RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Thursday, July 28, 2016/Sravana 6, 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 — 160

Present status of PMES

1182. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the present status of the Performance Monitoring and Evaluation System (PMES);
- (b) whether all the Departments have been covered under the PMES:
- (c) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of the Departments for which the Results-Framework Document has been prepared for this year?

Implementation of third stage of nuclear power programme

- 1183. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has made any appreciable developments and achievements in implementing the third stage of Indian nuclear power programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the summary of achievements;
- (c) the list of nuclear power projects initiated during the last five years and to be initiated in near future with the collaboration of USA and Russia;

- (d) the amount earmarked for this programme and the estimated power production to be generated by 2020; and
- (e) whether nuclear energy production would slowly replace the energy from fossil fuels particularly, coal, if so, the details thereof?

Regulatory clearance to light water reactors

- 1184. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether a 900 MW Light Water Reactor (LWR) and its Fast Breeder Reactors (FBR) have been close to criticality for at least three years now and awaiting regulatory clearances; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the delay?

Survey of sand areas rich in Thorium

- 1185. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has surveyed and identified areas having sand rich in thorium State-wise; and
- (b) if so, the details of such areas and magnitude of Thorium richness or say potential of Thorium, which can be exploited for production, if any?

Supply of Uranium from Namibia

- 1186. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether it is a fact that Namibia has

- assured India of continuous supply of Uranium, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether other countires would also supply us the Uranium; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to increase the number of atomic power stations with the help of these Uranium supplies, if not, the reasons therefor?

Exploration and production of atomic minerals by private companies

- 1187. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government proposes to open up exploration and production of atomic minerals to private mining companies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the estimated atomic mineral deposits in the country State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to ensure competition and transparency in the case of grant of atomic minerals leases and reduce the import of atomic minerals?

Industrial development in North-Eastern region

- †1188. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:
- (a) the roadmap of the Government for bringing about industrial development in the North-Eastern region;
- (b) whether it is a fact that industrial development in the North-Eastern region is almost nil due to the lack of sufficient infrastructure; and

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(c) details of efforts being made by Government to promote micro, small and medium industries in the North-Eastern region, during the last three years State-wise?

Setting up of advanced Meteorological centres in Uttarakhand

- †1189. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is contemplating to set up two advanced meteorological centres in Uttarakhand;
- (b) if so, the locations where these centres would be set up; and
- (c) by when these meteorogical centres would be set up?

Prediction for above average rainfall during Monsoon

- 1190. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has predicted above average rainfall during current Monsoon;
- (b) whether Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has also alarmed for heavy to very heavy rains in some parts of country, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of Government preparedness to face such the situation?

Upgradation of IMD

1191. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether inspite of rapidly growing indigenous technology, Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) is lagging behind;
- (b) if so, whether Government is in the process of upgrading infrastructure and technology of IMD to improve forecast with accuracy and speed;
- (c) the total financial allocation made by Government for this purpose; and
- (d) whether Government also proposes to establish more IMD stations in Maharashtra, looking at frequent history of drought, if so, the details thereof?

Talks with China on border dispute

- 1192. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there was any dialogue with China during the recent visit of our Hon'ble Prime Minister regarding border dispute of Arunachal Pradesh as claimed by China; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Benefits for being a member of BRICS

- 1193. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any benefits have accrued to India for being a member in the Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS) as well as BRICS Bank, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether being a member in the BRICS, would benefit India's entry into NSG, and if so, the details thereof?

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Bilateral agreements with Russia

1194. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has signed several agreements with Russia recently on various bilateral issues; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Revival of joint judicial committee on prisoners with Pakistan

1195. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to revive the joint judicial committee on prisoners with the Pakistan Government;
- (b) if so, details of the proposal and policy of the Pakistan's Government thereon:
- (c) the details of the result of said committee from 2008-2014 and repatriation process since last two years; and
- (d) the present status and revival plans of the joint committee?

Nelson Mandela Chair

1196. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is no taker for Nelson Mandela Chair funded by the Ministry of External Affairs; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor, and the steps taken/being taken to correct the situation?

Passport offices set up in country

- †1197. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of passport offices setup in the country during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the criteria fixed for setting up new regional passport offices in the country;
- (c) the details of the action plan for the modernisation and expansion of the existing passport offices in the country?

Meeting on Nepal-India relations

1198. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether meeting of Eminent Persons Group on Nepal-India Relations (EPG-NIR) was held recently at Kathmandu, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the names of members of the Group from both the countries;
- (c) whether the Group made any recommendation or report to improve bilateral relations between the two countries; and
- (d) the efforts made to resolve the pending issues like Madhesis joining the mainstream, power projects, etc?

MoU for PKVY

1199. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ministry has entered into a

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Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Skill Development Ministry to implement Pravasi Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PKVY), if so, details of the scheme;

- (b) what trades would be covered under the scheme for providing training to workers seeking jobs outside India;
- (c) how much fund has been allocated for this scheme; and
- (d) whether such skill training would also be supplemented with placement assistance to enable workers to seek suitable jobs outside India?

Bringing back Indians from Arab countries

- †1200. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the names of countries with whom Government has made arrangements to bring back the Indian citizens, details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Indian citizens living in Arab countries also want to return to India and are seeking help from the Government for the same and if so, the details thereof?

Indians charged with visa fraud

- 1201. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether recently fourteen people of Indian origin are among nineteen people charged with involvement in visa fraud through fake green card marriages or by falsely making claims of being crime victims in US; and

(b) the details of the reaction by our Government?

Fake passport rackets in Delhi

- 1202. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether fake passport racket is flourishing in Delhi and other States; and
- (b) if so, the details of the steps taken to curb the racket?

Launching of earth observation satellite

1203. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state whether Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) launched earth observation satellite, if so, the details thereof, and the objectives thereof?

Scheme of urban development in Goa

- 1204. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any schemes or schemes of the Ministry is in force in the State of Goa;
- (b) if so, the names of the scheme, financial assistance given of targets achieved in the last three years, year-wise;
- (c) whether any demand of the State Government is pending with the Central Government, if so, the details thereof?

Country's membership of MTCR

1205. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as a consolation reward,

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immediately after its setback at the Seoul NSG summit, India managed to become a full member of Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) with the support of thirty four member countries many of them also in the NSG;

- (b) whether MTCR restricts the proliferation of drones, UAVs, missiles, rocket systems including systems for delivery of weapons of mass destruction; and
- (c) whether India has managed to secure its place in MTCR by signing the Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Proliferation?

