

RAJYASABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
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(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 — 160

Bailout package to Pawan Hans Limited

3494. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether consistently profit earning PSU Pawan Hans Limited has become bankrupt due to the pro-corporate and anti-public sector policy of Government;

(b) whether the company has been finding it incapacitated even to disburse salary to its employees;

(c) if so, whether Government proposes to extend bailout package to the Pawan Hans Limited to retrieve the situation; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard keeping in view the fact that livelihood of thousands of employees has been at the stake?

Expansion of airports in small cities

†3495. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering

to expand airports of small cities across the country;

(b) if so, the details of airports which are going to be expanded in coming three years;

(c) whether Government is formulating plans to provide night time air services at the military airports like the one located at Pune, in collaboration with Indian Air Force;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, Government's view point, in this regard?

Setting up of water aerodrome in Nagarjuna Sagar

3496. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS:

SHRI T.G. VENKATESH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is contemplating on establishment of water aerodrome in Nagarjuna Sagar under the UDAN scheme; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

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Laser lights in airport areas

3497. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted any study to assess the problems created due to laser lights in airport areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action taken by Government for safe landing of flights at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA), Delhi?

Abolition/reduction in UDF and other charges

†3498. SHRIMATI KANTA KARDAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is contemplating on a proposal seeking the abolition or reduction in User Development Fee (UDF) and other surcharges being imposed by the Ministry, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the steps being taken by Government to provide an affordable air travel; and

(c) whether any proposal is under consideration of Government to recompensate the increasing loss of Government and private airlines, if so, the details thereof?

Routes in Jharkhand under RCS-UDAN

3499. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many routes have been allocated under the RCS-UDAN scheme in the country;

(b) if so, how many routes have been allocated in Jharkhand to connect with the nearby cities under the UDAN scheme;

(c) whether Government will plan to increase the routes under the UDAN scheme to connect Jharkhand with more cities in the coming years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Construction of airports at Deoghar and Dhalbhumgarh

3500. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to increase the number of airports in Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the current status of the construction of airports at Deoghar and Dhalbhumgarh in Jharkhand?

Hiring foreign pilots to operate domestic and international flights

3501. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether airlines operating in India have hired foreign pilots to operate domestic and international flights during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the airlines are hiring foreign pilots on exigencies only or on regular basis; and

(d) whether Government has issued any advisory to airlines to take serious initiatives to have adequate number of indigenous pilots, the details thereof?

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Developing new airports under RCS

3502. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to develop 18 new airports under the Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some State Governments had made a request to develop airports in their States with their participation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Leasing of airports to Adani Enterprises

3503. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is leasing airports to Adani Enterprises; and

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

Setting up of Aviation Multi-Skill Development Centre by AAI

3504. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) the Airports Authority of India (AAI) in collaboration with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has set up an Aviation Multi-Skill Development Centre (AMSDC);

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what are the details about other various projects undertaken by the AAI

under its CSR initiative with a particular reference to Delhi and Haryana during the last three years?

Leasing out of State owned airports in the country

3505. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had approved leasing out of three State owned airports;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government plans to lease out a total of six airports in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Inter-State air-connectivity from Bhubaneswar

3506. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) in addition to providing inter-State air-connectivity under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) component of the aviation policy, whether Government is considering to provide inter-State air-connectivity from Bhubaneswar to places like Visakhapatnam, Hyderabad and Tata Nagar; and

(b) if so, what is the timeline by when such operations can be started from Bhubaneswar?

Direct domestic flight from Bhubaneswar to different cities

3507. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN:
SHRI PRASHANTA NANDA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is going to consider direct flight from Biju Patnaik International (BPI) Airport, Bhubaneswar to cities like Shirdi, Pune, Jaipur, Ahmedabad and Allahabad;

(b) whether Government will consider flight operation to Andaman and Nicobar Islands which was operating earlier in Kolkata-Bhubaneswar-Port Blair route; and

(c) whether Government will consider flight operation to Bengaluru which was being operated earlier by Air India from Bhubaneswar to Bengaluru?

