

## RAJYA SABHA

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### List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
Tuesday, December 15, 2015/Agrahayana 24, 1937 (Saka)*

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(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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#### Updating AYUSH knowledge data base

1761. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government intends to update knowledge and practice of the systems under it on the basis of new knowledge;

(b) whether it considers it to be necessary and advisable to do so; and

(c) if so, what steps it has already undertaken, and what it intends to do in future?

#### Promoting of yoga worldwide

1762. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) how far the spreading of yoga by the Hon'ble Prime Minister has been

successful through launching it worldwide on World Yoga Day;

(b) whether there is any plan to train a large number of youth in yoga and export them to various countries in order to spread yoga; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to encourage other countries to adopt yoga in their school curriculum, if so, the details thereof?

#### Prescribing allopathic medicines by AYUSH practitioners

1763. SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the country is facing acute shortage of MBBS/allopathic doctors, especially in rural areas, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government is going to permit AYUSH practitioners to prescribe allopathic medicines; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with type of training and certification to be given to AYUSH practitioners?

**Upgradation of Siddha Medical  
College and Hospital,  
Tirunelveli**

1764. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Siddha Medical College and Hospital, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu is proposed to be upgraded into a university for doing research on various medicinal herbs available along the Western Ghats;

(b) if so, the plans thereof and future recommendation thereon;

(c) whether research on ancient literature on Sittars findings could be utilized as vaccines and preventive medicines for innumerable diseases; and

(d) whether Government is aware of such unique traditional treatment methods that are utilized even to cure cerebral palsy?

**Documentation and conservation of  
traditional herbal plants**

1765. SHRI AAYANUR MANJUNATHA: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has undertaken

any study to identify and map the indigenous medicinal/aromatic plants and herbs across the country, if so, the details thereof, State/Union Territory-wise;

(b) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by Government for documentation of these plants and herbs in the country so as to protect them from being patented in other countries; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government for the conservation, cultivation and commercial exploitation of indigenous medicinal/aromatic plants along with the funds earmarked, allocated and utilised for the purpose during each of the last three years, State/Union Territory-wise?

**Promotion of homoeopathy**

1766. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken for promotion of homoeopathy in the country including the allocation and utilization of funds for the same during last three years, State-wise;

(b) the details of the homoeopathic practitioners in the country including the details of legislation governing them, State-wise;

(c) the details of educational institutions imparting education on homoeopathy along with budgetary allocation and utilization for the same during last three years, State-wise;

(d) whether any complaints have been received against homoeopathic practitioners

in the country during last three years; and

(e) if so, the details of steps taken against them, complaint-wise?

**Promoting research in integrated systems of medicine**

1767. SHRI K.N. BALAGOPAL: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has noticed about the effectiveness of medicines coming under the non-allopathic (English medicines) systems, to treat several epidemics and ailments; and

(b) if so, whether Government is having schemes to promote research of integrated systems of medicine and, if so, the details thereof?

**Allocation of funds for Ayush systems of medicine**

1768. SHRI K.C. TYAGI:  
SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated for Allopathy, Homoeopathy, Ayurveda and Unani systems of medicine during the last two years;

(b) how much of the funds were utilized in each case, year-wise; and

(c) the steps being taken to develop Unani system of medicine and to increase allocation for the same?

**Banning of homoeopathy medicines in foreign countries**

†1769. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Germany and Britain have banned medicines of homoeopathy system of medicine;

(b) if so, why these medicines are not banned in India and the reasons for ban abroad;

(c) whether it is also a fact that many medicines of allopathy system of medicines are also banned likewise but they are being used here arbitrarily; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that allopathy does not have any cure for swine flu and dengue fever, if so, the reasons for not exploring ayurvedic medicines for their treatment?

**Action plan to promote Ayush systems of medicine**

†1770. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated any concrete action plan to promote Ayurveda, Yoga, Naturopathy and Homoeopathy, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government proposes to set up in all States or in some State's hospitals of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy and Homoeopathy on lines

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of AIIMS, if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government has provided any assistance to Government of Rajasthan to promote Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy and Homoeopathy in current financial year, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Standardization of Ayush medical prescriptions**

1771. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that standardization of Ayurveda, Yoga, Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy prescription is still a far cry;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the medicines of such systems are neither economical nor easily available and much less the authorized practitioners of such systems; and

(c) what steps the Ministry is taking to take these indigenous system out of this bind?

#### **Resumption of ATR services in the country**

†1772. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Aircraft Type Rating (ATR) service has been reintroduced in the country;

(b) if so, the names of those aerospace

where abovesaid service has been started; and

(c) the steps taken or likely to be taken to introduce these services in other aerospace of the country including Madhya Pradesh, and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Revival of airports in the country**

1773. SHRI PAUL MANOJ PANDIAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Airports Authority of India (AAI) is considering to revive 50 airports in the country in 10 years time to boost connectivity;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that India has about 450 airports across the country and out of 450, about 125 are operational and the rest are non-functional; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Loss making airports of AAI**

1774. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the airports run by the Airports Authority of India (AAI) are running in losses and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what are the steps taken to minimize the losses incurred by these airports?

#### **Selling off of Dreamliner planes by AI**

1775. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air India has collected

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₹ 7,000 crore by selling nine of its 21 Dreamliner planes;

(b) if so, the details of cost price of each Dreamliner plane as well as its selling price;

(c) what are the profit/losses accrued on sale of Dreamliner aircrafts; and

(d) what monthly lease rental amount has to be paid by AI to Singaporean lessor?

#### **High ATF taxation at metros**

1776. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry plans to address the issue of high air turbine fuel (ATF) taxation, especially in metros;

(b) if so, whether the Ministry would state the measures being taken to resolve this issue and the details of the progress made so far; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Airports without scheduled flights**

1777. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has spent more than ₹ 326 crores since 2009 on 8 airports that do not receive scheduled flights; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Loss of job by overweight cabin crew in Air India**

1778. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that nearly 125

cabin crew personnel of Air India, including air-hostesses to lose job for not maintaining the weight standards prescribed by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the national carrier had given an opportunity to around 600 overweight cabin crew members last year to shape within a stipulated time-frame following the DGCA guidelines; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that of these 600 cabin staff, nearly 125 including air-hostesses failed to maintain the required body mass index or weight standards?

