

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
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(Ministries : Prime Minister; Atomic Energy; Development of North Eastern Region; Earth Sciences; External Affairs; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation; Human Resource Development; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Parliamentary Affairs; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Science and Technology; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Social Justice and Empowerment; Space; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Urban Development; Women and Child Development)

Total number of questions — 160

Disappearing of RAW officers willingly

2081. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that officers of external intelligence agency Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) disappeared and are now located in a large western country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that there have been cases in the past where RAW officers have willingly disappeared and if so, the details thereof?

Private participation in generation of nuclear energy

2082. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the nuclear energy generated during the last two years;

(b) what is the target for generation of nuclear energy by 2017 and what steps have been taken in this regard; and

(c) whether there is any plan to involve private parties in generation of nuclear energy, if so, the details thereof?

**Seizure of nuclear mineral
Beryl by ATS**

†2083. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Anti-Terrorism Squad has Seized 20 tonnes of nuclear mineral 'Beryl' from the container depot situated at Kanakpura of Rajasthan;

(b) the number of persons arrested so far in this connection;

(c) whether these offenders were exporting this banned mineral to the countries like China and Hong Kong, etc.; and

(d) since when this illegal business of exporting banned mineral was going on and the steps taken by Government to check this illegal export?

**Illegal export of thorium rich sand
from Tamil Nadu**

2084. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has seen the recent media reports regarding large scale illegal export of thorium rich sand from Tamil Nadu to China and Europe *via* Sri Lanka, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the preventive steps taken by Government in the matter; and

(c) the outcome of the vigilance probe about illegal sand smuggling and the nexus between a private group and a section of Indian Rare Earth Limited (IRE) management in this regard?

**Uranium Refinery plant in
Telangana State**

2085. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Uranium deposits are available in Telangana State; and

(b) if so, what steps Government of India has been taking for extraction and also setting up Uranium Refinery plant?

**Deficient infrastructure in
North-Eastern region**

2086. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the entire North-Eastern region of the country is still suffering on account of deficient infrastructure;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the deficient infrastructure in the region has blocked industrial growth of the area; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken by Government to address this problem?

**Funds for development project in
North-Eastern region**

2087. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state the funds allocated for the developmental projects in North-Eastern region during the last three years, year-wise, head-wise and State-wise?

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Loss of life and property during earthquakes

2088. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of seismic tremors reported during the last two years along with their intensity, location-wise and the loss of life and property reported therein;

(b) whether Government has identified the earthquake prone areas in the country, if so, the details thereof, location-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to minimise the damage due to earthquakes of high intensity?

Prediction for warmest year in country

2089. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to India Meteorological Department (IMD), the year 2016 could be one of the warmest years of the century; and

(b) whether the IMD has communicated to each State the likely weather condition that may experience in their State during the year 2016, if so, the details thereof?

Rule for weather forecasting by private organisations

2090. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether some private organisations are also doing weather forecasting, if so, whether it is permissible under existing rules, and if not, how are they doing it;

(b) what action Government takes if there is difference in forecast by India Meteorological Department and private organisations; and

(c) whether there is a need for regulation for this?

Legal assistance to women deserted by NRI spouses

2091. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of countries for which the scheme for providing legal assistance to Indian women deserted by overseas spouses is in operation;

(b) whether there have been demands to extend this scheme to other countries;

(c) if so, the steps taken in this regard;

(d) what are the reasons that only 80 beneficiaries have got legal/financial assistance under this scheme between 2012 and 2016; and

(e) how the Ministry is planning to make this scheme more friendly to deserted women?

Aims and objectives of Know India Programme

2092. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of Know India Programme;

(b) whether it is a fact that the number of participants under the above programme has come down from 151 in 2014-15 to just 70 in 2015-16, if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) what are the reasons for not even utilizing the budget allotted to this programme since 2012-13; and

(d) how Ministry is planning to improve the programme for Indians abroad?

Workers from Kerala in Middle East

2093. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of citizens from Kerala who had to return from the Middle East in recent years;

(b) the number of citizens from Kerala who are in jails in Middle East countries;

(c) the steps Government has taken to address the large number of complaints about cheating and exploitation in Saudi Arabia; and

(d) the steps Government has taken or proposes to take to rehabilitate those who are returning to India due to the grim economic situation in the Middle East ?

Effects of e-migration system on Indian workers

†2094. SHRI ASHK ALI TAK: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether it is a fact that due to the complexities and excessive formalities involved in the 'e-migration system' which is currently in practice, the companies/employees of Gulf countries have started giving preference to personnel from other neighbouring countries like Bangladesh, Pakistan, Sudan, Egypt over Indian workers?

Concern over China Pakistan Economic Corridor

2095. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has raised any concerns about the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC); and

(b) if so, the details of fora where and the manner in which these concerns have been raised ?

Meeting by Joint Group of Countries on Terrorism

2096. SHRI K.C. TYAGI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of meetings held by the Joint Group of Countries on Terrorism during the year 2015-16;

(b) the proposal/initiatives agreed to by this Group to counter cross border terrorism; and

(c) whether some more countries have joined this group in view of the growing menace of terrorism and if so, the details thereof?

Indians murdered in jails of Pakistan

2097. SHRI K.C. TYAGI:
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indians who are in Pakistani jails are being murdered brutally and their bodies are sent to India after taking some vital parts of their bodies, if so, the details thereof; and

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(b) whether Government of India has complained to Pakistani Government about these incidents, and about the safety and security of Indian prisoners in Pakistan, if so, the details thereof?

Talks with heads of various countries

2098. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister held talks with country heads of various countries during the current year in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

Talks with Pakistan and separatist leaders on Kashmir issue

2099. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has plan to start fresh negotiations with Pakistan and separatist leaders over Kashmir issue on the line of previous NDA Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Issue of e-passports

2100. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to further simplify the process of obtaining Passport by ordinary/common people of our country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government is planning to issue e-passport to the citizens who fulfils all the criteria and have requisite documents, if so, the details thereof?

