

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Thursday, July 21, 2016/Ashadha 30, 1938 (Saka)*

(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)

Total number of questions — 149

Mechanism to provide legal services to women

393.SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is taking any measures to assess the effectiveness of the present mechanism to provide legal services to women who are victims of domestic violence and workplace harassment; and

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

Land acquired by NPCIL in Andhra Pradesh

394.DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Nuclear Power Corporation of India, (NPCIL) has acquired or in the process of acquiring land in Srikakulam district of Andhra Pradesh for the projects of Toshiba Corpn Westinghouse Electric, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) how many nuclear reactors, with what capacity are proposed to be constructed in Andhra Pradesh and by what time, they are expected to reach criticality, the details thereof?

Low installed capacity of nuclear power

395. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reasons that India has

just 21 nuclear reactors that are producing power which are much less than most of the developed countries and also some of developing countries;

(b) what are the reasons that installed capacity of 21 nuclear reactors is 5.3 giga watts which is much less when compared to other nuclear power producing countries; and

(c) how the department is planning to correct this situation?

Shifting of atomic plant from Gujarat to Andhra Pradesh

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the department is planning to shift Westinghouse Electricity Atomic Plant from Gujarat to Kovvada in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Commissioning of Unit II of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant

397.SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Unit II of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant has not yet been commissioned, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has received a representation from the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu recently urging Government to implement the commissioning of the Unit II of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant at the earliest, if so, the action taken thereon?

Completion of projects for nuclear energy

398.DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is expediting the process of completion of BHAVINI and Fast Reactor Fuel Cycle and Fuel Reprocessing (FRFCF) projects in Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu and the generation of nuclear energy ;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total energy expected from these two projects;

(c) the funds allocated, disbursed and utilized for the setting up of BHAVINI and FRFCF in the last five years, year-wise and the total amount spent and to be spent for both the projects; and

(d) the power distribution pattern among the Central Government and States from the two projects once it is commissioned and production starts?

Approval for second unit of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Station

399.DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) when the second unit at Kudankulam Nuclear Power Station would reach criticality and whether Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) has given approval, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether compliance certificates from Ministry of Environment and Forests and Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board are issued for the plant; and

(c) what would be the total capacity of the second unit and how much MW electricity would be shared by each southern State, the details thereof?

Deposits of thorium in country

400. DR. SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has a large deposits of thorium in various parts of India; and

(b) the steps, if any, taken to convert the naturally available thorium into usable Uranium for nuclear reactors?

Civil nuclear deal with UK

401. SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has finalized the civil nuclear deal with UK, if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government has taken cognizance of the World Nuclear Industry Report, 2015 which states the decline of Britains nuclear industry, if so, the details thereof and its impact on the India-UK nuclear deal and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the rationale behind Government opting for nuclear energy versus developing and collaborating on renewable energy?

Setting up of nuclear plants in North India

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

(a) whether Government is exploring the possibilities of setting up of four nuclear power plants in North India;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the places identified for the purpose; and

(c) whether Government proposes to allow other Central PSUs to set up these plants and allow them to mobilize funds for the same, if so, the details thereof, and the action taken so far in this regard?

Vacancies of OBC category in atomic reactors

403. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the post earmarked for OBC category in all atomic power plants across the country;

(b) the details of the post earmarked for OBC category which are lying vacant; and

(c) the reasons for non-filling up of the posts and period for which these posts are lying vacant?

Social Impact Assessment Study for Nuclear power projects in Andhra Pradesh

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

(a) whether survey of land for Nuclear Power Plant at Kavvada, Srikakulam District of Andhra Pradesh is completed, if so, the details of Government land and private land proposed to be acquired for the project; and

(b) whether Social Impact Assessment Study of the proposed plant is taken up, if so, the details thereof?

Effect of non-inclusion in NSG on energy production

405. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that non-inclusion of India in NSG would impact its effort to produce atomic energy for peaceful purposes, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) what would be further advantages of our joining NSG other than strategic?

Sports schools in North-Eastern States

406. SHRI D.P. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has any plans to open sports schools in the North Eastern States; and

(b) whether there has been a proposal to do so, and if so, the details thereof?

Appointments in ICMAM and NIOT

407.DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has appointed adequately qualified scientists and research officers in the Integrated Coastal and Marine Area Management (ICMAM) and National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) in Chennai;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the vacancy position as on date in both ICMAM and NIOT;

(c) whether Government has taken any new research projects in both these centres and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the funds allocated, disbursed and utilized in the last five years, year-wise; and

(e) whether Government has taken any decision on the appointment of directors and research officers in both ICMAM and NIOT?

UK voting to leave European Union

408.SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that United Kingdom has voted to leave the European Union (EU); and

(b) if so, the details thereof and its impact on Indo-UK relations and our trade prospects between the European Union countries and UK?

MoU to join US Global Entry Programme

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

(a) whether India has entered into an MoU with USA to join the US Global Entry Programme, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what would be the benefit for the Indian citizens by joining this programme?

Problems of Indian workers in Doha

410.SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently Prime Minister assured Indian workers in Doha that he would take up the issues being faced by them with the authorities;

(b) if so, what were the issues being faced by Indian workers in Doha;

(c) whether Prime Minister took up those issues in the talks held with Emir of Qatar; and

(d) if so, what was the result of the talks and if not, the reasons therefor?

Presence of Sri Lankan navy personnel in Katchatheevu island

411.SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Sri Lanka has enhanced the presence of its Navy personnel in Katchatheevu island preventing the fishermen from Tamil Nadu fishing in and around the said area;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken up this issue with the Sri Lankan Government;

(c) whether Government has asked the Sri Lankan Government to allow the fishermen from Tamil Nadu to construct a Church at Katchatheevu; and

(d) whether Government has received a representation from the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu recently in this regard, if so, the action taken thereof?

