RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Tuesday, February 12, 2019/Magha 23, 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

Special Category Status to Andhra Pradesh

- *91. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) when Government of Andhra Pradesh agreed for Special Assistance Package (SAP) in place of Special Category Status (SCS);
- (b) the reasons given for accepting Special Assistance Package and denying Special Category Status;
- (c) when Government of Andhra Pradesh, after accepting SAP, asked Government of India to repeal/suspend/ terminate/keep in abeyance the SAP and grant SCS and the reasons given for the same; and
- (d) the present status of granting SCS to Andhra Pradesh?

Unsafe abortions

- *92. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) the estimated percentage of unsafe abortions performed in the country;
- (b) the reasons therefor and whether poor access to abortion services is one of the reasons;
- (c) the details of the number of public healthcare centres with trained abortion providers, State-wise;
- (d) whether there is a shortage of trained abortion providers in public healthcare, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps Government has taken to spread awareness about legal validity of abortion, campaign about safe abortion services in public health facilities and act against illegal abortion providers?

Shortage of medical forensic experts in India

- *93. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of registered forensic pathologists in India;
- (b) whether India is facing a serious shortage of doctors who perform forensic autopsies, if so, steps taken to increase number of forensic pathologists;
- (c) the steps taken by Government to ensure that autopsies are done by trained skilled medical graduates;
- (d) the number of autopsies performed in last three years in private medical colleges, year-wise and State-wise;
- (e) the steps taken by MCI to ensure skill transfer and exposure to forensic postgraduates especially in private medical colleges; and
- (f) autopsy rate and percentage of autopsies that resulted in conviction of the accused?

Medical facilities for mentally-ill homeless people

- *94. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is aware that there is a large number of homeless people who are suffering from mental illness, languishing on pavements etc. in Mumbai, National Capital and other Metros of the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action Government has taken or proposes to take to provide medicare and other facilities to such mentally-ill homeless people in the country?

New renewable energy plants in the country

- †*95. MS. SAROJ PANDEY: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether new and renewable energy plants have been established in the country for protection of environment during the last three years; and
- (b) if so, the location of these plants in the country along with their generation capacity?

Impact of high GST on Hotel tariff

- *96. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that there is 28 per cent GST on hotel rooms whose rent is ₹ 7,500 or more and 18 per cent for rooms between ₹ 2,500 and ₹ 7,500;
- (b) whether it is also a fact the GST rates are on much higher side which impact flow of tourism into the country;
- (c) whether Ministry has ever taken up this before the GST Council for reducing the same; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Fraudulent withdrawal from banks by cyber criminals

- †*97. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the complaints of withdrawing money illegally from bank accounts by cyber criminals are increasing constantly;

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

- (b) the amount withdrawn from the accounts of account holders illegally during the last three years from various banks, fraudulently;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the amount withdrawn illegally by cyber criminals from the accounts has to be borne by the account holders only and not by the banks; and
- (d) the number of lapses of cyber security which happened due to carelessness of banks?

Reimbursement of CGHS beneficiaries

- *98. SHRI HARSHVARDHAN SINGH DUNGARPUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Members of Parliament and their families who are CGHS Card Holders in Rajasthan can avail all OPD/ Ordinary/emergency medical facilities from the nearest place i.e. from empanelled or any private hospitals in Ahmedabad and get reimbursement from Parliament;
- (b) if so, the details of empanelled and other private hospitals in Ahmedabad; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Second round of power purchase agreement auction

- *99. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is contemplating second round of 2,500 MW medium-term Power Purchase Agreement auction;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the power sector is facing stress due to coal shortage and other issues; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Anaemia in women

- *100. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is aware that 51.4 per cent of Indian women in the reproductive age group are anaemic;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with data for the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Minority Communities; and
- (c) whether Government has taken or proposes to take any measures for reducing the instances of anaemia among women in reproductive age group, if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of recommendations of Sachar Committee

- *101. SHRI BINOY VISWAM: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the steps taken by Government during the last three years to implement the recommendations made by Sachar Committee Report;
- (b) whether Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas have been opened in Muslim populated areas in the last three years;
- (c) whether any Equal Opportunity Commission (EOC) has been set up in the last three years to look into the grievances regarding discrimination by Government, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether civil rights centres have been opened in any University as per the follow up action, if so, the details thereof?

Details of NPAs of PSBs

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

- (a) the details of total increase in NPAs of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) in percentage since March, 2014 till 31st December, 2018, bank-wise;
- (b) the details of total NPAs in terms of rupees as on 31st January, 2019, PSB-wise; and
- (c) the details of NPAs of more than ten crores against the wilful defaulters as on 31st January, 2019, PSB-wise?

Action by ED for violating money laundering laws

- *103. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether around 1400 companies are under the scanner of Enforcement Directorate (ED) for violating money laundering laws;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has initiated any action against these companies and its owners to prevent the owners of the companies from escaping the country till the investigations are over;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Overcharging by the Private Hospitals

*104. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH DULLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps Government is taking to cap the fixed cost of operations in private hospitals so as to stop overcharging by such hospitals;
- (b) whether Government is deliberating on bringing MRP concept on various services being offered by these hospitals; and
- (c) the remedial steps Government is taking to tackle the issue in view of the general public being duped by such shops/ nursing homes being opened on daily basis?

Heavy investments abroad by Indians post-demonetisation

- *105. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has noticed a huge jump in foreign investments by Indian individuals immediately after demonetisation in 2016, if so, the details of such investments; and
- (b) whether persons including his family members who have accumulated funds abroad are proposed to be barred from holding any public office and getting loans from bank etc. as a form of punishment to check and to unearth black money by Indians abroad?

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