Explosion in Gurudwara of Germany

2101. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of explosions occurred in a Gurudwara in German city Essen recently;

(b) the number of casualties and the result of investigation to find out the probable cause of explosion;

(c) whether any suspects were arrested and taken into custody; and

(d) the relief and compensation provided by Indian Embassy to the victims of Indian national with details?

Request for opening of Passport Seva Kendra

2102. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is in receipt of request from elected representatives and public for opening Passport Seva Kendra in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details of the places in which request for opening of Passport Seva Kendra were received by Government, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

Financial help for families of persons languishing in Pakistani jails

†2103. DR. VIJAYLAXMI SADHO: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of alleged Indian citizens and fishermen languishing in the jails in Pakistan and the time from when they are languishing;

(b) whether the Government has been providing any financial assistance to the families of those persons languishing in jails in Pakistan for several years, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures Government has taken or proposes to take in order to get them released from prison?

Success of Mahatma Gandhi Pravasi Suraksha Yojana

2104. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mahatma Gandhi Pravasi Suraksha Yojana is not so successful;

(b) what are the reasons that Ministry set stringent Know Your Customer (KYC) criteria and excessive documentation for opening up of accounts in India by Indian emigrants abroad;

(c) what is the pension component under the scheme; and

(d) the efforts being made to improve the scheme to make it more attractive?

Land and property valuation of loss making PSUs

2105. SHRI SHADILAL BATRA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) closed and/or in the process of closure;

(b) whether any valuation of the land and other property/equipments of these PSUs have been made by Government for being sold off;

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

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the efforts made by Government for revival of these loss making PSUs?

Take over of instrumentation units in States

2106. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has asked a few State Governments to take over the instrumentation units in their States;

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

(c) the response of the State Governments in this regard; and

(d) the places where the instrumentation units are located and their performance during the last three years?

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Criteria adopted for sanctioning dwelling units

2107. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that not even a single dwelling unit has been approved for Puducherry under JNNURM, RAY, PMAY in the last three years;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) the criteria adopted in sanctioning the dwelling units and whether Puducherry has not fulfilled the criteria?

Need for shelters in cities

2108. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted any survey to identify accurately the need for shelters in cities/towns across the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of financial assistance provided for construction of shelter during the last two years to help the needy State-wise?

Schemes for vacant houses

2109. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether large number of houses built under various housing schemes are lying vacant;

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

(c) the remedial steps, if any, taken by Government in this regard?

Encouragement for affordable housing schemes to States

2110. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is encouraging all State Governments to come out with more affordable housing schemes in the State and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government is considering to provide more sops to affordable housing schemes such as tax relaxation and clearances, etc. and if so, the details thereof?

Policy to increase formal rental housing stock

2111. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has prepared a policy to increase formal rental housing stock;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these would be in the form of hostels, paying guest accommodations and dormitories under the National Rental Housing Scheme; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government is firming up specific and innovative rental housing models and if so, the details thereof?

Increasing unemployment in urban areas

†2112. SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the study conducted in the first quarter of the year has shown that unemployment in urban areas is more than rural areas in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that figures of those unemployed, who have migrated back to their native places in the absence of proper employment opportunities in cities are increasing; and

(c) if so, the steps taken for providing employment to increasing number of urban educated unemployed in the country, at present?

State Governments who have Constituted Committees for monitoring activities of builders

†2113. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any step to implement the act formulated to prevent arbitrariness of builders, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the rules formulated to monitor the steps taken by State Governments in this regard; and

(c) the names of the State Governments who have constituted committees for monitoring activities of builders and the steps being taken by the Central Government to make those States to implement the law who have not implemented it yet?

Action against builders cheating buyers

2114. SHRI K.C. TYAGI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the action taken by Government against builders who are cheating buyers of houses with reference to controversies reported recently;

(b) whether Government is aware of complaints/grievances of people cheated by some big builders of the country; and

(c) if so, whether Government has issued any instructions/directions to the concerned builders to alleviate the problems of buyers and if so, the details thereof?

Starting of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana

2115. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna has started as per the recent proposals and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the status thereof, State-wise?

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Discrepancy in Joint Entrance Examination

2116. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over a million students took the paper based Joint Entrance Examination at over 2000 centres;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the teachers have spotted discrepancies in this year's paper too; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that for many questions there were many answers and for some questions there were no matching answers, if so, the details thereof?

Recasting of curriculum in schools

2117. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the reported efforts being made by some State Governments to recast curricula in schools in the name of inculcating a sense of *desi* values in students restricting access to western literature; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

National Institutional ranking framework

2118. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN:

SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT pleased to state:

(a) the details of National Institutional Ranking Framework which has been launched by the Ministry;

(b) details of the criteria on which the institutions are ranked;

(c) whether Government plans to increase the parameters for ranking to include socially relevant criteria;

(d) whether Government has taken cognizance of discrepancies and shortcomings in ranking universities, if so, details thereof and corrective action, if any taken, if not, reasons therefor; and

(e) if it is mandatory for all the institutions to be ranked under NIRF, details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Awareness campaign for education of migrant workers

2119. SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has undertaken, a survey to identify migrant and out-of-school kids, if so, details thereof, if not, the reasons thereto;

(b) whether Government has conducted awareness campaigns to inform migrant workers of educational quotas for their children, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government has undertaken special measures to assimilate kids of migrant workers with irregular attendance to the formal education system, especially in migration prone areas, if so, details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

**Anti-social elements in
Universities**

2120. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether anti-social elements are gradually making their home in universities to carry out their anti-social activities, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether any investigation has been conducted to verify the facts;

(c) whether universities are allowing a companion along with an inmate to stay in the hostels, which is giving a large scope for anti-social elements to make their home in universities, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to ensure and protect the sanctity and cultural atmosphere in the education institutions?

**Vacancies in Jawahar Navodaya
Vidyalayas of Puducherry**

2121. SHRI N. GOKULA-KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas in Puducherry;

(b) whether it is a fact that there are nine vacancies of teaching staff in JNVs in Puducherry;

(c) if so, the details thereof, school-wise and since how long they are lying vacant; and

(d) the steps taken to fill the vacancies and by when all the posts are likely to be filled?

