

## RAJYA SABHA

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
Tuesday, November 29, 2016/Agrahayana 8, 1938 (Saka)*

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

Total number of questions — 15

#### Failure to meet PSL targets by Banks in Gujarat

\*136. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the Banks have failed to meet the targets of providing loans to Small Scale Industries (SSI) and agriculture sectors under Priority Sector Lending (PSL) in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, year-wise and bank-wise;

(c) the reasons cited by banks for not meeting the targets; and

(d) what remedial measures Government has taken or propose to take to ensure that the PSL targets are met by all the Banks in the State?

#### GDP growth rates in various sectors

\*137. SHRI SUKHENDU SEKHAR ROY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the percentage of

Government debt to GDP in 2014-15 and 2015-16;

(b) what was the GDP growth rate from agriculture and manufacturing sectors in 2014-15 and 2015-16;

(c) what are the factors responsible for rise/decline in the aforesaid fields; and

(d) the remedial measures, if any, adopted in this respect?

#### Syllabus of BAMS course

\*138. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the syllabus of Bachelor of Ayurvedic Medicine & Surgery (BAMS) course is lesser in comparison to the syllabus of Modern Medical Science, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ayurveda Medicine Manufacturers Organisation of India (AMMOI) has taken up the matter with

Government for making a comprehensive Ayurvedic Syllabus, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry has considered the request of AMMOI, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of the Universities offering this course in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana?

**Checking spread of Japanese Encephalitis like disease in Odisha**

\*139. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Japanese Encephalitis like disease has spread in Malkangiri district, Odisha, recently;

(b) if so, the number of deaths occurred, so far;

(c) the steps taken by Government to check the spread of this disease; and

(d) the amount of money that has been sanctioned by the National Health Mission, so far, to purchase medicines and other equipments to fight out this disease?

**Regional Connectivity Fund**

\*140. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to set up Regional Connectivity Fund (RCF) to subsidise regional flights connecting smaller cities; and

(b) if so, the details of the mechanism that Government plans to put in place to raise the RCF that would be used to fund air connectivity?

**Amount to be raised through disinvestment**

\*141. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has plans to offload upto 3% stake worth ₹ 4000 crores held in the specified undertaking of the Unit Trust of India, in private engineering company Larsen and Toubro (L&T);

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

(c) whether it is a fact that around ₹ 60,000 crores are expected to be raised through the disinvestment process in the next two years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the list of stakes proposed to be disinvested by Government in this regard?

**Easwar Panel Report**

\*142. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received the second report of Easwar Panel;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the salient features of the report and in what manner will it benefit the tax payers?

**Harsh policy of collecting penal interest by SBI**

\*143. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that State Bank of India has a very harsh policy of collecting penal and other interests from ex-servicemen, farmers, widows,

particularly in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Haryana;

(b) whether Government is also aware that people, particularly the ex-servicemen are committing suicide over the loans taken by them due to immense pressure put by the SBI;

(c) if so, the details of such cases from the Bhiwani Branch of SBI in Haryana; and

(d) steps proposed by the Government to direct the SBI to rescind from such policies?

#### **Construction of new terminal buildings of Tirupati and Kadapa airports**

\*144. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that construction of new terminal apron etc., of Tirupati airport was to be completed by August, 2015;

(b) whether it is also a fact that new terminal building of Kadapa airport was to be completed by December, 2014;

(c) if so, what are the reasons that construction works at both the airports have not yet been completed; and

(d) what is the cost and time overrun and by when construction works are likely to be completed?

#### **Medals won by sportsmen**

†\*145. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Gold, Silver and Bronze medals, at national and international level, won by the young sportsmen of the country in the years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16; and

(b) the amount spent by the Ministry during the same period, financial year-wise?

#### **Proper utilisation of CSR funds**

†\*146. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that it is mandatory for public sector undertakings, Government, joint ventures and private industry, manufacturing establishments to spend certain amount from their profit on regional development under CSR;

(b) if so, the amount spent by the establishments situated in Jharkhand in their territories during last three years and available unspent amount from the earmarked amount for that purpose;

(c) whether some establishments spend the amount under CSR on their own employees, transportation, decoration, their schools, hospitals and its facilities and public relation etc.; and

(d) if so, the steps Government plans to take to ensure the proper utilisation of the CSR fund as per rule?

#### **Action against COAI for lobbying**

\*147. SHRI CHUNIBHAI KANJIBHAI GOHEL: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that lobbying in India is prohibited and there are no orders permitting lobbying by any group;

(b) if so, what are the reasons that Government has allowed the Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI) to

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operate as lobbyist on behalf of Bharti Airtel, Vodafone and Idea Cellular; and

(c) whether Government has any plans to overhaul the regulation and processes of lobbying by COAI and order an investigation under Societies Registration Act, 1860 for indulging in unfair trade practices and violation of regulations set by the Supreme Court of India recently and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Discontinuation of Air India flight from Amritsar to Birmingham and Toronto**

\*148. SHRI SHWAIT MALIK: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state what were the justifications for discontinuation of one of the most successful flight of Air India from Amritsar to Birmingham and Toronto in October, 2010, the details thereof?

**Reports of National Commission for Religious and Linguistic Minorities**

†\*149. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether Government has taken any steps or proposes to take any steps to expeditiously implement the recommendations contained in the reports of National Commission for Religious and Linguistic Minorities; and

(b) if so, the details thereof as on date, if not, the reasons therefor?

**Task force for complete eradication of Dengue and Chikungunya**

†\*150. SHRIMATI KAHKASHAN PERWEEN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any concrete measures for the complete eradication of Dengue mosquitoes that attack people every year on a regular basis; and

(b) whether Government proposes to set up or has already set up a task force to deal with diseases like Dengue and Chikungunya that turn into epidemics and the details thereof?

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

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