

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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

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Utilization of mineral sand from shores of Gujarat

3201. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to utilize the mineral sand containing radioactive elements available on the seashore of the country, particularly on shores of Gujarat and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether such mineral sand is useful for manufacturing value added products; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government for manufacturing value added products from such mineral sand?

Establishment of Directorates of Radiation Safety (DRS) and Radiation Safety Agency (RSA) by AERB

3202. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) has not been able to establish Directorates of Radiation Safety (DRS) and Radiation Safety Agency (RSA) in each of the States effectively, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of the States where DRS/ RSA is functioning effectively, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of efforts/plans/actions being pursued to achieve remaining objectives in the matter along with the timeline?

Nuclear Power Plant at Mithi Virdi in Gujarat

3203. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the first choice of a site for a new nuclear power plant by Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd. (NPCIL) was to be located at a Mithi Virdi in Gujarat;

(b) what are the reasons for abandoning Mithi Virdi in Gujarat;

(c) whether local people have raised fierce objection to a nuclear plant in their area; and

(d) the reasons for shifting the nuclear power plant away from Gujarat?

Nuclear plant at Kovvada, Andhra Pradesh

3204. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd. (NPCIL) has offered to conduct a fresh Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the nuclear power plant at Kovvada in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether it is a fact that NPCIL has agreed to conduct a public hearing before seeking a final nod to the project;

(c) what are the reasons for the NPCIL agreeing to the various changes demanded by the local people; and

(d) the steps taken to ensure that sentiments of local people are taken care by the NPCIL?

Treatment of cancer through radio therapy

3205. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: DR. K.V.P. RAMA-CHANDRA RAO:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has achieved a significant recognition in global radio therapy cancer treatment, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether India is supporting the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) countries in the treatment of cancer, if so, the details thereof?

Joint venture by NPCIL for production of electricity

3206. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) is the sole agency producing electricity from atomic power;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government is planning to facilitate NPCIL to go for joint ventures with other PSUs/ Corporates, if so, the details of such plans/ vision/objective; and

(c) the details of quantity of energy being produced by NPCIL and its share in total electricity production during last three years?

Desalination plants in Odisha

3207. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering to set up some more desalination plants in

the country particularly on Odisha's coastal cities;

(b) if so, the details of the cities selected/identified for the purpose;

(c) the capacity of each plant and the expenditure likely to be incurred on their installation; and

(d) the steps so far taken by Government in this regard?

Projects under NLCPR

3208. SHRI SANTIUSE KUJUR: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the funds from Non-lapsable Central Pool of Resources are sanctioned by the Ministry for all round development of North Eastern Region (NER), if so, the details thereof;

(b) how the projects are selected for sanctioning; and

(c) whether the State Government or the Ministry would sanction the projects?

Implementation of Bezbaruah Report

3209. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has taken any steps to implement the Bezbaruah Report, 2014 on discrimination against and racial attacks on members of the North East community;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Comprehensive document on planned works in North-East

3210. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NE Region Vision Document, 2020, report of Task Force on Connectivity and Promotion of Trade and Investment in NE States (2006) and Report of Working Group on Improvement and Development of Transport Infrastructure in the NE for National Transport Development Policy Committee (2012) are the main policy documents for development works in NE region;

(b) how far Government agrees that there exists no document to explain the details on status of implementation of projects and future plans; and

(c) whether Government would bring out any comprehensive document explaining the progress made on planned works?

Smog and dust over Delhi

3211. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR:

SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether abnormal pollution levels like huge smog and dust collected over Delhi and other parts of Northern India had been reported recently and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether Government has taken any measures to counter such situation and if so, the details thereof?

Passports having different names and citizenship

3212. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of passports have been issued to a person having different names and citizenship; and

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

Termination of Sindhu River Water Sharing Agreement

3213. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU:
SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to cancel the Sindhu River Water Sharing Agreement with Pakistan, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Pakistan has viewed the step seriously and warned India of heavy repercussions on cancellation of the agreement, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the stand of Government in this regard?

Goa declaration of the BRICS Summit

3214. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Goa Declaration of the BRICS summit underlined the need for countering the Islamic State and for a Comprehensive Convention on

International Terrorism (CCIT) in the United Nations General Assembly;

(b) if so, the details of the Goa Declaration; and

(c) whether Pathankot attack, Uri attack and subsequent violations of the LoC between India and Pakistan figured in the summit, if not, the reasons therefor?

Individuals in 'Wanted List' hiding in foreign locations

3215. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of individuals in the Wanted List who are located in foreign locations after committing crimes in India;

(b) whether any of these individuals could be held responsible in any way for the terrorist attacks in the last three years in India; and

(c) whether Government is facing any resistance from foreign countries in trying to bring the said individuals under the Indian law?

Closeness of Russia, Pakistan and China

3216. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) in what manner India looks at Russia, Pakistan and China coming closer and closer;

(b) whether it is because of India moving towards the United States of America (USA); and

(c) what would be the result of newer combinations and how India is planning to go ahead with formation of such new group?

Land purchased in Port of Spain for Cultural Centre

3217. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian High Commission at Port of Spain had purchased a land in 1994 for construction of culture centre for Mahatma Gandhi Institute for Cultural Cooperation;

(b) if so, the present status thereof along with the reasons for inordinate delay in its construction along with the details of cost escalation so far; and

(c) the fresh steps taken by Government for early completion of construction work on the project?

Extradition Treaty with foreign countries

3218. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of countries with whom India has signed Extradition Treaty;

(b) the details of countries with whom India has proposed to sign Extradition Treaty; and

(c) to what extent this treaty has helped the country in the process of extradition of international terrorists and criminals from other countries?

Talks with foreign heads of State on membership of NSG

3219. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of foreign heads of state

who visited India during the last one year;

(b) whether Government has held talks with them regarding India's membership for Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG); and

(c) how many of them expressed positive response and supported India's entry into NSG?

Criteria for recipients of Pravasi Bharatiya Samman

3220. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria for selecting the recipients for Pravasi Bharatiya Samman;

(b) the objectives of organising Pravasi Bharatiya Divas and Pravasi Samman; and

(c) how far the country has achieved in investment and economic activity through Pravasi initiative?

Returning of parcels sent to Indian fishermen in Pakistan jails

‡3221. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan is returning the parcels sent by the relatives and members of the families of Indian fishermen imprisoned in Pakistani jails;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken up this matter with Pakistan; and

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

Infrastructure projects in Myanmar

3222. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether it is a fact that several infrastructure projects are being implemented under the Ministry's funding in Myanmar, which would largely benefit North-Eastern States specially Manipur and Mizoram; and

(b) if so, the details of such important infrastructure projects undertaken by Government in Myanmar?