**Reservation roster for admission in
schools**

†2122. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that admissions are not done from the reservation roster in all the schools of the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the States where reservation roster is followed during admissions and whether this arrangement is in place in private schools also, if not, the reasons therefor?

**Two shifts in Kendriya
Vidyalayas**

†2123. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Kendriya Vidyalayas working in two shifts in the country at present;

(b) whether Government is considering/ would consider to start two shifts in all Kendriya Vidyalayas to accommodate more students therein; if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the details of steps being taken/likely to be taken by Government to accommodate more students in Kendriya Vidyalayas?

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Extension of research park to all-technical Institutes

2124. SHRI PAUL MANOJ PANDIAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has plans to expand the concept of research park to all IITs, National Institute of Technology and Indian Institute of Management that are receiving interest from students and faculty for start-up venture, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the industry would benefit from these research parks through an increased thrust on innovation and research which would enhance competitive advantage of individual companies?

National Institutional Ranking Framework

2125. SHRI PAUL MANOJ PANDIAN:
SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has recently released India Rankings 2016 and created National Institutional Ranking Framework;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the objective of the same; and

(c) to what extent this would be helpful in promoting the higher education sector and in supporting the students as well?

Vacant post of teachers

2126. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vacancies for the post of teacher in Government schools, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) the steps taken by Government to ensure that these vacancies are filled as fast as possible;

(c) whether Government has taken notice of the fact that many teachers appointed lack basic qualification to teach students and these are large number of absentee teachers also; and

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

Appointments in Delhi University

2127. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all appointments in Delhi University has been put on hold;

(b) if so, whether those candidates who are on the verge of crossing over the age limits and will step over the eligibility limits if interview/appointments are delayed, would be considered whenever the next opportunity comes in view of their previous eligibility, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the VC is the final authority to finalize all the appointments or the Minister's consent and approval is essential before finalization?

Functioning of school management committees

2128. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has taken cognizance of the fact that School Management Committees (SMCs) are not functioning properly *i.e.* unawareness among members about their membership, duties and power;

(b) if so, the corrective steps the Ministry is taking so that the vision behind the formation of SMCs is put into practice; and

(c) if not, whether the Ministry is planning to conduct a study to assess the functioning of the SMCs?

Amount sanctioned under PM Scholarship Programme

2129. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH MANHAS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether under Prime Minister's Special Scholarship Scheme (PMSSS) funds have been provided to students, if so, the details of amount sanctioned under the scheme annually to students;

(b) the details of students from Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) covered under PMSSS since 2004, district-wise; and

(c) the breakup of students covered under the scholarship scheme, category-wise?

Vijeshwara University in Bijbehara, Anantnag

2130. MIR MOHAMMAD FAYAZ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether the Ministry would consider establishing Vijeshwara University in Bijbehara Anantnag, Jammu and Kashmir having a rich historical background of Vijeshwara University in earlier times on the pattern of Nalanda University?

Scholarship for students of Jammu & Kashmir

2131. MIR MOHAMMAD FAYAZ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ₹ 1200 crore has been earmarked for scholarships of the students of Jammu & Kashmir who are studying in various colleges of the country other than State of Jammu & Kashmir to promote integration; and

(b) if so, whether Government would consider providing scholarships within the State of Jammu & Kashmir also?

Exemption from NET/SLET for appointment

2132. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether University Grants Commission has exempted National Eligibility Test/State Level Eligibility Test (SLET) for candidates having Ph.D who have registered themselves in Central/State Universities prior to 11th June, 2009, for appointment of Assistant Professors in colleges/universities;

(b) whether a full body meeting of University Grants Commission (UGC) has been held recently and if so, what are the decisions taken therein; and

(c) what are the criteria for appointment as a lecturer/Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor?

In-house grievance redressal mechanism for SC & ST students

2133. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the faculty members of IITs, Central Universities, Institutes of Higher Learning harbour deep prejudices against students belonging to SC and ST;

(b) whether Government has constituted any in-house mechanism to resolve this issue; and

(c) if so, details of 'in-house' mechanism existing in Central Universities, IITs, NITs, IIMs, and other Institutions of higher learning?

Stress on education system due to non-teaching activities

2134. PROF. M. V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an estimate of the number of hours that Government school teachers devote to non-teaching activities like election or census duty;

(b) whether there is any proposal to limit this owing to the stress on the school education system; and

(c) if so, details in this regard and efforts made to address this?

Gross Enrolment ratio of SC and ST students

2135. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Survey on Higher Education has conducted a survey on the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in higher education during 2014-15, if so, the findings of the survey;

(b) whether it is a fact that GER of SCs and STs remained lower than the national average, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of targets fixed by Government for the Twelfth Five Year Plan; and

(d) the steps Government proposes to take not only to achieve the targets of the Twelfth Plan period but also increase GER of SCs and STs?

Promotion of technical education among economically weaker sections

2136. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government would review the fee of IIT students which has been hiked recently, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what steps have been taken by Government to promote technical education among economically weaker sections of society?

Text books on culture and life of North-Eastern States

2137. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NCERT is in the process of introducing text books on the culture and life of eight North-Eastern States which will be prescribed as supplementary reading for all students studying in CBSE affiliated schools throughout the country in order to alleviate the prevailing sense of discrimination and alienation among the students from the north-east studying in different parts of the country; and

(b) how soon such material would be ready for use in CBSE curriculum, the details thereof?

Schools forcing purchase of books and material

2138. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that public schools in the National Capital and other parts of the country force parents of the students to compulsorily purchase books and material from the school or from a particular book seller at exorbitant prices, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what action Government has taken or propose to take in the matter?

Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan for improving rural literacy

2139. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering enhancing the literacy rate

among the rural people in a big way, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has asked the State Governments to focus more on Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan to improve the literacy in rural areas, if so, the details thereof?

Transferring of distance education from IGNOU to UGC

2140. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) was administering distance education till recently as per the mandate given under the IGNOU Act;

(b) if so, what were the reasons for transferring distance education from IGNOU to University Grants Commission (UGC) through executive order without amending the Act; and

(c) whether Government proposes to bring stand alone legislation to administer distance education in the country, if not, the reasons therefor?