#### **Expansion of Jodhpur airport**

†1779. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated any plan to expand airport situated at border district of Jodhpur in Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government intends to expand Jodhpur airport in lines with Pune airport, if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether any private airlines has given any proposal to Government for operating flights from Delhi or other cities to Jodhpur, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Rationalisation of airfares by airlines**

1780. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government

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had recently asked the airlines to suggest models for self regulation to rationalise airfares in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what has been the response of airlines in this regard?

#### **Turn Around Plan of AI**

1781. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Turn Around Plan (TAP) and Financial Restructuring Plan (FRP) of Air India (AI) approved in April, 2012;

(b) the details of milestone laid down by Government for TAP and FRP;

(c) whether AI has achieved all the milestones laid down;

(d) if so, the details of each of the milestone achieved; and

(e) if not, the reasons for not achieving the milestone and efforts being made to achieve the same?

#### **International flights from Bhubaneswar**

1782. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) how many airlines have desired to operate direct from Biju Patnaik International Airport, Bhubaneswar in Odisha, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Ministry has held any meeting in this regard, if so, by when?

#### **Frequent technical snags in the Dreamliners**

1783. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Dreamliners purchased or inducted by Air India in its fleet during the last three years and the current year along with the expenditure incurred on their purchase;

(b) whether frequent technical snags in the Dreamliners have been reported during the said period;

(c) if so, the details of such instances along with the losses incurred as a result thereof; and

(d) whether the Air India has taken up the issue with manufacturers and if so, the details thereof along with the compensation paid by the manufacturers to Air India in this regard?

#### **Affordable domestic air travel**

1784. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has framed a new Aviation Policy;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) the average per kilometer air fare for economy class domestic travel as on October 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively; and

(d) the steps proposed to make domestic travel affordable for larger number of people?

**Restoration of profit making flight routes to AI**

†1785. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of such flight routes which were profit making but handed over to private airlines after the year 2007;

(b) whether it is also a fact that at present first preference is given to aircrafts belonging to private airlines for take off;

(c) whether Government will consider to restore profit making flight routes to Air India as in the past; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Upgradation of the Vijayawada airport**

1786. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to upgrade the airport in Vijayawada to the category of Gr. 2/Gr. 3 or so, so as to create the necessary infrastructure;

(b) what are the various infrastructural facilities being created to meet the growing demand of air travellers in Vijayawada airport;

(c) whether there is any proposal to start direct flight services from Delhi, Mumbai and other important cities of the country to Vijayawada for the convenience of various travellers visiting Vijayawada; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Improving finances of loss making airlines**

1787. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether country's airlines are financially sick today;

(b) if so, the losses suffered by the airlines since last three years, airline-wise;

(c) the details of the airlines which are making profit during last three years, airline-wise; and

(d) the details of measures taken by Government to improve the finances of loss making airlines?

**Modernisation of Chennai airport**

1788. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the problem with the Chennai airport has been that Airports Authority of India (AAI) was able to complete only one phase of the proposed modernisation of the airport, as the Government decided to rope in private sector for the job;

(b) whether it is also a fact that with the change in plan now, AAI will complete the project of creating a seamless travel experience for Chennai airport users;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the AAI is working to appoint a project consultant for completing the modernisation of Chennai airport; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Delay in flight services due to foggy condition**

1789. SHRIMATI SARAJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is adopting any new technology for the aircrafts which can fly in thick fog conditions keeping in

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view the growing fog conditions particularly in Delhi/New Delhi; and

(b) what are the steps taken by Government to tackle the situations arising out of delay in flight services during the winter and foggy conditions in Delhi?

#### **Air connectivity to adjoining capital cities**

1790. SHRI GULAM RASOOL BALYAWI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of capital cities which are not connected by air with other capital cities;

(b) the names of capital cities which are not connected with neighbouring/adjoining capital cities by air;

(c) whether there is a need to connect capital cities with all the adjoining capital cities; and

(d) the action being taken to connect the capital cities with all the adjoining capital cities?

#### **Non-operational airports**

1791. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that number of airports established by Airports Authority of India (AAI) in various parts of the country have not become operational even after their completion;

(b) if so, the details thereof, airport-wise;

(c) what are the reasons for non-functioning of these airports; and

(d) what action Government proposes to take to make these airports operational?

#### **Authority to control increase in airfares**

†1792. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that there is too much increase in airfare for Srinagar during the winter season;

(b) if so, the main reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has appointed/ is appointing any authority to control/ monitor the increasing fares; and

(d) if so, the report of the authority in this regard?

#### **CSR activities in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana**

1793. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the response to Government's insistence on CSR by corporates, particularly in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana; and

(b) whether the Government plans to undertake a social audit of good governance practices in the corporate sector?

#### **Adherence to Companies Order, 2015**

1794. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had issued Companies (Auditor Report) Order, 2015;

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(b) reasons for issuing this Order;

(c) whether any mechanism exist to supervise/monitor and whether Company Auditors are adhering to this order or not; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Record of non-functional registered companies**

1795. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of registered companies with Registrar of Companies in the country as on date along with the details of such companies amongst them which have been closed, State-wise; and

(b) the details of the steps taken by Government to identify the number of companies which are not functioning but continues to be on the records of the Government, State-wise?

**Compensation to families of martyred Army Jawans**

1796. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Army Jawans were killed recently by militants in an ambush in J&K, if so, the details thereof till October, 2015;

(b) the compensation and other relief provided by Government to the families of late Jawans; and

(c) what action Government has taken against the militant who ambushed the Army Jawans and how many militants have been killed and captured till October, 2015?

**Notices to noodle makers for obtaining mandatory approval**

1797. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has issued notices to some noodle makers for obtaining mandatory approval, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the result of testing of Nestle's Maggi Noodle and whether it has been cleared for marketing; and

(c) what pro-active action has been initiated by the Authority for ensuring safety of all instant food products, in the public interests, for food safety and hygienic conditions, with details thereof?

**Control on purchase of foreign aircrafts**

†1798. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to put restrictions on the purchase of foreign aircrafts for the Air Force;

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

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

**Missing armed forces personnel**

†1799. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any personnel of the armed forces have gone missing in the country during the last three years, till date, if so, the details thereof;

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(b) the number of such cases that came to light during the said period; and

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

#### **Listing of DPSUs in stock exchanges**

1800. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government intends to list Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSUs) in stock exchanges, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what benefits Government intends to achieve apart from raising financial resources?

#### **Euthanasing of service animals of the Army**

1801. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has chalked out any programme to stop euthanasia of service animals of Indian Army including dogs, mules, horses etc. once their service years are over, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to protect the sentient animal friends of Indian Army from pain and sufferings?

