

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Tuesday, July 19, 2016/Ashadha 28, 1938 (Saka)*

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

Total number of questions — 15

Annual special grant to Tamil Nadu

*16. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether State Government of Tamil Nadu has made a demand to enhance the annual special grant to Tamil Nadu to ₹ 2,000 crores in each of the remaining four years of the 14th Finance Commission award period upto 2019-20;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard;

(c) whether State Government has communicated that it has a ready shelf of large projects that could be funded out of this special allocation including comprehensive special package for diversification of fisheries, desalination projects and several infrastructure projects under vision Tamil Nadu 2023; and

(d) if so, steps taken by Government thereon?

Discontinuation of resettlement courses for Jawans

*17. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has withdrawn resettlement courses, used to equip Jawans for a civilian job; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Ban on spitting in public places

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

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no Central law to ban spitting in public places, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether spitting has been the primary cause for the spread and increase of Tuberculosis (TB) cases in the country; and

(c) whether Government will include an anti-spitting day in the calendar to generate awareness about harm of spitting in public places?

Misuse of in-flight public announcement system

*19. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) guidelines do not allow in-flight public announcement systems to be used for anything other than safety and other emergency instructions;

(b) whether DGCA had declined permission to a domestic carrier that wanted to celebrate Holi on board;

(c) names of the domestic carrier(s) which have sought permission to have fun activities in the Indian skies and declined by the DGCA; and

(d) what punitive action is taken against the concerned staff and the domestic carrier in case disobedience to the existing guidelines is shown by them?

Action against wilful defaulters of PSBs

*20. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of wilful defaulters declared by the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) owing more than ₹ 25 lakhs in debt in the last three years;

(b) the details thereof, year-wise;

(c) the number of FIRs filed against the wilful defaulters by the Public Sector Banks in the last three years, year-wise data; and

(d) the conviction rate of the wilful defaulters in the last three years and the amount recovered by the PSBs from the wilful defaulters?

13th Finance Commission grants for the State of Tamil Nadu

*21. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 13th Finance Commission had recommended a grant of ₹ 11,366.90 crores to Tamil Nadu for the five year award period, which came to an end in 31st March, 2015;

(b) whether it is also a fact that State Government of Tamil Nadu has submitted utilisation certificates for the expenditure incurred, but the grants are yet to be released;

(c) whether it is also a fact that State Government of Tamil Nadu has demanded immediate release of the fund; and

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

Super specialty medical services at Dr. R.P. Medical College, Tanda (H.P.)

*22. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Dr. Rajendra Prasad Medical College, Tanda in Himachal Pradesh is well equipped with

super specialty medical facility, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that super specialty medical services are not being provided to the patients due to non availability of specialists in the hospital; and

(c) if so, by when medical specialists are likely to be appointed in the said college?

Army Rallies in the country

*23. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any proposal to conduct Army Rallies in the country including in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken so far?

Preparedness to meet dengue outbreak

*24. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that with the onset of monsoon, the dengue outbreak fears have increased manifold in Mumbai, National Capital and other parts of the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what precautionary and other measures Government has taken or proposes to take to prevent the occurrence

and provide treatment of dengue and other vector borne diseases in Mumbai, National Capital and other parts of the country?

FDI in Indian aviation sector

*25. DR. SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the text of the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) Resolution of 2012 permitting Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) of foreign airlines in existing Indian airlines upto 49 per cent of total equity; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to permit 100 per cent FDI of the foreign airlines in India without Indian airline partners?

MSP paid to Armed Forces personnel

*26. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is paying Military Service Pay (MSP) to Armed Forces personnel, whose genesis is based on amount on the degree of 'Hardships and Risk Factor' they undergo while discharging their duties;

(b) whether the MSP being paid to the Armed Forces personnel is equal, and whether they face equal hardships and risk to life; and

(c) what measures Government contemplates to remove this discrimination?

**Incident of fire at Army's Central
Ammunition Depot, Pulgaon**

*27. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note of fire incidents/tragedy in various defence establishments including massive fire at the Army's Central Ammunition Depot (CAD) in Pulgaon town of Maharashtra's Wardha district recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of persons injured/killed during the last three years and the current year, fire incident-wise;

(c) whether Government has ordered any inquiry in this regard, if so, the details and present status thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to check such incidents in future?

**7th Central Pay Commission
recommendations**

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

(a) whether Government has implemented the 7th Central Pay Commission recommendations;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the date of notification thereof;

(c) whether increase in pay of Central Government officials is historically low under 7th CPC, if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether employees unions/trade

unions have announced to go on indefinite strike against the historically low revision of salaries by Government, if so, the response of Government thereto; and

(e) whether uniform multiplication factor of at least 3 is proposed to be applied for revision of pay under 7th CPC, if not, the reasons therefor?

**Stricter monetary policy for price
control**

*29. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to tighten its monetary policy to bring prices under control, in view of the fact that inflation in the country is persistently on rise;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the likely impact of tightening monetary policy on inflationary trend?

**Meeting of objectives of Jan Dhan
Yojana**

*30. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether one of the objectives of Jan Dhan Yojana is to provide the poor masses - a bank account, credit facility, insurance cover and debit card etc.;

(b) whether the existing coverage of bank branches in rural areas is adequate to meet the above objective; and

(c) what specific intervention exists in tribes, in general, and Jharkhand in the scheme for bringing about the greatest particular? possible financial inclusion of the poor

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SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF,
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