and boost this sector by extending it all export benefits?

Granting status of institute of national importance to IIP

1309. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Institute of Packaging (IIP) has its limitations in adopting techniques, carrying out research, etc., in view of it not getting the status of institute of national importance;

(b) what steps the Ministry has taken on the demands of IIP industry and also from various quarters for elevating IIP into an institute of national importance;

(c) whether IIP has developed any new technology/technique to dispose packaging waste; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Permanent office of DGFT at Vijayawada, A.P.

1310. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to set up a permanent office of Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) in Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh; and

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

Steps to boost SEZs in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh

1311. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is not much progress of the 43 Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in Telangana and 26 SEZs in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof, and reasons therefor and the present status of each SEZs; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by Government to boost the SEZs in both the States?

Negative export growth

1312. SHRI SANJAY RAUT
SHRI ANIL DESAI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether several sectors recorded negative export growth in December, 2015;

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

(c) whether Government intends to exempt exports from service tax, as well as create Export Development Fund with a corpus of 0.5 per cent to 1 per cent of total export value to contain dip in exports;

(d) whether Government would take steps for the removal of inverted duty structure anomalies in order to shore up exports; and

(e) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

Project 'Mausam'

1313. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of Project 'Mausam';

(b) how Project 'Mausam' helps to counter China's Silk Route strategy and revive India's economic links with the countries in the Indian Ocean region; and

(c) the initiatives so far taken under Project 'Mausam'?

Heritage sites in Karnataka

1314. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been

conducted by Government to identify heritage sites in the country, if so, the State/ UT-wise details thereof;

(b) the heritage sites taken up for development for the last three years and the current year;

(c) the development made so far at each of the heritage site; and

(d) the proposed heritage sites in Karnataka which are likely to be included for overall development?

Special policy for conservation and promotion of culture

†1315. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any special policy for protection, conservation and promotion of culture of the country;

(b) if so, the main characteristics of the policy and whether any special mechanism has been set up for its implementation;

(c) whether Government is formulating any scheme for propagation programmes to promote the spirit of culture among citizens of the country at national level; and

(d) if so, the details of the above policy along with the action taken by Government in this regard?

Indian antiquities stolen and sold in foreign countries

1316. SHRI SUKHENDU SEKHAR ROY: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian antiquities stolen and sold in foreign countries since 2000;

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(b) whether US authorities seized and stored in their vaults about 700 pieces of Indian artefacts;

(c) the details thereof and action taken for bringing back stolen artefacts identified and seized by other countries;

(d) whether any Art and Idol Squad has been set up to checkmate theft and recovery of stolen artefacts, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether any National Antiquities Register has been created for recording items in Museums and district authorities, if not, the reasons therefor?

Setting up of centres of NSD

1317. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National School of Drama (NSD) centres set up/functioning in the country so far in Karnataka, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Odisha;

(b) whether Government proposes to set up/open more NSD centres in other parts of the country including Karnataka;

(c) if so, the location-wise details thereof;

(d) the time by when these centres are likely to be set up/made functional; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Monuments under Clean India Campaign

1318. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified any monument in Gujarat under Clean India Campaign;

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

(c) the details of funds sanctioned, released and utilized in Gujarat for the said initiative; and

(d) the expenditure made and works undertaken so far at each of the identified monument?

Jain Idols stolen and smuggled abroad

1319. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that many precious idols of Bhagwan Mahavir and other deities belonging to Jain religion have been stolen and smuggled abroad during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government is aware of many instances reported during last year from Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan where precious idols were removed and stolen; and

(d) if so, how many idols have been recovered and how many could not be recovered during the last three years?

Relief package to Puducherry for cyclone

1320. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how much was sought by Government of Puducherry towards the Thane Cyclone relief in 2011-12;

(b) how much was sanctioned by Government of India as relief;

(c) how much was released to Government of Puducherry;

(d) whether it is a fact that ₹ 50 crores was adjusted by re-appropriation from Plan to Non-Plan budget estimates of 2011-12; and

(e) if so, whether Government agrees that ₹ 70 crores committed by it to the Government of Puducherry along with re-appropriated amount of ₹ 50 crores is still due?

BSF Battalion on borders of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha

1321. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to set up BSF Battalion on the borders of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha to reduce the presence of Maoist extremism;

(b) if so, the details thereof and progress made so far; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Advanced arms and ammunitions to security forces to fight terrorists

1322. SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV:
SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI K. C. TYAGI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that terrorists are in possession of resources and more advanced arms and ammunitions;

(b) if so, whether Government has made any plan to equip the security forces and intelligence agencies with advanced mechanism to combat terrorists; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Police personnel in J & K disappearing and joining Ultras

1323. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that incidents of Police personnel disappearing with AK-47 rifles in Jammu and Kashmir and joining ultras have increased in the recent past;

(b) if so, the year-wise details thereof for the last four years; and

(c) what action Government has taken or proposes to take in the matter?