Impact of unrest in NIT Srinagar on Kashmiri students

2141. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that unrest is going on in NIT campus in Srinagar and students are going to miss their exams due to unrest and security reasons;

(b) if so, the details of incidences

happened in NIT campus and action taken by Government in this regard; and

(c) whether due to unrest in NIT campus, other institutions where Kashmiri students are studying have also become susceptible to backlash, if so, the action taken by Government in this regard?

Removal of robes before entering examination centres

2142. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that in many States, the girl students of minority community are forced to remove their robes before entering examination centres for writing examination papers; and

(b) if so, whether Government has sought any report in this regard from the State Governments, if so, the details thereof?

Methodology used to calculate literacy rate

2143. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the methodology used to calculate literacy rate in India;

(b) whether there is any difference between the methodology used by India and UNESCO for calculating literacy rate, if so, the details thereof;

(c) how the census personnel assess the reading and speaking capacity of an individual in a particular language while collecting data on literacy; and

(d) whether Government intends to

restructure the methodology used to collect literacy rate in India?

Implementation of Kothari Commission recommendation

2144. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government intends to implement the recommendations made by Kothari Commission, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reason therefor;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government's expenditure on education as a percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has come down, if so, the details thereof for the last three years and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the budgetary allocation to University Grants Commission (UGC) has been heavily cut down this year, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the reduced budget would affect the disbursement of fellowships by UGC?

Review of reforms in education sector after RTE

†2145. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether following the enactment of Right to Education Act, review of reforms in the education sector has been carried out, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether required new policy measures have been taken on the basis of the review and whether review is proposed again, if so, the details thereof?

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Improvement in quality of education

‡2146. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that it is more important to focus on improvement in education and providing quality education than on expansion of education, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether many policy measures promoting improvement in education and quality education have been implemented by Government in the last two years which have yielded positive results, if so, the details thereof?

National Eligibility Test for yoga teachers

2147. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Yoga Panel has sought National Eligibility Test (NET) to teach yoga in colleges and universities from this academic year;

(b) if so, the details of the recommendations of the Panel; and

(c) whether the Ministry and UGC have reviewed the recommendations, if so, the response of the Ministry thereto?

Funds for training of teachers

2148. SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated to various States for training of teachers during the last two years; and

(b) the measures taken by Government to improve teachers training facility in the country for better teaching system and providing excellent relevant education to the students?

Private participation in Mid-Day-Meal scheme

2149. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what were the allocations of Mid-Day-Meal scheme by Government during the last three years and the actual expenditure incurred;

(b) in which State it was the best and the State where it was the worst;

(c) whether private companies were entrusted this job, if so, in which States; and

(d) whether Government has received any complaints about the implementation of Mid-Day-Meal scheme, if so, how many, from which States and whether they were enquired into and action taken?

Student unrest in Central Universities

2150. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) number of Central Universities in the country where there was student unrest during the current academic year, and what were main causes for the unrest;

(b) in how many of them students were punished, if so, the details;

(c) in how many of them authorities relented/changed their earlier decision; and

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(d) in how many of them sedition was charged against the students?

Funds for development of Universities in Tamil Nadu

2151. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any new plans and policies and released funds to various Universities for the development of infrastructure, other facilities in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the total funds allocated, disbursed and utilised in the last three years, for the development of Universities in the country, year-wise, University-wise; and

(c) the total fund provided and spent in the last three years for the development of Universities in Tamil Nadu, year-wise, university-wise?

Power generation from Kudankulam nuclear plant

2152. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kudankulam nuclear power plant is running in its full capacity;

(b) what is the average power generation per day in the plant during the last two months;

(c) whether any more reactors of the plants are expected to be commissioned soon and if so, the time-frame set for it and capacity of the plant thereof?

Special educators for disables in Government-run schools

2153. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated any guidelines or policies to ensure that adequate number of special educators are employed in Government-run schools to tend to the needs of children with disabilities; and

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

Non Cooperation of States under SPQEM and IDMI

2154. SHRI GULAM RASOOL BALYAWI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds disbursed/ expenditure incurred under the Scheme for Providing Quality Education in Madarasas (SPQEM) and Infrastructure Development in Minority Institutions (IDMI) schemes during the last three years and the current year, so far;

(b) whether it is a fact that some of the State Governments are not cooperating in implementation of these schemes;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the procedure for availing facilities under these schemes is cumbersome and time consuming; and

(e) if so, the action being taken to simplify the same?

Assistance for basic facilities in schools

2155. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) number of schools still functioning without toilet and drinking water facilities as on date, State-wise; and

(b) whether State Governments are demanding more Central Assistance to improve the condition of schools in their respective States and providing basic education, if so, the details thereof?

Incubation centre at IITs

2156. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved plans for four research parks to house incubation centres at three Indian Institutes of Technology to incubate about 400 start up in a three year cycle, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the approvals to the new projects are in addition to similar research parks at IIT Madras, Kharagpur and Bombay, if so, the details thereof?

Request for modernisation of Madarsas

2157. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of requests for modernization for Madarsas are pending in the Ministry; and

(b) if so, the number of requests pending till June 2015, and the reasons therefor?

Reduction in drop out for boys and girls

2158. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been reduction in the drop out for both boys and girls in the urban and rural areas;

(b) if so, the details in this regard comparing the period 2010-11 and 2014-15, State-wise; and

(c) whether Government has information in this regard as far as poorly performed districts are concerned, if so, the details in this regard, State-wise?

Allocations for Prime Minister's scholarship scheme for students of J&K

2159. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any plan to increase the fund allocation for Prime Minister's Special Scholarship Scheme (PMSSS) for the student of Jammu and Kashmir (J&K), if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has taken any corrective action for the proper implementation of the scheme; and

(d) the list of the students who has so far been benefited under the scheme?

National Law University in J&K

2160. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any plan

to establish "National Law University" in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) whether Government has received any proposal for the same from the State Government; and

(c) what is Government's response in this regard?

Autonomy issue of IIMs

2161. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are certain issues regarding autonomy of IIMs with the Ministry, if so, the arguments for and against; and

(b) what is proposed to be done to allay the fears of IIMs in this regard?