NSG Membership

412.SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a membership in Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) is essential for India to pursue its civil nuclear objectives ;

(b) whether pressing for NSG membership at Seoul meeting with lack of consensus was essential, with Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) membership assured to India which would ensure supply of nuclear fuel; and

(c) whether the whole episode reveals on the part of India undue dependence on US and unnecessary distancing from China?

Steps taken for membership in NSG

†413. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken to ensure membership of India in Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG);

(b) the names of the countries which supported and of those which opposed India's membership in NSG; and

(c) the details of the steps taken to allay the concerns of opposing countries?

Indo-US joint declaration

414.SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a joint declaration was issued by India and USA titled "The United States and India: Enduring Global partners in the 21st Century" during Prime Minister's recent visit to USA;

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

(c) whether it is also a fact that the said declaration implies a right-wing shift in India's foreign policy undermining its long standing position of independence from any military alliance; and

(d) if so, the details and the reasons for opting a shift in our foreign policy?

Chinese opposition to India's efforts for NSG

†415. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that China openly opposed India's efforts for Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) membership as a result of which India could not become NSG member;

(b) if so, whether India is reconsidering its foreign policy with regard to China; and

(c) if not, the reasons for India not becoming a member of NSG?

Indians in jails of Pakistan

416.DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many Indians are lodged in Pakistan Jails, till 1st March, 2016, and since how long, with details; and

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(b) how many of them have been languishing in jails for petty crimes like crossing the border etc., and efforts made by Government to seek their release from jails and bringing back to India, the details thereof?

Attacks on minorities in Bangladesh

417. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is watching closely the incidents of brutal attacks on minorities in Bangladesh recently killing a Hindu priest and a Buddhist monk in Jhenaidah and Banderban;

(b) whether militants of Islamic State and Al-Qaeda have come out brazenly against minority communities in Bangladesh; and

(c) whether India has made known its concern to Bangladesh over the incidents, if so, the details thereof?

Launching of Pravasi Kaushal Vikas Yojana

418. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has launched Pravasi Kaushal Vikas Yojana to offer skill development to Indians seeking jobs overseas.

(b) whether Indian emigrant workers especially those who go to Gulf countries through recruitment agents, are exploited due to lack of requisite skills; and

(c) whether most of the Indians going to Gulf countries are not appropriately empowered in terms of rules, language, culture of that country or even the finesse that is required for a certain trade?

Efforts made for entry in NSG

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

(a) whether adequate backroom diplomatic calibration was done before the high-pitched effort to gain entry to Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG);

(b) what guarantee did Government have that China would not effectively block our entry;

(c) how many of the 48 member group opposed our candidature; and

(d) whether this debacle would result in an opportunity for Pakistan to enter the club?

Fresh efforts made for membership of NSG

420. SHRI D. RAJA: SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India had tried recently for a membership in Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) so that India become eligible to buy nuclear materials, if so, the result thereof;

(b) whether Government is trying a fresh to get the membership in NSG;

(c) what is the obstacle against India in getting the membership in NSG; and

(d) whether India needs NSG membership to be eligible to get nuclear supplies even after a waiver it gained from NSG in 2008?

Indo-US strategic ties

421. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Prime Minister's recent visit

to USA has given a chance to assess Indo-US strategic ties; and

(b) if so, whether any assessment has been made by Government as to how much strategic partnership has grown during eight years of Obama administration, the details thereof?

Country's membership for MTCR and SCO

‡422. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has got membership of Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) and Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO);

(b) if so, the details of benefits likely to accrue to India from these memberships;

(c) the efforts made by India to get membership of NSG and the reasons for not getting membership; and

(d) whether Government is trying to get this membership and if so, the details of benefits thereof?

Opposition for India's entry in NSG

423. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether many nations opposed India's entry into Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) in just concluded meeting of the NSG, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the nations which promised to support India for the NSG membership also opposed India's move;

(c) whether India enjoys all powers without being a member of NSG; and

(d) if so, what was the necessity for India to make such an aggressive move for NSG membership in just concluded NSG meeting?

Racial attacks on PIOs abroad

424. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs) have been coming under racial attacks in Georgia, America and Australia during the last few years, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has taken any step to check such attacks; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the outcomes therefrom?

Welfare and security of Indian women deserted abroad

425. SHRI K.T.S. TULSI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps, if any, taken by Government for welfare and security of Indians abroad in the last two years; and

(b) the steps, if any, taken for protection and welfare of Indian women deserted by their husbands on foreign land, during the said period?

US administration sending back Indian students

426. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether US administration has sent

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back many students to India in spite of having valid Visa and other documents;

(b) if so, the steps taken to restrain US administration not to resort to such things as students, career and life is at stake;

(c) whether FBI is also catching hold of students who have gone to US to study and are also doing part-time jobs whenever they get an opportunity to do so;

(d) the reasons for showing discrimination against Indians and showing soft corner towards others; and

(e) the efforts being made by the Ministry to address the situation?

Diplomatic efforts for NSG membership

427. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the points discussed in the Seoul meeting of Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG);

(b) whether India's plea of NSG membership was raised in the meeting and if so, the outcome thereof;

(c) what diplomatic efforts were made for the membership of NSG group, with details; and

(d) why the efforts have failed and lessons learnt from them?

Indians missing/untraced in Iraq

428. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether representations have been received from the families asking for the

fate of 39 Indians missing and untraced in Iraq since the last two years;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to get the details from Iraq; and

(c) whether Government could get any specific inputs about the fate of these Indians through other friendly countries and through intelligence agencies, with details?

