

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, November 27, 2019/Agrahayana 6, 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

RCS-UDAN in Odisha

*91. SHRI AMAR PATNAIK: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of implementation of the RCS-UDAN routes connecting Jeypore, Utkela, Rourkela and Jharsuguda airports in Odisha;

(b) whether Government has identified the causes for lack of valid bids for regional airports under this scheme;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to improve the commercial viability of routes among the regional airports in Odisha?

Guidelines for air cargo service

*92. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to bring the rate of air cargo service lower in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that booking and

collection of air cargo is more tedious and a common man can not avail the service due to high rate and tedious process; and

(d) if so, whether there is any proposal to amend guidelines for booking/delivery of air cargo?

General strike on January 8, 2020

*93. SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the major national trade unions of the country have announced general strike on January 8, 2020, if so, the main demands of the trade unions;

(b) what are the major issues that have led to the announcement of such a strike and what are Government's comments on those issues;

(c) whether Government is planning to call meeting of the trade unions to address these issues; and

(d) in what way Government is planning to prevent the move for a general strike by trade unions?

Steel industry under debt burden

*94. SHRI MANISH GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the steel industry in the country is heavily debt burdened, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether rising raw material costs, power costs and global competition is slowing production and demand, if so, the measures being initiated by Government to obviate these difficulties;

(c) whether the targets for achieving a higher steel production capacity of around 300 million tonnes by 2030-31 is making progress, as the present capacity is less than 100 million tonnes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Lack of basic facilities in slums

*95. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large percentage of slum population in the country still lives without any basic facilities/amenities including access to clean drinking water and sewage disposal as per the latest census;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating slum population and number of households living in slums without basic facilities and the number of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes therein, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of schemes/programmes run by Government to provide basic facilities/amenities to slum dwellers; and

(d) the details of funds allocated for the purpose and targets fixed and achieved during each of the last three years?

Utilisation of non-used airports

*96. SHRI JOSE K. MANI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has 32 training institutes that produce about 300 pilots every year against the requirement of 800 a year with Indian carriers forced to hire expat pilots presently;

(b) whether a Committee headed by a ex-IAF Chief Fali H. Major is working on a proposal to utilise a large number of non-operational or sparingly used airports to set up for pilot training; and

(c) whether pilot training in the country is more expensive than many other countries because of taxation and fuel for the trainer aircraft and if so, whether Government would consider subsidising trainee pilots on merit basis?

Steel Scrap Policy

*97. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to introduce Steel Scrap Policy in the country, if so, the details thereof alongwith the date of its introduction;

(b) the salient features of the Policy and which items are going to be included in the policy, item-wise details thereof;

(c) whether Government has fixed any scrap centres in the country, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government has fixed any incentive on the sale of scrap, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Privatisation of major airports in the country

†*98. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved the proposal of privatisation of some major airports in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether people of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes would continue to get reservation in the private/to be privatised airports, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether profitability of the Airports Authority of India was affected by privatisation of airports of Delhi and Mumbai earlier, if so, the details thereof?

Registration of migrated labourers

*99. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any initiative to develop a mechanism for the registration of migrated labourers at source and destination location to prepare a data bank and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government is considering to take any steps to ensure the transfer of documents such as ration card and BPL cards from one State to another so that the migrated labourers could avail the benefits of these services at their destination places and if so, the details thereof?

Exploitation of home garment workers

*100. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of exploitation of home

garment workers by subcontractors and fashion brands; and

(b) the steps taken by the Ministry to remedy and prevent such exploitation?

Assessment of requirement of skilled labour force

*101. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of people are unemployed in the country;

(b) if so, the number of registered unemployed people, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of employment opportunities created in the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether Government has carried out any assessment with regard to requirement of skilled labour force for different activities; and

(e) if so, the various steps taken by Government to provide the necessary skills to the unemployed youths along with the number of such youths benefited through the said schemes during the last three years and the current year, year-wise?

Non-registration of FIRs for snatching in Delhi

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

(a) whether Government is aware that Delhi Police does not register FIRs of snatching cases committed in National Capital and where registered, theft is registered instead of snatching case;

(b) if so, details thereof and reasons behind doing so;

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(c) whether it is a fact that when a victim goes to police station or police post the policemen misbehave and abuse victims instead of registering FIRs; and

(d) what action Government has taken or proposes to take to deal with such cases and action proposed to be taken against abusive police personnel and those who do not register FIRs?

Lack of facilities in detention centres

*103. DR. SANTANU SEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of people currently living in detention camps in the State of Assam;

(b) the total number of people who have died in the detention camps due to medical or any other conditions;

(c) whether it is a fact that the detention camps in Assam lack even the most basic facilities and medical care; and

(d) the details of the facilities provided?

Production and demand of natural gas

†*104. MS. SAROJ PANDEY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of natural gas per annum in the country at present and whether this is sufficient in view of the domestic demand;

(b) the steps taken by Government to increase this production and to open new natural gas reserves; and

(c) the estimated increase in production of natural gas per year till 2022 in the country?

Status of the projects under Smart Cities Mission

*105. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that, a recent report brought out by the 'Smart Cities Council India' on the project across the country claims that the projects are progressing at a very good pace;

(b) if so, the status of the projects under the Smart Cities Mission, State-wise; and

(c) the detailed status of all the works of Belagavi Smart City Project in Karnataka?

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DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
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