Delay in KMMTTP road project

3223. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that construction of Paletwa-Zorinpui road under Kaladan Multi-Model Transit Transport Project (KMMTTP) is unduly getting delayed and also resulting into cost overrun;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor indicating the issues raised by various agencies for the implementation of this important road project; and

(c) the details of the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government for completing KMMTTP road project with exact timelines?

Indian workers not getting due payment abroad

3224. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that in various countries the Indian workers are not getting their due payments for months; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government with its counterparts to settle the problem?

Achievements under the Chairmanship of BRICS

3225. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the significant achievements under the Chairmanship of BRICS in 2016, as it is ending in December, 2016;

(b) how the BRICS countries are planning effective cooperation on environmental issues by formation of a working group; and

(c) how peer-to-peer contact of BRICS member countries are planned under the Chairmanship of India?

Indian migrant domestic workers in Gulf countries

3226. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian migrant domestic workers in different Gulf countries;

(b) whether Government has received complaints of physical and sexual abuse of migrant domestic workers in Gulf countries in the last year;

(c) if so, the details thereof and action taken by Government; and

(d) whether Government is considering restricting all women from travelling to Gulf countries to work in blue-collar jobs, if so, the details thereof?

Problems of Indian workers returning from Libya

3227. SHRI JOYABRAHAM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether several Indians, especially nurses who have returned to India on leave, were not allowed to go back to their work places in Libya, owing to the worsening war situation there;

(b) whether several of the above mentioned Indians have deposited their salaries in their accounts with Libyan Banks and could not withdraw the money after their return to this country; and

(c) if so, what action Government proposes to take either to allow them to go back to Libya or/and get back their salaries deposited in their bank accounts in Libya?

(b) whether Government monitors the compliance of labour laws in letter and spirit in consultation with these countries;

(c) if so, the details in this regard along with the complaints received by Government from various countries regarding violation of labour laws; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to provide assistance to such Indians in distress along with the role and achievements of Indian Council for Overseas Employment (ICOE) in this regard?

Harassment to women while renewing passport

3228. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the procedural harassment being faced by women while getting/renewing their passports;

(b) the reasons why the Ministry is making it mandatory to have mother, father and spouse name in the passport booklet;

(c) if so, how Ministry is planning to go ahead; and

(d) what is the global practice in this regard at present?

Database of Indians abroad

3229. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any database of Indians including workers, students, etc. working in foreign countries is maintained and if so, the details thereof;

SAARC without Pakistan

3230. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's decision to pull out of the SAARC summit in Islamabad this November, with other countries deciding to follow suit, effectively draws the curtain on relevance of SAARC;

(b) whether Pakistan has blocked all protocols to better link the region;

(c) whether this would cause serious damage to the multilateral process and relevance of SAARC; and

(d) if so, what action the Ministry is taking to reign in other countries to hold SAARC together minus Pakistan?

People cheated by fake agents

3231. SHRI K. R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that a large number of the unemployed youth, workers etc. including women hailing from Tamil Nadu, are being cheated by the fake

agents on the promise of getting job in Gulf countries and in South Asian countries such as Singapore and Malaysia; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps proposed to be taken by Government to stop recurrence of such incidents?

Post of Education Counsel lying vacant in USA

3232. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the post of Education Counsel is lying vacant in USA, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether the Ministry is considering to do away with the post?

Houses built for EWS in metro cities

†3233. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of houses built for Economically Weaker Section (EWS) in all metro cities including those by DDA in Delhi;

(b) whether it is a fact that more than three lakhs houses in metro cities are vacant and this number goes upto about six lakhs after adding those in suburbs;

(c) the steps taken by Government to provide houses to all the people of economically weaker section; and

(d) the number of houses proposed to be constructed in metro cities during the last three years and city-wise details thereof including cities of Maharashtra?

Steps taken to save the capital of buyer from builders

†3234. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that builders are raising money from needy people under various schemes without getting a no objection certificate from the local administration;

(b) whether it is also a fact that builders are collecting the lifetime earned money of the people;

(c) if so, whether Government is of the view that the money of the buyers is safe in the hands of builders; and

(d) if not, how Government would save the capital of buyer in the hands of builders, the details thereof?

Construction of affordable houses under PMAY

†3235. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the cities selected for construction of affordable houses under first phase of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), State-wise;

(b) whether the target of selecting 100 cities for inclusion under first phase has been achieved;

(c) if so, the number of houses constructed or those under construction; and

(d) whether Government follows special quality standards for construction of

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houses, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Achievements of RAY in Karnataka

3236. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the achievements of Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY) during the last three years including Karnataka; and

(b) the details of project proposals received from Karnataka and the present status thereof?

Amount to States for poverty alleviation

3237. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of amount released by Government to the States especially for poverty alleviation of backward and tribal areas during each of the last three years till date under Integrated Urban Poverty Alleviation Programme in Jharkhand and Gujarat in particular and the country as a whole; and

(b) the details of the achievements of these States especially in backward and tribal areas during the said period?

Navodaya Vidyalayas in sixty two districts of the country

†3238. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Navodaya Vidyalayas have not been established in 62 districts of the country even today;

(b) if so, the details in this regard for different States including Chhattisgarh, district-wise;

(c) whether Government proposes to establish Navodaya Vidyalayas in those 62 districts, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether land has been identified by Government in these districts, if so, the details thereof, district-wise and by what time these schools are expected to be set up and the amount that would be spent by Government for this purpose?

Request for Kendriya and Navodaya Vidyalayas from Tamil Nadu

3239. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any proposal/request from the State Government of Tamil Nadu to open new Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas in the State; and

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

Global Education Monitoring Report

3240. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has taken cognizance of the recent UNESCO Global Education Monitoring Report;

(b) if so, the Ministry's response to the findings of the report with reference to India according to which 61 million children of school going age are out of school;

(c) the Ministry's response to the findings that in India on an average, richest people attain 12 years of schooling whereas poorest manage only 7 years; and

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(d) the Ministry's response to the finding that as per Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) report, millions of poor children in India were learning at levels below expectation?

Quality faculty for higher educational institutions

3241. SHRI K. R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to ensure adequate availability of quality faculty in all higher educational institutions and capacity building at all levels of employment; and

(b) the incentives given to encourage the quality faculty?