New financial model for building Greenfield Airports

3508. DR. BANDA PRAKASH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes new financial model for building Greenfield Airports to make air travel more affordable and addressing concerns over disputes related to tariff;

(b) whether Government has announced a Maximum Blended Aeronautical Yield (MBAY) system which would be decided at the beginning of the concession period, thereby protecting the concessionaire from tariff uncertainty;

(c) whether Government has increased the concession agreement period to 40 years from 30 years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Sale of entire stake in Air India

3509. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to sell its entire stake in Air India which is reverse to the earlier policy;

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

(c) whether Government is planning to sell all Air India's subsidiaries along with Air India or it wanted to sell them separately; and

(d) by when announcement made in the budget will be implemented with regard to Air India?

Airports in Jharkhand and Gujarat under UDAN scheme

3510. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has proposed any project to make all the existing airports in the country fully functional, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the names of the airports in Jharkhand and Gujarat which have been covered under the UDAN scheme for its implementation;

(c) the provision being made by the Central Government so that the benefits of these airports may reach to more and more people; and

(d) the number of airports/airstrips of Jharkhand and Gujarat States being considered under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)?

Airport expansion work held up due to environmental clearances

3511. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many airport expansion work has been held up for want of environmental clearances;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by Government to comply with the environmental norms;

(d) whether it is also a fact that Government is even considering to drop some of the expansion programme of airports due to environmental hurdles; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Status of Air India's profits

3512. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India is expected to make profits this year;

(b) if so, what measures have been implemented to achieve this; and

(c) the results of these measures?

Impact of bilateral agreements between Qatar and UAE on Indian Airlines

3513. SHRI JOSE K. MANI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether in hindsight of the revelations of the Indian investigating agency, bilateral agreements struck with Qatar and UAE on seat entitlements and ports-of-call (airports) for operations of overseas carriers, resulted in huge losses to Indian national carriers;

(b) whether both Air India and erstwhile Indian Airlines were of the firm view that traffic rights on these routes should not be enhanced and asserted that undue advantage flows to the foreign carriers as the national carriers were unable to take benefit of the 'sixth freedom' traffic right; and

(c) if so, details of the probe by India's Enforcement Directorate on this episode?

Expansion of air services in small cities

†3514. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is working to accelerate the programme of expansion of air travel services in small cities across the country;

(b) if so, the details of efforts being made in this regard;

(c) whether Government is aware of the fact that cessation of air services by Jet Airways has led to a situation whereby the air travel services for certain cities have been dispensed with in totality or merely a couple of flights or so remains available; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the plan being devised by Government for such cities?

Expansion of network of Air India

3515. SHRI JOSE K. MANI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether with significant drop in overseas capacity due to grounding of a major Indian private carrier, Air India plans to take advantage by expanding its network to destinations like Nairobi, Hongkong and Bali;

(b) whether Air India has sought to secure unused flying rights of the grounded private carrier to cities like Dubai, Doha and London;

(c) whether Air India has now re-deployed its Dreamliner jets to

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Gulf-Mumbai sector earlier serving the Gulf-Kochi sector; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Increasing flights in North-Eastern Region

3516. SHRI RONALD SAPA TLAU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan by Government to increase flights in the North-Eastern Region under new UDAN scheme to ease the pathetic air connectivity, State-wise;

(b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has made any serious efforts in opening up the North-Eastern skies for the private companies to operate so as to have equal opportunities with Government owned Air India; and

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

Manufacturing of passenger and cargo aircrafts in the country

3517. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to manufacture passenger and cargo aircrafts in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of aircrafts purchased/leased presently in the country by Government and private airlines?

Mishaps on runways due to rains

3518. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over the past few days several airlines have been involved in runway related mishaps;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that most of runway mishaps happened were due to rains; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

Necessity of second airport

3519. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that at least 20 cities in the country will need a second airport by 2030;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this was revealed in a finding conducted by Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to put up second airports in all those 20 cities?