Workers illegally detained in UAE

429. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that incidents have come to the notice of the Ministry that labourers/workers/employees working in UAE have been illegally detained by their employers, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Ministry for release of labourers/workers/employees illegally detained in UAE; and

(c) the details of initiative taken by the Ministry with UAE on a diplomatic level?

Help to labourers by embassies in Middle East

430. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian labourers are not treated and attended properly by our embassies in Middle East;

(b) if so, the number of complaints received from these labourers in Saudi Arabia, Oman and UAE; and

(c) how many labourers got relief through our embassies out of total complaints received?

NATO status to India

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

(a) whether it is a fact that US is willing to give North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) status to India, if so, the details thereof;

(b) what benefit India is going to get on becoming an ally;

(c) how India looks at the amendment made to National Defence Authorisation Act, 2007, by the US House of Representatives; and

(d) whether Government has formulated any opinion on becoming a member of the NATO and if not, the reasons therefor?

India-Iran agreement on Chabahar Port

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

(a) the highlight of the recent agreement between India and Iran on Chabahar Port and to what extent it is helpful to India;

(b) whether it is a fact that India is spending more than 4,000 crore to develop the port and infrastructure; and

(c) how strategically and diplomatically getting this port is important in view of the fact that China was also keen to get it?

Judgement on Hyderabad monies lying in UK Bank

433. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that UK High

Court has recently given judgement on Hyderabad monies lying in UK Bank;

(b) if so, the details of the judgement in UK High Court;

(c) whose position is vindicated in the judgement;

(d) the ground on which Pakistan is claiming that UK Judge has accepted that there is good evidence to support Pakistan's claim to monies; and

(e) what exactly is the picture of the case now?

Policy for children evicted by Polavaram Project Authority

434. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any policy to ensure that children are not ill-treated in situations where Government agencies evict them from their land and houses;

(b) whether it is a fact that thousands of children have been evicted by Polavaram Project Authority in the last four years without giving them any aid; and

(c) the laws that are applicable to children, which would ensure that they do not get cruel treatment when they are evicted?

Mortal remains of Indian dying abroad

435. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of Indians dying abroad has increased over the years;

(b) if so, the details of Indians who died abroad, country-wise during the last three years;

(c) whether relatives of Indians, dying abroad, find it difficult to claim and receive dead body in India, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government proposes to formulate a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to claim and receive bodies of Indians dying abroad, so that mortal remains are transferred to the native place of deceased in a short span of time, if so, the details thereof?

Vacancies in ICCR

436. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has appointed adequate research officers, directors in Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) and its Offices across the World;

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

(c) whether Government has taken up new research projects to highlight cultural relations between India and different countries all over the world and if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated, disbursed and utilized in the last three years, year-wise; and

(d) whether Government has appointed directors and research officers for ICCR in its head quarters (HQ) and branch offices?

Consultation with Department of Atomic Energy for membership of NSG

437. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's effort to secure membership of Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) has failed, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether Department of Atomic Energy was consulted before moving forward and starting open campaign for membership of NSG, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Chinese objections for India's membership of NSG

†438. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons behind no decision have been taken on India's claim in Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) meeting, the details thereof;

(b) the reasons given by China and other countries for objecting to India's membership, the details thereof;

(c) whether India is staking her claim for membership of major technology export control arrangements like Wassenaar Arrangement and the Australia Group (AG) besides NSG, the details thereof; and

(d) the likely profit and loss to India on becoming a member of these groups?

Supply of nuclear power facilities to India

439. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite the setback suffered with the negative outcome of the Nuclear Supplier Group (NSG) plenary meeting in Seoul, India is still confident to secure critical inputs for its civilian nuclear power facilities;

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(b) whether convinced fully of India's position that it meets the purported objectives of the NSG *i.e.*, to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons, US and France could just ignore the NSG if necessary and proceed with their contracts entered into with India; and

(c) whether Australia and Canada have already entered into agreement with India on supply of uranium?

Funds for project under HUDCO

440. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the construction contracts awarded to HUDCO in the last three years and their value, year-wise;

(b) whether Government has allocated adequate funds for the projects under HUDCO and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of HUDCO projects undertaken in Tamil Nadu in the last three years?

National Urban Housing and Habitat Policy

441. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to revise National Urban Housing and Habitat Policy, 2007, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Socio Economic Caste Census, 2011 data are being used for revision of Housing Policy; and

(c) how the States are being involved in revision of the policy?

Steps taken to reducing urban poverty

442. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Socio-Economic and Caste census in urban areas to identify the people below poverty line have been concluded and if so, the details thereof, category-wise for SC, ST, OBCs and others;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by when the said census would be completed;

(c) the total number of urban poor in the country, category-wise for SC, ST, OBCs and others, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by Government for reducing urban poverty and the outcome thereof in the last two years including the current year?

Social audit of government housing projects

443. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has delineated the definition and scope of the term 'Affordable Housing' under the Housing For All (Urban) Mission;

(b) whether there is a provision for mandating social audit of housing projects undertaken by Government and local bodies;

(c) whether a large number of houses are lying vacant, which were built under JNNURM and Rajiv Awas Yojana; and

(d) if so, the details of the vacant houses State/UT-wise and the steps taken by Government to get those houses occupied?

Anti discrimination clause in Real Estate Act

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

(a) whether there is any proposal to bring in anti-discrimination clause by amendment to the Real Estate Act; and

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

‘Housing for All’ in Maharashtra

445. SHRI D.P. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the mission 'Housing for All' has started to fully operate in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the number of beneficiaries district wise; and

(c) whether Mumbai has been given a priority status for alleviating poverty and urban slums under this mission and if not, the reasons therefor?