Exploitation of teachers/non-teachers of private schools

2162. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the blatant exploitation of teachers/non-teachers, of non-Government/private CBSE affiliated schools in the country such as overwork, lower salaries and denial of leaves as well as other benefits;

(b) if so, whether Government has any concrete proposal to address such issues;

(c) whether Government has taken any actions against such schools based on complaints about exploitation of teachers/non-teaching staff; and

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

Increase in number of seats in Delhi University

†2163. SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH:

SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the increase in seats of different courses in Delhi University during the last decade;

(b) whether it is a fact that there has been an increase in the number of applications for studying in Delhi University every year, if so, the number of such applications during the last five years; and

(c) whether the Ministry is considering any proposal for increasing the number of seats so that more students willing to pursue their studies in the university get an opportunity to do the same?

Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme

2164. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the progress of Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme since its inception in 2009;

(b) the number of projects assisted and the number of employment opportunities created since its inception, State-wise and year-wise;

(c) whether there is discrimination in

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the margin money between rural and urban areas, if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there have been demands to increase the project money from the existing ₹ 25 lakhs; and

(e) if so, what action the Ministry has taken on this?

Domestic market of Coir products

2165. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present worth of domestic market of Coir products and what is the contribution of the State of Maharashtra to it; and

(b) what steps Government and Coir Board propose to take to substantially increase the domestic market of Coir products?

Withholding money of SSI by TNGDC

2166. SHRI SALIM ANSARI: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) form the backbone of India's industrial landscape and Government has facilitated ease of doing business for MSME, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has received complaints of withholding crores of rupees of SSI units by Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Ltd. (TNGDC); and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to tackle the situation so that SSI units are not financially collapsed?

Total MSME units registered in country

2167. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any new schemes on anvil for the development of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the total MSME units registered in the country as on date, State-wise; and

(c) the funds provided by Government for development and welfare of MSME in the country in the last three years and the funds earmarked during the Twelfth Five Year Plan?

Corruption cases against CMD of GAIL

2168. SHRI A. W. RABI BERNARD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) is investigating corruption against Chairman and Managing Director of GAIL;

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

(c) whether CVC had given clearance to the CMD, GAIL at the time of extension when complaints of serious corruption were being examined and if so, the reasons therefor?

**Lateral entry into the Indian
Administrative Services**

2169. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is planning to consider to hire laterally for senior level posts owing to the lack of specialized knowledge currently in the system, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, the reasons for not considering to hire laterally given the numerous benefits and recent success of lateral entrants?

**Procedure for selection of CMD of
CPSE**

2170. SHRI MD. NADIMUL
HAQUE:
SHRI VIVEK GUPTA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of procedure adopted for the selection of the post of CMD of any Central Public Sector Enterprises;

(b) whether there have been cases where the candidate who was declared selected for the post of CMD (STC) by PESB never took charge of the CMD post, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether representations/complaints received regarding the appointment of CMD of the State Trading Corporation of India limited without proper selection procedure; and

(d) the details of procedure adopted in selection of present incumbent to the post of CMD of the State Trading Corporation of India limited?

**Special law for disposal of public
grievances**

2171. SHRI MD. NADIMUL
HAQUE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no special act or law at the Centre to dispose off public grievances;

(b) the details of various mechanisms at the Centre through which public grievances are presently dealt with;

(c) the minimum time limit set to dispose off public grievances by the Centre;

(d) the details of action that can be taken against erring employees or officers if grievance is not disposed off in the prescribed time limit; and

(e) the resource available to the citizen if there is inadequate reply and disposal of grievance by a Central Ministry?

**IAS officers facing disciplinary action
in Jharkhand**

2172. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of Indian Administrative Services (IAS) officers in Jharkhand currently facing disciplinary proceedings and criminal proceedings in a Court of law; and

(b) what steps are being taken to cleanse the senior bureaucracy and retire such officers who are found wanting in the discharge of their duties?

**Guidelines for granting extension to
CMDs of PSUs**

2173. SHRI SALIM ANSARI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the extent guidelines of Public Enterprises Selection Board(PESB) for granting extension of CMDs of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs);

(b) whether granting extension of five years requires the clearance of PESB; and

(c) what are the cases of extension received by PESB for grant of extension in service of various PSUs?

Task force to rationalize Central Government Staff

2174. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI
REDDY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has constituted task force to rationalize Central Government staff in various Ministries and ensure their maximum optimisation, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether existing tribunals, autonomous bodies and Central Public Sector Undertakings would also be restructured to ensure optimization of human resource, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by what time, the report would be ready for action?

Constitutional amendment to increase reservations

2175. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state whether Government would consider a constitutional amendment to increase the percentage of reservation to various categories of people in jobs and educational institutions, if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

Research work on GM medicinal herbs

2176. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any research work has been carried out to Genetically Modify medicinal herbs that have proven to be beneficial in the treatment of terminal illness, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, whether the Ministry would consider initiating research work in the field of medicinal herbs for the benefit of millions suffering due to non-availability of suitable medicine?

Popularising science education among women

2177. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that science education among women in the country is less popular, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government to popularize science education among women?

New scheme for training of entrepreneurs

2178. SHRI A. W. RABI BERNARD: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is in the process of rolling out a new scheme at an investment of ₹ 498 crore to train entrepreneurs and connect them to mentors

and credit market, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government is planning to set up 30,000 enterprises at the end of the scheme, if so, the details thereof?

Requirement of skilled manpower in construction, retail and hospitality

2179. SHRI K. R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an urgency to fill 34 million trained hands required in the construction sector, another 10 million in retail sector and nearly four million in the hospitality sector; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government to train youth in these sectors?

Corporate Skill Excellence Centres

2180. SHRI K. R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state whether Government has decided to set up Corporate Skill Excellence Centres in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode, if so, the details thereof?

Technical training for persons going abroad

†2181. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the steps Government is taking to provide technical training to the persons

going abroad in view of the fact that in the coming years India is being seen as the biggest supplier of manpower in the world;

(b) if so, in view of this fact, the steps Government is taking to prepare the Indian youth to send them abroad after imparting world level training; and

(c) the details of the action plan of the programme devised for skill development, State-wise?