DGCA focusing on pilot skills and flight experience

3520. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has grounded 12 pilots involved in six recent incidents which included tail strikes and lanes overshooting the runway;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the DGCA will focus on pilot licence currency training or requirements for recent experience that demonstrate that one's skills and flight experience are current; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Utilisation of flying capacity of airports

3521. DR. ASHOK BAJPAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether airports of metro cities are using their full capacity to fly aircrafts from their present runways;

(b) if so, the details of their present flying capacity and per cent utilisation; and

(c) the steps Government wishes to take to handle growing air traffic in future?

Sale total stake in Air India

3522. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of subsidiaries of Air India together with their functions and the details of their physical and financial performance during the last three years;

(b) whether Government has taken a decision to sell total stakes in Air India, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether disinvestment of Air India would also include disinvestment of all its subsidiaries, if so, the details thereof?

Role of AAI in privatisation of airports

3523. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken a decision to lease out some major airports to private players, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government has allocated several thousand crores recently for expansion;

(c) what would be the role of Airports Authority of India (AAI) in privatisation

of operation of these airports and the extent to which Government would gain financially;

(d) whether out of the group selected for operation, some non-metro airports have already been operating successfully, including Guwahati so far; and

(e) if so, whether the performance have been found to be satisfactory?

Militancy in Jammu and Kashmir

3524. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of increase in militancy in Jammu and Kashmir during last three years;

(b) the steps taken by Government to tackle militancy in Jammu and Kashmir;

(c) the results of the steps taken; and

(d) future plans to control militancy in the region?

Inadequate police force in comparison to crime rate

3525. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that number of police officers in the country is far less to attend to law and order problems, conduct investigations and file cases in court;

(b) whether it is a fact that despite weak strength of police force, 30 per cent sanctioned posts under different categories were vacant as per survey conducted in year 2017 and if so, reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has any plan to strengthen the police force, introduce much desired police reforms and update archaic Police Act, 1861 to bring in desired improvement in the efficiency; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Cow vigilante violence

3526. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of people beaten to death by so called cow protection groups/vigilante groups acting in the name of protecting cows, during the last three years; and

(b) the details of action taken by the police to book the culprits involved in such incidents?

National Register of Citizens in Assam

3527. SHRI DEREK O'BRIEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people who have committed suicide in Assam due to the National Register of Citizens (NRC) exercise and their details thereof;

(b) the date by which the final NRC list will be released; and

(c) Government's plan regarding the persons who will be declared illegal residents after the final list is published?

Crimes in NCT of Delhi

3528. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL:
DR. L. HANUMAN-
THAIAH:
SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH
TOMAR:
DR. D. P. VATS:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the cases of

robbery, rapes, dacoities and murders have increased during the last three months in the National Capital Territory of Delhi and NCR areas and particularly the senior citizens are being targeted;

(b) if so, the details of these crimes committed during the above period;

(c) whether it is also a fact that elderly people living in posh localities are being murdered and robbed of their belongings by various gangs in NCT of Delhi; and

(d) if so, what steps Government has taken or proposes to take to curb these crimes?

People excluded from NRC in Assam

†3529. SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:
CH. SUKHRAM SINGH
YADAV:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people excluded from draft National Register of Citizens (NRC) in Assam, till date;

(b) the present status of people who have been excluded from the said draft; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the people who are actually foreigners have already left Assam and fled to other States before being included in NRC draft and getting apprehended by local administration?

Police involved in trapping people in fake cases

†3530. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH
YADAV:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:

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SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the police in National Capital Region, Delhi is found involved in certain such cases wherein they have formed gangs and are illegally extracting the money from people for a long time by threatening them to get trapped into fake cases;

(b) whether it is also a fact that increasing crime incidents are being continuously recorded in the country and National Capital of Delhi; and

(c) whether Government would consider to take steps towards 'Police Reforms' in order to make policing system more proactive?