Special cell to find out cause of missing children

1324. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is aware that a large number of children are missing from various States in the country during the last two years;

(b) if so, the year-wise and State-wise details thereof;

(c) whether Government has a proposal to constitute a special cell to find out the exact cause of the missing children and to locate them; and

(d) if so, the concrete steps Union Government proposes to take in this regard?

Promotion of forensic sciences in criminal investigation

1325. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the measures being taken by Government to promote the use of forensic

sciences and scientific procedures in the conduct of criminal investigations;

(b) whether any financial or technical assistance is being provided by the Central Government to State Governments for the capacity building of State police forces to carry out scientific investigations; and

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

Terrorist attack in Pampore region in J&K

†1326. SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the loss of property and names of the security jawans who sacrificed their lives in the terrorist attack in Pampore region of Jammu and Kashmir this month;

(b) whether it is a fact that intelligence agencies of the country have failed to gather substantial information due to which the State is facing frequent incidents of terrorism; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Naxalites killed in encounter in Ranchi

†1327. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether many Naxalites including a women have been killed in an encounter in

the month of February in Ghaghrabeda village in Ranchi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the naxalites and the security forces killed in encounters in last three years in various parts of the country; and

(d) the details of steps being taken by Government to bring those naxals in main stream who want to quit naxalism?

Video conferencing of David Headly

†1328. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of conclusions arrived at by Government after the evidence of David Headly through video conferencing in this month in Mumbai High Court regarding 26/11 attack and whether Pakistan Government has been asked to take action in the light of the facts that came out through this evidence; and

(b) the details of steps taken by Pakistan till date in respect of the culprits of 26/11 attack?

Publishing of caste-wise data

1329. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Cabinet meeting held on 15th July, 2015 had decided to set up an expert group to collate caste count from the Socio-Economic and Caste Census data;

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(b) if so, the details of the expert group and the progress in conducting the caste-wise data; and

(c) whether any time frame has been fixed to complete and publish the caste-wise data?

Setting up a separate force for community policing

1330. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether emulating State initiatives in Kerala, Karnataka and Madhya Pradesh, the Centre has set up a task force to study how students from high schools and above can be drafted for non-combat duties like traffic management and working for public safety;

(b) whether there is much scope for setting up a separate force for community policing to handle traffic management and crowd control in public places like temples, railway stations and stadia across the country during festivities and mega sports events; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Rise in criminal activities in name of religion and caste

1331. DR. T. N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note of the rise in criminal activities in the name of religion and caste;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof during last two years and the current year and the steps taken to check such incidents in future;

(c) whether Government has coordinated with the States for better co-ordination with the Centre and exchange of sensitive information; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the States thereto?

National Refugee Policy

1332. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the country-wise details of the refugees who have come into the country during last five years;

(b) the details of the existing set of rules and guidelines for settlement of refugees in the country;

(c) whether the Ministry is intending to initiate a National Refugee Policy for smooth and effective settlement of refugees coming to India from other countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Security of Goa international airport

1333. SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) which of the security forces look after the security of Goa International Airport;

(b) whether all the security personnel are provided with bullet proof jackets, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government intends to provide bullet proof jackets to all personnel, if not, the reasons therefor?

Free vaccination in cases of dog and monkey bites in Delhi

1334. SHRI SALIM ANSARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 3,500 cases of dog and monkey bites have been reported in Delhi/New Delhi during the last one year;

(b) whether Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) and New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) have taken any action in the matter; and

(c) whether Municipal authorities have any plans for free vaccination in case of bites by dogs and monkeys and if not, the reasons therefor?

Policy of classifying documents

1335. SHRI SALIM ANSARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the policy of classifying documents as 'secret', 'top secret' and 'confidential';

(b) whether Government has received certain recommendations from CIC for fulfilling the mandatory requirement of proactive disclosure under the Right to Information Act (RTI); and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government on the recommendation of CIC so far?

Illegal use of industrial explosives by naxalites

1336. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the

threat perception arising out of easy availability and increasing illegal use of industrial explosives particularly by naxalites in the country;

(b) whether there is need to tighten the control on the sale, purchase, storage and movement of explosive materials, particularly those used in mines;

(c) what are the prevailing norms for these; and

(d) the measures taken by Government in this regard?

Jawans of BSF found to be suspect in Pathankot attack

†1337. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Jawans of Border Security Force have been found to be suspect in terrorist attack on Pathankot air base;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to safeguard the borders along Pakistan?

Compensation to kin of police personnel dying while performing duty

1338. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Ministry, in coordination with State Governments, to provide adequate and modern arms training and to enhance morale, reduce stress and work load, and motivate the lower rung of the police forces;

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(b) whether Government has any specific data about suicide committed by police personnel, if so, the State-wise details thereof for last five years; and

(c) whether the Ministry, in consultation with States, would come up with a policy to ensure sufficient/satisfactory compensation and its periodic revision to kin of police personnel dying while performing their duty, if so, the details thereof?

Crime against Scheduled Castes

1339. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that States like Rajasthan, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh records highest number of crime against Scheduled Castes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the various steps taken by Government to control criminal acts against Scheduled Castes in aforesaid mentioned States; and

(d) the State-wise details of crimes committed against SC community during last five years?

