

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Monday, July 18, 2016/Ashadha 27, 1938 (Saka)*

(Ministries : Coal; Drinking Water and Sanitation; Environment, Forest and Climate Change; Mines; New and Renewable Energy; Panchayati Raj; Planning; Power; Road Transport and Highways; Rural Development; Shipping; Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation)

Total number of questions — 15

Implementation of Namami Gange scheme

†*1. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) the time-frame set for implementation of Namami Gange scheme by Government and its present status;

(b) whether Government is taking any foreign aid for implementing this scheme;

(c) if so, the details and the benefits thereof;

(d) the steps taken to clean the upper surface of Ganga and to prevent the drains of the cities and toxic industrial effluents from falling into the river; and

(e) the steps being taken to expedite the implementation of Namami Gange scheme?

Allocation of funds for cleanliness campaign

†*2. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has allocated funds to the States for cleanliness campaign during the financial year 2016-17;

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

(c) whether there are States that have been allocated funds under the above said programme but the same have not been released; and

(d) if so, the names of such States and the reasons for not providing funds?

Connecting every village under PMGSY

†* 3. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government

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had resolved to connect every village under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such roads under PMGSY in Bihar which are under construction for the last four years but their construction is yet to be completed; and

(d) whether any time-limit had been fixed under PMGSY for construction of all such roads and whether any disciplinary action has been taken against those contractors who failed to construct such roads within the stipulated time period and if so, the details of action taken in this regard?

Killing of Nilgais

†* 4. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 200 Nilgais have been shot dead in Bihar with the approval of the Ministry;

(b) whether such requests have also been received from some other States and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether killing is the only solution to the inconvenience caused by wild animals;

(d) whether Government would formulate any policy for sterilization of wild animals coming to urban areas and leaving them again in jungles; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Dumping of solar panels and modules

*5. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the US, China and other countries are dumping solar panels and solar modules into the country and thereby impacting the domestic manufacturers;

(b) if so, the details of such dumping during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and country-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government has so far not imposed any anti-dumping duty on such countries; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Impact of climate change

*6. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted any study to assess the impact of climate change on different systems including agriculture in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action plan has been chalked out by Government to combat ill effects of climate change in coordination with global agencies; and

(d) if so, the salient features of such action plan?

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Quantity of drinking water used for sanitation purposes

*7. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether quantity of drinking water that is used for sanitation purposes is more than that which is used for drinking purposes in almost all the homes;

(b) if so, how Government proposes to address this problem;

(c) whether Government would consider segregating the supply of water for drinking and sanitation purposes in order to minimise the wastage of drinking water so that the same can be supplied to the areas where there is scarcity of drinking water; and

(d) if so, what would be the cost for taking up such exercise in the whole country, State-wise?

Plan to meet domestic demand of coal

*8. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Coal India Limited is not increasing its capacity to meet the domestic demand;

(b) the details of demand of coal and existing shortage since 2014; and

(c) what are the plans to improve coal production?

Amendments to CRZ notifications

*9. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has amended the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) notifications recently;

(b) the names of the States which have demanded amendments to CRZ notifications and the issues they have raised and the grounds given;

(c) when the notification was amended last time and what the amended provisions were;

(d) what proposals are given by Goa Government seeking amendments to CRZ notifications; and

(e) the details of each of the proposals and the reaction of Government thereto?

Minimising road accidents and deaths

*10. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that road accidents in India account for the death of 15 persons every hour, the highest number of road accident deaths in the world;

(b) if so, the number of people killed in road accidents and also the number of people seriously injured or permanently disabled in the country during the last three years;

(c) whether any steps have been taken by Government to minimise road accidents and to save innocent lives from road accidents in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Additional water storage in Okhla
water works**

†*11. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that additional water storage had been arranged in Okhla water works for the smooth supply of water in Okhla legislative constituency and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a project for installation of water plant at Mathura Road was started by the Delhi Government to meet the shortage of water in Okhla Badarpur legislative constituency and if so, the details thereof along with the details of cost and the supply; and

(c) the details of areas to be benefited by this project?

Mass plantation programmes

*12. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) what are various programmes undertaken by Government for mass plantation in various parts and States of the country during the last two years;

(b) whether Government is planning to make it a mass movement, keeping in view the increasing environment pollution scenario in the country particularly in the Metro cities; and

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

**Funds spent for rain water
harvesting**

†*13. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is running any programme for converting rain water into drinking water in the country;

(b) the levels at which it is proposed to harvest rain water;

(c) whether Government has taken any steps for conservation of rain water at village and town levels; and

(d) the quantum of funds spent by Government during the last three years for rain water harvesting in order to deal with drinking water crisis?

**Formulation of scheme for stray
animals**

*14. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to formulate any scheme for stray animals especially monkeys to protect them from road accidents and to protect the crops from them also in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has taken any steps to release such animals to their natural habitat or hand them over to zoos; and

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

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Supply of coal to small and medium industrial units

*15. DR. K.V. P. RAMACHANDRA
RAO: Will the Minister of COAL be
pleased to state:

(a) whether the small and medium
industrial units are facing shortage of
supply of coal from the agencies nominated
by State Governments;

(b) if so, the details of demand and
supply during the last year, State-wise;

(c) whether Government has any plan
to ensure supply of coal to small and
medium industrial units up to their demand;
and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

NEW DELHI;
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SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF,
Secretary-General.

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