Outcome of Prime Minister's visits to foreign countries

1206. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the results of Prime Minister's visits to Saudi Arabia, UAE, Qatar, Iran and Afghanistan have been evaluated;
- (b) if so, the details of the agreements signed or entered into ;
- (c) whether payment of dues on account of import of oil from Iran in the past figured in the talks;
- (d) if so, whether Iran is demanding payment of dues in dollars at the current rate; and
- (e) if so, the response of Government thereto?

Chinese troops on Indian borders

1207. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether China has deployed more troops on Indian borders as per the recent report of Pentagon, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has taken up the issue of deployment of troops with Chinese authorities; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the Chinese reaction and response thereon, if not, the reasons therefor?

Agreement with Tunisia on terrorism

- †1208. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that India and Tunisia have entered into an agreement to fight against terrorism; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and by when the said agreement is likely to come into force and if not, the reasons therefor?

Killing of Hindu priests in Bangladesh

- 1209. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Hindu priests are being killed in Bangladesh very often;
- (b) if so, the number of Hindu priests killed in Bangladesh in the last two years:
- (c) whether the Ministry has taken up the issue with the Bangladesh authorities;and

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(d) if so, whether any assurance has been received from them that no Indian would be harmed in future?

Assurance by Chinese President for steps for border security

- †1210. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Chinese President had assured the Prime Minister of India of taking concrete steps regarding border security;
- (b) if so, the reasons for which China is violating the border agreement repeatedly and the steps taken by the Government to stop this; and
- (c) the agreement signed between the Prime Minister of India and the Chinese President, the details thereof?

Financial assistance for land and construction of own houses

- 1211. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether most of the people are not able to get financial assistance from Government for construction of their own houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) due to non-availability of land with them;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and whether Government proposes to give financial assistance for land required for housing projects for urban poor in order to provide house to all by 2022, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government would consider to revise unit cost of housing project keeping in view the price escalation in building material and labour cost, if so, the details thereof?

Schemes under BSUP in Odisha

- 1212. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the schemes under the Basic Services for Urban Poor (BSUP) that are in operation in Odisha;
- (b) the achievements of the schemes during the last three years ending July 31, 2015; and
- (c) the budgetary sanction for the schemes under BSUP for the State of Odisha for the financial years 2013, 2014 and 2015?

Infrastructure facilities created under IHSDP

- 1213. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the housing and infrastructure facilities created under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) in the country during the years 2014-15 and 2015-16;
- (b) whether Government has set any target or time-limit for this purpose, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the funds allocated for this purpose during the said period, State-wise?

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Construction of four working women hostels in Kerala

1214. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has not sanctioned 75 per cent Central grant for the construction of four working women hostels for which Kerala Housing Board had submitted applications through the State Government:
- (b) whether Government would clarify whether there is any objection to grant assistance since the applications are pending before Government for two years; and
- (c) if not, whether it would expedite the sanctioning?

Appointment of Interim Regulator under RERA

- 1215. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the status of Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act (RERA) in various States;
- (b) whether Government would consider instructing State Governments to appoint the Interim Regulator ensuring effective implementation of provisions of the Act without any delay; and
- (c) whether Government has put out the draft rules in public domain for comments, and by when the final rules would come out given that May 1, 2016 was the date when 69 of 92 sections of RERA have come into effect?

Construction of houses for urban poor in Tamil Nadu

1216. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the various Central housing schemes that are presently in operation in Tamil Nadu:
- (b) the details regarding the cities and towns identified for construction of houses for urban poor under the 'Housing for All' by 2022; and
- (c) the details regarding the number of houses built in Tamil Nadu under the 'Housing for All by 2022' scheme since its inception?

Steps taken to reduce urban poverty

- 1217. SHRI K.T.S. TULSI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the total number of urban poor in the country, category-wise, *i.e.* SC, ST, OBCs and others, State-wise; and
- (b) the steps taken by Government for reducing urban poverty and the outcome thereof in the last two years including the current year?

Sewage systems and sewage treatment plant in Rajasthan

†1218. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the roadmap formulated by

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Government to put in place the sewerage systems in urban areas of Rajasthan; and

(b) the number of cities in Rajasthan where sewerage system and sewerage treatment plant are in place and the number of cities in which this system is proposed to be built during the current financial year, the details thereof?

Posts reserved for SC/ST/OBC in Central Universities

- †1219. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of permanent posts of teaching and non-teaching staff reserved for SC, ST and OBC in Central Universities and the number of backlog posts out of the above, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that a number of teaching and non-teaching staff are working as temporary staff in Central Universities due to which the reserved categories are not getting any benefit, if so, the number of temporary teaching and non-teaching staff working in Central Universities, the details thereof; and
- (c) by when permanent appointments would be made against the posts reserved for SC, ST and OBC categories in Central Universities?

Reduction in budget for education

- †1220. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of total budget for education in Union Budget during 2010 to 2014, year-wise;

- (b) whether it is a fact that for the year 2015-16, Government had allocated ₹ 69.074 crore for education budget whereas, revised estimate for the year 2014-15 was ₹ 70.505 crore and in the revised budget for the year 2014-15, the estimated budget for education was reduced from ₹ 83.777 crore to ₹ 70.505 crore; and
- (c) the reasons for huge curtailment in various major schemes like Sarva Shiksha Abhiyaan in the year 2015-16?

Reduction in IIT entrance examinee

- 1221. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is any drop in the number of IIT entrance examination takers;
 and
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years?

Reservation in minority educational institution

- †1222. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the reservation policy in the admission of students to the minority educational institutions;
- (b) whether this reservation policy has been implemented equally in financially aided and self-financed or unaided recognised institutes; and
- (c) the number of cases of disregard and violation of this reservation policy that has come to the notice of Government?

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Admission of poor students from rural areas in metro cities

1223. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken any appropriate steps to ensure admissions for poor yet deserving students in Government as well as private colleges and schools across the country particularly in the metro cities, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the various steps taken by Government to ensure adequate representation and admission for the students from rural areas with poor economic backgrounds;
- (c) whether Government has any expert advisory committee to look after this issue; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken by Government in this regard?