Discontent in Rayalaseema region over failure to honour the commitments under AP Reorganisation Act

1340. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to reports of simmering discontent in backward Rayalaseema region over the failure to honour the commitments made under the AP Reorganisation Act; and

(b) if so, what steps Government plans to undertake to address the concerns of the region?

Restricting the supply of drugs from across the border in Punjab

†1341. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the youth of Punjab are in the grip of drugs;

(b) if so, the details of steps taken by the Ministry to restrict the supply of drugs from across the border;

(c) whether some officials of Punjab police are also suspected of being involved in this drug trafficking; and

(d) if so, the details of action taken against them so far?

Women police officers in Delhi Police

1342. SHRI DEREK O BRIEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of police officers in Delhi Police who are women;

(b) the number of women officers deployed for night patrol; and

(c) the percentage of police stations in Delhi that have at least one women constable presence?

Policy to compensate rape victims

1343. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no policy to compensate rape victims who are physically or mentally challenged;

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(b) if so, whether there is a proposal to have such a policy;

(c) if so, what is being done about this; and

(d) the deadline for announcing the policy?

Infiltration in the guise of pilgrimage

1344. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether lots of pilgrims come to our country every year from the neighbouring countries;

(b) whether it is a fact that some of those pilgrims intentionally get lost and don't return to their country;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the spies of foreign countries take advantage of such situation and infiltrate for malicious activities causing threat to the national security; and

(d) if so, what action Government of India has taken to ensure that such activities of infiltrators are completely checked and controlled?

Use of NVDs and sophisticated arms and ammunitions for combat operations

1345. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the need to use more effective Night Vision Devices (NVDs) and sophisticated arms and ammunitions for all combat operations in internal security as well as borders;

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether Government is keen enough and plans to

procure effective NVDs and sophisticated arms and ammunitions;

(c) if so, the year-wise details thereof and the value and volume of procurements made in the last four years; and

(d) the value and volume of NVDs and bullet-proof jackets procured in the last five years from Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) and its allied companies?

Rise in number of Pakistani spies in the country

†1346. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of Pakistani spies is constantly on rise in the country;

(b) if so, whether Government is considering to take any effective steps to check it; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken and the time line for same and if not, the reasons therefor?

Air support to police personnel to control Maoist menace

1347. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the status of Maoist menace in the country;

(b) whether to help resolve this menace it is proposed to provide air support to the police personnel to effectively help control it;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether it is proposed to create special police wings to deal with this menace, if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Deportation of Bangladeshis living illegally in Eastern States

1348. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the status of deporting Bangladeshis residing illegally in Eastern States;

(b) whether Government has prepared a blue print to detect all Bangladeshis living illegally in Eastern States; and

(c) what is the approximate number of such illegal people in the Eastern States of the country, indicating the time-frame within which they would be deported to their respective countries?

Left wing extremism

#1349. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of attacks on CRPF, State police personnel and other Para-military forces by the Left Wing Extremists and the casualties suffered during last three years;

(b) the measures taken by Government to tackle the problem;

(c) whether it is a fact that Left Wing Extremism (LWE) has spread to new States in South and East part of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Relief and rehabilitation fund and assistance to victims of Uttarakhand floods

1350. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has provided relief and rehabilitation fund and assistance to victims of Uttarakhand floods;

(b) if so, the details of the fund provided under various heads;

(c) whether the rehabilitation and reconstruction work has been completed;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the present status and timeline for completion of work?

Bangladeshi Hindus sheltered by India

1351. SHRI PANKAJ BORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bangladeshi Hindus sheltered by India would not only be accommodated in North-East but throughout the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that Bangladeshi Hindus are being considered to grant citizenship rights on humanitarian ground; and

(c) if so, the State-wise number of Bangladeshis in the country who can be considered for citizenship rights?

Handling Pathankot terror attack

1352. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has failed to handle properly the Pathankot Terror Strike which is raising doubts on Government's preparedness and lacking command and control structure, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of reasons for not taking stock of the situation by convening a meeting of Cabinet Committee on Security; and

(c) how would Government defend its actions on the issue?

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Increase in incidents of rape and atrocities with SC/ST women

1353. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is increase in incidents of rape and atrocities with the women belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof for the last five years;

(c) the action Government has taken to check such incidents; and

(d) the outcome of the action taken by Government?

Lack of infrastructure/facilities at police stations in Delhi

1354. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are several police stations in Delhi which are not equipped with requisite infrastructure for monitoring law & order in their respective jurisdiction, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the required infrastructure/facilities for the police personnel are inadequate in Bindapur Police Station, Delhi; and

(c) if so, by when such infrastructure/facilities Government is going to provide?

Financial assistance to victims of communal violence

1355. SHRI RAJ BABBAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of incidents of communal violence reported from different parts of the country during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) the State-wise number of persons killed/injured and damages to property along with the number of accused arrested/convicted in each incident separately, during the above period; and

(c) the State-wise details of financial assistance provided to such victims along with the number of beneficiaries during the above period?

