RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, August 10, 2016/Sravana 19, 1938 (Saka)

(Ministries: Commerce and Industry; Culture; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Home Affairs; Labour and Employment; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Steel; Tourism; Tribal Affairs)

Total number of questions — 15

Atrocities against people from SC and ST communities

*256. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the year-wise and State-wise details of atrocities committed against people from SC and ST communities during the last three years;
- (b) the State-wise break-up of information about kind of such atrocities committed during the last three years;
- (c) the details of causes/reasons, if any, identified with regard to such atrocities that happened during the last three years; and
- (d) whether Government has taken any concrete steps to address the causes/reasons, which led to such attacks against people from SC and ST communities and if so, the details thereof?

Establishing engineering and medical college in Bokaro

†*257. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Bokaro Steel Limited has not set up any engineering or medical college under human resource development and regional balanced development whereas other smaller units have done so; and
- (b) if so, whether Bokaro Steel Ltd. proposes to establish engineering and medical colleges in Bokaro, if so, by when?

Families settled in India after India-Bangladesh enclave treaty

*258. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Indians living in the Indian mainland after the

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- enclave treaty between India and Bangladesh, have gone back to Bangladesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) how many families have settled in India after the treaty?

Shortcomings in IPR Policy

- *259. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the national Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Policy falls short of specifics;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is demand from IPR experts both in India and abroad that Section 3(d) of the Indian Patents Act restrains innovation; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

Employers' share in EPFS

- *260. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government had allotted ₹ 1,000 crores as contribution towards the employers' share in the Employees' Provident Fund Scheme (EPFS) to encourage them to give more jobs to the youth, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government had conducted a meeting with employers of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector to encourage them to utilise the benefit being provided by the Centre by employing youth, if so, the details thereof?

Profits earned by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies

- *261. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether IOCL has posted highest ever profit in a single year in 2015-16;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the profits of BPCL and other Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs);
- (c) whether profit of IOCL and other Oil Marketing Companies was due to low international price of crude oil and nonextending the full benefits to consumers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, companywise?

Framing of policy for organic products

- *262. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government proposes to frame a policy with regard to organic products with specific safety standards, traceability norms, soil certification guidelines, etc.;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) what are the agencies in India at present that certify organic products for export and for domestic market; and
- (d) what was the quantum of export of certified organic products from India, in the last year and whether uniform norms for certification would boost farm exports, the details thereof?

Personnel in Delhi Police

- *263. SHRI NARESH GUJRAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) what is the total number of Police personnel in Delhi Police; and
- (b) how many of these personnel are on traffic duty in Delhi?

List of persons debarred from visiting Puniab

- *264. SARDAR SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has maintained any black list debarring some persons, who went overseas during operation Blue Star, from visiting Punjab; and
 - (b) if so, the status of the list?

Financial assistance to artists

- †*265. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether financial help is being provided to States and artists for propagating, spreading and building their local culture in different parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the State-wise list of the above said States and artists who have been provided funds from financial year 2014-15 to 2016-17 for the said purpose; and
- (c) whether Government would consider increasing the amount of funds to be given to the artists?

Import of kite strings from China

- †*266. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the kite strings being imported from China are laden with powder of Lead, Magnate, Plastic and Nylon;
- (b) if so, whether the Ministry is aware about the death of people and birds taking place owing to the use of such strings for kite flying; and
- (c) whether any mandatory instructions have been incorporated in the contract inked with companies involved in import of such strings and the metals used therein, so that it does not cause harm to life and property?

Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan

- †*267. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Chhattisgarh was provided only ₹ 4810.32 lakh against allocation of ₹ 9826.50 lakh under Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan and allocation of remaining amount is awaited;
- (b) whether an amount of ₹ 8828.06 lakh is earmarked to be provided by Centre as hundred per cent assistance under Article 275(1) of the Constitution; and
- (c) whether only ₹ 2212.02 lakh has been released out of ₹ 3000 lakh allocated for conservation and development of tribes such as Kumaun, Baiga, Hill Korwa, Birhor, Abhujmaria and remaining amount is yet to be released?

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Modernisation of post-mortem houses

- *268. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Central Bureau of Investigation suggested the Ministry of Home Affairs to include modernsation and technical upgradation of post-mortem houses in States as a component of Modernisation of Police Forces (MPF) Scheme, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) what steps are being taken by Government; and
- (c) if no steps are being taken, the reasons therefor?

Import of natural gas

†*269. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of natural gas imported by Government during the years 2014-15 and 2015-16, year-wise;

- (b) the quantum of natural gas imported by private companies, during 2014-15 and 2015-16, year-wise;
- (c) the amount spent thereon by Government and each of the private companies, year-wise;
- (d) the quantum of natural gas produced in the country; and
- (e) the demand of natural gas in the country as compared to its production?

Status of National Register of Citizens

*270. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to complete the updation of National Register of Citizens (NRC) within a time-bound schedule; and
 - (b) if so, the present status thereof?

New Delhi; *The 4th August*, 2016 *Sravana* 13, 1938 (*Saka*) SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF, Secretary-General.

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