#### **Achievements made by BRO**

1802. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the achievements or the number of border infrastructure projects completed so far since the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) was brought under the Ministry of Defence from January 9, 2015; and

(b) whether Government has outsourced any services of Junior Engineers (civil) as a part of interim measures to tackle the shortage of manpower?

#### **Countering foreign aggressions along country's borders**

1803. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has inked new deals for the purchase of weapons and artilleries to combat and tackle the continuous infiltration of Chinese and Pakistani troops and continued tension near LoC in the Northern and North-Eastern borders;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total amount involved;

(c) whether there is an adequate deployment of armed forces to control the aggression of Chinese and Pakistani troops in the past six months, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the amount allocated for the purchase of arms and ammunitions, artillery, fighter jets and other weapons exclusively for combating Chinese and Pakistani aggressions in LoC has been fully disbursed and spent in the last three years, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Women pilots in the Armed Forces**

1804. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a decision has been taken to induct women pilots into the fighter stream in the Indian Air Force, if so, the details thereof;

(b) how Government proposes to execute this decision; and

(c) whether women in the Indian Army

and the Navy would also be getting such an opportunity?

#### **SSC Officers leaving the Army**

1805. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of Short Service Commission (SSC);

(b) whether it is a fact that SSC Officers leaving Army is more when compared to Air Force and Navy in the last three years; and

(c) if so, the reasons for leaving Army by SSC Officers and efforts made to retain them by providing attractive incentives, etc.?

#### **Shortage of army hospitals**

†1806. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is shortage of army hospitals in the country;

(b) the number of soldiers of Army who were admitted to private hospitals due to infectious diseases including details of total expenditure incurred on their treatment in last one year;

(c) whether it is a fact that in view of infectious diseases Army has put in place health camps; and

(d) if so, the names of locations where such camps were set up in the last one year?

#### **Boosting Indian Navy capabilities**

1807. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:  
SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the efforts/measures that have been taken by Government during the last two years to boost the Indian Navy, keeping in view the coastal security; and

(b) whether there is a shortage of submarines to guard the coasts of India and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Insurance scheme for porters in the Indian Army**

1808. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had formulated any scheme for porters, serving in the Indian Army along the inhospitable border, that will insure them and their families in case of death or disability, if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the fresh steps taken by Government to work out modalities for insurance scheme for such porters so that they are ready to take up such kind of risky jobs working in proximity of Line of Control?

#### **Violations of country's aerospace and marine boundaries**

†1809. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of times the aerospace and marine boundaries of the country have been crossed over by certain countries during the past two years;

(b) whether such incidents of violation took place deliberately or by mistake;

(c) if so, whether the issue was raised with the concerned countries; and

(d) the details of steps being taken so that such incidents may not occur in future?

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### **Review of service conditions of Armed Forces**

1810. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is reviewing the service conditions for armed forces and looking at lateral induction into other Government services as a means of reducing the financial burden on Government given the fact that pensions are an ongoing permanent financial liability on Government;

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

(c) the steps taken by Government for rehabilitation and re-settlement of Jawans and officers at the end of their service?

### **Erosion in civil-military relationship**

1811. SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the civil-military relationship in place for the Armed Forces;

(b) whether Government has taken cognizance of the erosion of civil-military relationship and the growing discontent amongst the Armed Forces regarding the same, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government plans to introduce a Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)-like figure, if so, the details thereof and timeline for the same, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government plans to introduce the recommendations of the Kargil Review Committee and the Naresh Chandra Committee regarding civil-military relationship, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Modernisation of ordnance factories**

1812. SHRI TARUN VIJAY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are Government plans to modernise ordnance factories and the period with cost to have it done;

(b) whether Government is also thinking to export weapons and other equipment manufactured in ordnance factories; and

(c) if so, in how many countries and the volume, category and value of it?

### **Construction of National War Memorial**

†1813. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is seriously considering to construct a National War Memorial in Delhi;

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

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

### **Sainik Schools in North-East and UP**

†1814. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States from where proposals for setting up of Sainik Schools have been received and the status thereof;

(b) the number of Sainik School likely to be opened in the North-East area and Uttar Pradesh and locations thereof; and

(c) the present status of Sainik Schools proposed to be opened at Amethi in Uttar Pradesh and Shivasagar or Golaghat districts in Assam and the level at which the work is pending and by when these Sainik Schools will be opened?

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**Granting of permanent commission  
for women SSC officers**

1815. SHRI DEREK O BRIEN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women holding Short Service Commissions (SSC) in each branch of the armed forces of the country;

(b) whether any women officers have been granted permanent commissions in the armed forces; and

(c) if so, the number of women officers granted permanent commissions in each branch of the armed forces, year-wise since 2008?

**Compulsory military training  
through NCC**

1816. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to impart compulsory military training through NCC to the students and colleges in order to inculcate discipline amongst them;

(b) the percentage of the students community who are currently enrolled in the NCC junior and senior division across the entire country;

(c) whether there is a proposal to impart compulsory NCC training, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Empanelment for sale through CSD  
Canteens**

1817. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the laid down procedure for empanelment of consumer goods manufactured by the companies owned by disabled persons for sale through CSD Canteens situated in Delhi and NCR and the details thereof;

(b) the details of new items empanelled for sale through CSD Canteens during the last three years;

(c) the details of agarbathies, dhoop, dry dhoop cones, brooms, floor dusters and white cotton dusters purchased by CSD Canteens during the last twelve months indicating quantity purchased, purchase price, item-wise; and

(d) whether CSD Canteens give preference to the items manufactured by disabled persons and women entrepreneurs and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Dedicated call centres for soldiers**

†1818. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States in India where call centres to help soldiers, ex-servicemen and war widows are working at present;

(b) whether Government proposes to set up soldier help call centres in each State to resolve the problems faced by in-service soldiers, ex-servicemen and war widows; and

(c) whether Government proposes to open new rest houses for soldiers in the State of Rajasthan if so, by when?

**Coverage of health insurance scheme  
in rural areas**

†1819. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people presently

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covered under health insurance scheme and the percentage of rural population covered in it;

(b) total estimated expenditure to be incurred under this scheme and whether it will also cover the treatment facilities in private sector hospitals; and

(c) by when the present scheme would be implemented and whether this scheme would be fully sponsored by centre?