Compensation to fishermen affected due to Hudhud cyclone

1356. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that even after one year of Hudhud cyclone, affected fishermen have not got compensation;

(b) if so, what are the reasons behind this and the steps taken by the Ministry to impress upon the State Government of Andhra Pradesh to pay compensation to fishermen in Visakhapatnam; and

(c) whether it has also come to the notice of the Ministry that some of the fishermen are not getting the institutional credit in spite of the fact that their boats suffered heavy damage?

Amendments in Industrial Disputes Act

1357. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to amend the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 to permit easier retrenchment of workers by industries; and

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

Unemployment allowance to unemployed graduates

1358. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total State/UT-wise, rural and urban-wise, male and female-wise number of graduate unemployed youth in the country at present;

(b) whether Government proposes to give unemployment allowance and social security to such unemployed graduates; and

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

Unemployed/under employed in the country

1359. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that there are a large number of PhD holders who are forced to apply for clerical and peon level jobs due to lack of opportunities;

(b) the State-wise details of unemployed/under-employed who have completed their Post-Graduation and above during last three years in the country;

(c) the State-wise details of target of two crore jobs per year envisioned by the Honorable Prime Minister and the actual achievement of creation of jobs in the country during the last two years including district-wise details for West Bengal?

Transforming employment exchanges into career development centres

1360. SHRI SANTIUSE KUJUR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to transform employment exchanges into career development centres, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government proposes to consider the requests submitted by various States including the State of Assam for financial assistance for the same; and

(c) if so, the State-wise details of action taken thereon?

Unemployment rate

1361. SHRI K. N. BALAGOPAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise and State-wise unemployment rate of the country for the last three years; and

(b) what are the measures Government is planning to take to create more employment in the country?

Beneficiaries under ESIC

1362. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) undertook survey to include workers from unorganized sector in social security scheme, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the State-wise number of beneficiaries of ESIC in the last three years;

(c) the details of number of hospitals

and dispensaries available as on date and those added in the last three years; and

(d) whether medical ambulances would be launched for workers in the unorganized sector like construction, rickshaw pullers, auto drivers, etc., if so, the details thereof?

Employment generated in West Bengal

1363. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 70 lakh employments have been generated in West Bengal in the last five years;

(b) if so, the year-wise and district-wise break up; and

(c) the male-female ratio thereof?

Unemployment among educated youth

†1364. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the youth of the country are compelled to do jobs below their educational qualifications;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, the details of percentage of youth as per their qualifications and the rate of their getting employment?

Bonded labour

1365. SHRI T. K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of number of bonded labour; and

(b) how many of them have been released from bonded labour during the past three years?

Labour disputes registered in the country

1366. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many labour disputes have been registered in the country during last two years and this year so far;

(b) how many of them are still pending;

(c) how many people are out of work due to them; and

(d) how many of them are women?

Rehabilitation of children employed in brick kilns

1367. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that high number of children are employed in brick kilns as casual labourers in States like Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof; and

(c) the steps Government has taken/ intends to take to ensure a comprehensive rehabilitation of such children?

Parameters for construction of ESI hospitals

1368. SHRI BASAWARAJ PATIL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the parameters to construct

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Employees' State Insurance (ESI) hospitals in different parts of the country in the interest of labourers; and

(b) how many ESI hospitals have been started in last five years and what is the status of their functioning, if not, the reasons therefor?

Smart cards to unorganized workers

1369. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Ministry so far to issue smart cards to unorganized sector workers;

(b) the State-wise social security benefits that will be available to the unorganized sector workers through the smart card;

(c) the steps taken so far to identify unorganized workers who will be beneficiaries of the scheme;

(d) the State-wise details of unorganised sector workers have been identified so far for the purposes of the scheme; and

(e) by when are the smart cards likely to be issued?

Selection of Junior MRT in ESIC model hospital Bapunagar, Ahmedabad

1370. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of candidates selected by the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) Model Hospital Bapunagar, Ahmedabad for the posts of Junior M.R.T. and other posts on the basis of interview held in 2015 and how many of them have been allowed to join duties; and

(b) the specific reasons for not permitting the selected persons to join even after their medical test?

Creation of new jobs under Make in India programme

1371. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has fixed any target for creation of new jobs under the Make in India programme given the fact that India needs 10 million new jobs every year; and

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

Employment in rural and urban areas

1372. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the recent Government report released on 19 February, 2016, unemployment rate in rural areas has increased drastically;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof and the reasons for the same;

(c) the State-wise details of the number of unemployed in the country as on date; and

(d) the State-wise and year-wise number of employment generated in rural and urban areas separately during 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 so far?

Wages of workers in unorganised sector

1373. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the

fact that in some reliable independent studies it has been found that present wages of the workers in unorganized sector are inadequate and below the average of developing countries;

(b) whether Government has conducted any such assessment on its own part; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Concessions to start-ups from labour laws

1374. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the start-ups are allowed some concessions with regard to compliance with nine labour laws for three years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Industrial Disputes Act

1375. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the 1982 amendment to the definition of industry under Section 2(j) of the Industrial Disputes Act incorporated the essential aspects put forth in the Supreme Court judgment in Bangalore Water Supply vs. A. Rajappa and whether this amendment has been enforced;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and whether Government is considering any further amendments to the definition of industry?