Peaceful resolution of Kashmir issue

3531. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of security personnel and militants killed so far in Jammu and Kashmir since January, 2019;

(b) whether Government has chalked out any plan for the peaceful resolution of Kashmir issue which is pending for the last several decades; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when it is likely to be resolved?

Law and order situation in Delhi

3532. DR. AMEE YAJNIK:
SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH
TOMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that law and order situation in Delhi is deteriorating for the last few months and the cases of serious crimes such as murder, robbery and theft are increasing; and

(b) if so, whether any specific instructions have been issued by the Central Government to the State Government of NCT of Delhi to improve the security situation in National Capital and to take action against the culprits?

Incidents due to Tik Tok videos

3533. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any untoward incidents or repercussions have come to the notice of Government due to Tik Tok videos;

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

(c) whether Government has taken or proposes to take any stringent action in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Steps to facilitate reporting of cyber crimes

3534. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH MANHAS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether cyber crimes have increased in recent years;

(b) whether Government has taken any steps to facilitate reporting of such crimes by the citizens; and

(c) if so, what are the details and status of its implementation?

**Strength of women personnel in
Delhi Police**

3535. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the strength of women personnel in Delhi police is very low;

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

(c) the strength of women personnel in absolute and as percentage of total strength of Delhi Police; and

(d) whether Government proposes to set up women-only police stations in Delhi and if so, the details thereof?

**Development reports regarding
Hyderabad-Karnataka region**

3536. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of annual development reports presented regarding Hyderabad-Karnataka region under Article 371 (J) during last five years;

(b) the total funds released from Centre and utilised for this region during last three years; and

(c) the number of persons recruited under this article from this region, the number of seats offered for various professional courses for this region during last three years?

**Prisoners deprived of fundamental
rights**

†3537. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number

of prisoners in most of the jails in the country are more than the corresponding available space therein;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that prisoners are deprived of their fundamental rights in most of the jails;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there have been incidents of the murder of prisoners in jails in last few years; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken by Government to improve the conditions in jails and to make them safe?

**Harassment to women after befriending
them on social media**

3538. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note of the fact that cases of sexual harassment and blackmailing of women after befriending them on social media is increasing in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has taken any initiative to tackle such cases; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Increase in terrorist incidents in J&K

†3539. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH NAGAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that terrorist incidents have increased in Jammu and Kashmir as compared to earlier times;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, the number of terrorist attacks in Jammu and Kashmir, civilians killed and Jawans martyred in those attacks during last three years?

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Human trafficking network

3540. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified a human trafficking network for sending people to Australia and different countries through the Kerala sea route;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number and details of people illegally trafficked to various terrorist groups during the last three years from the country, State-wise details thereof?

Complaints against cow vigilantes

3541. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints/cases registered against cow vigilantes during the last three years, State-wise details thereof; and

(b) the number of people died and injured in the attack by cow vigilantes during last three years, the State-wise details thereof?

Direction regarding wilful bank loan defaulters

3542. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has issued any direction to the Bureau of Immigration for not allowing promoters of companies who have defaulted on their bank loans to leave the country;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what other measures have been taken in the last three years to ensure that wilful

bank loan defaulters are not allowed to escape the country?

Changing the name of West Bengal

3543. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to bring a Constitutional amendment to change the name of West Bengal to Bangla as proposed by the West Bengal Government;

(b) if so, the timeline for the name; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Persons killed in LWE linked violence

3544. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that at least 150 persons have been killed in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) linked violence across the country, so far in 2019;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that over the five years upto April, 2019, there have been 942 naxal/maoist attacks; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Post of police personnel lying vacant

3545. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of sanctioned posts of police personnel are lying vacant across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State and UT-wise;

(c) whether these vacancies are one of the reasons for alarming increase in crime graph in the country; and

(d) if so, what action Government has taken or proposes to take to fill up the vacant posts of police personnel in the country particularly in Maharashtra and National Capital?

