

## RAJYA SABHA

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### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
Tuesday, November 22, 2016/Agrahayana 1, 1938 (Saka)*

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

**Total number of questions — 15**

#### **Lack of medical facilities in rural areas**

†\*61. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA:  
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several  
people face severe problems due to lack of  
modern health and medical facilities in the  
rural areas;

(b) whether any scheme is under  
consideration of Government to expand  
modern medical facilities in the rural areas;  
and

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

#### **Facility for Minimal Access Surgery at IMS (BHU)**

†\*62. SHRI ALI ANWAR ANSARI:  
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the  
Institute of Medical Sciences of (BHU), the  
study, treatment and operations of

'Minimal Access Surgery' are not done; and

(b) whether, it is also a fact that last year,  
doctors were appointed, instruments and  
equipments were also purchased to start  
Minimal Access Surgery there, but Medical  
treatment thereof, is yet to commence, if  
so, by when this would start?

#### **Loss on account of Debit/ATM card frauds**

†\*63. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD  
NISHAD: Will the Minister of FINANCE  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cash has been  
withdrawn in an organised manner from  
the accounts of bank account holders, after  
stealing data from their Debit or ATM  
cards;

(b) the details of the amount withdrawn  
through such frauds in the last three years  
and number of bank accounts where such  
frauds were carried out;

(c) details of the steps taken for the  
prevention of such frauds; and

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†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(d) the amount of loss incurred by the banks and account holders in such frauds, the details thereof?

**Steps taken for smooth implementation of GST**

\*64. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether public and private sector banks are readying themselves to handle collection, accounting and money transfers under the Goods and Service Tax (GST) structure, if so, details thereof; and

(b) what steps Government has taken to upgrade bank's Information Technology Management system to ensure that the GST is implemented smoothly and effectively?

**Illegal use of carbide gas for ripening fruits**

\*65. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite a ban, dangerous chemical like Calcium Carbide ( $\text{CaC}_2$ ) is being used unchecked to artificially ripen fruits;

(b) whether the use of carbide gas in ripening of fruits is prohibited under the Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restriction on Sales) Regulation, 2011;

(c) whether as per the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) regulations, there is a provision of penalty or imprisonment with penalty for the persons who store/sell/distribute/import any article for consumption which is unsafe; and

(d) if so, the details of persons who have been penalised and imprisoned for storing/selling artificially ripened fruits?

**Discontinuation of Alliance Air operations from Kolkata**

\*66. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Alliance Air operations from Kolkata to different sectors have been discontinued in the last few years; and

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

**Inking of Rafale deal with French Government**

\*67. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has inked a deal with French Government for supply of 36 Rafale fighter jets for the Indian Air Force;

(b) by when the delivery of 36 Rafale fighter jets is going to be effective; and

(c) the total number of Rafale fighter jets to be supplied under the new contract with the details of the terms and conditions of the new deal?

**Resumption of international flights from Amritsar airport**

\*68. SHRI SHWAIT MALIK: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Sri Guru Ram Dass Jee (SGRDJ) International Airport, Amritsar which was once running into profit is now running into losses;

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

(c) whether Government has taken any steps to start direct international flights from SGRDJ International Airport, Amritsar to provide connectivity to various destinations like London, Toronto, Vancouver, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand etc. where a majority of the Punjabi community reside; and

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

#### **Inclusion of Government schemes in DBT**

\*69. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to bring nearly half of its schemes under Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) from the next financial year to track beneficiaries, improve efficiency and check leakages;

(b) whether Government has initiated any comprehensive study in this regard; and

(c) if so, number of schemes already brought under DBT and number of schemes identified across Ministries for inclusion in DBT, and the details thereof?

#### **Deaths due to dengue and chikungunya**

\*70. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) how many deaths occurred during the current year till date due to the diseases like dengue and chikungunya in various parts of the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) how many were detected positive as per the official data for dengue and chikungunya; and

(c) the reasons for the steep increase in the number of patients affected by these dreaded diseases?

#### **AIIMS-like Institutes**

\*71. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of AIIMS-like Institutes set up under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), and the details thereof;

(b) the funds allocated for establishing each AIIMS-like Institutes and the utilisation of the same, and the details thereof; and

(c) whether there are any new proposed AIIMS-like Institutes which are going to be set up, particularly in Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Upgradation of Jabalpur airport**

\*72. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are plans to develop and upgrade the Dumna Airport in the city of Jabalpur, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is any plan to increase the size of Airstrips and develop the terminal building of the airport;

(c) if so, the quantum of funds proposed for the overall development of the Dumna Airport; and

(d) whether looking at the importance of Jabalpur as a centre of Eco-tourism, National Park, Wildlife Sanctuaries, Bhedaghat etc. there is any proposal to upgrade the airport to international level, like that of Indore and Bhopal?

**Measures to eradicate Anaemia**

\*73. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE:  
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of children  
affected by Anaemia in the country;

(b) whether it has increased or  
decreased over the period of last three  
years;

(c) what measures other than those  
which were continued from the last  
Government have been introduced to  
eradicate Anaemia; and

(d) whether Centre is providing some  
special assistance to the States which are  
worst affected by Anaemia?

**Equal Opportunities Commission**

\*74. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI:  
Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to set  
up Equal Opportunities Commission for all

the communities in the country so as to  
provide equal opportunities to all the  
deprived sections;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time  
by which it is likely to be set up; and

(c) the schemes being implemented/  
likely to be implemented by Government  
in this regard?

**Increase in fee structure of MBBS  
course**

\*75. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will  
the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY  
WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government  
has increased the fee of MBBS course in  
Government as well as for Private Medical  
Colleges;

(b) if so, the details of new fee structure  
for Government and Private Medical  
Colleges both; and

(c) the reasons for such increase in  
medical education fee structure?

NEW DELHI;  
*The 16th November, 2016*  
*Kartika 25, 1938 (Saka)*

SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF,  
*Secretary-General.*

**I N D E X**  
(Ministry-wise)

<b>Ayurveda, Yoga &amp; Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH)</b>	:	—
<b>Civil Aviation</b>	:	66, 68, 72,
<b>Corporate Affairs</b>	:	—
<b>Defence</b>	:	67,
<b>Finance</b>	:	63, 64, 69,
<b>Health and Family Welfare</b>	:	61, 62, 65, 70, 71, 73, 75,
<b>Minority Affairs</b>	:	74.
<b>Youth Affairs and Sports</b>	:	—