Additional funds for Maharashtra under mid-day-meal scheme

- †1224. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is considering an additional allocation of ₹ 22.84 crore under the mid-day-meal scheme to Maharashtra for making payment towards cost of foodgrains to the Food Corporation of India. if so, the details thereof; and
 - (b) if not, the reasons therefor?

Proposal for new Central and Navodaya schools in Kerala

1225. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether any request from the State Government of Kerala has been received to open new Central schools and Navodaya schools in the State, if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

- †1226. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the progress made in the implementation of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan in the country, State-wise; and
- (b) whether adequate amount of fund has been provided to the States in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

Non-participation of States in consultation process for New Education Policy

- 1227. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that some States did not participate in the consultation process for drafting a New Education Policy, if so, which are these States and the reasons for their non-participation; and
- (b) the reasons why the Ministry has not uploaded the complete two volume report as prepared by the Subramaniam Committee titled National Policy on Education, 2016 on the Government portal for seeking comments by the public?

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Kendriya and Navodaya Vidyalayas in Haryana

1228. SHRI SHADI LAL BATRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received proposals for opening of Kendriya and Navodaya Vidyalayas in various districts of the country including Haryana, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has formulated any norms for establishment of new Kendriya and Navodaya Vidyalayas, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action proposed to be taken in this regard?

Sex education under Adolescence Education Programme

- 1229. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that sex education in schools is being imparted under Adolescence Education Programme (AEP), if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has conducted any survey amongst secondary and higher secondary school children to know their response towards AEP; and
- (c) if so, the outcome of the study and if not, the reasons therefor?

Dropout in enrollment of girl students

1230. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that during the last 5 years there has been a massive dropout of girls enrolled in primary class of different schools, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether it is also a fact that despite Government initiatives there is a constant decline of the girl students in the education sector; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor and further action plan of the Government in this regard?

Department of Yoga in Central Universities

1231. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that six Central Universities would start Department of Yoga, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has any plan to start yoga classes in school levels also, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the University Grants Commission is considering to include NET exam for yogic sciences to address the issue of finding teachers for this subject, if so, the details thereof?

Advisory for children of Government officers in Government schools

1232. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether advisory issued by Hon'ble Court regarding admission of children of Government officers and politicians to Government schools, to improve quality of education of Government schools, have been put on implementation any where in the country, if so, the details thereof, State-wise: and

(b) if not, the opinion of Government in this regard?

Recommendation of Vice-Chancellors, meeting

- 1233. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Vice-Chancellors' meeting was held in February, 2016;
- (b) if so, details of agenda items that have been discussed and the conclusions arrived at:
- (c) what action the Ministry has taken on the decisions taken in the above meeting and how many of the recommendations have been implemented so far, whether discussions on vacancies of VCs was held in the meeting; and
- (d) if so, what is the roadmap finalized to appoint VCs in various Central institutions and how the Ministry is going to persuade the States to appoint VCs in State Universities?

Recommendation of UNICEF for preschools education

- †1234. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to United Nation Children's

- Emergency Fund (UNICEF) report which says that more than six lakh children aged between 6 to 13 do not go to school;
- (b) whether UNICEF has recommended inclusion of pre-school education in the new education policy and provision for unrestricted progression upto class tenth instead of class eight;
- (c) whether only about half of the children belonging to Scheduled Castes and poor families attend pre-schooling in Anganwadi; and
- (d) if so, steps being taken to send all the children in the schools and Anganwadis?

Funds for Tribal Sub Plan of Mid-Day-Meal Scheme

- 1235. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the fund earmarked under the Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) for the Mid-Day-Meal Scheme for Odisha for the financial years 2013, 2014 and 2015;
- (b) whether the fund has been fully utilized for the purpose it was allocated; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Collaboration with foreign educational institutions

- 1236. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether UGC has decided to allow our educational institutions to tie up with foreign ones, if so, the details thereof;

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- (b) whether the tie up would be at university level or at college level also;
- (c) who will give final degree in this arrangement; and
- (d) what would be its impact on cost of education?

Guidelines regarding Deemed Universities

- 1237. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the guidelines regarding Deemed Universities have been changed;
- (b) if so, what are the main changes and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) in what way these new guidelines would further improve the quality of such universities?

Quality of education in KV and NV

- 1238. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of the performance of Kendriya Vidyalayas (KV) as well as Navodaya Vidyalayas (NV) during the last three years;
- (b) the steps taken to improve quality of education in these schools; and
- (c) the measures taken to inculcate values, awareness of the environment, adventure activities and physical education to the students of these schools?

Complaints under Sexual Harassment Act at National Bal Bhawan (NBB)

1239. SHRI HISHEY LACHUNGPA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in the absence of a regular Director at National Bal Bhawan (NBB), New Delhi, the charge had been given to a Ministry's officer, if so, its impact on the effective functioning of the organization;
- (b) whether there is any mechanism for redressal of complaints including one contemplated under the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act, 2013, of staff members particularly women staff members of NBB;
- (c) if so, the details of complaints received, dealt with and redressal provided during last three years; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken in this regard and the results thereof?

UG and PG courses on Yoga in Universities

- 1240. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is planning to introduce undergraduate and post graduate courses on Yoga in various Universities of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the names of such Universities; and
- (c) whether at present any University is imparting graduation courses on yoga, if so, the details thereof?

Vacancies of directors in higher institutions

1241. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state what action is being taken to

identify directors for four IIMs, twenty one NITs and one IIT which are presently headless? to spend a year to help them improve curriculum pedagogy, if so, the details thereof?

Gender inequality in education

†1242. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether gender inequality in education has been a major challenge in the Indian education system, while the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and the Right to Education Act has played an effective role in meeting this challenge, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has made many special efforts during the last two years to root out gender inequality in education which yielded very encouraging results; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

UGC rules on alliance with foreign universities

1243. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the University Grants Commission has revised its rules on alliance with foreign universities, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the revised rules did not result in enough foreign universities showing interest in having twinning arrangement with Indian counterpart; and
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Government has announced a scheme for State universities under which professors from universities abroad would be invited

Scrapping of reservation for OBC category in Central Universities

1244. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether Government has issued a circular whereby it has scrapped reservation for OBC category for the posts of professor and associate professor in Central Universities, if so, the details thereof, and the reasons therefor?

Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan in Odisha

1245. SHRI BISHNU CHARAN DAS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of allocation under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) scheme for the last five years to Odisha;
- (b) whether any analysis has been carried out recently to know the status of implementation of various schemes under SSA in Odisha:
- (c) the quantum of allocation for Jagatsinghpur district for the last five years under SSA; and
- (d) the details and status of schemes initiated under SSA in Jagatsinghpur district during the last five years?

Special facilities to women for research work

†1246. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government

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is considering to provide special facilities to women for undertaking research work;

- (b) if so, whether Government has taken any steps in this regard so far; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Gross enrolment ratio of girls in elementary education

1247. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the extant figure pertaining to the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) of girls in elementary education in the country, State-wise: and
- (b) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

Central Universities in Bihar and Jharkhand

- †1248. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government proposes to establish Central Universities in all States of the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether a decision has been taken to establish Central Universities in most backward States like Jharkhand and Bihar on priority basis?

Financial assistance for Community Development Through Polytechnic

1249. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has discontinued or stopped giving financial assistance to States to continue Community Development Through Polytechnic (CDTP), a centrally sponsored project to give training in skills to polytechnic students:
- (b) whether it is a fact that as a result of this CDTP was discontinued since 2015-16 in 31 Government polytechnics in Kerala; and
- (c) whether grants for this course which is in high demand would be reintroduced from this academic year?

Collection of school development fund in Kendriya Vidyalaya

†1250. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV: SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that fifteen hundred rupees are being taken from students in Kendriya Vidyalayas on quarterly basis as fee in the name of school development fund;
- (b) if so, whether it is a violation of the Right to Education Act which provides for free education;
- (c) the details of amounts received from students against the said head in the last five years; and
- (d) whether Government would take steps to dispense with the said fee, if so, the details thereof?

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Vacant posts of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas

- †1251. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a large number of posts of teachers for various subjects are lying vacant in Kendriya Vidyalayas;
- (b) whether the studies of the students are getting affected due to the shortage of teachers:
- (c) the reasons for delayed action in filling the vacancies and whether any action has been taken against any one in this matter; and
- (d) whether any study has been conducted regarding hurdles faced by the teachers in imparting education due to the lack of knowledge of regional languages as a result of all India transfer policy of teachers?

Revamping of Right to Education (RTE)

- 1252. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to revamp the right to education in the country, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) what are the reasons behind this move of Government?

Compliance with reservation roster in private schools of Delhi

†1253. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is uniform education for all in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the provision of reservation has been complied with *in toto* in Government recognised private schools set up for the poor students in the country;
- (c) if so, the number of such schools in the country, which have complied with reservation roster; and
- (d) the number of children belonging to the Scheduled Castes/most backward classes, who have been given admission in private schools in Delhi in the year 2016-17, the details thereof?

Regulation of Deemed Universities

- 1254. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is planning to bring about changes with regard to regulation of Deemed Universities in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether a meeting was scheduled to discuss the regulation issues of Deemed Universities at UGC, if so, the details of the outcome of the meeting; and
- (c) the details of the regulations proposed to be implemented?

Representation for grants under SSA by States

1255. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the

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Thirteenth Finance Commission has recommended grant for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan;

- (b) whether it is also true that the Thirteenth Finance Commission has recommended grants to many State Governments for the said Abhiyan;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the said recommended grants are yet to be released by Government;
- (d) whether it is also a fact that the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu had made a representation in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard?

Standard of education in Universities/ Colleges

1256. SHRI SHADI LAL BATRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has made any assessment of the quality and standard of education and teaching in the Universities/Colleges;
- (b) if so, the details and reaction of Government thereto:
- (c) whether Government is implementing any programme for improving the standard of education and teaching in the Universities/Colleges in the country, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the action taken by Government in improving the education system in the country?

Rising of criminal incidents against SC students

†1257. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that criminal incidents against students belonging to scheduled castes are constantly rising in the educational institutions in the last two years, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government is considering to amend the 'Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Prevention of Atrocities Act' in order to provide protection to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in view of such rising incidents in educational institutions, the details thereof?

Approval of contents of TV programmes

1258. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is mandatory for the Television (TV) channels to declare the category of contents of the programmes at the time of applying for registration of approval for telecasting programmes;
- (b) if so, the details of the categories fixed by the Ministry; and
- (c) whether after obtaining approval in a particular category, it is mandatory to obtain approval once again for telecasting programmes based on contents of a different category?

Making policy on FM radio accessible

†1259. SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether Government is contemplating to make the existing policy for FM radio accessible, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government proposes to install FM channels in the various towns not covered at present, if so, the details thereof, State/Union Territory-wise?

Promotion of regional language and culture through private FM channels

- †1260. SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is encouraging private FM channels to promote regional language and culture, if so, the details thereof: and
- (b) whether any such private FM channel is working at present with Government's help, and if so, the details thereof?

Movie ratings through CBFC

- 1261. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) is set to explain movie ratings; and
 - (b) if so, the details worked out so far?

Broadcasting capacity of radio stations in Uttarakhand

- †1262. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether it is a fact that owing to low

- broadcasting capacity of Radio stations in Uttarakhand, the broadcast made therefrom is audible to a limited distance:
- (b) if so, whether the ministry proposes to enchance the broadcasting capacity of radio stations in Uttarakhand;
- (c) if so, the radio stations selected for enhancement of broadcasting capacity during the current financial year; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and by when the capacity would be upgraded?

Relaunching of DD India as International TV channel

- 1263. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) what progress has been made on re-lauching DD India as an International TV channel on the lines for the BBC World, as announced by Government last year;
- (b) the funds allocated and spent for this so far;
- (c) the deadline for restructuring Prasar Bharati and the launch or re-launch of DD India; and
- (d) whether Government is aware that in order to launch a world class Indian channel, the Prasar Bharati first needs to be made autonomous, accountable and professional, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Projection of Goa in Hindi movies

- 1264. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Goa has been shown in bad lights in the Hindi movies;

- (b) whether Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) has no control over the script of a film;
- (c) whether State Government of Goa has approached the Central Board of Film Certification for objectionable depiction of girls in the State;
- (d) whether it is a fact that most of the girls caught in Goa by the police hail from outside the State; and
- (e) whether Government proposes to take any steps through Central Board of Film Certification or through amendment to the Cinematograph Act to prevent Goa being shown in bad light?