#### **Rise in GNPA ratio**

1820. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Financial Stability Report (FSR) released by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in June, 2015 had predicted that Cross Non-Performing Asset (GNPA) ratio may increase and could rise to around 5.9% by March, 2016 ;

(b) if so, steps taken by Government as corrective measures; and

(c) if no corrective measures has been initiated by Government, reasons therefor?

#### **Response to scheme for disclosing black money**

1821. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the response to the three month window provided to tax evaders for disclosing their unaccounted income stashed abroad;

(b) whether Government is satisfied with the response;

(c) in view of the poor response whether Government proposes to give one

more chance by announcing such a disclosure scheme in the future as well; and

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

#### **Expansion of Mahila Bank**

1822. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to expand the Mahila Bank launched by previous Government ;

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

(c) the details of the targets, achievements and financials of the bank in the last year?

#### **Status of PMJDY**

1823. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) when was the Prime Minister's Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) started by Government;

(b) the number of accounts opened in various banks of the country under PMJDY by 31st March 2015 and the amount deposited in the same ;

(c) the number of accounts under said scheme having zero balance;

(d) the number of account holders who have been given ₹ 10,000 loan on their demand and the details thereof, State-wise;

(e) the number of accounts in which ₹ one lakh has been credited as insured sum under the said Yojana as on 31st March, 2015; and

(f) the details of the States in which accounts have not been opened under this scheme and the reasons therefor?

**Contractualisation and outsourcing of permanent bank jobs**

1824. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the strike of All India Bank Officers on 2nd September this year on the growing concern of the workforce on the issues of contractualisation of permanent jobs, outsourcing etc., if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the measures being taken by the Government to solve the problems of Banking staff and avoid frequent strikes in future?

**NRI remittance in the country**

1825. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the annual inflow of foreign capital including NRI remittances in the country during the last three years;

(b) the inflow of foreign capital in equity, portfolio investment and in debt investments respectively; and

(c) the debt to GDP ratio as on 1 April, 2014 and 1 April 2015 respectively?

**Debt waiver scheme**

1826. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the targets set in regard to

debt waiver scheme have been achieved, if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the amount of loan still outstanding against the farmers after the implementation of debt waiver scheme, the details thereof State-wise and bank-wise;

(c) the number of small and marginal farmers who could not get benefits despite being eligible for the said scheme, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to give benefits to such farmers?

**Action against PSB defaulters**

1827. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the parties who have been declared defaulters by PSU Banks and amount outstanding; and

(b) what punitive steps were taken against the defaulting parties and the results thereof?

**Loan recovery by PSBs and FIs from deprived sections of society**

†1828. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken or propose to take steps to review the discrepancies in the policy adopted for granting and recovering loans by banks and financial institutions for the welfare of poor, people of deprived category, unemployed youths, workers and farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof, as on date; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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**Bank schemes for women and girl child**

1829. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) how many schemes have been started by Government and Banks for women and girl child empowerment in the country and number of girls, students and women likely to be benefited by such schemes;

(b) whether Ministry monitors implementation of such schemes on regular basis and gets reports from implementation agencies;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) what are reasons for not implementing Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana by banks properly; and

(e) the performance of banks, in implementation of above scheme bank-wise?

**Action on financial frauds and chit funds**

1830. SHRI K.N. BALAGOPAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has noticed the huge number of cases relating to financial frauds/cheating in the name of chit funds and other investment schemes;

(b) if so, the details of such cases, which have been noticed and acted upon by the Government for the last three years;

(c) whether a firm named as PACL has come under the scanner of Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof including the Money involved in it and the names of States and number of people affected and involved; and

(e) the remedial steps adopted by the Government on the above case?

**Earning from Swachh Bharat Cess**

1831. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state how much does Government hope to earn from the new Swachh Bharat Cess during the current and upcoming fiscal year?

**Mudra Bank in Tamil Nadu**

1832. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: What has been the response to the Mudra Bank in Tamil Nadu the details thereof?

**Purchase of stationery items in Finance Ministry**

1833. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of stationery items etc. purchased by the departments under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Finance as per the provisions of Rule 145 and Rule 146 of the General Financial Rules-2005 during 2015-2016 till date, indicating specification and the purchase price against each item;

(b) whether it is a fact that Departments under the jurisdiction of the Ministry are purchasing stationery and other general items at higher rates than available in Kendriya Bhandar; and

(c) if so, the details of reasons for not purchasing stationery etc. from Kendriya Bhandar?

**Kelkar Committee report on revitalizing PPP**

1834. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:  
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kelkar Committee on



revitalising public-private partnership (PPP) projects has submitted its report to Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of measures proposed to resolve contractual financing and implementation issues plaguing the PPP project?

#### **Measures to bring back black money**

†1835. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL:  
SHRI VIJAY GOEL:  
SHRI K.N. BALAGOPAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has failed to bring back black money from foreign countries;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) if not, the number of people who have informed about their black money deposited in foreign countries under law for black money and the actual amount of their black money about which Government is aware of;

(d) the amount declared under the scheme announced by Government upto September, 2015; and

(e) the steps being contemplated by Government to ensure that black money is brought back?

#### **National Investment and Infrastructure Fund**

1836. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:  
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is proposing National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF), for leveraging public investments;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by what time, the Fund will be created along with its administration, funding and distribution policy, the details thereof?

#### **Formulation of a National Income Policy**

†1837. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:  
SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a reference to the improvement in efficiency and productivity was made while increasing the salary of Central Government employees by the Sixth Central Pay Commission and whether it was followed;

(b) the annual burden on exchequer due to suggestions made by Seventh Central Pay Commission to increase salary of Government employees;

(c) what will be the increase in salary in various pay-bands in comparison to average income of common citizen;

(d) whether Government would consider to formulate a National Income Policy which would consider increase in salary of Government and private sector employees; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Operation of payment banks in the country**

1838. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India

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has granted licence for payments banks to operate in the country;

(b) if so the details thereof along with the name of the institutions/organisations who have been granted licence;

(c) the details of functions of these banks;

(d) whether these banks have started their operations; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which they have been asked to start their operation?

#### **Ranking of India in resolving insolvency**

1839. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has ranked India 136 out of 189 nations in resolving insolvency;

(b) whether India striving to ratchet up its overall ranking on Ease of Doing Business has taken up the overhaul of the bankruptcy framework towards insolvency resolution within 180 days;

(c) whether the Bankruptcy Law Reforms Commission has also suggested creation of a regulator to oversee the process; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Opening of bank branches in villages**

†1840. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had decided to set up branches of banks in villages

having population of two thousand to ensure financial inclusion in the country;

(b) if so, the number of such villages in Bihar where bank branches have been opened during current financial year;

(c) the number of those villages where bank branches are remaining to be opened district-wise; and

(d) by when Government will open bank branches in the said villages so that the Direct Benefit Transfer scheme may reach to the end user, the details thereof?

