RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, July 20, 2016/Ashadha 29, 1938 (Saka)

(Ministries : Commerce and Industry; Culture; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Home Affairs; Labour and Employment; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Steel; Tourism; Tribal Affairs)

Total number of questions — 15

Increase in terrorist activities in J&K

- †*31. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that terrorist activities have increased in Jammu and Kashmir in last two years;
- (b) the details of the terrorist activities in Jammu and Kashmir in last three years;
- (c) whether the terrorists killed in Neva, Pulvama before Amarnath Yatra had deep influence on local people and whether security forces were pelted with stones by local people in order to protect terrorists; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Peace pact with NSCN/IM

- †*32. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether Government has entered

- into a peace pact with extremist group of Nagaland named National Socialist Council of Nagaland (Isak-Muivah) [NSCN/IM];
- (b) if so, the details of pacts entered by Government; and
- (c) by when the pact will be implemented?

Impact of liberalization of FDI on security of the nation

- * 33. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government recently liberalized Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), up to 100 per cent inflows in various sectors, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) what precautions have been taken to see that liberalization in sensitive sectors like Defence, Broadcasting services, Civil Aviation do not impinge upon the security of the nation; and
 - (c) the sector-wise details of amount of

[†]Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

FDI that came in the last two years in various sectors?

Global shortage of robusta coffee

- *34. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a global shortage of robusta coffee;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the Indian coffee exports have increased in view of the global shortage;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by Government to boost coffee exports and for promotion of coffee sector?

Number of jobs created in various sectors

*35. SHRI K. T. S. TULSI: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state the total number of jobs created in the 9 sectors of textiles, apparels, leather, metals, automobiles, gems and jewellery, transport, IT/BPO and handloom/powerloom, from March, 2015 to June, 2016?

Decline in job growth

- *36. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the year-wise and sector-wise job growth in the last three years and this year;
- (b) the year-wise and sector-wise number of people who have lost their jobs during the above period;

- (c) whether Labour Bureau data shows that job growth in 8 major sectors is at seven years low;
- (d) if so, the details of sectors in which the job growth is affected and the reasons therefor;
- (e) what remedial measures Government has taken/proposes to take to address this problem; and
- (f) the reasons for decline in job growth inspite of higher GDP?

Revenue generated from enemy properties

- *37. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that several enemy properties are in custody of the Custodian of Enemy Property;
- (b) the State-wise number of enemy properties under the Custodian, from the day of enactment of the Enemy Property Act till 2016;
- (c) the State-wise present total value of enemy properties under the custody of Custodian of Enemy Property; and
- (d) the total income/revenue generated from the aforesaid enemy properties by Government annually?

Increase in contract workers in PSUs

- *38. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the number of contract labourers employed in various Public Sector Undertakings in the country is increasing; and

(b) if so, the total number of contract labourers employed in various PSUs in the country for the last three years?

Terrorists involved in bomb blasts in Hyderabad

- *39. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) number of terrorists involved in bomb blasts and planting bombs in Hyderabad in past three years and organizations/persons collaborating and providing shelter to them in Hyderabad;
- (b) arrests made on these incidents including one on 30th June, 2016 in Hyderabad, details of cases registered and status of each case;
- (c) description of persons/groups in Hyderabad supporting, providing shelter to terrorists who are constantly planning to plant bombs;
- (d) in how many cases CIA, FBI and Indian Intelligence sources warned in advance about the expected attempts; and
- (e) the steps being taken to prevent these incidents in Hyderabad in future?

Opening of FDI in nine sectors

- *40. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has recently opened Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in nine sectors;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government had assessed the impact of opening FDI on Indian industry and the security aspect of the country; and

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

Opposition to FDI in Defence sector

- *41. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has liberalized foreign investment rules in nine sectors including Defence and Pharmaceuticals sector;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the criticism made by opposition parties and even organizations like Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh and Swadeshi Jagran Manch particularly against allowing 100 per cent FDI in Defence sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

Blending of ethanol with petrol

- *42. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that for the first time 5 per cent ethanol has been blended in petrol in 2015-16;
- (b) how many years it took to achieve this target and how many more years will it take to achieve the real target of blending 10 per cent of ethanol in petrol;
- (c) how much the country saves from 5 per cent blending of ethanol with petrol; and
- (d) whether it is a fact that Thailand mixes as much as 85 per cent of ethanol in petrol?

Signing of revised contract by PLL with Qatar

- *43. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Petronet LNG Limited (PLL), India's biggest gas importer, signed a revised contract with RasGas of Qatar to import gas at a significantly lower price to reflect falling global prices, saving consumers around ₹ 4000 crore a year, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the new pricing formula under the reworked contract, would apply to 7.5 million tonnes of LNG, India has agreed to buy from RasGas until the long term contract ending in April, 2028 and Petronet has agreed to purchase an additional 1 million tonnes under the revised contract, if so, the details thereof?

100 per cent FDI in online marketplaces

- *44. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has introduced 100 per cent Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in online market-places;

- (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the stakeholders' consultations were held before the policy decision; and
- (d) if so, the response of the stakeholders, the National Associate and Federation of Retailers and the Apex Chambers?

Setting up of NCTF

- *45. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has started the process to set up a National Committee on Trade Facilitation (NCTF) in the country to coordinate and implement the World Trade Organization's Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) aimed at easing customs norms to expedite global trade flows;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that TFA will help in the world with best trade practices shared among the WTO member countries ratifying the pact; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

New Delhi; *The* 14th July, 2016 Ashadha 23, 1938 (Saka) SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF, Secretary-General.

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