Skill India Project

2182. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) what is the status of Skill India Project;

(b) whether it has since been launched, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how far will this help in addressing unemployment in the country especially in the countryside?

Shorthand as subject in ITIs

2183. SHRIMATI THOTA SEETHARAMA LAKSHMI: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Shorthand skill is becoming a dying art;

(b) whether Shorthand subject is being imparted in ITIs run by the Ministry across the country; and

(c) what further steps Government is taking to include Shorthand subject in the Skill Development scheme?

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**Skill Development Centres in
West Bengal**

2184. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the details of semi-employed and unemployed youth under the age of 30 in West Bengal, district-wise;

(b) the details of number of schemes on skill development that have been introduced in West Bengal till date;

(c) funds allocated, released and utilized for skill development in the last three years in West Bengal, the details district-wise ; and

(d) the number of skill development centres in each district of West Bengal the details sector-wise?

Training of domestic workers

†2185. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the number of domestic workers in the country;

(b) the number of persons trained till now; and

(c) the places where trained persons could be employed and the number of persons who have got jobs till now?

**Expansion of Sector Skills
Participation Programme**

†2186. SHRI LAL SINH VODODIA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to

state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to undertake expansion of the Sector Skills Participation Programme;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken any step in this direction so far; and

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

**Establishment of ITIs in every
Taluk and District**

†2187. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to establish ITI in every Taluk and District;

(b) if so, whether Government has considered such a proposal so far; and

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

**Advance Training Institute in
Jharkhand and Gujarat**

2188. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to set up Advanced Training Institutes (ATIs) in various parts of the country including Jharkhand and Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and location-wise and the salient features of the scheme;

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(c) the total amount sanctioned and utilised for the said purpose during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise and institute-wise;

(d) whether the said institutes are to be operated under the Public Private Partnership (PPP) model and if so, the ratio of the partnership; and

(e) by when the said training institutes are likely to be functional?

Steps to meet challenge of unemployment

2189. SHRI BASAWARAJ PATIL: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) what was the target of the Ministry to provide employment and self-employment in country;

(b) how many unemployed citizens got employment, the details thereof, State-wise, male and female; and

(c) if the target is not achieved, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Ministry to meet the challenges?

Grants-in-aid to de-addiction centres

†2190. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has provided grants-in-aid for the year 2014-15 and 2015-16 to the de-addiction centres operating in the country;

(b) if not, the list of those de-addiction centres which have not been provided the

grant and the details of the reasons for not having provided them with the same;

(c) whether the Ministry has made any correspondence with the States as to why de-addiction centre have not been provided grants; and

(d) whether those de-addiction centres which did not receive grant-in-aid for financial years 2014-15 and years 2015-16 would receive grants-in-aid in future?

Proposal for inclusion of castes in SC/ST/OBC list

†2191. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has received any proposals from people of different castes from different states demanding inclusion of their caste in Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes/Other Backward Classes;

(b) if so, the number of proposal received from different castes of different states from 2010 to 2014, the details thereof;

(c) the list of castes for inclusion in Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes/Other Backward Classes prepared by the Ministry; and

(d) the reasons for non acceptance of the remaining proposals?

Training of rag pickers for waste management

2192. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to train rag

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picking boys in Delhi in managing waste system, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether such a kind of project is also proposed to be initiated for the beggars in Delhi or other parts of the country to help control begging and if so, the details thereof?

Revision in pre-matric scholarship for OBC students

2193. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry proposes to revise upward the pre matric scholarship for Other Backward Classes (OBC) students;

(b) if so, the details of the new scholarship amounts proposed;

(c) since when the scholarship amount has not been revised;

(d) the reasons for delay in implementation of the revision; and

(e) the budgetary outlay estimated for the revised scholarship amount?

Empowerment of differently abled persons of Haryana

2194. SHRI SHADILAL BATRA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of handicapped persons in the country, State-wise including Haryana;

(b) whether Government has any proposal for empowerment of these differently abled persons in the country specially in Haryana;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Change in criteria of disability for pension scheme

2195. SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the percentage of disability is being reduced from 80 to 40 per cent for Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme, if so, by when, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether Government is considering to provide amount to States for the publicity of the schemes operated by Government, if so, the details thereof?

Formulation of new policy for senior citizens

2196. SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government would formulate a new policy for senior citizens to replace the National Policy on Older Persons, 1999 and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government has initiated consultations from Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and other stake holders in the formulation of the aforementioned policy and if so, the details thereof?

Holistic support to children with special needs from North East

2197. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is providing holistic support to children with special needs;

(b) if so, the details of schemes and

initiatives that have been taken by Government during the last two years thereof; and

(c) the details of such projects in North-East State-wise and sponsorship details therein?

(b) the number of senior citizens in the country who are receiving the benefit of Government's health and pension scheme; and

(c) the details of the figures in urban and rural areas?

Beneficiaries under Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme and NIRAMAY

2198. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of key welfare schemes being implemented by the Ministry for persons with disabilities;

(b) the details of the beneficiaries under the Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme in the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the funds allocated and utilised under this scheme in the last three years; and

(d) the number of individuals who benefited from the NIRAMAY scheme, health insurance for disabled in the last three years and the number of insurance claimed and their claim amount?

Amount spent on welfare of senior citizens

†2199. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent by the Central Government on the welfare of senior citizens at present;

Rehabilitation centres for women and juvenile drug addicts

2200. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of exclusive centres for treatment and rehabilitation of women and juvenile drug addicts presently operating in the country; and

(b) whether Government proposes to set up more such centres keeping in view the increasing drug and substance abuse among women and juveniles and if so, the details thereof?

Cases of atrocities against SCs and STs

2201. SHRI TARUN VIJAY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the cases of atrocities against Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes which are still pending in various courts, State-wise and crime-wise along with the dates and year of their registration;

(b) the help and assistance provided to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes to fight their cases of atrocities in the courts; and

(c) the budget allocated for such help?

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Implementation of PMAGY

2202. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the SC component in the Pradhan Mantri Aadarsh Gram Yojana (PMAGY) has not been properly implemented in certain States;

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

(c) the corrective steps taken by Government in the matter?