Criteria for setting up of Community Radio Stations in the Country

1265. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of operational Community Radio Stations (CRSs) in the country, State/UT-wise along with the details of guidelines prepared, criteria fixed, funding provision made available for setting up of CRS by educational institutions, registered societies, trusts and NGOs etc.;
- (b) whether applications have been received by Government for setting up of CRS in the various States of the country during the last three years; and
- (c) if so, the details and present status thereof, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand and Gujarat?

Conversion of FTII into Digital Media University

1266. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry is planning to convert the present Film and Television Institute of India (FTII) into Digital Media University, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether any proposal has been received by the Ministry in this regard; and
- (c) the stand of Government in this regard?

Broadcasting of programmes in regional languages in Uttarakhand

†1267. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the time slot allotted for broadcasting of programmes in regional languages from the radio stations of Uttarakhand at present, station-wise; and
- (b) whether Government would consider to fix a five hour duration for broadcasting from radio stations on daily basis while giving a preference to local languages for the publicity and promotion thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Konkani films in International film festival

1268. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of Konkani language films shown in International Film Festivals;
- (b) which are the festivals in which Konkani films have been shown; and

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(c) whether Government gives any financial assistance to the Konkani films proposed to be shown or have been shown in the International Film Festival?

Promotion of scientific temperament by Doordarshan

1269. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) what steps the national broadcaster, Doordarshan (DD) is taking to promote scientific temperament through its programmes; and
- (b) whether any policy decision has been taken in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of recommendation of Sam Pitroda Panel

- 1270. SHRI DILIPBHAI PANDYA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Prasar Bharati Act provides for accountability of Prasar Bharati to the Parliament instead of the Executive Ministry:
- (b) if so, the reasons for nonimplementation of this provision so far; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government for implementation of the recommendations of Sam Pitroda Panel regarding Prasar Bharati?

Violation of Advertisement Code

- 1271. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
 - (a) the details of Programme Code and

- Advertisement Code prescribed under Cable TV Network Rules, 1994;
- (b) whether cases of violations of above Codes came to notice of Ministry in the last three years;
- (c) if so, details thereof and action taken thereon:
- (d) for how long a private satellite TV channel can beam advertisement in one go;
- (e) whether Ministry is aware that, many a time, advertisements are given for nearly 10 minutes in private TV channels;
- (f) if so, whether such lengthy advertisements are permitted under the Codes, and if not, what action Ministry is taking on such channels?

Cases pending with CIC

- 1272. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that thousands of cases are pending with the Central Information Commission (CIC);
- (b) if so, the details of the total number of cases pending as per latest available data, and the cases filed during the year 2016;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that about thirty three per cent of the cases were rejected/returned for various reasons; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the measures being taken for the speedy disposal of the pending cases?

Setting up of Information and Facilitation Centres

- †1273. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of RTI applications pending, presently, central departmentwise;

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- (b) the number of departments where Information and Facilitation Centre has been set up;
- (c) the number of further recommendations of expert committee that have been accepted by Government; and
- (d) whether efficient persons are available with the departments for transparency audit?

Simplification in process of retention of accommodation

1274. SHRI HISHEY LACHUNGPA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether various meritorious Government employees especially in many independent bodies and affiliated Government bodies fail to apply for positions in various Ministerial offices of Government of India as they have Government accommodation which they encounter difficulty in retaining in case of their leaving their parent office on deputation basis, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government proposes to simplify the process of retention of accommodation by such deserving and willing employees to encourage them to provide their services to various Minister and other VVIP postings, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Vacancy of posts in Ministries/ Departments

- 1275. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of posts vacant for various category in all Central Ministries and Departments, category-wise and

Ministry/Department-wise, the details thereof;

- (b) the steps being taken to ensure recruitment to all vacant posts; and
- (c) the details of recruitment made to fill up the vacancy in various categories of posts during the last two years?

Implementation of RTI Act

1276. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of Right to Information (RTI) Act;
- (b) whether any assessment has been made about the implementation of RTI Act, if so, the findings of the same;
- (c) whether the Ministry is aware that pending appeals under RTI have gone up from 6,917 in 2009 to 37,878 in 2015, if so, whether the pendency is defeating the objective of RTI; and
- (d) how the Ministry is planning to reduce the pendency and also bring in more transparency in disposal of cases?

Appointment of Lokpal

1277. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Lokpal has been appointed in India, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether Government has issued circular seeking declarations of assets and liabilities by public servants under Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013 on or before 31st July, 2016, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the rationale for seeking such declaration when Government is unable to appoint the Lokpal since last three years; and

(d) whether seeking such declaration would not be the encroachment on the authority and independence of Lokpal by Government which is still waiting to be appointed?

Scrutiny of assets and liability declaration

1278. SHRI DILIPBHAI PANDYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the information submitted as regarding their assets and liabilities of officers of All India Services and Central Civil Services are scrutinised by competent authority as per Section 44 of Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013; and
- (b) whether assets and liabilities of their spouse and dependents children are submitted by such officers or not, the details thereof and reasons therefor?

Appointment on compassionate ground

1279. SHRI DILIPBHAI PANDYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that the appointment on compassionate ground of the dependents of deceased employees who died in 2011 is still pending, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the details of such employees and their dependents name-wise, designationwise, category-wise and department-wise;
- (c) the procedure being adopted to offer employment on compassionate ground;
- (d) the details of dependents who have been offered appointment so far and by

when the remaining dependents would get an employment name-wise, and

(e) the details of case-study done of the dependents?

Amount provided for startups and innovation industries

- †1280. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has provided capital of about 100 crore rupees for the startups and innovation industries from 1980 till date, if so, whether this amount needs to be substantially raised to bring new researches at the centre of development;
- (b) if so, the steps taken to provide necessary resources and equipment for inventions;
- (c) the total amounts provided for the startup and innovation industries in the budget for 2016-17; and
- (d) whether Government has identified the areas in which innovation is called for and whether Government is envisaging a scheme of giving reward to promote innovations?

Science scholarship to women

- †1281. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has any plan to provide science scholarship to women, if so, the details of the said plan;
- (b) whether Government has any scheme also to encourage women scientists in private sector and if so, the details thereof;

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- (c) the details of success achieved under this scholarship scheme run by Government in promoting/getting women scientists registered in the field of science; and
- (d) the details of funds allocated on scholarships granted under this scholarship scheme during last three years, year-wise and State-wise?

Survey in hydrogeolgical terrains of the country

- 1282. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the National Geophysical Research Institute (NGRI) has carried out Heli borne survey in a number of hydrogeological terrains of the country recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with its outcome, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government for detailed water mapping of all the aquifers beneath the earth in the country in order to ensure its efficient use?