#### **Quantum of NPAs of PSBs**

1841. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantum of NPAs of Public Sector Banks as on November 30, 2015, bank-wise;

(b) year-wise decrease or increase of NPAs during the last three years; and

(c) the details of the steps taken to wipe out NPAs?

#### **Management of NPS fund**

1842. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the fund accumulated under New Pension Scheme (NPS) till date under Central Government employees' and State Government employees' NPS fund, separately;

(b) whether return on Central Government fund managed by SBI, UTI and LIC has been around 9 to 10 per cent only;

(c) if so, the details thereof, year-wise

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and fund-wise during each of the last three years and the current year, so far; and

(d) the reasons for higher return on NPS fund managed by private managers?

**Impact of Seventh Pay Commission on the financial condition of Government**

†1843. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the impact on financial condition of Government by accepting recommendations of the Seventh Central Pay Commission;

(b) whether there is any scheme to provide Central assistance to financially weak States as it has often been seen that after the implementation of recommendations of the pay commission the State Governments also increase the pay scales of their employees; and

(c) whether Government is considering to increase the rate of minimum wages for private sector keeping in view the recommendations of Seventh Pay Commission?

**Growth of MFIs outside Andhra Pradesh**

1844. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the growth prospects have improved for Micro Financial Institutions (MFIs) outside Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, comparatively with each State and the reasons therefor?

**Waiver of farmer's bank loans**

1845. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) in view of rise in the number of farmers suicide in various States, will the Government consider to waive of farmer's bank loans;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether the Government has any action plan to deal with crisis and the details thereof?

**Digital Currency and Crowd Funding**

†1846. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to lack of control of regulator on Digital Currency and Crowd Funding there is more possibility of usurpation of hard earned money of common man;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to ban Digital Currency and Crowd Funding in the country; and

(c) the basis on which Government has considered to implement it before reaching any decision on Digital Currency and Crowd Funding?

**Higher inflation in urban areas**

1847. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that inflation is higher in rural areas, especially for fuel, transportation and food items compared to urban areas;

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(b) if so, reasons thereof;

(c) whether the present economic system weighted in favour of urban areas and against rural areas; and

(d) if so, whether Government will adopt measures to remedy this anomaly?

**Livelihood linkages for beneficiaries of PMJDY**

1848. SHRI RANGASAYEE RAMAKRISHNA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) to what extent, the beneficiaries of the PMJDY (Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana) have their livelihood linkages; and

(b) the details of steps will be taken by Government to ensure such linkages such that the financial inclusion becomes purposive?

**Delays in transferring refund**

1849. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ministry is aware about tremendous difficulties being faced by honest Income Tax assesseees because of non-transfer of refund above ₹ 50,000 directly into bank accounts;

(b) if so, the basis and reasons for such policy along with steps taken to remove such anomalies;

(c) the details of total refund due and average time for giving refund to assesseees during the last three years, State-wise, circle-wise and year-wise; and

(d) the details of action taken by Government for payment of interests due to delay in transferring refund?

**Legal production of opium in the country**

1850. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the only country legally allowed to produce gum opium;

(b) if so, whether Government is considering to increase the country's opium production in the cultivation year 2015-16;

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

(d) the names of the States which are authorised to cultivate opium;

(e) whether Government is aware of the fact that some States have been cultivating opium illegally; and

(f) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard?

**Contribution of banks to NSDF**

1851. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether is it a fact that several banks have stopped contributing to National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) since 2004-05;

(b) the amount of money contributed by various banks, bank-wise in the NSDF since the funds inception or during the last three years;

(c) whether the Banks have been regularly contributing, if not, the reasons thereof; and

(d) what steps have been taken up by the banks to promote sports in areas where there are lead banks?

**Uniformity in Indian currency notes**

1852. SHRI SALIM ANSARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has decided to issue currency notes with enhanced security features;

(b) if so, complete details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that different series in ₹ 500 and ₹ 1000 notes differ in size and colour and are not uniform in features as in the countries such as Singapore, UK and USA; and

(d) if so, reasons therefor and the steps being taken to bring uniformity in Indian currency notes?

**Impact of reduction in corporate tax on revenue**

1853. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state what will be the impact on the revenue earnings of Government with the reduction of the Corporate Tax from 30 per cent down to 25 per cent during the current and upcoming year?

**Autonomy to PSBs to act against defaulters**

1854. SHRI K.C. TYAGI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Gross Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) of Public Sector Banks have risen to 6.03 per cent at the June, 2015;

(b) if so, whether Government has given full powers and autonomy to All Public Sector Banks to take action against the defaulters; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Forex reserves of the country**

1855. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the forex reserves slipped to \$311.50 billion as on 30th September, 2015; and

(b) if so, the details thereof compared to the last three years?

**Prevalence of cancer among women**

1856. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that five leading types of cancers are found in women;

(b) whether it is also a fact that around 144937 Indian women were detected with breast cancer in 2012 as per a report by WHO;

(c) whether breast cancer is the most common cancer in females in urban areas while cervical cancer is dominant in rural areas; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that almost half of the breast cancer deaths can be prevented if detected early?

**Unrestricted use of pesticides**

1857. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an official data released recently has shown that India's food chain continues to suffer from excessive toxicity due to rampant and unrestrained use of pesticides, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is a fact that many studies in the past have warned of increasing

toxicity in food items but Government has failed to take action to regulate the use of pesticides by farmers, if so, the details thereof?

**Seats vacant in MBBS course due to red-tapism**

1858. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in 2014-15, 4000 MBBS seats could not be filled due to red-tapism;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the loss of seats occurred due to lethargic inspection of infrastructure in medical colleges and non-grant of timely permission to colleges to admit students;

(d) whether it is also a fact that capacity in MBBS courses rose from 51,598 in 2013-14 to 54,348 in 2014-15; and

(e) whether it is also a fact that the renewal of 3,920 seats were not permitted in 2014-15, leading to net loss of 1,170 seats?

**Low utilisation of funds**

1859. SHRI DEREK O BRIEN: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has spent less than 30 per cent of the funds allocated to it in 2015-16;

(b) the percentage of allocated funds in 2014-15 and 2015-16 that is currently unused; and

(c) the reasons for low utilisation of funds?