Tender for construction in IIT Delhi

3242. SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of tender for construction in IIT Delhi awarded during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the details of construction company, which are getting tender during the last three years;

(c) whether it is a fact that contractors are getting the tenders colluding with the officers of CPWD; and

(d) if so, what actions have been taken in this matter?

Sports as subject in New Education Policy

3243. SHRI SACHIN RAMESH TENDULKAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee constituted for evolution of the New Education Policy has noted the views and suggestions received on various themes identified;

(b) what has been the Committee's observations on the suggestions received to introduce sports as a graded subject in schools; and

(c) what is the time-frame that the committee is looking at for putting in place the New Education Policy?

Politicization of Indian Universities

3244. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note of the increased politicization of Indian Universities; and

(b) if so, whether Government proposes to grant more autonomy to Indian Universities and ban interference of political organizations in universities, if so, details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Gas subsidy for mid-day meal

†3245. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether gas subsidy for mid-day meal in the schools is not being provided due to stoppage of gas subsidy in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether State Governments are providing financial aids to schools due to stoppage of gas subsidy, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government would reimburse the assistance being given to

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schools for mid-day meal, if so, by when, if not, the reasons therefor?

Regularization of adhoc teachers in central universities

3246. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of adhoc teachers in various central universities as on date, university-wise;

(b) the details of adhoc teachers in Delhi University (DU) as on date, department-wise;

(c) the details of adhoc teachers regularized in various universities, university-wise and department-wise in case of DU, so far; and

(d) the steps Government would take to regularize these adhoc teachers in DU who are teaching there since last 10 to 20 years on adhoc basis?

Upgradation of schools in Sansad Adarsh Grams

3247. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of school upgraded as smart schools by Government in Sansad Adarsh Grams;

(b) the details of upgradations made in primary and upper primary schools of Sansad Adarsh Grams adopted by Members of Parliament so far; and

(c) whether any assessment has been made regarding improvement of quality of education in schools of Sansad Adarsh Grams, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Norms for grade assessment of Deemed Universities

†3248. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:
CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), Bangalore has recommended Grade-A for 44 Deemed Universities which have been kept in Grade-C by Tandon Committee; and

(b) if so, the norms according to which Tandon Committee had recommended Grade-C and NAAC, Bangalore had recommended Grade-A for these Deemed Universities, the details thereof?

First aid training in curriculum

3249. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH NAGAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether first aid training is part of the curriculum prescribed for school students in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, the reasons for not including such an important life skill in curriculum of schools?

Funds for Saakshar Bharat Mission to Telangana and Andhra Pradesh

3250. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS:
SHRI T. G. VENKATESH:

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

(a) whether Government has released funds for implementation of Saakshar Bharat Mission to Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that the sanctioned funds are not at all sufficient for the implementation of the programme;

(c) if so, whether Government has received any proposals from the State Government of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh for early release of the necessary funds, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government for its implementation without any problems at the earliest?

Training period for untrained teachers in Madhya Pradesh

†3251. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the eligibility conditions for serving teachers under Section-23 of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 and the time limit fixed to acquire the same;

(b) the number of teachers currently working in Government and non-Government schools in Madhya Pradesh who are yet to undergo training and those who have been trained so far; and

(c) the extent to which Madhya Pradesh, has sought to enhance the training period for untrained teachers and whether the same has been approved, the action taken in this regard till date?

Common entrance examination for intermediate

3252. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS:
SHRI T. G. VENKATESH:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to introduce common entrance examination for intermediate/10+2 level across the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the working committee recommendations made in this regard;

(c) whether State Governments have been consulted in this regard and if so, the details of the views expressed by them; and

(d) whether the common examination would be introduced from the next academic year, if so, the details thereof?

Restoration of upper age limit for CLAT-2017

3253. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the restoration of upper age limit for Common Law Admission Test (CLAT-2017) *vide* its notification dated 10th November, 2016;

(b) whether a very large number of students who have already been preparing for this examination for the last six months by taking coachings and spending huge money would suffer as they will not be able to appear in CLAT-2017 due to this decision at this point of time; and

(c) if so, whether Government proposes

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to implement restoration of age limit from some future date instead of 1st July, 2017?

Part-Time Instructors under SSA in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana

3254. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH:
SHRI DHARMAPURI
SRINIVAS:

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

(a) whether Part-Time Instructors (PTIs) working under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyaan (SSA) are working on a meagre salary of ₹ 6000 per month, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of PTIs working as of now, along with their pay particulars;

(c) whether a number of PTIs who were terminated in April this year have not been re-engaged so far putting them to great humility, if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government has received any representation from the Association of PTIs from Andhra Pradesh and Telangana in this regard; and

(e) the measures being taken by Government to issue re-engagement orders to them?

Financial assistance for primary/secondary and vocational education

3255. KUMARI SELJA:
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH
YADAV:
SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:
SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:

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

(a) whether any financial assistance has been given to Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra Haryana and West Bengal for primary, secondary and vocational education, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of proposal or request received from the State Governments in this regard?

Targets of global education

†3256. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA:
Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is lagging far behind in achieving the targets of global education;

(b) if so, whether Government is contemplating to take any steps to achieve the target; and

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

Kendriya Vidyalayas in Karnataka

3257. SHRI K. C. RAMAMURTHY:
Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) opened in the country in the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that no KV has been set up in the last nearly three years in the country, if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of proposals pending in the Ministry from Karnataka for opening up of KVs; and

(d) by when Ministry is likely to clear pending proposals and set up KVs in Karnataka?

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Assisting SC/ST students in Kendriya Vidyalayas

3258. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the authorities of Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas had noticed any backwardness in the studies of students who belong to SC/ST, backward class;

(b) whether the authorities noticed any non-performance in their studies staying in the hostels;

(c) if so, the details and whether any internal arrangements have been made to address such situation; and

(d) whether any programme is formulated to compensate such backwardness in their studies?

Transport facilities for students of Kendriya Vidyalaya

†3259. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that children of schools of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) are not provided transport facilities by school management for commuting to schools, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether it is also a fact that students of KV have to face danger and difficulties in commuting to school due to non-arrangement of transportation facilities by school management; and

(c) if so, whether Government proposes to take any concrete steps in this regard?

Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya in Suangdoh village, Manipur

3260. SHRI D. P. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether request for setting up of additional Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) in Suangdoh village, in Churachandpur District, Manipur duly recommended by the Deputy Commissioner has been received by the Ministry as there is a need for sanctioning of additional JNV, which would be residential and co-educational in nature;

(b) whether any Member of Parliament has also made a request for the same; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to initiate the process for setting up one more JNV in Suangdoh, as was done as a special case in Senapati and Ukhrul district of Manipur?