Creation of independent biotechnology regulatory authority

- 1283. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government proposes to create an independent bio-technology regulatory authority to deal with the use of all Genetically Modified Organs (GMOs) in agriculture, pharmaceuticals and bio-diversity sector, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
 - (b) the corrective steps taken by

Government to have a regulatory framework in the matter at the earliest?

Establishment of National Centre for Molecular Materials

- 1284. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government in November 2010 had approved establishment of a National Centre for Molecular Materials (NCMM) in Kerala and sanctioned ₹ 14.55 crore for the Eleventh Five Year Plan period;
- (b) whether Government considers it relevant now to develop technology in niche areas like sensors for biomedical sciences, materials for solar energy harvesting and space electronics; and
- (c) whether it considers necessary to create a national innovation infrastructure that channels knowledge systems for advancement of society?

Skill training institutes for new jobs seekers

1285. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that millions of new job seekers, who are unskilled, are added every year, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the current rate of new jobs created every year is inadequate in comparison, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has initiated steps to adopt the methods taken by the other developed and developing countries to solve this issue; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken to increase the number of skill trainers/professionals, skill training institutes in the country?

Money spent on Skill Development Schemes

1286. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the amount spent by Government on skill development in the past one year;
- (b) the number of people to whom skill training was imparted, scheme-wise;
- (c) the amount paid to private skill training organizations for the training of each person, scheme-wise;
- (d) the details of the ten largest private skills training organizations that have trained the most number of people; and
- (e) whether skill training has led to increased employablity, if so, details thereof?

Industrial training centres in Haryana

1287. SHRI SHADI LAL BATRA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of industrial training centres established under the skill development programme in various States/ UTs including Haryana;
- (b) whether these centres are functional and has started imparting training to the entrepreneurs, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

- (c) the details of grants provided to various States for the purpose during the current year, specially for Haryana; and
- (d) the number of youth proposed to be imparted training under the scheme during the year 2016-17?

Enrolment in sector skill councils

1288. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the progress of implementation of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana;
- (b) how many candidates have been enrolled in Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) and how many skill training centres have been approved, as on 30.6.2016;
- (c) how many lakes of persons are to benefit with training and how many skill certificates are to be issued, and the number of persons enrolled for jobs;
- (d) the total amount released under various schemes, including to National skill Development Corporation, with details;
- (e) the reasons for not much progress as expected in the scheme and why it is not achieving the target?

Construction sector for skill development

1289. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that sectors such

as construction were identified for skill development, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether it is also a fact that the youth would be given a chance to enhance their skill on modern machines and practice on hands would be given priority in ITIs; and
- (c) whether Government has sanctioned funds for ITIs for developing them and creating employment ready workforce?

Industrial placement of skilled youth

1290. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of skill training centers established in the country in the last two years and the number of youths who have been imparted training in skills;
- (b) the number of trained persons who have been given certification; and
- (c) the number of skilled youth who have received industry placement since June, 2014?

Skill development initiatives in States affected with Left Wing Extremism

1291. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.:
Will the Minister of SKILL
DEVELOPMENT AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to
state:

- (a) the details of skill development initiatives in implemented in 34 districts affected with Left Wing Extremism, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that two skill development centres are proposed to setup in each of the above 34 districts;
- (c) since how long skill schemes are being implemented in the above districts,

physical targets set and achieved, districtwise; and

(d) details of youth from the above districts who got employement after getting training from above centres?

Skill development centres under private sector

1292. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated towards Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana and the Statewise data on the utilization of this fund;
- (b) the number of students enrolled under the scheme and employment generated annually;
- (c) the fiscal incentives provided by Government to the private sector for setting up vocational and skill development institutions; and
- (d) the number of skill development centres set up by private sector under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana, State-wise?

Participation of women in workforce

- 1293. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Ministry has undertaken any steps to increase participation of women in the workforce, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (b) whether the Ministry has taken any steps to increase gender sensitivity in the workplace, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Shortage of skilled workers in Maharashtra

1294. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is acute shortage of skilled workers and employees in the country specifically in Maharashtra, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government has any plan to meet the shortage at the earliest and how they are going to cover backlog, if so, the details thereof?

Achievements of PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana

1295. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana will be implemented only for one year;
- (b) if so, what are the reasons for implementation of the scheme only for one year;
- (c) what were the targets and achievements in the last one year of its implementation; and
- (d) whether there are any plans to extend this scheme further, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Steps taken to curb manual scavenging

1296. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken cognizance of practices of manual scavenging, if so, the details thereof, Statewise, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether any survey has been undertaken to determine number of people victim to the same, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) the number of people punished, if any, under existing law, the details thereof, State-wise for the last three years; and
- (d) the steps being undertaken to curb such practices, the details thereof, the steps undertaken for replacement of manual sacavenging with alternative solutions, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

Special school for children with disabilities

1297. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there are special schools for children with disabilities; and
- (b) if so, in the light of the enactment of the Right of Education which mandates inclusive education, what approach does Government propose to adopt towards such schools?

Coaching to dalit students from rural areas

†1298. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

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- (a) the amount being spent presently, on coaching facility for the dalit and backward students, the details thereof, State-wise:
- (b) whether this would not benefit the big coaching institutes;
- (c) the measures being taken for providing better advantages of the coaching to dalit and backward students of rural areas; and
- (d) the number of students in urban and rural areas, who have been benefitted from the existing mechanism?

Special Central assistance to SC and ST in Rajasthan

†1299. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state whether Government proposes to increase the annual income of SC/ST families in both urban and rural areas by extending special benefits under Central assistance to them in Rajasthan, if not, the reasons therefor?

Old age homes in every district

1300. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that over the past few years, the number of old age homes supported by Integrated Programme for Older Persons (IPOP) has declined drastically;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) what is the current status/ development of the Government's proposal to set up an Old Age Home in every district in the country; and

(d) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken for the effective implementation of IPOP in the country?

Addiction of alcohol consumption in NCR

- 1301. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that youngsters in the Natinoal Capital and NCR are in the grip of addiction of alcohol consumption, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) what remedial measures Government propose to take in this regard?

Benefits from launching of foreign satellite

- 1302. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has launched twenty foreign satellites, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) how much it would benefit Government;
- (c) whether ISRO is also planning to set up space station; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and probable year of its launching?