**Ban on human embryo import**

1860. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has banned import of human embryo, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this will put an end to surrogacy tourism; and

(c) by when this ban will come into effect?

**Closing of HIV/AIDS research studies**

1861. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to shut down several of the 36 HIV/AIDS research studies presently being implemented by NACO in collaboration with the US centres for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF and USAID due to budgetary cuts;

(b) if so, the detailed specifications of the HIV/AIDS research studies that are being shelved without being concluded or completed, including the research objective, target population and partner organizations and NGOs; and

(c) whether Government is planning to allocate additional/supplementary funds for the continuation of these research studies?

### **Shortage of doctors and paramedics**

1862. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that after ten years of rural health mission, shortage of doctors hampers healthcare in rural areas, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that at the country level, there is a staggering shortfall of 81 per cent of specialist doctors, 12 per cent of general physicians, 21 per cent of nurse and 5 per cent of auxiliary nurse-cum-midwives; and

(c) whether among the technical support staff, shortfalls range from 29 per cent for pharmacists to 45 per cent of laboratory technicians and 63 per cent for radiographers?

### **Compulsory re-registration of medical practitioners**

1863. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state as on date, the action taken by Central Government in coordination with State Governments on the fact that some developed nations have compulsory re-registration norm for medical practitioners after some years to boost up their professional skills, whereas the same is not in our country to enhance the professional skills of our medical practitioners keeping in view the fact that continuous developments are taking place in field of medicines and changing disease patterns?

### **Self-sufficiency in essential drugs**

1864. SHRI PANKAJ BORA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is facing severe shortage of medicines due to over dependence on China for raw material for drugs as per National Security Advisor; and

(b) if so, whether Government has taken any steps to create adequate infrastructure to become self-sufficient on essential drugs, if so, the details thereof?

### **Norms to test and launch drugs**

1865. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has eased norms to test and launch drugs; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### **Draft document of NHAM**

1866. SHRI SUKHENDU SEKHAR ROY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any draft document of National Health Assurance Mission (NHAM) has been finalized by Government; and

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

### **Social awareness campaign for organ donation**

1867. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question No. 1909 given in the Rajya Sabha on 11 December, 2012 and state:

(a) the updated status of steps taken by the Ministry in coordination with State Governments to increase social awareness for donation of human organs;

(b) whether the Ministry would encourage setting up of Human Organ Banks in each State; and

(c) whether the Ministry would approach Ministry of HRD and State Governments to introduce a chapter on Organ Donation in school and college curricula, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Pesticides in food items**

1868. SHRI PANKAJ BORA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware about the presence of pesticides in food items;

(b) whether there is any policy to make food items free from pesticide residues and defaulters should be given exemplary punishment;

(c) if so, what actions have been taken so far; and

(d) the number of defaulters punished during the last year?

#### **Regulation of cord blood banks**

1869. SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received complaints of use of unethical strategies and false promises made by various cord blood banks functioning in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) how many licensed cord blood banks are functioning in the country;

(d) whether Government has formulated any policy and guidelines to regulate cord blood banks, if so the details thereof; and

(e) if not, whether Government intends to formulate a policy to regulate said banks,

if so, the target time-frame to formulate such a policy, if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **National Urban Health Mission**

1870. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government plans to launch a National Urban Health Mission or increase the scope of National Rural Health Mission to National Health Mission;

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

(c) if not, how Government plans to provide cheap and quality health services to the urban and semi-urban poor?

#### **Institutionalizing organ donation and transplantation**

1871. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has initiated any steps to institutionalize the process of organ donation and transplantation in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the fresh measures taken by Government to address all issues related to organ donation and transplantation including awareness building, capacity, infrastructure ramp up, logistic and legal hurdles?

#### **Containing spread of STDs**

1872. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what measures are being taken by Government to prevent and contain the spread of sexually transmitted diseases



(STDs) including, but not limited to HIV/AIDS;

(b) whether any steps have been taken to reach out to the youth in a targeted manner for the dissemination of such information on protection from STDs;

(c) whether Government is planning to introduce, or recommend the introduction of education on sexual health, safe sexual practices and reproductive rights of women in schools for children above the age of puberty; and

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

#### **New regulations for food supplements**

1873. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the FSSAI has formulated new regulations for the items of health supplements, nutraceuticals, functional and novel foods etc., if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the steps taken to ensure that these products do not cause harm to the younger generation in the long run?

#### **Super-speciality hospital blocks in Rajasthan**

1874. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of action taken by Central Government as on date on proposals to establish super-speciality blocks at Jaipur, Jodhpur and Ajmer medical colleges in Rajasthan; and

(b) by when Central Government will start construction of above said super-speciality blocks?

#### **Tertiary cancer centres in Rajasthan**

†1875. SHRI ASHK ALI TAK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that proposals regarding establishment of tertiary cancer centres, in Bikaner and Jhalawar and State/ National Cancer Centre in Jaipur in Rajasthan have been sent to Central Government;

(b) whether Government has positive approach towards it; and

(c) if so, the details of action taken so far thereon and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Grievance redressal mechanism under NRHM**

1876. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no effective grievance redressal mechanism established under NRHM;

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

(c) the steps taken by Government to establish a grievance redressal mechanism at all levels under NRHM scheme; and

(d) the details of existing grievance redressal mechanism, State-wise?

#### **Action plan to reduce patients load at AIIMS, New Delhi**

†1877. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is of the view

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that due to excessive load of patients on All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, the patients have to wait for a long period for treatment, tests, operation etc., if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government has any special action plan to reduce the load of patients on AIIMS, New Delhi, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Expenditure on healthcare**

1878. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the average per capita expenditure incurred by Government on health;

(b) whether it is also a fact that it is very low compared to the developed countries of the world, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the health services cost huge expenditure as of now;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of Government thereon; and

(e) the steps taken by Government to provide affordable healthcare services to the people, especially the poor?

#### **Violation of norms by CGHS empanelled hospitals in Lucknow**

†1879. SHRI JUGUL KISHORE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are such CGHS empanelled hospitals in Lucknow which do not have NOC from fire safety and water departments;

(b) if so, whether it is not violation of orders of hon'ble Supreme Court; and

(c) if so, whether action will be taken against the officers responsible for it?