Rehabilitation of child labourers

1376. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that child labour is still being used in small and domestic industries despite the Child Labour Prohibition Act;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has any scheme for rehabilitation of those children freed from child labour and who are orphans; and

(d) the steps taken by Government for the inclusion of such children into the mainstream by providing them formal education?

Persons employed

1377. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many persons were employed during last three years;

(b) how many of them are women; and

(c) how many of these women have education up to or above matriculation?

Growth of employment

1378. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has data regarding the growth of employment in the country for the last 18 months;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof; and

(c) the details regarding Government sector, private sector and the nature of

employment like permanent, contract, casual, etc. during the said period?

Potential diamond zones in Mahabubnagar, Telangana

1379. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Centre of Exploration Geophysics, Osmania University, identified as many as 21 new potential diamond zones in Mahabubnagar district of Telangana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry thinks any further studies are required; and
- (d) if so, whether there is any move in this regard?

Geo-Heritage sites

1380. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is taking any concrete measures to protect the Geo-Heritage sites recognized by Geological Survey of India (GSI) in India;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (c) whether new suggestions for obtaining status of Geo-Heritage sites from India are pending with the UNESCO; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Illegal diamond mines in Mainpur, Chhattisgarh

†1381. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether illegal mining is going on at the diamond mines in Mainpur, Chhattisgarh due to lack of maintenance; and

(b) the timely action being considered by the Centre for starting large scale mining at the above site to utilize its abundant reserves of diamond and priceless gemstones like Alexandrite in order to put a check on illegal mining?

Iron ore mines in Chhattisgarh

1382. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government to extract iron ore from Raoghat mines in Antagarh district of Chhattisgarh;
- (b) what is the likely gain of revenue from extraction of iron ore from these mines;
- (c) how much forest land is required to be cleared and how much needs to be acquired to build all necessary infrastructure including for mine extraction, townships, railway line, etc.;
- (d) the details of progress of land acquisition process; and
- (e) whether Gram Sabha consent from all affected villages under the Forest Rights Act has been taken, if so, the village-wise details?

Import of minerals

1383. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a surge in imports of minerals recently;
- (b) if so, mineral-wise imports made during last five years;
- (c) the details of reasons for resorting to imports when indigenous capacity is available; and
- (d) the steps taken to increase mining of these minerals in the country?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Recession in mining sector

1384. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the mining sector in the country is under recession or growing very slowly in the past few years due to various factors;

(b) if so, whether this has led to overall slowing of the economy and manufacturing;

(c) if so, the details of the factors responsible and the steps taken to rectify them; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Number of mines in the country

1385. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) how many mines are sanctioned in the country;

(b) how many of them are operational;

(c) how many of them are in private sector;

(d) whether all these mines observe all norms of safety and environment protection; and

(e) whether any of them was closed or facing closure for violating above norms?

Impact of falling oil prices on profits of oil companies

1386. SHRI PAUL MANOJ PANDIAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the falling oil prices helped India's largest oil explorer, Oil and Natural Gas Corporation and its largest oil marketing company, Indian Oil

Corporation improve their net profits strongly in the first quarter of this financial year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the faster growth of profits of these companies can be attributed to lower discounts they gave to refiners; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Resumption of stalled pipelines by GAIL

1387. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL) has resumed the stalled pipeline work in many parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the GAIL is taking all precautions to prevent any untoward incidents like the one happened recently in Andhra Pradesh from its pipeline; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Indigenous production of natural gas

1388. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA:
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH
YADAV:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the demand and supply along with the indigenous production of natural gas in the country during the last two years;

(b) the quantum of natural gas imported to meet the demand in the country during the last two years along with the details of countries from which it was imported;

(c) whether Government has entered into any agreement with foreign countries for supply of natural gas during the last two years;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken to fulfil the demand of natural gas through indigenous production?

Surrender of subsidized LPG connection

1389. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the response from existing LPG consumers for surrendering subsidized LPG connections and the number of consumers surrendered subsidized connection in the last six months;

(b) whether LPG distributors and Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have made the survey of income brackets of their customers, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if they have no data, then how Government proposes to make the scheme of well-off people to voluntarily surrender their subsidized LPG connections, the details thereof?

Losses of IOC

1390. SHRI PAUL MANOJ PANDIAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) has reported a net loss of ₹ 329 crores in the September quarter of

2015 on account of huge inventory and foreign exchange losses as well as low refining margins, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the company lost ₹ 5137 crores on inventory as it bought crude at one price but sold at lower rates as prices had fallen during the period oil was transported, processed and turned into fuel; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Restrictions on allotment of new oil and gas agencies

†1391. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether restrictions have been imposed on the allotment of new agencies pertaining to petroleum and natural gas connection;

(b) if so, by when these restriction will be relaxed; and

(c) whether petroleum and natural gas connection has become essential in remote rural areas?

