

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, July 3, 2019/Ashadha 12, 1941 (Saka)*

(Ministries: Civil Aviation; Home Affairs; Housing and Urban Affairs;
Labour and Employment; Petroleum and Natural Gas;
Social Justice and Empowerment; Steel)

Total number of questions — 15

Housing scheme for people living in slum areas

†*121. SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA: Will the Minister of HOUSING
AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to
state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number
of slums are increasing in metropolitan
cities of the country wherein basic
amenities are negligible and people are
forced to live in miserable conditions; and

(b) whether Government is considering
to introduce any housing scheme for the
poor people in urban areas, particularly,
the persons living in slum areas, so that
persons dwelling in urban slum areas could
avail basic facilities from Government as
provided under housing schemes in rural
area, the details thereof?

Development of second airport in important cities

*122. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH: Will
the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be
pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that keeping in

view of the increasing air travel in the
country, Government is planning to
establish second airport in important cities
of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has embarked
on identification of the places in the States,
if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any places in the State of
Andhra Pradesh have been identified for
this purpose, if so, the details thereof?

ONGC's cash reserves and working capital

*123. SHRI MANISH GUPTA: Will
the Minister of PETROLEUM AND
NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the public sector Oil and
Natural Gas Corporation's (ONGC) cash
reserves are precariously low, if so, the
details thereof;

(b) whether the situation has been
aggravated by Government's policy of
pushing State-run firms to pay out more
dividends, go in for buybacks and acquire
stakes in other State-owned firms to meet

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its fiscal deficit targets, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the dwindling of ONGC's cash reserve had adversely affected its working capital requirements, if so, at what level should such reserves be ideally kept, the details thereof?

Data regarding employment in Groups 'A, B, C & D'

*124. PROF. MANOJ KUMAR JHA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the data of total number of candidates who were offered Government jobs in Group A, B, C, D in various Government Departments between May 2014 to May 2019;

(b) the figures with respect to the number of sanctioned posts in Group C and D in various Government Departments and how many posts of Group C and D are lying vacant out of these; and

(c) the figures of employment growth in the unorganized sector between November 2016 to March 2018 and also the figures of employment growth in unorganized sector between June 2004 to March 2009?

Fire at coaching centre in Gujarat

*125. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that appropriate ladders could have saved the lives of students of coaching centre in Surat, Gujarat devastated by fire and fire brigade had no ladders to save the students trapped on fourth floor of the building;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government proposes to ensure that fire brigades throughout the country do have all the necessary fire fighting equipments including ladders in position; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Establishing new central forensic laboratories

*126. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has set up new central forensic laboratories in the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised in the upgradation of existing central forensic laboratories and for establishing new laboratories in the last three years?

Revival of Air India

*127. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any intention to revive Air India after the disinvestment initiative did not receive proper response from the interested parties;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the revival package shall have the package of clearing the debt of over ₹ 55,000 crore in the event of revival; and

(d) what measures the proposal is likely to have to avoid recurrence of similar situation in future?

Quality checks for government accommodations for MPs

†*128. SHRI RAKESH SINHA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government undertakes a quality check of the work being done by the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) in government accommodations of Members of Parliament;

(b) whether the said work is allotted through open tender of the department; and

(c) whether Government proposes to take any step to ensure quality control which is affected due to the nexus between officers of the department and contractors?

Security concerns on allowing private drones

*129. SHRIMATI SHANTA CHHETRI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that security agencies have raised concerns about allowing private drones;

(b) whether Government has directed drone companies to install a safety chip to switch off drones remotely; and

(c) if so, the details thereof to ensure safety and security?

Arrests made with and without warrant in Delhi

*130. SHRI TRIUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of arrests made with warrant in Delhi during the last three years; and

(b) the number of arrests made without warrant in Delhi during the last three years?

Targets under PMUY in Uttar Pradesh

*131. DR. ASHOK BAJPAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether annual targets for providing gas connections under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) were fixed for Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof for last two years;

(c) whether targets were achieved accordingly; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Crimes committed against persons belonging to SCs, STs, OBCs and others

*132. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total crimes committed against persons belonging to SCs, STs, OBCs and others, State-wise in the years 2016, 2017 and 2018;

(b) the crime rate against persons belonging to SCs, STs, OBCs and others, State-wise in the years 2016, 2017 and 2018;

(c) whether it is a fact that crime rate against SC and ST communities has increased in the last three years, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to ensure protection of Scheduled Castes and

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Scheduled Tribes in the last three years and the current year?

Revision of norms for SDRF and NDRF

*133. SHRI K.C. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the existing State Disaster Relief Fund (SDRF) guidelines have lived their life in view of cost escalation, inflation etc.;

(b) whether Government of Karnataka has submitted its views for revising the items and assistance norms for State Disaster Relief Fund (SDRF) and National Disaster Relief Fund (NDRF); and

(c) if so, the details thereof and what action Central Government has taken on the same?

Innovative construction materials

*134. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is encouraging use of new innovative construction material in construction activities, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether use of such new technology will have any edge over old construction technology, quality-wise and cost-wise; and

(c) whether the same technology is being used in urban and rural housing?

Projects of Smart Cities

*135. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 2342 projects of Smart Cities worth ₹ 90,929 crores have been tendered as of November end, 2018 of which 1675 projects worth ₹ 51,866 crores are under implementation or have been completed;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a whopping 67 per cent of the projects have either just been tendered or are yet to go through the process; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

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DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General.

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(Ministry-wise)

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