RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, December 9, 2015/Agrahayana 18, 1937 (Saka)

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

Total number of questions — 15

Non-depositing of PF contribution of staff in their accounts

†*106. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that the Provident Fund (PF) contribution of the staff working in private factories and institutions in the country is not being deposited in their PF accounts by their
- (b) if so, whether such complaints have been received by the Ministry;
- (c) if so, the details of the action taken on the complaints received; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Modern training to police forces to upgrade their skills

- *107. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
 - (a) the updated status of action taken

- by Central Government in consultation with State Governments, to provide modern training to bottom part of police forces to upgrade their skills in apprehending militants with arms/explosive materials:
- (b) whether Government intends to provide modern guns to police forces; and
- (c) whether Central Government has sought/going to get any report about the action plan from State Governments on above said matters?

Communal clashes in the country

- *108. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of communal clashes occurred/reported in the country during the last three years;
- (b) the number of persons charge sheeted and convicted; and
- (c) the steps taken to maintain communal harmony in the country?

[†]Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Revival of traditional games

- *109. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Ministry is aware that several traditional sports such as Kho-kho, Chauka bara, etc. are on the verge of extinction in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of sports recognized by the Ministry as traditional sports;
- (c) the year-wise and State-wise funds allocated and utilized by Sports Federations and Associations including Tug-of-War, Kho-Kho and Atyapatya Federation of India in last five years;
- (d) whether the Ministry would give recognition to other endangered traditional sports so that they can also get benefits;
 and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Monitoring system to track terror funding

- *110. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is seriously considering to establish proper monitoring system to track terror funding in drug trafficking, arms smuggling, human trafficking and terrorism in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Ministry is coordinating with the Ministry of Finance to unearth terror funding by various militant organisations inimical to India, and if so, the details thereof?

Foreign training of sportspersons

- *111. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has emphasized its overwhelming support to Indian sportspersons hoping to make the cut at the 2016 Rio Olympic games;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) wants to take their trainees abroad for providing better training facilities; and
- (d) whether Government has also consented to the proposal of AFI in this regard?

Study on improvement of life of STs

- *112. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has undertaken any study on the improvement of life of the Scheduled Tribes in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether a study/survey is likely to be undertaken in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Hate crimes against minority communities

- *113. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the incidents of hate crimes against minority communities have increased over the years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

- (c) the State-wise details of incidents of hate crimes against minorities for last three years; and
- (d) the details of steps taken by Government to curb the attacks on minority community in the country?

Measures to attract FDI in several sectors

- *114. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has taken up any new initiative to attract Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in several sectors of the economy, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the total quantity of FDI attracted during the last two years; and
- (c) the further steps taken by Government in this direction?

Fixing of monthly wages for organised and unorganised sectors

- *115. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to fix monthly wages for organised and unorganised sectors at ₹25,000 per month in view of recommendations made by the 7th Pay Commission;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any consultations have been held with States in this regard; and
 - (d) if so, the outcome of the same?

Excessive entry fee charged from foreign tourists at Taj Mahal

*116. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that foreign tourists are charged excessive entry fee at Taj Mahal and other places of tourism in the country in comparison to domestic
- (b) if so, the details thereof and reasons behind this difference in entry fee;
- (c) whether Government is aware that this kind of practice is not followed in other countries; and
- (d) what corrective measures Government proposes to take in this regard?

Corruption in distribution of compensation to 1984 riot affected families

- *117. SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government had granted a rehabilitation compensation package of ₹ 440 crores in the year 2006 to 1984 riot affected families through Government of Punjab;
- (b) if so, the details of the package along with the number of families who were given the compensation;
- (c) whether any complaints of corruption, bribery, etc. were received in the distribution of compensation to families:
- (d) if so, whether any enquiry was initiated, if so, the details thereof along with action taken; and
- (e) the steps taken by Government to prevent such practices in future in the distribution of compensation packages?

Introduction of helpline to curb child labour

- *118. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the country has not been able to get over the menace of child labour;
- (b) whether the ministry would consider introducing a helpline and flying squads to nab the culprits who violate the law and engage the children as labour and also abuse them; and
- (c) if not, what innovative suggestions would the Ministry provide in order to curb the violation of the child labour laws?

Civilian casualties due to ceasefire violations

*119. DR. K. KESHAVA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of civilian deaths due to ceasefire violations over the past five years;
- (b) how many civilian settlements exist in vulnerable areas along the border;
- (c) what is the role of Sashastra Seema Bal; and
- (d) whether Government has any plan to move the settlements?

Beautification of tourist places in U.P.

- †*120. SHRI JUGUL KISHORE: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is contemplating beautification and development of tourist places in Uttar Pradesh:
- (b) whether Government has plan to make tourist circuits to promote tourism in Uttar Pradesh and other States also; and
 - (c) if s o, the details thereof?

New Delhi; *The 3rd December*, 2015 *Agrahayana* 12, 1937 (*Saka*) SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF, Secretary-General.

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