Universities in the country

3261. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of universities in the country at present;

(b) how many of them came into existence since 2001;

(c) the number of students and teachers in all of them together during academic year 2015-16; and

(d) what is the number of central universities among them, together with the number of sanctioned strength of teachers at present and the number of vacancies in them?

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Subordinate legislation of universities

3262. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that many central universities have been established by the Government under Central Universities Act, 2009 and other Acts and some institutes under such rules, ordinances and statutes which have not been framed by the universities and Government;

(b) if so, the details of the universities and institutes under the Ministry which have not framed subordinate legislations; and

(c) what are the reasons therefor and in the absence of ordinances, statutes etc., how these institutes are functioning?

Making Aadhaar mandatory for scholarship/fellowship

3263. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made Aadhaar mandatory for students benefiting from Government scholarships and fellowships from this year, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether students not having Aadhaar number would not get scholarship/fellowship and if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to ensure that every eligible student gets his scholarships and not put to any hardships; and

(d) the total number of students eligible

for scholarship/fellowship and those having Aadhaar number?

Cut off marks for NIT admission

3264. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to make 75 per cent cut off for NIT admission;

(b) whether it is also a fact that candidates securing below 75 per cent in the class 12 examinations may soon be ineligible to secure admission in the National Institutes of Technology; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government has recommended that the central seat allocation board makes this change in the eligibility criteria for admission to the NITs, if so, the details thereof?

Drinking water facilities in schools

3265. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to a survey, on an average, one toilet is used by 76 boys while 66 girls use one washroom;

(b) whether it is also a fact that 50 per cent of schools lack water storage facility;

(c) whether it is also a fact that 15 per cent of schools got unsafe drinking water and 10 per cent of all schools reported water shortage during summer months; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken up by Government in this regard?

Allowing non-resident students in IITs

3266. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to allow non-resident students in IITs at undergraduate level;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the directors of Indian Institutes of Technology are opposed to such an idea; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government is considering to expand students strength of IITs at undergraduate/post graduate and doctorate level to one lakh by 2020, if so, the details thereof?

Common admission schedule in educational institutes

3267. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minister will consider making it mandatory for all the educational institutes to declare the list of admission on one single day and closure of admission after a gap of 12 working days to make it convenient for the admission seekers to decide and seek admission in their desired institute;

(b) if so, by when the Ministry proposes to take action in this regard; and

(c) whether the Ministry received any representation from the parents/parents association of admission seekers or students association highlighting the problems due to declaration of varied admission dates/closure dates?

Nutrition value for Mid-Day-Meal

3268. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the nutrition value fixed by Government for the Mid-Day-Meal provided to the children in the schools;

(b) what is the sanctioned amount per head for provision of Mid-Day-Meal to the school students; and

(c) the margin of profit allowed and earned by those who are entrusted with the responsibility of providing Mid-Day-Meal to the students?

Increase in students strength of IIMs

3269. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL:
SHRI K. K. RAGESH:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has set the ball rolling to increase the students strength of the six Indian Institutes of Management, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the broad official vision is to facilitate a two fold jump in students intake, though the precise details will be worked out only in consultation with each individual IIM, if so, the details thereof?

Amendment in anti-ragging regulations

3270. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the University Grants Commission (UGC) has

amended its anti-ragging regulations to include physical or mental abuse on ground of ethnicity, caste, religion, colour, regional background, linguistic identity, nationality and sexual orientation;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there are plenty of complaints of such harassment on campuses; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that students could henceforth be expelled for ethnic, regional, linguistic insults on campuses, if so, the details thereof?

Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan in Odisha

3271. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal of the State Government of Odisha for funding the Government Engineering/Professional colleges under component No. 7 Infrastructure grant to colleges under Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) is under consideration of the Ministry;

(b) if so, the present status of the above proposal; and

(c) the norms fixed by Government for funding the Government technical institutions/constituent colleges of Government Universities?

Selection of colleges for funding under Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan

3272. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government colleges/ constituent colleges of State Government run universities which have been selected for funding component No. 7: Infrastructure grant to colleges under 'Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan' (RUSA) across the country; and

(b) the reasons for exclusion of Government Engineering/Professional colleges under component No. 7: Infrastructure grant to colleges under RUSA by the Ministry when there is no specific provision under the RUSA guidelines to debar such institutions?

Tandon Committee report on Deemed to be Universities

3273. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to discard the creation of Deemed to be Universities in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of the Tandon Committee Report in this regard; and

(c) what is the Supreme Court Ruling on this matter, and the stand of Government in this regard?

Exploitation of *ad-hoc* teachers in Delhi University

3274. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the rule applicable to UGC or other recognised universities for appointment of *ad-hoc* teachers;

(b) what is the total number of *ad-hoc* teachers currently employed by recognised universities in the country; State-wise;

(c) whether many well-respected universities like Delhi University employ teachers on *ad-hoc* basis for years, if so, what steps have been taken by the Ministry to check this practice; and

(d) whether the Ministry is aware of the exploitation of *ad-hoc* teachers and if not, whether the Ministry would undertake a study to find out the same?

**Grants to universities through
Rashtriya Uchchatar
Shiksha Abhiyan**

‡3275. SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:
CH. SUKHRAM SINGH
YADAV:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that it is being proposed to provide grant given by University Grants Commission to university and colleges through the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA);

(b) the amount of grant given by University Grants Commission and RUSA to universities and colleges during the last three years, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government is contemplating for restructuring of University Grants Commission?

**Massive Open Online Courses
by IITs**

3276. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) are being run by IITs across the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of funds allocated for these courses by IITs; and

(c) the details of fee collected by IITs for these courses from students?

**Supernumerary quota for students
from Jammu and Kashmir**

3277. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has issued any direction for creation of two seats under supernumerary quota for students from Jammu and Kashmir who seek admission through centralised counselling in universities/colleges approved under section 2(f) and 12B of UGC Act or recognised by AICTE and have at least one National Board of Accreditation (NBA) approved course;

(b) if so, the list of universities who have complied with the order of the Ministry during 2015-16; and

(c) the list of students who have been admitted under such category alongwith the university allotted?