Indigenously made satellites

- 1303. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) how many indigenously made satellites have been launched during the last two years; and

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(b) whether there is any plan of launching more such satellites in the near future, if so, the details thereof?

Survey on unemployed youth in Madhya Pradesh

†1304. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has conducted any survey regarding the number of adult unemployed youths;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Madhya Pradesh; and
- (c) whether Government is taking measures to bring down adult unemployment and provide social security, if so, details of the measures taken in this regard, State-wise?

CSO estimates of GDP

- 1305. DR. SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) estimates of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) year-wise from 2013-14 till 2015-16 at current, constant 2003-04 prices and constant 2013-14 prices; and
- (b) whether the price deflator used has been calculated at whole sale or retail price?

GDP growth rate in country

1306. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA
RAO: Will the Minister of STATISTICS
AND PROGRAMME
IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India's present GDP growth rate is disputed by economists at home and abroad, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (b) whether India's GDP growth is one third statistical illusion and whether the RBI Governor raised concern that while calculating the GDP growth rate of our country, some critical areas are not included, if so, the reasons therefor?

Renovation of Type IV Government Accommodation

1307. SHRI HISHEY LACHUNGPA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the list of civil and electrical works of upgradation being carried out in Government accommodation including that in INA colony, the details thereof;
- (b) the amount spent for renovation of Type IV flats including that in INA colony;
- (c) whether convenience of allottee regarding quality/usage of fitting fixtures is obtained while carrying out the work;
- (d) how many flats of Type IV Government accommodation are currently under renovation/upgradation including that in Government accommodation in INA colony; and
- (e) whether completion certificate is granted after ascertaining the satisfaction of allottee or otherwise?

Study on public data openness on shortlisted for smart cities

1308. SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has undertaken

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- a study on public data openness on cities shortlisted for the smart cities project, if so, the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (b) whether Government has undertaken initiatives to make shortlisted cities digitally empowered and enable, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether Government has undertaken measures/plans to manage cyber security risks, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Funds allotted for greening urban areas

- 1309. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether funds are allotted for greening of urban areas through planting of trees and afforestation by the Government:
- (b) if so, the details of funds allotted for the greening of urban areas, State-wise for the last five years; and
- (c) the reports of statistics available with Government regarding such greening and afforestation programmes of the last five years?

City-wise budget allocation under smart cities

- 1310. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has declared some cities in the States/UTs to develop as smart cities;

- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the list of such cities, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the criteria of selection for a smart city; and
- (d) the details of budget allocated to each such city, city-wise?

Eligibility for allotment of land to political parties

- 1311. SARDAR SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) how many recognized political parties in Parliament are eligible for allotment of land in Delhi for construction of offices, as per revised guidelines framed by Government; and
- (b) the names of political parties who have since been allotted land and how many are still on waiting list?

Launching of AMRUT in Madhya Pradesh

- †1312. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government had launched Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) in June, 2015, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it has been planned to provide basic facilities like water, electricity, sanitation under this mission in the identified cities having population of more than one lakh, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the cities of Madhya Pradesh have also been included under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation?

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Smart cities of Rajasthan

- †1313. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the names of the cities of Rajasthan which are proposed to be developed as smart cities, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of funds provided by Government to Rajasthan for developing smart cities; and
- (c) whether Jodhpur city would also be developed as a smart city, if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

Integration of MRTS, Chennai with Chennai Metro

- 1314. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the integration of MRTS, Chennai with Chennai Metro Rail would enable effective synergies between various modes of public transport and increase share of public transport;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that Government of Tamil Nadu has made a demand to approve the above integration;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has submitted a representation in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by Government thereon?

Participation of wold World Bank in Indian smart cities

1315. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated for the establishment of smart cities in the country;
- (b) the State-wise progress in the implementation of the smart city projects;
- (c) whether World Bank and some foreign countries have offered to become partners in establishing the smart cities in India; and
- (d) if so, the names of the countries and the cities identified for such partnerships?

Urban planning structure with reference to Maharashtra

- 1316. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is incentivizing and providing support to the State Government and municipalities to strengthen the urban planning structure and process:
- (b) if so, the details thereof with special reference to Maharashtra; and
- (c) the details of schemes under implementation for assisting States in meeting the challenge of rapid urbanisation with special reference to Maharashtra?

Redevelopment of Government pool residential colonies

1317. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government decided to go for redevelopment of Government pool residential colonies in New Delhi to meet

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the housing demand, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) what are the colonies that would be redeveloped and the schedule of redevelopment;
- (c) which agency has been entrusted to revamp the colonies and what is the mode of financing the project; and
- (d) the progress of redevelopment of East Kidwai Nagar in New Delhi and by what time, it would be ready for occupation by Government servants?

Expansion of metro-rail projects

- 1318. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to support the State Government for the creation and expansion of metro rail projects in States;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that Government has taken a decision to support and approve the Phase II of the Metro Rail Project of Chennai;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Government has received a representation from the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by Government thereon?

Illegal grabbing of vacant Government land

- †1319. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that several cases of illegal grabbing of vacant Government

- land have come to light in various cities in the country especially in Delhi;
- (b) if so, whether Government is considering to take steps for its investigation; and
- (c) if so, the details of the steps taken and if not the reasons therefor?

Establishment of sewage treatment plants in Tamil Nadu

- 1320. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government would provide financial and technical assistance for establishing sewage treatment plants in Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government has received a request from the State Government of Tamil Nadu seeking assistance for setting up new sewage treatment plants in major cities of Tamil Nadu?

Schemes under JNNURM in Jagatsinghpur district

- 1321. SHRI BISHNU CHARAN DAS: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of allocation under the JNNURM scheme for the last five years in the State of Odisha;
- (b) whether any cost benefit analysis has been carried out recently to know the successful implementation of the JNNURM scheme in Odisha;
- (c) the quantum of allocation for Jagatsinghpur district for the last five years under JNNURM; and
 - (d) the details and status of schemes

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initiated under JNNURM in Jagatsinghpur district during the last five years?

Home for BPL in 100 new cities

- †1322. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government plans to set up 100 new cities across the country;
- (b) if so, the details of selected locations, State-wise and the proposal with regard to Jharkhand and Bihar;
- (c) whether Government proposes to provide homes to people living below poverty line by including them in these 100 new cities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Assistance to Karnataka under AMRUT

- 1323. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has released to entire Central Assistance to the State Government of Karnataka under AMRUT;
- (b) if so, the details of funds released by Government, city-wise;
- (c) the details of projects identified in Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) under the AMRUT scheme; and
- (d) the details of the status of implementation of projects in BBMP?