Shortage of hostels for SC and OBC students in Jharkhand and Gujarat

2203. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is shortage of hostels for students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes in the country including Jharkhand and Gujarat; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government to increase the hostel facilities for such students, State-wise, particularly in Jharkhand and Gujarat?

Allocation for eradication of manual scavenging

2204. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of manual scavengers in the country as on date, State-wise;

(b) the details of budget allocation for eradication of manual scavenging during 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17; and

(c) the reasons for reduction, if any, in budgetary allocation for the same?

Differently abled persons employed in Government and private sector

2205. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many differently abled persons are employed in Government and public sector undertaking currently;

(b) whether any vacancies for differently abled persons are lying vacant in any of the Government departments, public sector undertakings currently; and

(c) whether Government has taken any concrete steps to ensure employment for differently abled persons in private sector?

Schemes for exploited differently abled persons of Rajasthan

†2206. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA : Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated any scheme for exploited, aggrieved and differently abled citizens of the country in which partial amount is paid through MPLADS and rest of the amount is borne by Government so that such citizens could avail benefit, if so, the details thereof, the number of citizens benefited from these schemes in Rajasthan so far; and

(b) whether Rajasthan Government has sent any proposal to Government for various schemes so far, if so, the number, of such proposals, and the time since when they are pending, the details thereof?

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Industry participation in ISRO programmes

2207. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the ISRO is considering industry participation in its programmes, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that there are opportunities for Indian industry to participate in these satellite launching or put up activities, if so, the details thereof?

Programmes under NNRM

2208. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present status of the Ministry's programme under the National Natural Resources Management System (NNRMS);

(b) the list of the Village Resource Centres (VRCs) that have been set up thus far, State-wise; and

(c) the details regarding the programmes that have been conducted by these VRCs situated in Tamil Nadu?

Review of pending infrastructure projects

2209. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a review has been made of pending infrastructure viz., roads, ports, aviation, airports, coal, power and shipping and railway sector projects, if so, the outcome of this review;

(b) the factors responsible for delay in the execution of these projects; and

(c) the steps taken for early completion of these projects?

Shortage of toilets in urban areas

2210. SHRI AAYANUR MANJUNATHA : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment has been made regarding practice of defecation in the open in urban areas of the country;

(b) if so, the percentage of people practising defecation in the open in cities, city and State-wise;

(c) the details of shortage of toilets in urban areas in the country, city and State-wise; and

(d) the time by which toilet facilities are likely to be provided to all the people in urban areas of the country?

Cleanliness of historical monuments

2211. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified Government office buildings and historical monuments as the most neat and clean under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Extension of National Capital Territory of Delhi to Rajasthan

†2212. SHRI ASHK ALI TAK: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some areas of Rajasthan had been identified by

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Government to be included in the National Capital Region;

(b) if so, the details of the said areas; and

(c) the details of the efforts made by the Centre and State Governments for development of the said areas?

Metro rail project in Odisha

2213. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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

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

(c) whether Government is considering any project in Odisha; and

(d) if so, the action taken so far in this regard?

Proposal for metro rail services

2214. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received proposals from a number of State Governments for metro rail service in their State, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the projects which have been approved by Government along with their present status and estimated cost;

(c) the details of the projects lying pending along with the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by Government and the mechanism put in place to ensure timely completion of these projects?

Aadhyatmika areas under HRIDAY Project

2215. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T. : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to develop Aadhyatmika areas under project Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana, HRIDAY;

(b) if so, the details of the project; and

(c) the details of Aadhyatmika areas proposed to be developed in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana under HRIDAY project?

Funding of Smart City project in Odisha

2216. SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has determined the funding pattern for the Smart City project in Odisha, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the procedure to be followed for the implementation of Smart City project and the timeline for its development; and

(c) whether Government has determined the role of the local municipality in development of Smart Cities, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Management of Simhastha
Mahakumbh Parva**

†2217. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the details of expenditure incurred by Government on the infrastructure creation and management of the 'Simhastha Mahakumbh Parva' being organised at Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh in the current year 2016?

(b) whether notices have been served to cancel the plots/houses of such allottees; and

(c) whether alterations have been made in the LIG flats of Residential Scheme, 2014 which being of smaller sizes, were returned by the allottees, so that these flats may not be returned again by the allottees, after those are offered again under another scheme and the details thereof?

Funds under JNNURM for Jharkhand

2218. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated by Government to Jharkhand under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) during the last three years;

(b) whether total amount of the said fund has been spent by the State to the satisfaction of the Government; and

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

Conditions affixed for DDA Housing Scheme 1981

†2219. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether new conditions have been added for providing plot to the successful allottees of the residential scheme of Delhi Development Authority, 1981 thereby posing difficulties for the allottees in getting the plots;

Land allotted on concessional rate to FWMR

†2220. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether land was allotted at a concessional rate by DDA to the Federation for the Welfare of the Mentally Retarded (FWMR) at Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg-Aruna Asaf Ali Road, JNU, New Delhi for the mentally retarded children;

(b) if so, the area of the land and whether commercial activities have been undertaken illegally on the land;

(c) whether the DD authority has information about the illegal transfer of this land; and

(d) the number of retarded children therein at present?

Status of Land Pooling Policy

2221. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has not

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notified regulations for implementation of Land Pooling Policy in Delhi despite finalisation of Regulations in May, 2015;

(b) whether after being finalised, regulations were to be notified soon and policy was expected to be implemented within months as was widely reported in media;

(c) the reasons for not implementing policy till date even after three years since policy was notified in 2013;

(d) whether this delay is in contradiction with the aim of the policy that stands for planned residential development in time bound manner; and

(e) the steps taken to expedite the matter?

Violating terms of allotment by DDA

2222. SHRI GULAM RASOOL BALYAWI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether DDA which had failed to allot plots even after more than 25 years of registering applicants for Rohini Residential Scheme, 1981 have termed many allottees ineligible to get possession of the plot now allotted to them by it on the ground of violating terms of allotment by purchasing house in Delhi, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether DDA would review its unjustified stand to now deny plots to applicants who purchased home many years after DDA's 1981 Scheme when it failed to allot them plots under that scheme, and thus itself violated terms of allotment?