‡Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**Establishment of Hindi departments
in universities**

†3278. SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the proposals received from the universities situated in 'A' region of the country under the UGC scheme for the establishment and upliftment of Hindi departments in the universities under the Twelfth Five Year Plan together with the status of their implementation; and

(b) whether Government proposes to take any steps to ensure seeking clarification and fixing accountability on the part of the officials of the concerned universities and State Government for sluggishness and unnecessary delay in the implementation of the above scheme, if so, the details thereof?

Raising literacy rate

3279. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

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

(a) the efforts being made by Government to meet the target of raising literacy rate to 80 per cent by 2017;

(b) whether any review has been made in Government schools on the performance of students in respect of enhancement of learning levels, retention and improved pass percentage at plus 2 level, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, how Government would improve the quality of teaching, enrolment

and bridging the gender gap to reach overall literacy rate to 80 per cent, with details thereof?

**Cluster universities under Rashtriya
Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan**

3280. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the progress made by Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) since 2013 till today; and

(b) how many colleges have been converted to cluster universities under this scheme?

**German language in violation of
education policy**

3281. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: SHRIMATI MISHA BHARTI:

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

(a) whether teaching German language in Kendriya Vidyalaya is in violation of National Policy on Education, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether National Policy on Education includes international languages other than English under Development of languages, if so, the details thereof?

**Seventh Pay Commission to teachers
of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan**

†3282. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether teachers of Kendriya

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Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) have got the benefits of Seventh Pay Commission; and

(b) if so, since when and if not, the reasons for not giving benefit to them, details thereof?

Polytechnics in West Bengal and Maharashtra

3283. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:
SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:

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

(a) the number of polytechnics set up in the State of West Bengal and Maharashtra, district-wise under the Skill Development Mission; and

(b) whether Government propose to have collaboration with global education providers to improve the quality, if so, the details thereof?

Revision of examination system for class one to five

3284. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to tweak the Right to Education Act to include definitions of learning outcomes for Classes I to VII within three months;

(b) whether it is also a fact that if implemented, this could lead to revision of examination systems followed by school education boards;

(c) whether it is also true that according to a report, half the number of class five students in rural India could not read; and

(d) whether the proposed move may

allow schools to ascertain learning skills more accurately and take corrective steps without delay?

3rd Phase of Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme

3285. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether Government is considering implementation of the 3rd Phase of Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP) in States other than the 19 focus States, if so, the details thereof?

Girls schools with toilets in Odisha

3286. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) number of Centrally aided schools being run in the whole country and how many of them are in the State of Odisha;

(b) how many schools run by Government in the State of Odisha are girl schools and how many of them do not have proper toilet facilities; and

(c) by when Government propose to provide proper hygienic toilets in all the girl schools run and aided by Government?

Performance of Central Universities

3287. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Central Universities presently functioning in the country;

(b) whether Government has evaluated the performance of the Central Universities on various parameters like content, quality,

research, innovation, faculty development and affirmative action, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of new initiatives taken so far to improve the performance of our universities to compete with world standard universities and institutions?

Recruitment in Prasara Bharati

3288. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Prasara Bharati Amendment Act, which was passed in 2011, has not laid its rules and regulation yet, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) why is it that for so many years there have not been any proper recruitment policy within Prasara Bharati; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that there have not been any recruitment in Prasara Bharati for last 21 years?

Threat for movie with Pakistani actors

3289. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state whether it is a fact that a producer of a movie casting Pakistani actors had been asked to pay ₹ five crores to the Army Welfare Fund so that his movie can be released across the country without any fear of vandalism as threatened by a political party, if so, how does the Ministry respond to it?

Working of censor board

3290. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has received many suggestion from various quarters to cut in Censor Board's way of working, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has taken action on the abovesaid recommendations, if so, the details thereof?

Revenue generated by Mann Ki Baat

3291. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE:
SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN:
SHRI VIVEK GUPTA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the platform-wise revenue generated from the programme, 'Mann Ki Baat', hosted by the Prime Minister of India;

(b) the revenue collected through advertisements for the programme; and

(c) how the revenue so generated has been put to use over the last two years?

Expansion of FM radio network

3292. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to expand FM radio network to cover more cities in the country; and

(b) if so, the number of cities proposed to be covered and the steps being taken in this regard?

Regulatory mechanism for social networks and online video services

3293. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note of the various new platforms for publication and broadcasting of media contents like social networks and online video services;

(b) whether Government plans to bring this under the censorship policy, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, how does Government plan to regulate these new form of media, the details thereof?

Viewership of DD news channels

3294. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether DD channels enjoy fairly low rating in contents and overall presentation despite high viewership in comparison to private news channels;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for this state of affairs even though Doordarshan enjoys full support of Government; and

(c) what major plans Government has, to improve its overall performance and popularity as one of the best in the country so as to attract advertisements and earn revenue to meet operational cost rather than depending upon funding from Government?

Educational channels for higher education

3295. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lakhs of students would not be able to watch educational channels as the DTH service providers have asked the Government for money to air these channels, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of educational channels launched for providing high quality instructions for higher education; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to resolve the issue?

Doordarshan and All India Radio for rural and naxal affected areas

†3296. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of rural and naxal affected areas of Chhattisgarh do not have access to Doordarshan and All India Radio, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(b) the steps taken to increase the number of transmitters, especially in the aforementioned areas during the current plan?

Community radios in Tamil Nadu

3297. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

community radios currently operating in the country, State-wise, particularly in Tamil Nadu;

(b) the primary purposes for which these community radio channels are being used; and

(c) whether Government proposes to set up more such community radio stations, and if so, details of the same along with proposed timeline?

Conviction of Government officials in corruption related cases

3298. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH NAGAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether seven out of ten corruption related cases investigated by the CBI ended in conviction of Government officials in the last decade;

(b) whether the data from the National Crime Record Bureau shows, an increase of five per cent in corruption cases in 2015 as compared to 2014;

(c) the action taken against such officers and employees;

(d) whether Government proposes to amend the law to attach properties of such officials convicted of corruption; and

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

Online grievances pending for redressal

3299. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number

of grievances filed on Central Government online portal are pending for redressal, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has any plan to redress them in a time bound manner; and

(c) the number of complaints received and pending for redressal since one year?

Enactment of Central Bureau of Intelligence and Investigation Act

3300. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal is pending with Government to enact Central Bureau of Intelligence and Investigation Act to cater to the needs of various aspects of Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI); and

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

Steps to popularize use of RTI Act

†3301. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether not even one per cent of the population of the country are making use of the Right to Information (RTI) Act after more than a decade of its passage;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to popularize the Right to Information Act; and

(c) the total number of RTI applications received between 2012 to 2015, the number of applications which were answered and the number of these rejected and the details thereof, State-wise?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Directions for promotion of non-gazetted employees

3302. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has given direction to various departments/organisations under its purview to ensure timely promotion of their employees especially of non-gazetted employees, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the steps/measures taken by Government to fill up the existing vacancies and for timely promotion of existing employees?

