

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Thursday, August 13, 2015/Sravana 22, 1937 (Saka)*

(Ministries : Prime Minister; Atomic Energy; Development of North Eastern Region; Earth Sciences; Environment, Forests and Climate Change; External Affairs; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Overseas Indian Affairs; Parliamentary Affairs; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; 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 — 15

Contaminated drinking water in DIZ area, Delhi

*256. DR. ANIL KUMAR SAHANI:
Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) minerals in drinking water supplied in New Delhi is not within the World Health Organisation (WHO) limits;

(b) if so, whether drinking water supplied to the Delhi Imperial Zone (DIZ) Area, Gole Market, Delhi is contaminated with chemicals/mud/rust causing health related problems including diseases, if so, the details of TDS/minerals;

(c) the details of provision for testing of contaminated drinking water and result of testing the drinking water in the above area during the last two years; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the NDMC/CPWD/DJB to provide RO purified drinking water supply to the area?

Additional working women's hostel

*257. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:
Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the increased participation by women towards self reliance and economic freedom, the number of working women has increased considerably hence, the Ministry is considering the proposal to construct additional large number of working women's hostel;

(b) if so, the States and cities where such construction of hostels is proposed; and

(c) if not, how does the Ministry propose to meet the challenge which is imminent in the near future?

Leopard population in the country

*258. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the leopard population in the country is witnessing a steady decline for the last several years;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor during the last three years;

(c) the total number of cases of recovery of body parts and bones of leopards from poachers during the last three years, year-wise; and

(d) the fresh steps taken by Government to stop incidents of human leopard conflicts as well as the poaching of leopards in the country?

Slum rehabilitation schemes

*259. SHRI D.P. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the slum rehabilitation schemes implemented with physical targets and achievements made during 2014-15;

(b) whether Government has received suggestions/proposals from Maharashtra for common policy for rehabilitation of slums on the land owned by the Union Government and its Public Undertakings, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(c) whether Government proposes to

give property rights to slum dwellers and if so, the details thereof including the modalities being worked out for the purpose and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Ministry has taken up the matter with the Ministries/ Departments concerned, if so, the details thereof?

Latest census of tigers

*260. SHRI BALWINDER SINGH BHUNDER: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether countrywide counts of tigers take place every four years and the latest census of tigers have been completed recently;

(b) if so, complete details of census with the number of tigers, State-wise; and

(c) the methodology used for counting of tigers and whether it is based on international scientific methods and if so, complete details in this regard?

Advice of UNICEF on Anganwadis

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

(a) whether Government has achieved the objectives of Anganwadis to provide education, nutritional food and home like shelter to poor children of villages in the country, if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether the United Nations International Children Education Fund (UNICEF) has given any advice to Government in this regard?

Crime against women and children

*262. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that crimes against women and children have increased in the recent past; and

(b) what steps are proposed by the Ministry to stop such crimes and punish those who are responsible?

Poor connectivity of NE region

*263. SHRI PANKAJ BORA: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that North-Eastern region is deprived of the gains of development due to poor and faulty communication links;

(b) whether Government is also aware that waterways are the cheapest and most convenient form of communication links for the region which is not getting proper attention; and

(c) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereon?

Implementation of Green India Mission

†*264. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that watershed based 11 landscapes have been identified for implementation of Green India Mission and 80 Forest Management Committees have been attached with them;

(b) whether funds had been received from the Centre for the work related to infrastructural survey of landscapes, micro plan oriented task, water and soil conservation, sowing of crops etc. in the State; and

(c) whether approval for bridge plan and perspective plan from National Afforestation and Eco-Development Board (NAEB) has not been granted so far?

Toilets in urban areas

†*265. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of water required and supplied for one time use of toilet in the urban areas of the country, the details thereof; and

(b) the number of toilets in the urban areas of the country which do not have water facility and the number of toilets which are not in use or not being used even after construction, the State-wise details thereof along with the reasons?

Increase in storage capacity of nuclear raw material

*266. SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has been proposing to increase the storage capacity of raw material required for producing Atomic Energy in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of funds allocated for creation of infrastructure for the said purpose;

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(c) the period upto which energy will be generated by augmentation of storage capacity of raw material; and

(d) the details of security and safety measures taken by Government in this regard?

Agreement with World Bank for Sustainable Urban Development Project

*267. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank and some State Governments have signed a loan and project agreement to enable the international bank to provide millions of Rupee to Government for its Sustainable Urban Development Projects; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the progress made in the each State in this regard along with the funds sanctioned and spent by Government so far, State/UT-wise?

Foreign investment in nuclear power

*268. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the highlights of the nuclear deal struck in 2005 was massive foreign investment in nuclear power of India; and

(b) if so, whether the desired level of investment has been made by the countries

like USA, France, Japan and Russia in Indian nuclear power and if not, the reasons therefor?

Posts lying vacant in Ministries/ Departments

†*269. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts lying vacant in the Ministries/Departments of the Central Government and whether Government intends to fill-up them;

(b) whether the Government has stipulated any time-limit to fill up these vacancies, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the vacancies, Ministry/Department-wise and State-wise?

Schemes for BPL people

†*270. SHRI NARENDRA BUDANIA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of households in the country that are living below poverty line at present;

(b) the number of households in the rural areas that are living below poverty line as per the data available so far;

(c) the steps taken by Government to bring down the number of people living below poverty line; and

(d) whether any scheme in this regard is being implemented in Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof?

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