Policy to deal with naxalites, maoists and insurgent groups

3546. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has a national policy in place to deal with naxalites, maoists and other insurgent groups who have either surrendered or wish to surrender and join the mainstream of the Nation;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government proposes to formulate and implement a special surrender scheme for the maoists operating in Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Maharashtra; and

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

Central database of disaster combat tools

3547. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any decision to build a central database of disaster combat tools;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether building such a database will facilitate quick response in any disaster; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Special Central Assistance for LWE affected districts

‡3548. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts of Chhattisgarh under 'Special Central Assistance for most Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts', the details thereof; and

(b) the details of amount allocated and issued to Chhattisgarh under the said scheme?

Release of special development fund for backward districts of Andhra Pradesh

3549. SHRI T. G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government is drawn to the matter of release of special development package funds to be released to seven backward districts of Andhra Pradesh for the year 2017-18 as per Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 which is pending with the Ministry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for inordinate delay in releasing the funds; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to release the balance funds to the State of Andhra Pradesh?

Modern equipments to SDRF

3550. DR. SASIKALA PUSHPA RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any steps to augment the efforts of State

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Governments in providing modern equipments to State Disaster Response Force (SDRF);

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Detention Centres in the country

3551. DR. SASIKALA PUSHPA RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formulated new manual for 'Detention Centres' across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has included various aspects in the new manual with special focus on women detenus;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Guest teachers in NDMC schools

3552. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether guest teachers in New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) schools are continuing for the last several years;
- (b) whether they are eligible for regularisation;
- (c) whether any service audit for their regularisation is being contemplated; and
- (d) by when they would be regularised?

Increasing incidents of mob lynching

3553. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been a steep rise in the incidents of mob

lynching, particularly cow vigilante violence in the country during last three years;

- (b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to ensure law and order and effectively control such violence; and
- (c) whether Government plans to bring any special law to prevent the increasing violence?

Vacancies in CAPFs

3554. SHRI K. R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has initiated an action plan to fill up the vacancies in Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government had fixed any time-frame to complete the said job; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Committee to look into lynching incidents

3555. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the data on lynching incidents reported during last three years, State-wise and year-wise and details of any relief/protection or compensation provided to the victims;
- (b) whether the high-level committee constituted by Central Government to look into such incidents has submitted its report, what have been its findings, if not, reasons for delay in submitting report;
- (c) if report was submitted, what have been the recommendations, the details of the recommendations and what legal

framework has been laid down, the details of framework; and

(d) whether recommendations have been implemented, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Inclusion of languages in Eighth Schedule

‡3556. SHRI R. K. SINHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has taken cognisance of the demands of people for the inclusion of Bhojpuri, Marwari and Bhoti languages in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution;

(b) whether the Central Government is aware of the fact that these three languages are already notified as official language in three other countries;

(c) the steps taken by the Central Government to recognise the said languages as official languages that are provided in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution; and

(d) by when the above languages would be recognised as official language?

Naxal violence in the country

3557. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that naxal violence in various parts of the country has gone up;

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

(c) whether the Union Government has taken steps for rehabilitation of people who gave up their naxal activities; and

(d) if so, the details of such supportive measures including income generation opportunities provided to them by the Union Government?

Incident of extremist violence and resultant deaths

3558. DR. K.V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the extremist/naxal violence incidents and resultant deaths decreased considerably during last three years as compared to previous years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is a fact that in certain States, the incident and resultant deaths were high as compared to previous years?

Enhancing annual allocations under SDRF

‡3559. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government intends to enhance the annual allocation of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) for 2016-17 and subsequent years in proportion to increase in criterion; and

(b) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

Trafficking of women and children

3560. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of cases of trafficking of women and children is increasing every year as per the report of National Crime Records Bureau;

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(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that in majority of cases, trafficked women and children are untraceable;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the total number of cases of missing girls and children traced during the last three years;

(e) whether Government has set up rehabilitation centres to help those who are abducted and traced; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Commission on suspicious death of leaders

3561. SARDAR SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to constitute any Commission on the suspicious death of Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherji and Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay;

(b) whether Government has received requests from various quarters in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Illegal entry of Rohingya Muslims

3562. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many Rohingya Muslims entered India illegally and since when, year-wise details thereof;

(b) names of the States where they are residing and number of such persons in each State;

(c) what is Government's stand on their illegal entry and stay and whether Government is giving any facilities to them, if so, how much and for how long; and

(d) what are chances of their repatriation to Myanmar?