Patents held by CSIR

3303. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of patents held so far by CSIR in India and abroad along with the annual expenditure on maintenance of these patents;

(b) whether the CSIR has monetized any such patents during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for very slow pace of monetization of CSIR patents; and

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

Research students in institutions under minority status

3304. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of research students in institutions under minority status;

(b) whether all of them are receiving scholarships or salary;

(c) the number of research papers published by them during 2015-16;

(d) the number of researchers who received research degrees during this year; and

(e) the number of researchers who dropped out or left?

Grading system for scientists of CSIR

3305. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to come up with a grading system of the scientists of CSIR;

(b) if so, the details of the parameters fixed for this gradation; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the scientist community at large are opposing this proposed gradation system?

Online availability of data

†3306. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken a decision to make all the data available online except strategic and sensitive ones, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any fee has been fixed for use of these data; and

(c) the total volume of data available on these websites presently and the variety of data which would be available?

Highlights of Skill Report 2017

3307. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

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(a) whether it is a fact that recently Skills Report 2017 was released, if so, the highlights of the Report;

(b) whether it is also a fact that women are more employable than men, even though marginally; and

(c) what was the percentage of hiring of people for employment in 2013 and what is the present rate of employment, State-wise?

Skilled employment in Sansad Adarsh Grams

3308. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the number of skilled employment generated, State-wise in Sansad Adarsh Grams, so far;

(b) the details of various schemes implemented for skill development and employment generation in Sansad Adarsh Grams; and

(c) whether any assessment has been made regarding economic growth of such villages, if so, the details thereof?

Skill development and training of farmers in Madhya Pradesh

†3309. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the programmes and schemes being run by Government for skill development and training of farmers in agriculture and allied sectors in various States including Madhya Pradesh in each of the last three years and in current year, State-wise;

(b) the number of farmers trained

through above schemes in above duration and the extent to which they were benefited, State-wise/scheme-wise;

(c) whether Government has prescribed any amount for various schemes; and

(d) if so, the amount allocated for this purpose during said period, State-wise/scheme-wise?

Upcoming skill development programmes

3310. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the details of entrepreneurship and skill development programmes organised till date and the number of beneficiaries;

(b) the guidelines and eligibility criteria for the participants; and

(c) the details of upcoming training programmes?

PM Skill Development Fellow Scheme

3311. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) aims and objectives of the proposed PM Skill Development Fellow Scheme, the eligibility criteria prescribed under the above scheme;

(b) the benefits that are proposed to be extended under the above scheme; and

(c) whether any concession in getting minimum percentage of marks for fellowship as is being done in other cases for SC/ST and OBC are proposed under the above scheme, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

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ITIs in Chhattisgarh

‡3312. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the details of total number of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) opened by Government from 2013 to 2016, State-wise, including Chattishgarh;

(b) whether Government has fixed the target to open 2500 new ITIs in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the number of ITIs likely to be opened in Chhattisgarh in its first phase, the district-wise details thereof; and

(d) whether funds have been allocated to Chhattisgarh Government for it, if so, the details thereof?

Training centres for vocational education in Maharashtra, West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh

3313. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL: SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is implementing skill development schemes/programmes for propagating vocational education for imparting training to the unemployed youths of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of the skill development centres set up in the country and the number of people benefited there from during each of the last two years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether Government proposes to set up more such training centres especially in rural areas of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including West Bengal, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh?

Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship, Guwahati

3314. SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH : Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of training, research and consultancy programmes, conducted under the Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship, Guwahati during 2014-15 and 2015-16;

(b) the number of trainers and enterprises benefited under these training programmes;

(c) the total number of seminar and workshop conducted during 2014-15 and 2015-16 under the Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship, Guwahati; and

(d) the total beneficiaries under these two programmes?

Skill development of disabled

3315. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the details of programme Government is running for the skill development of disabled in the country;

(b) the number of beneficiaries of such programmes in last last two years, year-wise;

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(c) the details of funds allocated on such programmes in the last two years, year-wise;

(d) the details of the steps taken to ensure jobs for those who took training under such programmes; and

(e) details of the number of disabled employed after doing such programmes?

Selection for global IT challenge for youth with disabilities

3316. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH : Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering new method to select participants for global IT challenge for youth with disabilities and if so, details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that a national level competition will be held before sending nominations for the global event, if so, the details thereof?

Demand for increase in scholarship for students

†3317. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether various States have demanded increase in the scholarship for the students belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether students would get increased scholarship in the year 2016-17, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor, and since when the increased scholarship would be provided?

Consumption of alcohol in rural Maharashtra

3318. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that alcohol consumption in rural areas of Maharashtra and rest of the country is increasing by leaps and bounds;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government has taken or proposes to take to substantially reduce alcohol consumption in rural areas of the country?

Budget allocation for development of Scheduled Castes

†3319. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total annual budget of the Government from 2013-14 to 2016-17 annually, the amount received by the Ministry out of it and the amount received under head of development of Scheduled Castes and the amount spent out of that and its percentage of the total budget; and

(b) the amount of annual allocation out of budget provision of the Government during the above mentioned period for 'sub-plan' made for development of Scheduled Castes and what per cent it is of the total budget?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**Recommendations of NCBC for
creamy layer**

3320. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of recommendations made by National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC) with regard to creamy layer; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to increase the creamy layer limit to ₹ 20 lakhs and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Rehabilitation centres for victims of
drug abuse**

3321. SHRI NARESH GUJRAL:
SARDAR SUKHDEV SINGH
DHINDSA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a plan currently under consideration of the Government to develop parameters to quantify the consequences of drug abuse in India as drug addiction related suicides are the only reliable all-India statistics to gauge the extent of drug problem;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether durg-related hospital emergency rooms have been established, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government is considering establishment of more affordable rehabilitation centres for the victims of drug abuse and if so, what is the total budget earmarked for the purpose?

**Implementation of Accessible India
campaign**

3322. SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the status of implementation of Accessible India campaign in the last year, State-wise;

(b) the details of the meetings of the Central Coordination Committee of Accessible India campaign in the last three years; and

(c) the status of implementation of Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 with respect to facilities for differently abled in Government buildings and public places?