#### **Accreditation as alternative to CEA registration**

1880. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Medical Association (IMA) is advocating the idea of accreditation as an alternative to the Clinical Establishments Act (CEA) registration, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (JSA) has opposed to any exemption of doctors or hospitals from licensing under the CEA;

(c) if so, the response of Government thereon;

(d) whether the JSA has demanded a grievance redressal mechanism for patients in case of violation of the standards and punishment for lapse; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard?

#### **Unnatural deaths from diseases**

1881. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of unnatural deaths due to various diseases has increased abruptly in India;

(b) if so, what are the main causes of such deaths; and

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(c) what are the action/measures taken by Government for healthy living which will decrease unnatural deaths?

**Vacant posts of doctors and support staff in rural areas**

1882. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state whether Government has the details of posts of doctors, nurses and para-medical staff lying vacant in rural areas/villages, in Government Primary/Community Health Centres/Hospitals in the country, if so, the State-wise details thereof?

**Building of AYUSH hospital in Delhi**

1883. SHRIMATI THOTA SEETHARAMA LAKSHMI: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is building a AYUSH hospital in Delhi, on the lines of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), if so, the details thereof;

(b) by when it is likely to be commissioned; and

(c) whether Ministry is mulling to open AYUSH hospitals across the country, if so, the details thereof?

**Differing estimates on building medical colleges in Rajasthan**

†1884. SHRI ASHK ALI TAK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is big

difference between estimates of Central Government and State Government for setting up of medical colleges at Bharatpur, Alwar, Churu, Pali, Barmer, Dungarpur and Bhilwara in the State of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, whether Government proposes to reassess the above said estimates; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Low doctor to population ratio**

1885. SHRI D. RAJA:  
SHRI S. THANGAVELU:  
SHRI T. RATHINAVEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is lagging behind in the doctor to population ratio by a wide margin, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the country has one doctor for every 1,700 persons against the WHO prescribed standard of one doctor for every 1,000 persons; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to match with the WHO standard?

**Fake pathological labs**

1886. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:  
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention is drawn to news-item appearing in the Hindustan Times, dated 23 November 2015, about fake path lab next to AIIMS, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any survey has been made

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in coordination with the State Governments to find out how many such fake pathological labs exist in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, what is the way out to curb this type of fake path labs, as part of health delivery system, especially in metropolitan cities?

#### **Exploitation of surrogate mothers**

1887. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that surrogates are ruthlessly exploited and sometimes doctors implant a surrogate with multiple embryos;

(b) whether it is also a fact that it is all happening due to demand from rich countries, lack of regulation, availability of cheap technology, skilled doctors, donors and surrogates made India a fertility tourism hotspot; and

(c) if so, how Ministry is planning to stop India from becoming surrogacy destination?

#### **Rise in respiratory disease cases**

1888. SHRI A.W. RABI BERNARD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether respiratory disease cases rose by 5 million since 2012 as per the Government data, National Health Profile 2015, and close to 3,39,506 Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) case and 104 deaths reported in 2014, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the National Health Profile

2015 published by the Central Bureau of Health Intelligence (CBHI) stated that air pollution leads to wide array of health effects and WHO report also showered India and China as worst-hit countries compared to global average of deaths due to air pollution; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the remedial steps taken in this regard?

#### **Common entrance test for medical colleges**

1889. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a joint proposal of the Ministry of Health and Medical Council of India to bring a common entrance test for medical colleges across the country has been approved unanimously by the Medical Council of India;

(b) whether the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has accepted the above joint proposal in *toto*; and

(c) if so, whether it is going to benefit students and get rid of corruption in the system and the details thereof?

#### **Health Services accessible for all**

†1890. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of ratio of doctor-patient in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government has prepared National Health Profile, 2015;

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

(d) the details of steps being taken by Government to provide health services to weaker sections across the country?

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**New technique for treatment of depression**

1891. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Institute of Medical Sciences in New Delhi has developed a system to treat depression other than through medicines;

(b) if so, the details of this unique development; and

(c) whether this technique is proposed to be used in other hospitals in the country, if so, the details thereof?

**Extending of CGHS benefits to employee's parents**

1892. DR. C.P. THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to increase the monthly income level of Government employee's parents for inclusion or availing the benefits of CGHS Card as dependent; and

(b) what are Government guidelines for availing medical facilities by contractual employee in Government or private offices, as their number has grown manifold in recent past and they are treated badly, and the details thereof?

**Allocations made for national health schemes**

1893. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Lancet, the widely-

respected medical journal, has criticised the Ministry for not paying sufficient attention to India's health sector;

(b) whether it has warned that the country could face a serious crisis under the weight of its own ill health, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the allocation details for each of the national health schemes during the UPA Government *vis-a-vis* NDA Government to nullify Lancet's claims?

**Finalization of site for AIIMS in Tamil Nadu**

1894. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has finalized any site from the sites recommended by the State Government of Tamil Nadu for setting up of AIIMS institution in the State; and

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

**Population control measures**

1895. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is encouraging State Governments and local bodies to control population in their respective territories by giving them incentives and financial support; and

(b) whether the population migrating from one territory to another is also being covered under such incentives/schemes?

**Treatment of EWS patients in private hospitals**

1896. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether private hospitals are given benefit of preferential allotment of land;

(b) if so, the details of Government policy in this regard;

(c) whether these hospitals are obliged to reserve beds for EWS patients and obliged to treat them free of cost; and

(d) if so, what steps are taken against errant hospitals?

**Clinical trials in the country**

1897. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that around 1,631 persons have died during clinical trials between January, 2012 and May, 2015 in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the DGHS had granted permission for 241 global clinical trials primarily on imported medicines or investigational new drugs for testing during the same period in the country, if so, the details thereof?

**Cancellation of medical college permits**

1898. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to increase the establishment of medical colleges in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there is a row over cancellation of permits of some Medical Colleges by MCI, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to defend its stand on increasing the medical colleges and cancellation of permits by MCI?

**Low sex-ratio in under five age group**

1899. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per one of the World Women 2015 Report, India is the only country where more girls die than boys in the under five age group;

(b) whether it is also a fact that India has the lowest sex ratio in under five age group;

(c) whether it means that the existing legislation is insufficient to reduce mortality or there is lack of will to implement the legislation; and

(d) if so, how the Ministry is planning to recast its policies and their implementation?

**Patient overload at Government hospitals**

1900. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite the surge of doctors, there is one doctor for 11,528 people in Government hospitals;

(b) whether it is also a fact that of all the States, Bihar, Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra have the worst ratio; and

(c) whether every Government hospital

serves around 61,000 people with one bed catering to 1,833 patients, if so, the details thereof?