Housing to EWS in Delhi

446. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is plan to provide house to Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) in Delhi;

(b) whether Government has provided and constructed some houses under this scheme; and

(c) the number of dwelling units

constructed and handed over to EWS people in the last three years, till June, 2016?

Features of Interest Subsidy for Housing the Urban Poor

447. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the broad features of the Interest Subsidy for Housing the Urban Poor (ISHUP) Scheme including the economic parameters for selection of the beneficiaries;

(b) the number of beneficiaries and the funds spent since inception of the scheme, State-wise;

(c) whether Government has received any proposals from States regarding subsidy for providing housing to the poor slum dwellers in the urban areas during the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon, State-wise; and

(d) the other measures being taken to provide relief to the urban poor against rising price of housing in urban areas?

Study to determine demand for housing

448. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of construction of houses under Housing for All Mission till date along with Central grant availed to construct houses by States and Housing Boards, State-wise;

(b) the details of Credit Linked Interest Subsidy availed under this Mission along with details of its beneficiaries, State-wise;

(c) whether the Ministry has conducted a comprehensive study to determine demand for housing in the country;

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

(e) the details of cities to be covered under this Mission along with financial allocation, State-wise including West Bengal, phase-wise?

Shelter to urban homeless people

449. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the policy of Government for urban homeless people;

(b) how Government is supplementing the efforts of the States, particularly, Telangana for providing shelter to urban homeless; and

(c) whether any special attention is paid on SC/STs in providing shelters?

Construction of public houses for rental purpose

450. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ministry is drafting a National Renting Housing Policy;

(b) if so, progress made so far and features of policy;

(c) whether policy requires Government to invest in construction of public housing for renting purposes, if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether policy provides for entry of private players in the space of social

renting housing, if so, why Government is not investing in this space itself; and

(e) whether Government also proposes to hire private agencies to manage rent for such properties, if so, how it would make such properties more accessible to poor and migrant populations?

Consultation process on Trafficking of Persons Bill

451. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHLD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the consultation process followed by the Ministry on the Draft Trafficking of Persons Bill, 2016; and

(b) whether the Ministry acknowledges that it is inconsistent with the Pre-legislative Consultation Policy (PLCP) in the consultation issued on the Draft Trafficking of Persons Bill 2016, with regard to release of an 'explanatory note explaining key legal provision in a simple language', 'holding consultations with all stakeholders' and the publishing of 'brief justification for the legislation, financial implications and estimated impact of the legislation on environment, fundamental rights etc.' and the reasons therefor?

Sanitation facilities for SC, ST household

452. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of houseless urban poor, category-wise, SC, ST and others, for each State;

(b) the total number of urban poor households without any sanitation facility, category-wise, SC, ST and others, for each state;

(c) the total number of urban poor households without toilets, category-wise, SC, ST and others, for each States; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to provide housing, sanitation and lavatory facilities to urban poors in last two years and outcome thereof, State-wise?

Houses constructed under PMAY

453. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the target for construction of houses for urban poor under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) during the first year of the scheme, State-wise;

(b) the details of houses constructed after completion of one year of PMAY, State-wise;

(c) the details of targeted houses to be conducted under PMAY in one year, which are still on paper; and

(d) the details of houses under PMAY handed over to urban poor during last one year, State-wise and district-wise in case of Uttar Pradesh?

Online education for students

454. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken by Government for encouraging more digitalized online education for the students in various parts of the country;

(b) whether Government has faced any challenges in imparting education through such channels in the rural areas and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has prepared any road map to improve the reach and outcomes under the said programme, if so, the details thereof?

Consultation for New Education Policy

455. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has initiated the process of consultation with States for drafting a New Education Policy;

(b) if so, whether according to reports the initial response from many States has been lukewarm with the Government failing to elicit crucial inputs for evolution of New Policy; and

(c) whether Government is likely to revive the aborted process of confabulations, by inviting all States for a fresh round of talks?

Female literacy ratio

456. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the low female literacy ratio in the country, if so, the comparative details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government is encouraging female literacy through schemes, if so, the details thereof along with funds released/spent during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to increase the female literacy ratio in future?

**Subramaniam Committee report on
New Education Policy**

457. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether TSR Subramaniam Committee on New Education Policy has since submitted its report, if so, what are the salient features of the report;

(b) what are the specific suggestions made to raise the standard of education from primary level to the highest level, with details; and

(c) whether all stakeholders and State Governments would be consulted before finalizing the New Education Policy, if so, the details thereof?

**Evaluation of education system for
universal education**

458. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government formed a committee to evaluate education system to ensure universal education till class 10th, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Right to Education Act would be suitably amended to make universal education till 10th, to provide holistic education to rural children; and

(c) the steps taken to improve the drop out ratio even in elementary education, among marginalized sections of the society, the details thereof?

Unemployed art stream graduates

459. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the largest portion of unemployed graduate students belong to art stream in comparison to other streams;

(b) the number of art stream graduate students in India and how many of them are unemployed;

(c) whether unemployment in this stream is higher, if so, whether Government is making any plan to attach them in governance and policy making jobs or provide them any skill training?

Central university in Gujarat

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to open new central universities in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, whether Government would consider to open any central university in Gujarat; and

(c) if so, the number, locations thereof and by when these would be opened and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Reservation for economically
backward children**

†461. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to increase the reservation limit of 25 per cent for economically backward children by bringing about changes in the RTE rules under the New Education Policy, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government proposes to fix the reservation for Scheduled Castes,

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Scheduled Tribes in the above 25 per cent reservation, the details thereof?