**Financial help to private schools for
handicapped children**

3323. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that many private schools meant for handicapped children are on the verge of closure due to financial constraints;

(b) if so, whether Government would make provisions for the financial help to such schools;

(c) whether Government has done any survey to find out as to how many such schools are running under private trusts and being run by private individuals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and monetary assistance being provided to such schools in Uttar Pradesh?

Inclusion of communities in reserve category

3324. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications pending with the Ministry for inclusion of various communities in reserve category, State-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to speed up clearing the proposals?

Reservation for forward castes

3325. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government will consider reservation for the economically backward amongst the forward castes/communities; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Human Space Flight Programme

3326. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has undertaken an ambitious project of Human Space Flight Programme in order to carry a crew to space and return them back, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the status of the project as on date and the details of fund spent on this project so far?

Cryogenic technology for launching space vehicles

3327. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has mastered cryogenic technology to propel its launch vehicles; and

(b) to what extent ISRO thinks that country has mastered cryogenic technology after the recently launched GSAT-6 with indigenously developed cryogenic engine?

Satellites designed for benefit of farmers

3328. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Indian satellites which were designed to benefit farmers;

(b) the details of their launching, cost incurred and objectives with regard to agriculture and farmers; and

(c) whether Government has any mechanism of assessment of benefits accrued from the inputs of these satellites, if so, the details thereof for the last three years, if not, the reasons therefor?

Delay in execution of projects

†3329. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of pending road, railway, power and coal projects on which work is yet to take off along with the reasons for delay in starting them and since when they are pending;

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(b) the number of projects sanctioned by Project Monitoring Group on which work has begun and the steps taken to monitor these projects;

(c) the steps taken to ensure that there is no delay in execution of new projects; and

(d) the names of States in which these projects are located and whether Government has sought assistance of States in completing these projects?

Enhancing GDP of the country

3330. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that, among all countries, the GDP of India in nominal terms is now the seventh largest;

(b) whether there is a roadmap where India plans to position itself in this regard in the medium term; and

(c) how Government is working towards enhancing per capita GDP of India which is still at a very low level?

Bypass from Kalindi Colony to NH-13

3331. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether NH-2 bypass from Kalindi Colony to NH-13 was inaugurated in 2001 by Delhi Government;

(b) whether the work on the project was started and then stopped in between;

(c) if so, the reason therefor and whether this project would be started again or Government has cancelled this project; and

(d) if so, the reasons for its cancellation?

Delay in implementation of Land Pooling Policy

3332. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high level meeting chaired by Secretary of the Ministry was held on 1st November, 2016 with officials from DDA, North and South MCDs and Delhi Government to sort out issues that are delaying the implementation of Land Pooling Policy in Delhi;

(b) if so, details of issues discussed and the outcome thereof;

(c) whether Delhi Government has been asked to demarcate land in the notified areas under Land Pooling Policy, if so, details thereof; and

(d) whether Government would expedite implementation of the said policy as it has already been delayed for long?

Rainwater Harvest Cell in Urban Local Bodies

3333. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has asked all the Urban Local Bodies (ULB) to constitute Rainwater Harvest Cell (RHC) to implement Rainwater Harvesting Technique as provided in Building Bye Laws (BBL), 2016;

(b) whether there is any mechanism at the Central Government level to monitor the presence of Rainwater Harvest Cell in ULBs, so that Rainwater Harvesting Technique is strictly implemented in all types of buildings; and

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

Vacancy of Administrative Officer in CPWD

3334. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ministerial staff of CPWD are demanding 34 posts of Administrative Officer in their hierarchy which are being occupied arbitrarily by engineering cadre;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to fulfil the demand; and

(c) the time-frame for implementation of this demand?

Open defecation free cities

3335. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Swachh Bharat Mission is lagging behind in accomplishing its goal of open defecation free (ODF) states;

(b) whether it is a fact that out of the target of 1.04 crore toilets, only 4.6 lakh toilets have been constructed;

(c) whether of total 4041 cities, only 141 have been declared as ODF cities and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the targets achieved in West Bengal?

Parity issue of ministerial staff of CPWD with CSCS cadre

3336. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pay Commissions have accepted the parity issue of ministerial staff of CPWD with Central Secretariat Clerical Service (CSCS) cadre as mode of selection is same;

(b) whether the 7th Pay Commission has accepted parity of Office Superintendent of field unit like CPWD with Assistant (now Assistant Section Officer) of CSCS cadre;

(c) if so, why Government has denied the legitimate right of the ministerial staff of field units like CPWD in the past; and

(d) the action initiated by the Ministry to provide the legitimate right in the matter of parity to the ministerial staff of CPWD?

Compulsory water harvesting law

†3337. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the water table has reached a very alarming level in urban areas of the country;

(b) if so, whether Government would formulate a compulsory water harvesting law to raise the water table in urban areas;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) how Government would restore the receding ground water level in urban areas to a normal level, the details thereof?

Regularisation of unauthorised colonies

†3338. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the scheme to regularise various unauthorised colonies of Delhi;

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(b) whether the list of unauthorised colonies is available with Government;

(c) if so, the time by which the unauthorised colonies would be regularised; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Fencing work in Government colonies of Delhi

3339. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether CPWD is doing fencing work in the back lanes of Government colonies in Delhi;

(b) whether fencing work is being done from the beginning of this year in Government colonies including that of Lodhi Colony, if so, the details thereof, each house-wise, colony-wise and area-wise;

(c) whether after fencing some houses were covered with larger area and others with very less areas; and

(d) whether same guidelines were followed in fencing and no discrimination was done in covered area within the said fencing especially in number of cases like houses No. 7/95, 5/105, 7/107, 5/595, from Lodhi Colony?

Structures erected by contractors in Lodhi Colony

3340. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether L&DO of the Ministry has authorized CPWD to construct temporary or permanent accommodation in the back lanes of Government colonies for contractor's labourers and using it as store;

(b) if so, the number of such constructions that CPWD has been allowed especially in case of Block 4,5,6 and 7 of Lodhi Colony, New Delhi; and

(c) whether CPWD has stated in a grievances addressed through PMO that those illegal/legal constructions will be demolished within three months after the completion of the work allotted to the contractors?

