

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Tuesday, March 15, 2016/Phalgun 25, 1937 (Saka)*

**(Ministries: Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy
(AYUSH); Civil Aviation; Corporate Affairs; Defence; Finance; Health and
Family Welfare; Information and Broadcasting; Minority Affairs)**

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Inoperative and rarely operative air- strips in the country

*181. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of existing air-strips indicating separately the inoperative or rarely operative air-strips in the country, district-wise and State-wise including West Bengal;

(b) the details of expenditure incurred and revenue generated for maintaining these inoperative strips or rarely operative strips in the country during last three years, State-wise, air-strip-wise;

(c) whether the Ministry is intending to privatise these air-strips, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken for boosting the regional connectivity in the country including the State of West Bengal?

Convictions under PCPNDT Act

†*182. SHRIMATI BIMLA KASHYAP SOOD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of pre-natal sex determination tests and female foeticides in the country which have come to light despite complete enforcement of the Pre-conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act, 1994 across the country;

(b) the country-wide details of stringent action taken by Government against the guilty gynaecologists and the parents who approached for pre-natal sex determination, so that, the female foeticide can be fully curbed; and

(c) if no action was taken, the reasons therefor and the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Study on effectiveness of CSR Policy

*183. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been carried out on the implementation and effectiveness of CSR policy;

(b) if so, the findings thereof; and

(c) the details of steps Government proposes to take for making the scheme more effective and result oriented?

Recurrence of tuberculosis

†*184. SHRI TARUN VIJAY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are signs of recurrence of tuberculosis on a large scale in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that the disease has made deep roots in the hilly cities of North-Eastern States and Himachal Pradesh; and

(c) the details of steps being taken for prevention and treatment of tuberculosis and the details thereof?

High costs of medicines in private hospitals

*185. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that a large number of private hospitals in the country have been treating diseases;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these hospitals have been forcing the patients to purchase medicines from the chemists charging very high prices than the market

from the patients suffering from cancer and other serious diseases in the hospital; and

(c) if so, what action Government is going to take against such hospitals?

Measures to ensure balanced population growth

*186. SHRI SHADI LAL BATRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the trend of population growth registered during the last decade, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether Government has undertaken any measures to contain the growth of population in the country, if so, the details thereof along with targets achieved thereunder;

(c) whether Government proposes to implement two-child policy for stabilisation of population in the country, if so, the details thereof along with the manner in which the policy is likely to be implemented and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the other steps being taken or proposed to be taken by Government to ensure balanced population growth in the country?

Dues of aviation companies

†*187. DR. VIJAYLAXMI SADHO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of dues that various private aviation companies owe to the Airports Authority of India (AAI) and oil companies; and

(b) whether it is a fact that despite such

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a huge amount of due, no action is being taken against these companies and if so, the reasons therefor?

New Unani Hospitals in the country

*188. SHRI GULAM RASOOL BALYAWI: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Unani Hospitals in the country;

(b) the Unani Hospitals set-up during the last three years; and

(c) the details of proposals for setting up of new Unani Hospitals?

Separate aviation security force

*189. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is considering to raise a separate aviation security force for security at airports;

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

(c) whether the Ministry has taken steps to enhance security cover at civilian airports in the wake of security threat after the Pathankot attack and if so, the details thereof?

Demands of farmers at Budget meeting

*190. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during a recent Budget meeting, farmers' groups sought subsidised loans of ₹ Five Lakh at four per cent interest and higher Minimum Support Price for their crops, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what action Government has taken or proposes to take on the demands of the farmers?

Exclusion of petroleum from GST ambit

*191. SHRI K.T.S TULSI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) reasons for excluding petroleum which constitutes around 60 per cent of the revenue, from the ambit of GST; and

(b) whether this exclusion constitutes gross injustice to the States and to the federal structure?

Bad debts in PSBs

†*192. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per data of Reserve Bank of India, at the end of financial year 2012, loans to the tune of ₹15,551 crore disbursed by nationalised banks had turned into bad debt;

(b) whether out of the total loans disbursed between years 2013 to 2015, loans worth ₹1,14,182 crore had turned into bad debt;

(c) if so, the names of the officers who sanctioned these loans and to which individuals, and basis on which these were sanctioned; and

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(d) the steps Government is taking to recover bad debts and if no steps are taken, the reasons therefor?

Penalising of pharmaceutical firms for non-adherence to norms

*193. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of pharmaceutical companies which have been penalised in the country during the last two years for not adhering to or complying the norms/policy and rules of Drug Controller and other Government agencies; and

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

Promotion of national sports by banks

*194. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by banks so far in promoting national sports and the details of recruitment of sportspersons in banks;

(b) whether the banks have earmarked any funds for the development of sports, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how many sportspersons have been recruited in banks through sports quota and the details of criteria for selection and the category-wise details of jobs offered to them?

Fighter aircraft deal with Russia

*195. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has signed agreement with various countries for procurement/purchase of fighter aircrafts, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any deal has also been struck with Russia for procurement of fighter aircrafts equipped with stealth technology and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds likely to be utilised on the procurement of the said aircrafts; and

(d) the time by which these aircrafts are likely to be inducted in the Indian Air Force?

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