Absenteeism of teachers

462. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether Government has any reports about the absenteeism, quality of teaching and accountability of teachers in Government schools of the country, if so, the details thereof State-wise?

Infrastructural facilities in Government schools

463. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of Government schools lack basic infrastructural facilities, amenities and there is shortage of teachers also, which impact adversely the quality of education, being imparted to the students, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(b) the corrective steps taken/being taken by Government to provide amenities/facilities in the Government schools at par with the public/private schools?

Evaluation of objective type examination

464. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ever since the CBSE and State Boards have shifted to the objective type examination for class X and class XII, there has been a sharp decline

in reading and writing habits and abilities of students;

(b) if so, whether any evaluation has been made in this regard; and

(c) if so, the conclusions of the evaluation?

Checking Mid-Day Meals from certified labs

†465. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons why States are not successful in getting the quality of Mid-Day Meals checked from certified laboratories and the steps taken by the Ministry in this regard;

(b) the States which are lagging behind in quality checks and whether there is shortage of laboratories in such States; and

(c) the number of complaints received with regard to quality of Mid-Day Meals and the action taken thereon?

Selection of 20 world class institutes

†466. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether country's 20 institutes which are to be made world class have been selected, if so, the parameters followed to select these institutes, if not, by when such institutes would be selected;

(b) the kind of autonomy to be granted to such institutes *vis-a-vis* other institutes; and

(c) whether the institute could be made world class in 10-15 years, if so, the measures taken in this regard?

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Hike in fee of educational institutes

467. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has hiked the fees of Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISERs), Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), National Institutes of Technology (NITs) and other higher courses, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government has given concession to the SC/ST/OBC and other minority students, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Free education for physically disabled students

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

(a) whether physically disabled students are exempted from different kind of fees in Kendriya Vidyalayas, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government has any proposal to provide completely free education to physically disabled student for all classes in Government schools of the country, especially in Kendriya Vidyalayas, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Revamping of school and higher education

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

(a) the percentage of students having

access to higher education in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether Government is aware that country's entire education system-both at the level of school education and higher education is required to be revamped on a holistic and systematic basis; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government to improve students' enrolling in higher education?

Vacancies of primary teachers

470. SHRI K.T.S. TULSI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of vacancies for the post of primary teachers in the country; and

(b) the total amount of funds allocated and funds utilized for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan in the last three financial years?

Salient features of New Education Policy

471. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has recently announced New Education Policy, if so the details thereof and the salient feature of the new policy;

(b) what are the lacunae found in the old policy and how the same have been rectified in the new policy;

(c) the details of fund allocation and mechanism to ensure implementation of the new policy; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken for implementation of the policy throughout the country uniformly?

Guidelines against fraudulent educational institutes abroad

472. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has issued any advise/guidelines to the students for checking the background of institutes before applying abroad, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government has taken any steps to identify and inform the Indian students about such fraudulent educational institutes abroad, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Syllabus of higher education in India

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

(a) whether the Ministry has decided to invite persons from foreign universities to outline the syllabus of higher education in India, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether the objective is to introduce a common syllabus for higher education all over the country?

Higher Education Funding Agency

474. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether creation of a Higher Education Funding Agency (HEFA) has been announced with a fund of ₹ 1,000 crore in 2016-17 budget; and

(b) whether it is clear to Government that how a fund of ₹ 1,000 crore would

resolve the massive requirements of educational loans when the current outstanding educational loans may be around ₹ 50,000 crore?

Low Gross Enrollment Ratio

475. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) is lingering around 19 per cent at the moment, 6 per cent below the world average and at least 50 per cent less than countries such as Australia and the United States of America; and

(b) the reaction of Government thereto as 80 million students do not have the opportunity for higher study?

Complaints regarding fee-hike in schools

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

(a) whether the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has asked affiliated schools to refrain from arbitrary fee hikes and consult parent-teacher associations before initiating such revisions, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether even after issue of the said advisory, complaints are being received by CBSE regarding fee hike, capitation fee, etc;

(c) if so, the details of the complaints received during admissions in the current academic year; and

(d) the action taken by Government against such schools?

Mental stress among students

†477. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of growing mental stress among students owing to increased competition in the field of education and various other reasons; and

(b) if so, whether any study has been conducted by Government in this regard and whether some special plan of action has been formulated to deal with such kind of stress, if so, the details thereof?

Low educational qualification of women

†478. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of men and women in the country having matriculation and above educational qualification, State-wise;

(b) whether number of girls having such educational qualification is very low in the country;

(c) if so, whether Government has conducted any study regarding effect on children and family of poor educational qualification of women, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government is working on any special action plan to educate women and girls upto matriculation, if so, the details thereof?

Regulation of deemed universities

479. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) details of Deemed to be Universities in the country, State-wise;

(b) the performance of Deemed to be Universities in the last three years as compared to Government Universities; and

(c) whether in view of higher fee in the Deemed to be Universities, Government would consider regulating the same to help poor and backward classes students, if not, the reasons therefor?

Central support for primary education in country

480. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is neglecting primary education in the country, leaving the sector entirely to the State Governments;

(b) if not, what steps are taken to supplement the efforts of the States; and

(c) whether any study has been undertaken to study the impact of these steps, if so, the details thereof?

Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan in Telangana

481. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) in Telangana;

(b) the details of funds allocated, released and spent under SSA in Telangana in the last three years and the current year, year-wise; and

(c) to what extent SSA helped in universalisation of elementary education in Telangana?

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Norms for coaching centres

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to introduce norms to rein in coaching centres, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has received any report in this regard from the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, if so, the details thereof?