Implementation of Land Pooling Policy

2223. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of societies, developers and builders have purchased lands in Zones J to L, N&P (I&II) to participate as Developer Entity (DE) under Land Pooling Policy which was notified *vide* S.O. No. 2687 dated 5th September, 2013;

(b) whether investors who have purchased lands are waiting for implementation of this policy for long and there is a panic situation among individual buyers, societies and developers due to delay of its implementation; and

(c) whether Government intends to issue a press release about the progress on this policy and likely timeline to clear the confusion?

Land allotted for metro yard in Sarita Vihar

†2224. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the area of land allocated to metro by Delhi Development Authority (DDA)/ Delhi Government for metro yard in Sarita Vihar, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that a freight complex was proposed on the said land and the details of the area of land under DDA after its allotment;

(c) whether in DDA's master plan, the entire land is still registered in the name of freight complex; and

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(d) till when the status of above land would continue to be registered thus in master plan, whether any step is being taken by Government in this regard, the details thereof?

Disruptions in Delhi metro lines

2225. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of disruptions in Delhi metro lines due to signaling, overhead wire and other snags in the last two years, chronologically, with details;

(b) the steps taken to see that such incidents do not recur, by having preventing maintenance;

(c) whether complaints of charging commuters extra for overstaying on trains, lodged, despite the delay was due to technical snags, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) how would DMRC ensure that commuters are not penalized for overstay in such cases of delay in service?

Land for new biodiversity park in Dwarka

2226. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether land for development of new biodiversity park in Dwarka, Delhi is allotted or is proposed to be allotted by Delhi Development Authority (DDA), if so, the details thereof, including the area, location and at what rate; and

(b) whether efforts would be made to conserve the environment and to preserve green land in the pace of rapid urbanisation, if so, the details thereof?

Welfare homes for women and children

†2227. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of welfare homes for the security safety and education of destitute women and children and the expenses made on the maintenance of such homes and the number of destitutes living in such homes, State-wise; and

(b) the measures taken for establishing model homes for destitutes women and children in every State where they would be provided security along with education and skill development training and employment opportunities in order to bestow them with the dignity and prestige of a citizen and the State-wise number of such homes with reference to the above?

Assessment of implementation of Dowry Prohibition Act

2228. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:
Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the dowry related cases registered, conviction rate and the women died/harassed in such cases during the last two years, State-wise;

(b) whether Government has made any assessment on the implementation of Dowry Prohibition Act in different States; and

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(c) if so, the details thereof and action taken to ensure proper implementation of the Act?

(c) whether Government is taking any proactive steps to safeguard children living in educational institutions from future sexual assaults and if so, the details thereof?

Schemes for welfare and rehabilitation of widows and orphans

2229. SHRI AAYANUR MANJUNATHA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted any survey to identify the number of widows and orphans in the country, if so, the details and the outcome thereof, State/UT-wise and if not, the time by when such survey is likely to be conducted;

(b) the number of orphanages and shelter homes for widows functioning in the country at present along with the number of inmates therein, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the details of the schemes/programmes being implemented by Government for welfare and rehabilitation of widows and orphans including those who attain adulthood?

Sexual abuse of children in Kerala

2230. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note of the allegations made by prominent individuals about sexual abuse of children in certain educational institutions in the State of Kerala;

(b) if so, the details of the action taken by Government to investigate these allegations and bring the perpetrators of abuse, if any, to book; and

Data about children living with women prisoners

2231. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what action has been taken by the Ministry in consultation with Ministry of Home Affairs and State Governments to provide basic amenities and education facilities for children of women prisoners as on date;

(b) whether Government has conducted detailed study in this regard; and

(c) whether Government has any specific data about how many innocent children are currently living with women prisoners in jails?

Privatisation of anganwadis

2232. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of anganwadis operating across the country, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) whether there has been privatisation of anganwadis where the anganwadis will be run by private entities;

(c) if so, the details of anganwadis already privatised and reason for allowing privatisation; and

(d) if not, whether Government is planning to privatise anganwadi centres and services?

Permanent building for Anganwadi Centres in Maharashtra

†2233. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Anganwadi Centres in Maharashtra don't have their own permanent buildings, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has formulated any action plan to allocate funds for construction of permanent buildings for Anganwadi Centres; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Children becoming victims of accidents

†2234. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that thousands of small children are becoming victims of various kinds of accidents;

(b) if so, the total number of children of less than 14 years of age, who have become victims of fire or road accidents in the last three years, year-wise details thereof;

(c) the steps taken to make the guardians and teachers aware regarding risks and prevention of accidents in the country including Maharashtra; and

(d) the number of safe creches in the country including Maharashtra?

Funds sanctioned, released and utilised from Nirbhaya Fund

2235. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the latest details of fund sanctioned, released and utilised from the Nirbhaya Fund, head-wise and project-wise;

(b) whether the Ministry's helpline system has not materialized yet; and

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

Functional creches in Tamil Nadu

2236. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the data on the number of functional creches in the State of Tamil Nadu under the Rajiv Gandhi National Creche Scheme (RGNCs) district-wise; and

(b) the number of creche workers sanctioned and in-position, the State-wise data including that of Tamil Nadu?

Registered orphanages in country

2237. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the detail of total number of registered orphanages in the country, State-wise;

(b) the number of orphan children adopted from these orphanages during the last five years; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to add more orphanages in the

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country and to improve the living condition and working of the existing ones?

Criminal cases registered under POCSO

2238. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of criminal cases registered, that are being investigated and prosecuted currently under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012; and

(b) the State-wise breakup thereof?

Mahila E-Haat

2239. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has recently launched a website Mahila E-Haat;

(b) if so, the details and the objectives thereof;

(c) whether this would enable the women entrepreneurs to avoid intermediaries; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to generate awareness among the women in this regard?

Devdasi system

2240. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Devdasi system still persists in many temples across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to ensure the implementation of existing laws strictly to prevent such practices under any guise?

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