Termination of dealership by NOIDA, Divisional Office of IOC

1392. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the NOIDA Divisional Office of Uttar State Office-II of Indian Oil Corporation Limited has terminated dealership of outlets in 2015 for financial irregularities committed by its dealer against the IOCL;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

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(c) the details of loss to public exchequer including the Indian Oil Corporation due to the aforesaid financial irregularity;

(d) whether the Noida Divisional Office of Uttar State Office-II of Indian Oil Corporation Limited has lodged a formal complaint/FIR against its dealer for committing such financial irregularities; and

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

Policy governing appointment of new petrol pump dealers

1393. SHRI SUKHENDU SEKHAR ROY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has kept in abeyance policies governing the appointment of new petrol pump dealers and cooking gas distributors during 2015-2016;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether non-appointment of petrol pump dealers and cooking gas distributors in 2014-15, particularly in the rural areas, has affected the performances of public sector oil companies causing target shortfall;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether these factors have also caused adverse effect in commissioning rural filling stations as also the Rajiv Gandhi LPG Vitaran Yojna, if so, the details thereof?

Taxes and dividends paid by oil companies

1394. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of taxes, duties, cess and

dividend paid by the public sector oil companies to the Central Government during the years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16; and

(b) the details of royalty and taxes paid to the State Governments by the oil PSUs during the same period?

Effect of reforms on major OMCs

1395. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the reforms in the fuel sector have helped three oil majors such as Indian Oil Corporation, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited by significantly reducing their debt levels in the past three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these three public sector oil marketing companies have replaced their high cost debt with low cost foreign currency debt which is based on floating London Inter Bank Offered Rate (LIBOR); and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of fall in oil prices on oil field services rate

1396. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the oil prices crash has resulted in sharp fall in the oilfield services rates, making it cheaper for producers to develop fields;

(b) if so, whether it is likely that ONGC achieves some of the cost advantages it is seeking;

(c) whether the ONGC's KG-DWN-

98/2 field has almost equal reserves of oil and gas close to KG-D6 field and will likely start producing oil by early 2019 and gas six months later; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Benchmarking natural gas prices similar to gas deficit nations

1397. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India should benchmark its natural gas prices similar to gas deficient nations instead of using rates prevalent in gas surplus geographies such as the US and Canada;

(b) whether such move will discourage oil exploration and production companies from committing new capital expenditure;

(c) whether given India's gas production deficit and emerging gas transport infrastructure, comparing prices in similar geographies will be more relevant; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Sale of bio-diesel to bulk customers

1398. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has permitted the sale of bio-diesel to bulk consumers such as the railways, shipping and road transport corporations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that if each litre of diesel is blended with 5 per cent of bio-diesel then we would need 3.5 million tonnes of bio-diesel per year; and

(d) whether the current capacity of bio-diesel is of 1 million tonnes?

Introduction of transparent LPG gas cylinders

1399. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to introduce transparent LPG gas cylinders;

(b) if so, the details of the additional funds required to execute this program, the date by when this new program will be rolled out and other details; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

DBT Scheme for Kerosene

1400. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is contemplating on introducing LPG like Direct Benefit Transfer Scheme for Kerosene also, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) by when this system will be implemented and the details thereof?

Review of pilot project of DBT Scheme for Kerosene in Gujarat

1401. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has reviewed the pilot project of Direct Benefit Transfer Scheme for Kerosene conducted in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the key outcome/observations made in this regard;

(c) whether the Ministry proposes to extend it to entire State from April 1, 2016; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Statutory status to OISD

1402. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to give statutory status to Oil Industry Safety Directorate (OISD) and assign the role of safety regulator in the field of petroleum safety;

(b) if so, whether it will not amount to clash of interests as the OISD consists of officers mostly from PSU oil companies;

(c) whether it will not negate the role of Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organisation (PESO) which is statutory and third party regulator in the field of safety; and

(d) what has been done by Government to strengthen the PESO as it is short of officers to check the petroleum safety?

Identification of cities for CGD project

1403. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified more cities for the City Gas Distribution (CGD) project since 1st October, 2015;

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

(c) whether Government is considering any city in Tamil Nadu for the CGD project; and

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

Cooperation with Saudi Arabia in exploration of oil and other hydrocarbons

1404. SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has sought greater cooperation from Saudi Arabia in exploration and production of oil and other hydrocarbons to cater to its growing energy demands;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India has also agreed to participate jointly with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in the exploration and production activities in the two countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

LPG connection under Deepam Scheme in AP and Telangana

1405. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many LPG connections have been released under Deepam Scheme in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;

(b) whether it is a fact that the oil and gas marketing companies in the public sector are barred from extending help to Deepam Scheme as a part of their social responsibility in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government will redirect these companies to continue with the old practice in order to avoid additional burden on the cash strapped Andhra Pradesh?