Waiving of punishment and rustication in universities

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has asked the universities to waive off punishments and rustication meted out to students in various universities in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that although the universities are autonomous, Government can interfere in their functioning when warranted; and

(c) to have academic environment in educational institutions for the students, whether Government is considering to direct the universities to waive off the said rustication and punishments meted out to students in various universities?

Grading system in National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC)

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) is tweaking its grading system to ensure that top institutions do not share the same grade as ones that are below them in quality, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the National Assessment and Accreditation Council would shift to a seven point grading scale instead of a four point system, if so, the details thereof?

Mass copying at examination centres

485. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that copying in examination has become a lucrative business for copying mafia in States like Bihar, UP etc., where mass copying takes place in examination centres, if so, the details thereof;

(b) what action Government has taken in this regard to stop this malpractice; and

(c) whether any stern advisory has been issued to the concerned States, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Appointment of foreign teachers for improving education

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to appoint foreign teachers for making improvement in higher education;

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

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

IIT in Gujarat

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to establish some new Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) in many parts of the country;

(b) if so, whether Government is considering to establish some IITs in Gujarat also; and

(c) if so, the number, locations and the time by when these would be established and if not, the reasons therefor?

Yoga in education policy

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to promote yoga in education policy;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken any step in this direction till now; and

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

Amendment in Jamia Millia Islamia Act

†489. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Executive Council of Jamia Millia Islamia in its meeting dated 3 May, 1997 called for an amendment in Jamia Millia Islamia Act, 1988 *vide* proposal No. 119(a), (b), (c) and (d);

(b) if so, the draft thereof; and

(c) the steps taken so far in the direction of implementing this proposal?

Enrolment of girls in schools

490. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether primary school enrolment of girls in India is rising; and

(b) if so, the details of primary school enrolment of girls in last three years, State-wise?

Vacant posts in Central universities

†491. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that 1277 posts of Professors, 2173 posts of Associate Professors and 478 posts of Assistant Professors are lying vacant in Central universities;

(b) whether Parliamentary Committee on Human Resource Development has expressed concern over the above vacant posts;

(c) since when the posts are lying vacant; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to fill these vacancies and by when the process of recruitment would be completed?

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Programme for getting rid of women oppression

†492. SHRI SATYANARAYAN JATIA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the details of the effective measures taken to implement the national campaign and programme for getting rid of women oppression?

in the Civil Services Examination, 2015 are set to be disqualified, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether the Department of Personnel and Training (DOPT) is planning to conduct a review of all those wards of Public Sector Units (PSUs) employees who joined service from 1993, if so, the details thereof and present status thereof?

Inadequate powers of DARPG in disposal of public grievances

493. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the limited powers of Department of Administrative Reform and Public Grievances (DARPG) in only recommending and monitoring public grievances has led to inadequate disposal of grievances of the citizen;

(b) whether Government would consider enhancing the powers of DARPG to include a right of hearing to the citizen and taking action against erring officials for not adequately disposing off a public grievance; and

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

Sanctioned strength of IAS officers in Jharkhand

495. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total sanctioned strength and persons in position of the Indian Administrative Services (IAS) in Jharkhand;

(b) what is the total number of IAS officers currently on deputation outside the cadre; and

(c) whether the existing strength of IAS officers in Jharkhand is adequate to meet the requirements of the State?

Abolishment of overtime allowance

496. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to abolish overtime and Government is considering to introduce stricter control on Government expenditure; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has issued instructions to all the departments in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

Successful candidates declared disqualified by UPSC

494. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of candidates declared successful by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)

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Panel to bring Good Governance

497. SHRI A. U. SINGH DEO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a panel was constituted to bring Good Governance by Government, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the recommendations given by the panel, if any, the action taken and the implementation of the same; and

(c) whether Government plans to increase the scope of the panel, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

CBI cases in Madhya Pradesh

498. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases filed by Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) in the last three years from the cases arising out of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the details of each of the sections under which the cases are filed, including the names of the accused; and

(c) the status of each case and brief summary thereof?

Reservation in promotion for differently-abled people

499. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has ensured three per cent reservation for differently-abled people in Government posts at different levels;

(b) whether there have been instances

where promotion to differently-abled employees have been denied by not reserving higher posts for them; and

(c) whether Government considers denial of chances of promotion to differently-abled people, a denial of justice to them and if so, whether it would make necessary amendments in the rules?

‘Surya Jyoti’ Project

†500. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether an equipment which could be operated with an affordable, environment friendly solar energy has been developed by Government under the project ‘Surya Jyoti’, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether this equipment is proving beneficial for the people living in rural areas of the country, particularly in the regions where power is not available, if so, the details thereof?

Training under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana

501. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) how many people have completed training as of today under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY);

(b) how many of them are provided with jobs; and

(c) whether Government has evolved an effective mechanism to ensure that jobs are provided to the people who have completed the training within a stipulated time, if so, the details thereof?

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Placement policy of skill development agency

502. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has realized that we already have so many colleges, institutes, NGOs etc. and now we are opening skill development centres and we are funding everyone ;

(b) whether Government has done any assessment if the same NGO, Institutes, Colleges etc., are giving any lead for job or tie up with company relevant to its skill training or any placement policy; and

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

Pravasi Kaushal Vikas Yojana in Bihar

†503. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has expanded the scope of the ongoing skill development programme to make the youths of the country employable;

(b) whether Government would now provide training to the youths to avail employment opportunities abroad besides imparting training to them according to the needs of the domestic industries; and

(c) the number of training centres being opened in the country by Government under Pravasi Kaushal Vikas Yojana and the number of centres being opened in Bihar out of them, location-wise details thereof?

