

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Friday, December 13, 2019/Agrahayana 22, 1941 (Saka)

(Ministries : Agriculture and Farmers Welfare; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Commerce and Industry; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying; Food Processing Industries; Panchayati Raj; Railways; Rural Development; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship)

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Skill development training in Rajasthan and West Bengal

*271. DR. ABHISHEK MANU SINGHVI: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of institutions providing training in skill development in the States of West Bengal and Rajasthan, district-wise;
- (b) the skills in which the youth in the States of Rajasthan and West Bengal are being trained in; and
- (c) whether the Ministry has taken any steps for skill mapping of the skill expertise existing in different parts of the country, if not, the reasons therefor?

been digitized, State-wise and the percentage of land records yet to be digitized;

(b) whether digitization has reduced property fraud and if so, to what percentage, State-wise and year-wise details thereof in the last five years;

(c) whether steps are being taken by Government to spread awareness about the benefits of this digitization, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken for the digitization of land records of farmers who have not registered their property due to high registration fees and have no legal claim on their property?

Vacant posts of Scientists in ICAR

*272. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of land records that have

†*273. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is aware of

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the fact that a large number of posts of Agriculture Scientists are lying vacant since long in Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether ICAR is being provided with the funds proportional to the budget sought by the Council in view of requirements and challenges of agriculture sector?

Implementation of BGREI in Odisha

*274. DR. AMAR PATNAIK: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI) in Odisha;

(b) the production technologies introduced in the State to improve the condition of the paddy-growing farmers; and

(c) the budgetary allocation made under the initiative in the State of Odisha for the last three years?

Railway bridge accidents in Maharashtra

*275. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of accidents due to railway bridge collapse that occurred in Mumbai and Maharashtra during the last three years;

(b) the number of people killed due to these accidents; and

(c) whether sufficient steps have been taken to prevent such accidents, if so, the details thereof?

Growing trade deficit

†*276. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that trade deficit of India is constantly growing;

(b) the percentage of increase of India's trade deficit during the last three years;

(c) the percentage of trade deficit with China during the last three years; and

(d) the steps taken towards the balance of trade during the last three years?

Revamping of fertilizers producing PSUs

*277. SHRI MANISH GUPTA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the consumption of both nitrogenous and phosphatic fertilizers in the country and its growth rate;

(b) whether the country is self-sufficient in fertilizers, if so, the percentage participation of the public and private sector in production in the country, along with the details thereof; and

(c) whether any fertilizer-producing PSUs have become dysfunctional and whether Government is initiating any action to revamp them, if so, the details thereof?

Stalled Majerhat bridge completion

*278. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Majerhat

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bridge completion is stalled due to objection from Railways; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Minimum wages for women farmers

*279. SARDAR BALWINDER SINGH BHUNDER: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the women engaged in agriculture sector in the States of Punjab and Haryana are not being paid minimum wages;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by Government to remove such problems; and

(d) the extent to which these problems have been removed as a result thereof?

Farming of jute and sanai

†*280. SHRI REWATI RAMAN SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the farmers can become self-dependent by opting for farming of jute and sanai;

(b) whether it is also a fact there is a growing demand of jute and sanai cultivation;

(c) if so, the concrete measures being adopted by Government to sensitise farmers regarding this fact along with the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Transferring new railway tracks to GRP

*281. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that new railway tracks have not been handed over to Government Railway Police (GRP); and

(b) if so, the steps which have been taken by Railway authorities to hand over the new railway lines to GRP in districts of Odisha?

Adverse effect of fertilizers on human health

*282. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware of adverse effect of fertilizers on human health;

(b) whether the Ministry has received any proposals to encourage bio-fertilizers instead of chemical fertilizers; and

(c) if so, whether the Ministry has undertaken any impact study of the same, if so, the details thereof?

Status of Railway projects listed in Railway Pink Book

*283. DR. SASMIT PATRA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the projects listed in Railway Pink Book but not commissioned till date that fall in the State of Odisha and also those that are dropped from the Pink Book as on date; and

(b) the reasons therefor?

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Pendency in settlement of claims

*284. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that inspite of the timely payment of premiums, the insurance companies are unable to settle the claims and there is a huge pendency of settlement of claims of the farmers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has taken cognizance of this issue and taken corrective measures in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Compensation to farmers affected from crop loss due to excessive rains

†*285. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the crop-wise assessment of affected agriculture produces due to excessive rains in monsoon season of the year 2019, State-wise, and the amount sanctioned by the State and Central Government respectively towards compensation for affected farmers; and
- (b) the special measures adopted to achieve the target set for doubling the income of farmers with reference to the above situation?

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