RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, November 30, 2016/Agrahayana 9, 1938 (Saka)

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

Total number of questions — 15

Tribal Advisory Council for development of tribals

- *151. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has set up a Tribal Advisory Council aimed at welfare and development of tribal people and tribal areas:
- (b) if so, the details of the salient features and work done in Jharkhand and Gujarat for the tribal people;
- (c) the States which are yet to constitute the Statutory Advisory Council and what are the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the measures being undertaken by Government for the upliftment of the tribals?

Division of assets between Andhra Pradesh and Telangana

*152. SHRI PALVAI GOVARDHAN

REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) how much time the Ministry will take to divide assets under Schedule X, between Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Government of Andhra Pradesh has assessed assets under Schedule X at ₹ 36,835 crores; and
- (c) if so, what efforts the Ministry has so far made to divide the assets as early as possible between Andhra Pradesh and Telangana?

Increase in business of air conditioners/air purifiers/water purifiers

- †*153. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is aware that the business of air conditioners, air purifiers, water purifiers and mosquito repellents is steadily rising due to pollution,

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

if so, the details of the increasing role of such products in the economy during the last three years; and

(b) whether Government is concerned due to the increasing business of the above said sector, if so, the details of policy being adopted to tackle this situation?

Areas of the country affected by floods

- †*154. SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the areas of the country hit by floods in the current year and the steps taken so far to provide help to the affected areas;
- (b) whether it is a fact that central agencies are causing a delay in making an estimation of losses in flood affected areas due to which flood affected people are not getting aid;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the State-wise amount of assistance provided to the flood affected persons during the last two years and current year?

Source of Kashmir valley funding

- *155. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether illegal money is being pumped into the Kashmir valley to incite protesters;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry has asked the National Investigation Agency (NIA) to investigate into the source of such funding in Kashmir valley; and

(d) by when the NIA will submit the report?

Promotion of agriculture tourism in Punjab

- *156. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has made any assessment of the potential of agriculture tourism in Punjab;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the efforts made to promote agriculture tourism in Punjab and other States; and
- (c) whether Government has taken any initiative to showcase India's, especially Punjab's potential for agriculture tourism at the international stage to attract foreign tourists to the country?

Maharashtra model for paroles

- *157. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that parole jumping by criminals have increased manifold in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is aware that in Maharashtra, rapists and kidnappers do not get parole;
- (d) whether Government will issue advisory to all the States to follow Maharashtra model for paroles; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

Promotion of Khadi silk

*158. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state whether Government has any plans to promote the Khadi silk of Murshidabad, if so, the details thereof?

Attrition among officers and personnel of paramilitary forces

- *159. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH DULLO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there has been spurt in voluntary retirement/resignation by officers and personnel of paramilitary forces in the last three years;
- (b) if so, the paramilitary force-wise details thereof and the reasons for the same;
- (c) the details of steps Government would take to check high rate of attrition among officers and personnel of these forces?

Cities with CNG stations

- *160. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) how many cities in the country have the facility of CNG stations for vehicles;
- (b) how far it has been helpful in reducing the atmospheric pollution as per the regulated measure in those cities;
- (c) whether the Ministry is considering introducing CNG for vehicles in all the major cities of the country to deal with the challenges of atmospheric pollution; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and by when does the Ministry propose to bring such plan into effect?

Minimum wages for persons employed in Government service, public and private sector

- †*161. SHRIMATI MISHA BHARTI: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the total number of employed persons in the country during the last three years:
- (b) the number of persons employed in Government service, public sector institutions and private sector;
- (c) out of the above, the number of regular and temporary employees separately; and
- (d) whether minimum wages are prescribed and applicable to all of them and if not, the percentage of persons getting minimum wages and those who are not getting minimum wages?

Issue of minutes of meeting of NCST

- *162. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) issued the minutes on 3 August, 2016 of a meeting held with many State Chief Secretaries on 24 May, 2016 regarding tribal displacement along the River Godavari;
- (b) whether any communication has been sent to the prime petitioner and longtime complainants in this regard;
- (c) what are the reasons for NCST refusing to communicate with tribals and their representatives in this manner;
 - (d) the name of the prime petitioner; and
 - (e) the steps proposed to solve grievous

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problems of tribals in Godavari valley in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana?

Status of implementation of CCTNS

- *163. SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the State-wise status of implementation of Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS) project;
- (b) the State-wise funds granted and utilised for implementation of CCTNS in the country;
- (c) the State-wise data of women police stations established under the project; and
- (d) whether the Ministry is taking steps for the speedy implementation of the project, if so, the details thereof?

Increase in India's ranking on 'ease of doing business'

- *164. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that in the last two years India's ranking has been increased in 'ease of doing business' and on 'trading across borders';

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the effective steps taken by Government to improve the export and import facilitations and relaxation of norms and conditions and other obstacles for the growth of exports and imports?

Setting up of Industrial Tribunal-cum-Labour Court in Andhra Pradesh

- *165. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether after bifurcation, Ministry has not set up Central Government Industrial Tribunal-cum-Labour Court in the residuary State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) whether cases relating to labour in Andhra Pradesh have to go to Hyderabad;
- (c) if so, the reasons for not establishing Labour Court in Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) whether there is no National Tribunal in Southern part of the country;
- (e) if so, whether the Ministry would consider setting up of National Tribunal and Labour Court within the complex of National Tribunal in the new capital of Amaravati in Andhra Pradesh; and
 - (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

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