Skills of youth in Saansad Adarsh Grams

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

(a) whether any specific training programme is being organized in Saansad Adarsh Grams in India to develop the skill of youth;

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

(c) the number of youth trained for skill development in Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) villages;

World Class Skill Institute in Delhi

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

(a) whether Government has any plan to open a new Skill University in India, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the status of World Class Skill Institute operated under ITI, Vivek Vihar Delhi?

Trade-wise enrolment in ITIs

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

(a) the total number of seats and admission taken by trainees in various trades of ITIs, State-wise during the last two years;

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(b) whether Government has any information about number of unemployed ITI trained youths, State-wise;

(c) if so, the details of Government plan to provide employment to such trained youth; and

(d) the percentage of admissions in ITIs in the last two years, trade-wise?

Pending examination results of ITIs

†507. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), wherein the result of examinations conducted in February, 2016 is pending;

(b) whether the examinations for ITI students are conducted jointly by the States and the Ministry and students have to pay higher fees and face more pressure and the incidents of lack of coordination between State and the Centre are noticed;

(c) the rules regarding conducting examination for the students of ITI and whether these rules are being complied with; and

(d) whether it is an interference in the rights of State, if the examinations are being conducted by the Ministry?

Skill development of Women, SCs/STs

508. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) how many persons were given skill development training and in which skills during the last three years;

(b) by 2020 how many persons would be covered and in which skills;

(c) whether Government envisages to cover more students in coming years, if so, what per cent would be covered; and

(d) whether any target for women, SCs, STs and minorities in this regard has been fixed?

Monitoring quality and performance of ITIs

509. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in the country run by the Government and private sector respectively, location-wise;

(b) the total number of students enrolled in various ITIs across the country, category-wise, *e.g.* all category, SC, ST and OBCs, State-wise; and

(c) whether Government proposes to monitor the quality and performance of these ITIs keeping in view the students career and if so, the details thereof?

Job opportunities under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana

510. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) or the Skill India mission was launched with the aim of giving 2.4 million young Indians industry-relevant training with an elaborate certification scheme;

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(b) whether according to official website 1.97 million people have completed training and as many as 1.22 million have been certified under the scheme;

(c) whether only 82,000 of the 1.76 million officially trained at the end of April were actually recorded as having jobs; and

(d) if so, whether Government is alert on the pitfalls of a system that shows early signs of a familiar drift?

Plan to implement NPDDR

511. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared any action plan to involve all the States and Union Territories to implement the National Policy for Drug Demand Reduction (NPDDR);

(b) if so, the details and the salient features thereof;

(c) whether the States and UTs have implemented the said policy; and

(d) if so, the details and the present status thereof?

Coaching to students of SC/ST/OBC

512. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of NGOs selected during the last three years for providing coaching to the students belonging to the SC/ST/OBC category;

(b) the details of such NGOs along with the grants provided to them, State-wise, including Jharkhand; and

(c) the number of students who have passed examinations for which they had received coaching facilities through these NGOs?

Manual scavengers on muster rolls of Government

513. SHRI K.T.S. TULSI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any manual scavengers on its muster rolls from May, 2015 to July, 2016; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of inflation on SC and OBC hostel students

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

(a) whether Government is aware that the rise in the prices of essential commodities and vegetables has impacted provision of food to SC and OBC hostel students; and

(b) if so, what steps are contemplated to address the situation?

Increase in drug rehabilitation centres in Maharashtra

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Maharashtra tops in drug related suicides followed by Madhya Pradesh and others;

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

(c) the number of drug rehabilitation centres set up by Government in Maharashtra and presently functional in the State;

(d) whether Government proposes to increase the number of drug rehabilitation centres in the State; and

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

Increase in income limit for OBC non-Creamy Layer

516. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal is pending with Government to increase the income limit for OBC non-Creamy Layer (OBC-NCL) from existing 6 lakhs per annum to 8 lakhs per annum; and

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

Atrocities against senior citizens

517. SHRI K.K. RAGESH : Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attacks and atrocities against senior citizens are on the rise in India;

(b) whether any nationwide initiatives are being implemented to address such atrocities; and

(c) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, State-wise?

Development of data satellite by NASA and ISRO

518. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) have joined hands to develop data satellite; and

(b) if so, details thereof and progress made in this regard?

Benefits from MTCR for space programme

519. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether India joining Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) would benefit our space development programme if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what major advantage it would have for India in the comity of nations?

Projects for development of space science

520. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken up new innovative projects for the development of space science, space research and satellite technology in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the new space research projects in the last three years, year-wise;

(c) the various steps taken by Government to provide adequate funds for the development of various autonomous institutions and labs of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) in the country; and

(d) the total funds allocated and spent by the Government for the development of various autonomous space research labs in the country in the last three years?

Test flight of indigenously developed scramjet engine

521. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether test flight of indigenously developed scramjet engine is done or proposed to be done shortly, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the future deployment of scramjet engine in the vehicle and its salient features; and

(c) how far it would boost the space technology for advance development, the details thereof?

India's share in international satellite market

†522. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) moving towards touching new heights it is a fact that India's share in the international satellite market worth ₹ 13 lakh crore happens to be only four per cent; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government to increase India's share in the international satellite market and the details thereof?

Commercial facilities at metro stations

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

(a) whether for expansion of Metro Rail construction work is being carried at metro stations to provide better commercial facilities as food market, restaurants, small

multiplex cinema halls, general stores and wine shops are being also opened at these metro stations, if so, details thereof;

(b) the concerned departments and Ministry from where permission for such commercial provisions at abovesaid metro stations have been procured; and

(c) whether this work is being carried out as per the master plan and in accordance with permission of States and Central Government, if so, details thereof?

