

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Thursday, November 28, 2019/Agrahayana 7, 1941 (Saka)*

(Ministries: Prime Minister; Atomic Energy; Communications; Development of North Eastern Region; Electronics and Information Technology; External Affairs; Human Resource Development; Law and Justice; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; Space; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Textiles; Tribal Affairs; Women and Child Development)

Total number of questions — 15

Malnourishment among women in Koshi and Purnia division, Bihar

†*106. SHRI AHMAD ASHFAQUE KARIM: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that women in Koshi and Purnia division of Bihar are malnourished due to which the children born to them are not only weak by birth, but are also mentally retarded;

(b) unless the child is healthy during mother's pregnancy, how Government would achieve child development; and

(c) whether Government has any effective plan to make the upcoming generation physically and mentally fit by birth?

VRS to BSNL employees

*107. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry is seriously pruning 30 per cent of contract staff in BSNL to address some of the financial problems that the company is passing through;

(b) whether it is a fact that last year BSNL has removed 2,500 contract employees;

(c) if so, the details of (a) and (b) above;

(d) whether it is also a fact that BSNL had earlier taken a decision to introduce VRS to its employees; and

(e) if so, the status of the same?

Complaints regarding condition of Anganwadi Centres

*108. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has resolved the complaints of poor conditions of buildings and services at Anganwadi Centres in the country; and

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof, including Jharkhand?

Cyber attack on Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant

*109. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a cyber attack on Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a cyber security audit had been conducted recently at Kudankulam after a futile attempt to hack the Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited's (NPCIL) isolated network was made; and

(d) what are the steps taken by the NPCIL to make sure that all plants are hack proof?

Poor financial condition of Anganwadi workers

*110. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Anganwadi workers across the country are facing financial distress due to low wages;

(b) if so, what steps the Ministry is taking to address this issue;

(c) whether workers are provided with pension or ESI cards; and

(d) if not, whether the Ministry has plans to implement such provisions?

Education of tribal population

*111. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes being implemented in several tribal areas for the education of tribal population in Jharkhand along with the details of the funds allocated for the said purpose, scheme-wise; and

(b) the measures taken/being taken by Government for improving the literacy level of tribal communities?

Plan to increase Anganwadi Centres

*112. SHRI MANAS RANJAN BHUNIA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to increase the number of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) in each State;

(b) if so, the details of the plan to be implemented;

(c) at present how many Anganwadi Centres are in the country; and

(d) what is the amount of salary/wages being paid to workers and helpers in each Centre?

Eklavya Model Residential Schools in Jharkhand

†*113. SHRI SAMIR ORAON: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) proposed to be opened in Jharkhand;

(b) the total number of Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) already opened in Jharkhand so far; and

(c) the details of total funds proposed to be spent per student every year in these schools in Jharkhand?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Schemes for skill development in textile sector

*114. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is implementing schemes for skill development;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of programmes currently being implemented by Government for skill development in various sectors of the textile industry; and

(d) the details of funds allocated to various educational institutions, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), etc. for the skill development programmes in Assam and other North-Eastern States during the last two years?

India Justice Report 2019

*115. SHRI NARAIN DASS GUPTA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware that as per India Justice Report 2019, 67 per cent of all prison inmates are undertrials awaiting proper legal procedure;

(b) whether the Ministry is also aware that the Indian Jails are functioning at the occupancy rate of 114 per cent; and

(c) if so, what are the reform measures being undertaken by the Ministry to address the shortcomings?

National Law University in Jammu and Kashmir

*116. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to establish a National Law University in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Kitchen garden projects in schools

*117. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all schools have been asked to prioritise kitchen garden projects to be maintained by the students; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Examination fee hike for Classes X and XII

*118. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has increased the examination fee for classes X and XII by 2300 per cent for five subjects for SC/ST students and from ₹750 to ₹1500 for general category students;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether SC/ST students will now have to pay ₹300 for appearing in any additional subject in class XII Board examinations;

(d) whether fee to appear in any additional subject in Class XII Board examinations is the same for SC/ST students and general category students; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

National Nutrition Mission

*119. DR. BANDA PRAKASH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government implements the National Nutrition Mission or Poshan Abhiyan to address the problem of malnutrition in the country, if so, the salient features and various components thereof along with the names of districts identified/covered therein, State/UT-wise;

(b) the total budget of the Mission/Abhiyan and allocations made to State Governments/UTs during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(c) whether Government has fixed any targets to achieve the desired results/goals under the Mission/Abhiyan and if so, the targets set and achievements made there-under?

Nyaya Mitra Scheme

*120. SHRI NARESH GUJRAL: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Nyaya Mitras appointed to dispose off pending cases under the Nyaya Mitra Scheme initiated in April 2017;

(b) the number of cases disposed off by the Nyaya Mitras appointed under the scheme;

(c) whether in the first phase only 15 Nyaya Mitras have been engaged in 15 districts of Rajasthan, West Bengal, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Tripura;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Ministry propose to extend the scheme to more States?

NEW DELHI;
The 22nd November, 2019
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DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
 Secretary-General.

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