Allotment of land to private hospitals

- 1324. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of terms and conditions at which land has been allotted to private hospitals at concessional rates in Delhi;
- (b) whether it is a fact that these private hospitals are not following terms and conditions of allotment; and
- (c) if so, what action Government proposes to take to cancel allotment of land of private hospitals for violating allotment terms and conditions?

Cleanliness and beautification schemes in Bihar

- †1325. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a number of schemes have been started by Government towards cleanliness and beautification of big and small cities in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the cities of Bihar covered under this scheme, the details thereof?

Launching of 83 smart city projects

- 1326. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that 83 smart city projects have recently been launched by the Prime Minister;
- (b) if so, the details of cities where projects have been launched and the details of projects, launched city-wise;

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- (c) the details of 'quick win projects' undertaken in the above 83 projects;
- (d) by when the remaining cities are going to be launched; and
- (e) the time-frame to complete projects in the above 83 cities, city-wise?

Setting up One Stop Crisis Centre in Karnataka

- 1327. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has set up/ proposes to set up One Stop Crisis Centre to help sexual assault women victims in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Karnataka;
- (c) the number of such centres opened and number of women victims assisted so far, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by Government to set up such centre at the earliest at all required places in the country?

Supplementary nutritional services for women and child development

- †1328. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether malnutrition has been included in priority sectors by Government and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government has taken a number of special steps in the last two years to enhance the capacity of Department of Women and Child

Development for providing supplementary nutritional services to women and children and if so, the details thereof?

Appointment of officers in Domestic Violence Cases

- 1329. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) how many States have not appointed officers in Domestic Violence Cases; and
- (b) whether any action has been taken against States where such measures have not been taken and if so, the details thereof?

Status of existing daycare facilities

- 1330. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of the proposal that the Ministry has prepared and is under consultation with industry bodies with regard to making it mandatory to have daycare facilities:
- (b) the details of consultation held, if any, with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs; and
- (c) the status of the existing daycare facilities in Government and Public Sector Undertakings?

Child rehabilitation centres

- 1331. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
 - (a) the number of child rehabilitation

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centres being run by Government in the country, State/UT-wise;

- (b) the total budget allocated for such centres during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the functioning of such centres is satisfactory across the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the corrective steps taken/being taken by Government in this regard; and
- (e) whether Government proposes to formulate any new law to check crimes against children, if so, the details thereof?

Number of One Stop Centres

- 1332. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) how many One Stop Centres for women in distress have been set up in the country, State-wise, as on 30.06.2016;
- (b) the total project cost provided in the Budget in the current year, and the amount released so far, State-wise; and
- (c) whether the One Stop Centre would be equipped with legal experts, doctors and psycho-social counsellors, if so, the details thereof?

Number of orphanages in the country

- †1333. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the State-wise number of orphanages functioning at present in the country including Madhya Pradesh;
 - (b) the amount allocated to these

orphanages in the last three years and the current financial year, State-wise;

- (c) whether Government has taken note of pitiable condition of these orphanages and lack of basic facilities/infrastructure therein, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the steps taken/being taken by Government to revive these orphanages and to improve the basic facilities therein?

Achievements of the Ministry in last two years

1334. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of achievements of the Ministry in the last two years;
- (b) whether presentation before the Prime Minister was made about the Ministry's last two years achievements, if so, the details thereon;
- (c) whether the Ministry has fallen short of its targets and where it has excelled;
- (d) the targets set for the coming three years and road map to achieving the same;
- (e) the details of difficulties brought before the Prime Minister and suggestions made to overcome them; and
- (f) the details of core areas the Ministry is going to focus on in the coming three years?

Complaints for implementation of Rashtriva Mahila Kosh

1335. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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- (a) the details of the loan schemes being run under the Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK) along with the eligibility criteria for availing such loans;
- (b) the number of women particularly belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and minority communities who availed benefits from the RMK during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) whether Government has received complaints of charging of exorbitant rate of interest for the loans under the RMK during the said period, if so, the details thereof along with the action taken/being taken by Government on such complaints?

Impact of National Policy for Empowerment of Women

- 1336. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) to what extent the National Policy for Empowerment of Women has been able to achieve its objectives since its implementation in 2001;
- (b) whether mere legislation and interventions proved to be of not much use since there is little impact on the ground; and
- (c) schemes and programme drawn as a part of the 2001 scheme and targets and achievements of each of such scheme?

Discontinuation of a scheme for street children

1337. SHRIMATI THOTA SEETHARAMA LAKSHMI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the scheme 'An Integrated Programme for Street Children' has been discontinued, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether Government proposed to conduct a study to ascertain the number of street children and the standard of their living in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by Government to create a secured and caring environment for the street children and their overall development?

Centralised data for missing and found children

- 1338. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Ministry has taken steps to designate a single central body, which is responsible for maintaining figures on missing and found children from all States and Union Territories;
- (b) whether the Ministry would take steps to undertake a vulnerability mapping of trafficking prone areas and districts with the objectives of prevention, awareness generation, and identifying risks involved for child trafficking victims; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Modernisation of anganwadi centres in Rajasthan

- †1339. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of sanctioned anganwadi centres, district-wise in Rajasthan and the

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number of such centres which are functional; and

(b) road map drawn up by Government to modernise these anganwadi centres and provide basic facilities?

Expenditure on Anganwadi Scheme in Jharkhand

1340. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of expenditure incurred on the Anganwadi Scheme in Jharkhand for three financial years upto financial year 2015-16;
- (b) the total number of Anganwadi workers in Jharkhand as on 1 January, 2016; and
 - (c) what measures, if any, are being

taken to strengthen the Anganwadi scheme in Jharkhand?

Funds for Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme in Jharkhand

- 1341. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the total allocation being made for Beti Bachao Beti Padhao scheme in the Union Budget for Financial Year 2016-17;
- (b) out of this amount, how much has been earmarked for Jharkhand for Financial Year 2015-16;
- (c) the impact indicators that are expected to improve on account of this scheme; and
- (d) how is the Ministry proposing to monitor these indicators to ensure the scheme achieves its intended objectives?

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