**Procurement of quality medicines under CGHS**

1901. DR. T.N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated or proposes to formulate any policy with regard to procurement/purchase of ayurvedic, siddha, unani and homoeopathic medicines under the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS);

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated, released and utilised for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, medicine stream-wise and State/UT-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken/proposed to be taken by Government to ensure transparency and timely procurement/purchase of quality and standard medicines under CGHS?

**Disease screening centres**

1902. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of measures taken by Government to establish more screening and testing facilities for identifying patients suffering from cancer, tuberculosis and lung disorders and for their subsequent treatments in various States/UT in the country;

(b) whether Government has provided adequate financial and infrastructure as well as man-power facilities to record and maintain cancer, tuberculosis patients registry in Government run hospitals in various States/UTs, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the Medical facilities and funds provided to various States/UTs for the treatment of poor TB patients and also to support non-profit organizations to promote cancer awareness?

**Mobile medical vans**

1903. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has got any data to find out the availability of mobile medical vans operating in different States of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, during each of the last two years and this year, year-wise, State-wise;

(c) whether Government gave any instruction in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof, including the fund allocated for this purpose, during the said period, State-wise; and

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

**Nursing colleges in the country**

1904. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of nursing colleges in India, State-wise;

(b) out of this, the number of those managed by Government and those managed by private sector;

(c) whether Government has received any adverse report about the quality of education imparted in these institutions; and

(d) if so, the action taken by Government on such adverse report?

**Shortage of staff enrolled under NRHM**

1905. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the proportion of human resource/staff compared with patients is significantly low under the NRHM scheme;

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

(c) the details of human resource/staff presently enrolled and required in Sub-centres, PHCs and CHCs for last three years, State-wise; and

(d) the corrective measures being taken by Government to combat the shortage of staff at the centres?

**Increase in cases of various diseases**

1906. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an increase in the number of people suffering from lung cancer, haematological abnormalities, impaired liver function, genetic changes and neurobehavioral problems in the country;

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

(c) what action is being taken by Government in this regard?

**Trauma centres along National and State Highways**

†1907. DR. VIJAYLAXMI SADHO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that most of the deaths during road accidents occur due to non-availability of medical facilities in time;

(b) if so, the number of deaths which took place State-wise and details thereof during last three years, year-wise and State-wise; and

(c) whether Government proposes to set up trauma unit centres at National and State Highways to curb it and the details thereof?

**Population covered by health insurance**

1908. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether only 20 per cent of our population are covered under health insurance sector;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the social and economic configuration (in terms of percentage) of people covered and not covered; and

(d) what is the plan, targets etc., of Government for health coverage?

**Medical colleges at district level**

1909. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved additional 5,800 medical seats in various medical colleges of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, with a

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particular reference to Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government proposes to start medical colleges in every district hospital which have 200 beds; and

(d) if so, how can it be prudent without increasing the infrastructure in district hospitals?

#### **Reduction in Ministry's budget**

1910. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether budgetary allocation of funds to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare have been reduced in the current financial year; and

(b) if so, what is the rationale behind it?

#### **Report of EMMC**

1911. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Electronic Media Monitoring Centre (EMMC) has submitted its report to Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the salient features of the report;

(c) the details of recommendations/suggestions adopted/proposed to be adopted by Government; and

(d) the funds allocated to EMMC during the last three years, year-wise?

#### **Students agitation in FTII**

1912. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in Film and Television Institute of India there is an ongoing agitation of the students against the various mismanagement aspect of the Institute; and

(b) if so, how the Ministry is engaging the agitating students and sorting out the stalemate?

#### **Expenditure on advertisement in newspaper**

1913. SHRI SANTIUSE KUJUR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware that the Directorate of Advertisement and Visual Publicity (DAVP) is incurring more expenditure than the specified limits under the guidelines;

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

(c) the details of the expenditure incurred on advertisement provided to newspapers during the last three years, State-wise, language-wise, place of publication-wise and newspaper-wise?

#### **Fraudulent practices in getting promotions in DD**

1914. SHRI SALIM ANSARI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received representations against some senior officers of Doordarshan for fabrication, fudging and manipulation of documents in order to grab promotions;

(b) if so, the details of such officers with action taken against them for adopting fraudulent practices in getting promotions; and

(c) whether Government would refer the case to investigation agencies and if not, the reasons therefor?

(d) the steps taken by Government to launch the scheme across the country for the benefit of the people belonging to minority communities?

#### **Appointment of outsiders by Prasara Bharati**

1915. SHRI ALI ANWAR ANSARI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Prasara Bharati has appointed ADGs in large numbers from outside and brought in officers of different cadres who have no background of media or TV;

(b) whether outsiders are being appointed to head different channels of DD though insiders are stagnating for over two decades;

(c) whether TVNC/TVANCs have got no promotion in over 27 years except for assurances despite directions of CAT, Hyderabad upheld by High Court instead Government moved SC without permission of the Law Ministry; and

(d) if so, why Government opposes their promotions and appoints outsiders, and what procedure is followed in new appointments?

#### **Nai Manzil Scheme for minorities**

1916. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has launched Nai Manzil Scheme recently;

(b) if so, the salient features of the scheme;

(c) the reasons for launching the scheme in Bihar only; and

#### **Schemes of NMDFC**

1917. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes run by National Minority Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC);

(b) the procedure to avail benefits of these schemes;

(c) whether it is a fact that owing to complicated procedures, most of the applicants are not in a position to avail benefits of these schemes; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to simplify the procedures?

#### **Scheme for minorities in Assam and Uttar Pradesh**

†1918. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has received any proposal from Government of Assam and Uttar Pradesh seeking approval for programmes being run/likely to be run for welfare of minorities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of proposals which have been cleared, pending and rejected out of them;

(d) the details of funds allocated/issued for approved proposals, item-wise; and

(e) the reasons for rejection of proposals, the details thereof proposal-wise?

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**Implementation of schemes for minorities in different States**

1919. SHRI GULAM RASOOL BALYAWI: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes meant for minorities being run in Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Assam, West Bengal, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and other States;

(b) the States and UTs where these schemes are fully operational and are being fully availed by the minorities;

(c) the details of States and UTs where these schemes are not fully operational

and the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken to make them fully operational in these States?

**Minorities in Government service**

1920. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any data about the number of people from minority communities employed in Central/State Government departments, autonomous bodies or PSUs in India; and

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

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