Quantum and value of steel imported from abroad

1406. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the country-wise and year-wise details of quantum and value including per unit value of steel imported from abroad during the last three years;

(b) the rate at which steel is available in the country;

(c) the reasons for import of steel;

(d) whether Government proposes to impose levy on imported steel to safeguard domestic steel industry from cheap imports; and

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

Loss reported by SAIL

1407. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has reported a stand alone net loss of ₹ 1055.96 crore for the second quarter ended September 30, 2015 due to lower sales realization;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the steel manufacturers had a low net margin of 4.2 per cent in February this year with many big manufacturers reporting losses in the April — June quarter due to competition from cheap imports; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Strategy for achieving production targets of SAIL

†1408. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has finalized any long term strategy for achieving the production targets fixed for the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Steel Authority of India Limited has sufficient funds to achieve the said targets; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the total funds utilised and the achievements made?

Proposal of NMDC to acquire coal mines abroad

1409. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) proposes to acquire coal mines abroad;

(b) if so, the names of the countries where it plans to acquire the mines;

(c) whether the corporation will form Joint Venture;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the production capacity of mines shortlisted; and

(f) the quantum of investment likely to be made by the NMDC?

Setting up of minimum import price of steel

1410. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has set up a minimum import price of steel to check dumping from China, South Korea and other nations;

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(b) what has been the impact of dumping of steel by foreign countries;

(c) whether it is also a fact that domestic demand growth for steel will be higher in India than the global demand for steel; and

(d) the steps proposed to ensure that Indian steel industry is able to meet the needs of the nation?

Impact of crisis in the EU and China steel market

1411. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) how India looks at the crisis in the EU and China steel markets;

(b) how the above crisis impact domestic Indian steel companies as well as Indian steel companies operating abroad; and

(c) how the Ministry is going to help Indian companies to come out of this problem?

Privatization of ITDC hotels

1412. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to privatize certain hotels under India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC)

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

(c) the reasons for which most of the ITDC hotels are incurring losses despite growth in both domestic and foreign tourist arrivals; and

(d) the fresh steps taken by Government to improve the working and

financial performance efficiency of ITDC hotels?

Eco tourism in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana

1413. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether United Nations University sanctioned a Regional Centre of Expertise (RCE) at Tirupati with a focus on eco tourism and other aspects, if so, the details thereof;

(b) what are the other projects that are undertaken by Government in the States of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana to boost tourism along with details thereof; and

(c) the efforts made by Department of Tourism and India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) to attract more foreign tourists in big cities in the two States?

Cases of violence against foreign tourists

†1414. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of violence against foreign tourists reported in the last one year;

(b) the details of steps taken by Government to ensure their safety; and

(c) the details of revenue earned by Government from foreign tourists in the last two years?

Tourism development projects in UP and West Bengal

1415. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

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(a) the district-wise details of tourism development projects sanctioned for Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal during the last two years, till date and the funds sanctioned or released for each of these projects;

(b) the details of the funds spent during this period;

(c) whether any proposal from these State is pending for clearance; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Proposal from Kerala for CFA

1416. DR. T.N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of proposals received by the Ministry from the State of Kerala for Central Financial Assistance (CFA) for the development and promotion of tourism in the State during last three years and the current year along with the funds sanctioned, released and utilized, respectively during this period;

(b) whether Government has received any proposal for CFA and the inclusion of Konni in the India Tourism Circuit by promoting the eco-tourism ventures at Adavi and Gavi; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Proposal from Chhattisgarh for promotion of rural tourism

†1417. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Chhattisgarh to promote rural tourism in Chhattagarh-Mohlai in Durg district;

(b) if so, when this request has been received;

(c) the estimated expenditure likely to be involved in it;

(d) by when this scheme of promoting tourism in Chhattagarh-Mohlai will be implemented; and

(e) the reasons for delay in the same?

Connecting Jageshwar Dham in Almora and Gangolihat in Pithoragarh with tourist circuits

†1418. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jageshwar Dham situated at Almora and the Mahakali temple situated at Gangolihat in Pithoragarh in Uttarakhand are world-level religious places;

(b) if so, whether Government will contemplate to give priority to connect the said religious places with the tourist circuits of India to bring them at world-level; and

(c) if so, by when the decision is likely to be taken?

Special tourism package for NER for foreign tourists

1419. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has developed any special tourism package for the North Eastern Region for the foreign tourists;

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

(c) the details of the number of tourists who visited the North-Eastern Region for the last three years ending 31 March, 2015?

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Tourist spots in the country

1420. SHRI K.C. TYAGI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of tourist spots in the country;
- (b) the details of income accrued from them and expenditure incurred thereon during the last two years;
- (c) the places which are being demanded to be developed as tourist spots; and
- (d) what are the plans in this regard?

Promotion of India *via* cuisine tourism

1421. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to promote cuisine tourism in the country, considering that the UN World Tourism Organisation has stated, 'over a third of tourist spending is devoted to food';
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the amount of funds the centre has allocated for financial assistance in any of the schemes relating to promotion of cuisine tourism;
- (d) the locations identified for cuisine tourism in India; and
- (e) any other steps that Government is planning with regard to increasing tourism through better marketing and promotion of various Indian cuisines?