Status of projects under Rajasthan Urban Infrastructure Projects

3341. SHRI HARSHVARDHAN SINGH DUNGARPUR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of projects under Rajasthan Urban Infrastructure Projects received from Government of Rajasthan for Central assistance under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM);

(b) how much assistance has been provided by Government to Rajasthan for the projects that have been approved so far in the last three years;

(c) the percentage of funds shared by Central Government to these projects and by when these projects are likely to be completed; and

(d) whether Government proposes to extend JNNURM for the next five years to achieve target of development?

Implementation of Solid Waste Management Rules

3342. SHRI SACHIN RAMESH TENDULKAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the time-frame for implementing the solutions that are emphasized by the Solid Waste Management (SWM) Rules, 2016; and

(b) whether the Ministry is considering to raise awareness among people on solid waste management and proper segregation of waste for recycling?

Seminar for management of dumping grounds

3343. SHRI SACHIN RAMESH TENDULKAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the revision of Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000 has led to an overall decrease in fire incidents in dumping yards;

(b) whether the Ministry has organised seminars for management of dumping grounds across the country to make them aware of the revisions in the Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000; and

(c) whether there is a mechanism in place to ensure that violation of the Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000 lead to fines/penalties?

Ten cleanest cities in the country

3344. SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the name of the ten cleanest cities in the country; and

(b) the name of the districts where these ten cleanest cities are located?

Changes in waste management policy under SBM

3345. KUMARI SELJA:
SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:
SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH
YADAV:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made some crucial policy changes in the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) with regard to waste management and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government proposes to generate electricity, compost and chemical fertilizers from municipal solid waste and biodegradable waste, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry has discussed the matter with other stakeholders in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government has decided to make purchase of electricity generated from the municipal waste mandatory and if so, the details thereof?

Present status of smart city project

3346. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the present status of the smart city project;

(b) whether the project is still in its planning and identification phase or the infrastructure projects have started on ground;

(c) if the infrastructure project has started on ground, the details of the same;

(d) if yet not started, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government is committed to build at least ten out of hundred smart cities by 2019; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Reconstruction work in Kidwai Nagar, Sarojini Nagar, etc.

†3347. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government servants in Delhi have been served notices to vacate the allotted houses/flats so that the reconstruction work in Kidwai Nagar, Sarojini Nagar and in many other colonies can be carried out;

(b) if so, the type of allotments for which notices have been issued to vacate them and the time-limit for the same;

(c) whether the allottees of these houses have been adjusted by providing another houses else where, before evacuation; and

(d) whether any difficulties are being faced by the people residing in these flats due to notice issued to them?

Exclusive zones for street vendors in each city

3348. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government aims to provide for exclusive zones for street vendors in each city;

(b) if so, the details of the plan in this regard; and

(c) the estimate of funds required for the proposed plan?

Demands of Anganwadi workers in Jharkhand

3349. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that Anganwadi workers in the State of Jharkhand are on strike demanding for increase of their wages which are meagre and insufficient for their living, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether they have represented to the Ministry for redressal of their grievances, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry has taken note of their demands and made any efforts to increase their wages, if so, the details thereof; and

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

Extension of IGMSY

3350. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether the Ministry proposes to extend the Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana (IGMSY) Scheme to all 30 districts of Odisha as required under National Food Security Act-2013 with effect from 1st November, 2015?

Objectives of "Adopt a Home"

3351. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of "Adopt a Home";

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(b) how Adopt a Home is different from juvenile homes;

(c) the number of juvenile homes/Adopt a Home in the country, State-wise and district-wise; and

(d) the number of corporate houses which has so far come forward and adopted homes under the above scheme, the details thereof, State-wise?

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Programme in Andhra Pradesh

3352. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has augmented the creation of awareness about the protection and promotion of the girl child in the country under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the scope of the Programme has recently been widened, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the performance of the programme in the State of Andhra Pradesh since its inception?

Number of Government run remand homes

3353. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Government run remand homes in the country as on today, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) what is the total number of children, both boys and girls in these remand homes as on September 30, 2016; and

(c) what is the overall percentage of children being sent back to their families from the remand homes during the last ten years?

New measures for preventing female foeticide

3354. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are key and new measures taken by Government for preventing female foeticide during the last two years under its Beti Bachao Beti Padhao campaign;

(b) what has been the overall success of these measures and what according to the Government are its key indicators;

(c) what are the geographical areas in which Government finds the challenge more daunting, and why; and

(d) what additional efforts, if any, Government are making to undertake in these areas?

Plan to decriminalise sex work

3355. SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is planning to decriminalise sex work as per the Pam Rajput Committee report;

(b) whether the Ministry is planning to frame a national policy or Central scheme for the rehabilitation of sex workers who wish to leave;

(c) whether the Immoral Trafficking (Prevention) Act is proposed to be amended; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

Malnutrition Guidelines of growing Children

3356. SHRI K. C. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of malnutrition amongst children below 5 years in the country;

(b) how does ICDS Nutrition Guidelines meet the real nutritional needs of the growing children;

(c) how the above Guidelines are different from the WHO Guidelines;

(d) whether Government has any plans to revisit ICDS Guidelines in accordance with WHO Guidelines and bridge the nutritional gap; and

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

Drafting of Rules regarding selling of tobacco products to children

3357. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH : Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided that all tobacco products, liquor bottles and outlets selling these products will soon have to carry a health warning that giving or selling intoxicants to a child is a crime punishable with upto seven years rigorous imprisonment and a fine upto ₹ one lakh; and

(b) whether it is a fact that the rules were drafted by the Ministry with the assistance of an expert committee comprising of a senior judge, advocates, juvenile justice board members and State

Government representatives and if so, the details thereof?

Schemes for development of SC/ST women

3358. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes being implemented by the Ministry for development of women during last two years, year-wise and scheme-wise;

(b) the details of physical targets set and achieved during the above period, State-wise and scheme-wise;

(c) whether the Ministry is implementing any special scheme for women from SC/ST and Other Backward Classes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof during the above period, State-wise and year-wise?

Internal monitoring of Grants-in-Aid expenditure

3359. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over 99 per cent of all Plan Expenditure in the Ministry is under the head of Grants-in-Aid;

(b) what arrangements other than Utilisation Certificate and audit by the CAG, both of which are external, exist within the Ministry to ascertain whether this huge expenditure is being incurred for the intended purpose; and

(c) whether the Ministry is satisfied with its internal monitoring of Grants-in-Aid expenditure?

**Juvenile justice courts/boards in
Tamil Nadu**

3360. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of juvenile

justice courts/boards in the country, particularly in Tamil Nadu, State-wise;

(b) whether Government proposes to establish more such courts/boards in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with proposed timeline for implementation?

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