Birth and death registration in Madhya Pradesh

†3563. SHRI AJAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the registration of birth and death in record is being carried out by Government through online process;

(b) if so, whether the payment of salary to Data Entry Managers in Madhya Pradesh has been put on hold; and

(c) if so, whether it would not adversely affect the online registration of said records and the details of alternate arrangement, if any?

Financial powers of CAPFs

3564. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to enhance financial powers of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that in the absence of much needed financial powers, many Central Armed Police Forces were not able to meet their day-to-day needs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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Implementation of CCPWC scheme

3565. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRA-SEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the implementation of the 'Cyber Crime Prevention against Women and Children' (CCPWC) scheme in the country;

(b) the steps taken by Government regarding cyber crime against women and children, particularly the elimination of online child sexual abuse material, rape imagery and other offensive material; and

(c) whether Government is setting up online central reporting mechanism for lodging complaints of cyber crime and if so, the details thereof?

Return of Kashmiri Pandits to the valley

3566. SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had in year 2014 promised that they would ensure Kashmiri Pandits to return to the land of their ancestors with full dignity and security and assured them livelihood; and

(b) how many families have returned to the valley since year, 2014?

Attacks on journalists

3567. SHRI G.C. CHANDRA-SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of attacks on journalists have been rising in the country;

(b) whether India has been lowered by two ranks to 140 in the World Press Freedom Index, 2019, compiled by Reporters without Borders;

(c) if so, the details thereof during the past three years, State-wise;

(d) whether Press Council of India has constituted any committee to study increasing incidents of attacks on journalists;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the findings/recommendations of the Committee along with the action taken thereon; and

(f) the steps being taken by Government to ensure freedom of press in the country?

Expansion of paramilitary forces

3568. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has undergone one of the fastest expansions of paramilitary security forces in the world;

(b) whether it is also a fact that India's paramilitary strength is widely believed to be over 1 million, representing some 50 per cent of the country's total armed forces; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Smuggling of gold from Myanmar border

3569. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Myanmar is turning into major transit point to smuggle gold into India;

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's response thereto; and

(c) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to increase more vigilance at Myanmar border to check illegal activities/smuggling?

Conference on capacity building of SDRF

3570. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether conference on capacity building of State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) was recently held in New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of deliberation at the conference;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government felt the need to respond effectively to growing threat of forest fires;

(d) whether the State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) are well equipped to handle forest fires effectively; and

(e) if so, the State-wise details thereof and if not, whether Government would consider providing all logistic support to SDRF to tackle increasing cases of forest fires more effectively?

Safeguarding country's secular and harmonious character

3571. SHRI BINOY VISWAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that India is fast losing its image of being a secular and tolerant Nation for people of all faith; and

(b) what efforts have been made by Government to resist communal forces and safeguard country's secular and harmonious character?

Violence against women

3572. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of cases of

violence against women like acid attack, domestic abuse, sexual assault etc., State-wise and year-wise details during last three years;

(b) whether Government has data regarding violence cases reported at hospital and same reported to police stations, cases solved and pending, State-wise and year-wise, during last three years;

(c) whether Government has done anything to provide relief or special aid to victims admitted in hospitals, if not, reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of policies to provide personal care to victims of violence and how they are enforced, if there is no policy, reasons therefor?

Housing and infrastructure facilities under IHSDP

3573. SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR:

DR. L. HANUMANTHAI AH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the housing and infrastructure facilities created under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) in the country during the last two years;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

(c) whether Government has set any target or time-limit for this purpose, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the State-wise funds allocated for this purpose during the said period, including Karnataka?

