### **RAJYA SABHA**

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019/Pausha 18, 1940 (Saka)

(Ministries: Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Corporate Affairs; Culture; Finance; Health and Family Welfare; Minority Affairs; New and Renewable Energy; Power; Tourism)

### Total number of questions — 15

## Expenditure on treatment of deaf and dumb children

- \*271. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) the expenditure incurred by the Union and the State Governments on the treatment of deaf and dumb children during the last three years, State/UT-wise including West Bengal and Punjab;
- (b) the details of rules and conditions laid down for the treatment; and
- (c) the details of steps taken by Government to make people aware of the programmes/schemes being implemented for the said children?

## Budget for educational upliftment of minorities

†\*272. SHRI AHMAD ASHFAQUE KARIM: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the enhancement made in the budget

- allocation by Government since 2014 till date in comparison to budget allocation made from 2009 to 2014 for educational upliftment of minority communities;
- (b) the extent to which Government has implemented 15-point programme for the welfare of minority communities, in percentage; and
- (c) the details of all works done under 15-point programme, point-wise?

### Falling FDI inflow growth

- \*273. DR. ABHISHEK MANU SINGHVI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of Foreign Direct Investments (FDI) in the last three years;
- (b) the reasons leading to FDI inflow growth falling at a five year low of 3 per cent at USD 44.85 billion in 2017-18; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to enhance FDI in India?

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

## Provision of Non-Practicing Allowance to BAMS degree holders

- \*274. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:
- (a) the criteria for giving Non-Practicing Allowance (NPA) to Ayurvedic Doctors by Government;
- (b) whether NPA can be granted to holders of posts with BAMS qualification only and even if not connected with medical practice:
- (c) the competent authority to approve the grant of NPA; and
- (d) the details of posts outside AYUSH, which are not directly conneted with medical practice and have been allowed NPA in accordance with the provisions/guidelines of AYUSH?

## Loans to farmers affected by floods in Kerala

- \*275. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has chalked out any special scheme of giving loans to the farmers in Kerala who were affected and suffered during the recent floods in the State: and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

# Increase in Government's contribution to NPS fund

\*276. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Union Cabinet has recently approved that Government's contribution to NPS fund for Central Government employees would be 14 per cent of basic and DA instead of 10 per cent earlier;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the date of notification;
- (c) whether pension of those employees, who do not withdraw any amount from NPS fund will be 50 per cent of basic and DA would be admissible as is in the case of old pension scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Rise in food items inflation

- †\*277. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH NAGAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that food items inflation has been on the rise constantly in the country;
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by Government to control this inflation; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

# Strengthening healthcare infrastructure in Visakhapatnam, A.P.

- \*278. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that under National Health Mission (NHM),

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Government has identified Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh as one of the High Priority Districts which have weak healthcare infrastructure;

- (b) if so, the measures Government has taken under NHM to strengthen the healthcare infrastructure in Visakhapatnam;
- (c) the details of fund allocated, sanctioned, released and spent on healthcare infrastructure in Visakhapatnam and physical targets set and achieved so far; and
- (d) which are the other districts identified as High Priority Districts in Andhra Pradesh and status of each district?

### Amendment in Section 51 of Banking Regulation Act, 1949

\*279. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is contemplating to bring a suitable legislation to amend Section 51 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 and consequential changes in the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1970/1980 and SBI Act, 1955 to avoid inconsistency; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Status of implementation of PMJAY

- \*280. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
  - (a) the number of claims made under

the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) since it was launched, State-wise;

- (b) whether some States have not yet implemented the programme, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the present implementation status of the scheme along with the approximate number of persons benefited under the scheme, State-wise?

### Strengthening Drugs Regulatory System in Karnataka

- \*281. SHRI K. C. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between the State Government of Karnataka and the Ministry to strengthen Drugs Regulatory System in Karnataka;
- (b) whether it is a fact that at the suggestion of the Ministry, a revised proposal was also submitted to the Ministry by the Government of Karnataka; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the action Ministry has taken so far on this?

## Targets and achievements in renewable energy sector

- †\*282. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of the achievements with regard to various sources of new and renewable energy in the country during the last three years; and
- (b) the details of the total installed capacity in context of achieving the targeted capacity per year for the next three years?

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### **Encroachment of Waqf properties**

- \*283. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Waqf properties encroached upon, including the value of such properties, State-wise and year-wise since 2015;
- (b) the number and value of such properties encroached by homeless people;
- (c) the number and value of such properties purchased by rich people through fraudulent transactions;
- (d) the number and value of such properties that have been taken back so far; and
- (e) the number of cases instituted in different courts to reclaim these propertise?

## Anti-profiteering mechanism under GST

\*284. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has created any anti-profiteering mechanism under GST;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has taken action against any business entity under anti-profiteering mechanism; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

## Financial assistance to religious institutions

- \*285. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH DULLO: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that in order to promote culture and secularism, Government is providing financial assistance to religious places/institutions in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, State-wise?

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