

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, November 20, 2019/Kartika 29, 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

New international airport near Bhubaneswar

*31. SHRI SASMIT PATRA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is considering to construct a new international airport near Bhubaneswar;

(b) if so, what is the status of the said project;

(c) how much of budgetary allocation has been made towards this project; and

(d) by when this project would be commissioned?

Long queues at IGL stations in Delhi

*32. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of long queues at Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) stations in Delhi;

(b) if so, what steps Government has taken to reduce the number of queues at stations;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government has formulated any scheme in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Punishment for drunken driving

†*33. SHRI NARAYAN RANE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any other provision of giving any stricter punishment for drunken driving other than the punishment prescribed in the law by the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) the State-wise number of people who have been punished stringently for drunken driving during the last three years and the details of such stringent punishment?

Restoration of normalcy in Kashmir Valley

*34. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(a) whether it is a fact that Government schools and colleges are open in the Kashmir Valley but the attendance is very thin and parents are not able to send their wards, due to restrictions;

(b) if so, efforts taken by Government to lift restrictions and to facilitate the wards to attend schools and colleges;

(c) whether the medical services and hospital functions in the Valley are fully restored, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by what time, normalcy would be fully restored in the whole Valley?

Prices of petroleum products

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

(a) whether it is a fact that global crude oil prices have risen considerably during the year 2019, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether some sanction on supply of crude oil has resulted in decline in supply as well as rise in oil prices; and

(c) the details of the action being proposed by Government to alleviate the sufferings of the common man due to increase in the prices of cooking gas, petrol and diesel?

Upgradation of Raipur domestic airport to international airport

†*36. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the status of progress made with respect to upgradation of Raipur domestic airport to that of an international airport;

(b) the action taken by the Central Government in collaboration with the State Government of Chhattisgarh to resolve the various pending issues for the development/upgradation of Raipur airport; and

(c) the quantum of fund allocated/proposed to be allotted for this purpose?

Legislation on NRC

*37. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Register of Citizens (NRC) provides citizenship to immigrants of six non-Muslim faiths;

(b) if so, the grounds on which such a legislation has been made; and

(c) whether Government has proposed measures to the given legislation in order to accommodate the true essence of NRC which is to detect all illegal immigrants irrespective of caste, creed, colour or religion?

Political leaders detained during lockdown in Kashmir

*38. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of political leaders detained during the lockdown in Kashmir from 4th August, 2019 to 1st November, 2019; and

(b) the number of persons still under detention in the Union Territory of Kashmir?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Divestment of stake of Air India

*39. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to divest 100 per cent stake of the national carrier Air India; and

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

Social Security Code, 2019

*40. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to launch new Social Security Code, 2019 for the betterment of workers, if so, the main features thereof;

(b) whether Government has sought the views of different trade unions and stakeholders and how many of them have responded, the details thereof; and

(c) whether some of the stakeholders and trade unions have opposed some of the features of the Code as it is not likely to benefit the workers and how Government is going to reconcile with it, the details thereof?

Implementation of the Sheela Bhide Committee recommendations

*41. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether apportionment of assets and liabilities and division of employees in respect of 85 and 61 institutions has been completed as recommended by the Sheela Bhide Committee;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Privatisation of Air India and Air India Express

*42. DR. SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to privatise the Air India and Air India Express; and

(b) if so, the steps taken in this process of privatisation so far?

Remotely Piloted Aircraft System

*43. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of registrations issued by Government pertaining to Remotely Piloted Aircraft System (RPAS) commonly known as drones, State-wise;

(b) whether Government has developed a system in which each of the operators of drones is recognised and tracked, if so, details thereof;

(c) guidelines issued by Government regarding use, purchase and selling of drones and accountability in case of any accidents;

(d) amount of funds sanctioned/ allocated by Government for this purpose; and

(e) whether the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) is keeping track of all the drones which are being used in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Law suits faced by M/o Petroleum and Natural Gas

*44. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many law suits the Ministry is facing in various High Courts and the Supreme Court as of 31st August, 2019;

(b) the statistics of these cases that have been filed and since when High Court-wise and Department-wise;

(c) how many of these law suits are filed by Government Departments/ Government establishments or State Governments; and

(d) whether the Ministry has evolved any structured mechanism to minimise the number of law suits being filed, if so, the

nature of the same and if not, the reasons therefor?

Enforcing EPF and MP Act, 1952 in private service centres

*45. SHRI AHMAD ASHFAQUE KARIM: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether almost all multinational companies have their own service centres for attending the grievances of the customers; and

(b) whether the Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has been ensuring that all eligible employees working in these service centres are being enrolled to the membership under the EPF and Miscellaneous Provisions (MP) Act, 1952 and schemes framed thereunder from their due dates, if not, the reasons therefor?

NEW DELHI;
The 14th November, 2019
Kartika 23, 1941 (Saka)

DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General.

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(Ministry-wise)

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