Effect of crimes against women foreign tourists as tourism

1422. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that Indian Tourism is facing immense negative publicity from the international media due to recurring incidents of rapes/molestation cases against women foreign tourists;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereon; and

(c) the strategy chalked out by Government to counter safety and security threats and negative publicity in this regard in the international media?

Out bound tourists

1423. SHRI K.N. BALAGOPAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state the year-wise number of out bound tourists from the country to different foreign countries during the last three years?

High focus on Jharkhand by NCST

1424. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the maximum attention was paid to Jharkhand State by the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes ignoring other tribal areas;

(b) the details of visits by high officials and functionaries of NCST to Jharkhand in 2013-14 and 2014-15 and the expenditure incurred on such visits;

(c) what are the reasons for this high focus on some States and ignoring others;

(d) the steps proposed to reverse this and focus more even handed attention all around; and

(e) whether such excessive expenditure can be retrieved from concerned functionaries?

Applications from tribals for return of forest land

1425. DR. BHALCHANDRA MUNGEKAR: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of applications received from the tribals for return of land under the Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, during 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15;

(b) how much land was actually distributed to the tribals during these years; and

(c) what are the major difficulties in implementing this Act?

Lack of infrastructure in adivasi areas

1426. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:
SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that the adivasi areas/regions/districts are still under-developed and without any infrastructure *i.e.* roads, housing, schools, etc.; and

(b) if so, the measures being taken to liberate them from sub-human conditions?

Steps to improve skills of tribals

1427. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts made by the Ministry to improve the skills of tribals in the country;

(b) whether there are any vocational training centres for tribals in the country, if so, the State-wise details thereof including Odisha; and

(c) the number of tribals that have been benefited from such institutes, with a particular reference to Odisha?

Applications under RGNF

1428. DR. BHALCHANDRA MUNGEKAR: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise and year-wise details of tribal students applied for Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship (RGNF) during the years 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15;

(b) how many of these applicants were actually awarded the fellowship; and

(c) the State-wise and year-wise details thereof?

Steps for betterment of tribals

1429. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of steps being taken by Government for the betterment of tribals in the country;

(b) the State-wise details of funds allocated for the welfare of tribals during the last two years;

(c) whether the funds allocated to the States have been fully utilized; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Separate financial packages for tribal school children evicted for Polavaram Dam

1430. SHRID. RAJA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that school-going tribal children have even refused financial packages in Central Project Polavaram Dam after they are being evicted for Polavaram Dam; and

(b) what steps will be taken to include all tribal school-going children for separate financial packages as they are also being evicted for Polavaram Dam from their ancestral villages?

Expansion of sports associations in rural areas

1431. SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV:
SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts made by Government so far for providing essential facilities in various sports associations to promote young talent by them, keeping in view the talents in the country;

(b) if so, the budget provisions made by Government to promote those sportspersons;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government is considering to expand sports associations in rural areas of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Centres under ABSC Scheme set up by SAI

1432. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of the centres set up by Sports Authority of India (SAI) under Army Boys Sports Company (ABCS) Scheme;

(b) the total number of boys getting training under the scheme at present; and

(c) whether certain trainers have been offered placement in the army and if so, the details thereof?

Indian athletes tested positive for doping

1433. SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) how many Indians have tested positive for doping in each of the last three years and current year;

(b) details of violations and penalties imposed on these athletes;

(c) whether cases of blood doping have also been reported, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what are the steps taken by Government to prevent doping and make athletes and their coaches aware of banned drugs?

Promotion of sports in Jharkhand

†1434. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any such scheme under which sports activities may be promoted in every district, as sports activities are not being conducted in any of the districts in the State of Jharkhand except Ranchi and Jamshedpur; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Nehru Yuva Kendras

1435. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE : Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of Nehru Yuva Kendras established in India, especially in North-East States;

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(b) the steps being taken by Government for the betterment of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan; and

(c) what are its activities and the amount of funds released and utilized in the last two years?

Special camps in UP to identify medal winners in Olympics

1436. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had set up any special camps in the State of Uttar Pradesh to identify the potential medal winners in the Olympics and to train them with a target of winning medals in next year Olympics; and

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

Special preparedness for Rio Olympics

1437. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any special preparedness has been done by Government to ensure better performance of the country in the upcoming Rio Olympics;

(b) whether any national strategy has been devised for this purpose; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Measures to develop SAI

1438. DR. V. MAITREYAN : Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken adequate measures to develop the Sports Authority of India (SAI) and its allied organizations, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government provides funds and facilities for various States/UTs to develop sports infrastructures and other facilities to promote sports and games and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the State-wise and year-wise funds allocated in the last three years?

Vacancies under SAI

1439. SHRI PANKAJ BORA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are number of vacancies under the Sports Authority of India (SAI);

(b) if so, the total number of vacancies therein;

(c) the details of applications pending on compassionate ground;

(d) whether the cases on 'died-in-harness' are taken into priority to fill the vacancies within the SAI and its centres; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

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