DMRC going global

524. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC), apart from helping other cities in the country, has also gone global with its consultancy wing helping cities in other countries in coming up with their own metro system; and

(b) if so, which are the countries DMRC is engaged in extending help in building their own metro networks and since when a detailed report thereon?

Return of DDA flats

525. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 25,000 flats were constructed in 2014 but after allotment around 10,000 flats were returned due to size of flats and location;

(b) if so, how Government would compensate the loss and future home work for another new 60,000 unit flats for 2016; and

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(c) any preference were given for local resident specially having no hereditary property anywhere including Delhi?

Installation of water ATMs and rooftop solar power plants

526. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether metropolitan Delhi is going to install water ATMs and rooftop solar power plants at various locations, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government would recommend/facilitate setting up such water ATMs and rooftop solar power plants in various metropolitan cities, for the general public and if so, the details thereof?

Conversion of urban areas into statutory urban local bodies

527. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has recently asked States to convert certain urban areas into statutory urban local bodies;

(b) if so, the details of such areas identified for the State of Maharashtra;

(c) what is the procedure that needs to be followed for this process;

(d) whether the reasons for carrying out this exercise is to enable such areas to receive central assistance as provided by Fourteenth Finance Commission; and

(e) if so, how much funds such areas are likely to receive in the States of Maharashtra and for what purpose?

Penalty imposed on passengers of Metro

†528. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:•

(a) whether it is a fact that a penalty amount is collected from passengers who get late in reaching their destination as a result of operational hold up of Delhi Metro from technical snag;

(b) the number of times Delhi Metro developed technical snag leading to operational hold up resulting in passengers facing inconvenience and delay in reaching their destination during the last two years; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the number of cases of technical snag in Delhi Metro are increasing?

Steps taken to reduce child mortality rate

529. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that hundreds of children die in the national capital due to malnutrition and hunger, according to UNICEF report released recently;

(b) if so, the Government's reaction thereto;

(c) what is the number of annual untimely deaths of children in various metropolitan cities, city-wise in the last three years;

(d) various schemes that are in place for the welfare of children and to provide healthcare and food to them; and

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(e) the detailed steps taken to reverse the trend by reducing child mortality rate in the country?

Draft of Anti-human Trafficking Legislation

530. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:•

(a) whether Government unveiled a draft Anti-human Trafficking Legislation in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the salient features of the new legislation;

(c) to what extent this would protect the children and women who are most vulnerable to human-trafficking; and

(d) by when the same would be enacted?

Empowerment of women for Sustainable Development Goal

531. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has set qualitative and quantitative targets *vis-a-vis* empowerment of women in the country towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the United Nations; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

UNICEF report on child healthcare in India

532. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:•

(a) whether Government's attention has

been drawn to the latest UNICEF report revealing the abysmal state of child healthcare in India, the worlds fastest growing economy where around 1.2 million children died of preventable diseases in 2015; and

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

Schemes for equal opportunities to women in employment

533. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated any scheme for making available to women equal opportunities in employment and making its policies more sensitive towards women employees; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of women likely to be encouraged under this scheme and the number of those likely to be benefited from this scheme along with the policy adopted in this regard?

Missing children in country

534. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that around 60 thousand children in the country go missing every year;

(b) if so, what is the number of missing children in the country in the last three years; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

National Women Empowerment Policy

‡535. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a substantial change witnessed with regard to status and empowerment of women after the implementation of National Women Empowerment Policy, 2001, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether no comprehensive step has been taken in this direction by Central Government subsequent to National Women Empowerment Policy, 2001; and

(c) whether the Central Government proposes to implement National Women Policy, 2016 at present and if so, the details thereof?

Juvenile homes of Odisha adopted by corporate houses

536. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that majority of children homes/juvenile homes in the country have been neglected by local administration;

(b) if so, the details of such cases which came to the notice of Government during the last two years including those in Odisha;

(c) whether in view of the above, Government wants corporate houses to adopt juvenile homes as part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR);

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the private sector thereto; and

(e) the juvenile homes so far adopted

by the corporate houses in the country particularly in Odisha?

Internal complaints committee in various offices

537. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:•

(a) whether it is a fact that despite the issuance of advisories by the Ministry the internal complaints committee has not been setup in various States and Central authorities and private office and companies, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ministry would consider to appoint a flying squad or a special team to conduct inspection in various State and Central authorities, private office and companies for non-compliance of the provisions under the Sexual Harassment Act; and

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

Anganwadi workers as regular employees

538. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:•

(a) whether Government is taking measures to include the anganwadi workers as regular employees;

(b) if so, what are the social security benefits to be made available to them and what would be the increment in wages; and

(c) if not, what measures are being taken to extend social security benefits including pension and healthcare to the anganwadi workers and helpers?

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India Exclusion Report 2015

539. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has taken cognizance of India Exclusion Report 2015 which highlights the plight of separated/divorced/widowed women across India;

(b) whether the Ministry has carried out any study to understand the social and economic hardships being faced by divorced/separated/widowed women;

(c) if so, findings of such study, if not, the reasons for not carrying out such a study;

(d) whether the Ministry runs any schemes specifically targeted towards empowerment of divorced/widowed/separated women; and

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

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Review of POCSO Act

540. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the steps taken by the Ministry since December last year, after it received a petition from over 1.8 lakh citizens, requesting a review of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO), Act, 2013?

Women Reservation Bill

541. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the legislation on 33 per cent Women Reservation Bill would be introduced in Parliament in the current session; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

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