New Metro Policy

3574. SHRI K.C. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of the proposed new Metro Policy;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Central Government has declared new policy which denies the benefit of financial assistance to the States for metro projects;

(c) whether it is also a fact that with the new Metro Policy, metro projects in new cities have become bleak as finances from the Central Government will not be extended;

(d) the status of on-going and approved projects, with a particular reference to Karnataka; and

(e) the budget allocated for Bengaluru Metro for 2019-20?

Discretionary powers of the Secretary

3575. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the discretionary powers of the Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs;

(b) the details of cases wherein Secretaries of the Ministry have used their discretionary powers during the last ten years;

(c) whether the Secretary of the Ministry can allot shop(s) in Government residential colonies without inviting tender and if so, details thereof; and

(d) the details of shops allotted without tender by Secretaries of the Ministry during the last ten years in Delhi?

Ranchi as Smart City

3576. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the budgetary allocation made for the development of Ranchi as a Smart City;

(b) the amount utilized out of it for the development of Ranchi as a Smart City; and

(c) the details of the other schemes proposed for the development of Ranchi city in Jharkhand?

Houses built and handed over under PMAY (U)

3577. SHRI G.V.L. NARASIMHA RAO: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses built so far under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY (U)] so far, State-wise;

(b) how many of these houses have so far been handed over to the beneficiaries;

(c) how many of the above houses have been given completely free of cost;

(d) the number of households without a house, State-wise; and

(e) how many new houses are proposed to be constructed by the year 2022?

Targets of PMAY(U) under 2019-20 budget

†3578. MS. SAROJ PANDEY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a target to provide 1.95 crore houses till financial year 2020-22 has been fixed under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY (U)] in the 2019-20 budget, details of action plan prepared by Ministry, in this regard;

(b) whether it has also been planned to use new techniques to construct houses

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which would be helpful to save the environment, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of houses constructed through the use of 'Green-Technology' under PMAY(U) and the number of houses planned to be constructed in the coming years under it, the State-wise and year-wise details thereof?

Misuse of land in Delhi

‡3579. SHRI NARANBHAI J. RATHWA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases with regard to misuse of land have been reported in Delhi;

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

(c) the outcome of the action taken in cases of land misuse?

Green belt cities in the country

3580. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted any study to identify green belt cities in the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

(c) whether the number of trees have been counted in such green belt cities;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether satellite mapping is used for observation of green belts; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Housing for urban poor

3581. SHRI RAKESH SINHA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is Government's plans to

provide houses to homeless by the year 2022;

(b) how many houses will be provided to urban poor;

(c) what is the budget for providing houses to homeless; and

(d) how many tribal population will be covered by the year 2022?

New cities to be included under Smart Cities

3582. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering to include more cities in Smart Cities Mission;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of progress of works taken up in the cities already selected under this mission and funds allocated to them for development?

Park in Vasant Kunj Housing Society

‡3583. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new flats announced during May-June under DDA, Housing Scheme, 2019;

(b) whether 75 flats are located in B-2, Vasant Kunj, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Prime Minister has launched 'Khelo India' programme for which children need more space to play; and

(d) whether there is an arrangement of park for the children to play and exercise under New Housing Society in B-2, Vasant

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Kunj, if so, the details of area kept for the said purpose in square feet?

Status of DDA flats

†3584. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether DDA has launched flats for the common man in Delhi in May and June and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the area in square feet under which these flats have been categorised as LIG, MIG and HIG;

(c) whether price of flats in Vasant Kunj, B-2 is high and the price of flats in Vasant Kunj near Mahipalpur is low and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether DDA has kept prices of the flats high like the private builders because of which the people of Delhi have shown less interest in them and DDA had to extend the registration date?

Wastage of water in colonies

3585. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has gone towards the faulty water distribution system and huge wastage of water since past few years in various parts of the country, particularly in DDA colonies;

(b) if so, what preventive measures have been taken by Government to check the wastage of water; and

(c) whether it is a fact that water bills have not been raised to the residents till date from concerned authorities, if so, the reasons therefor?

Guidelines for real estate developers

3586. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in order to save home buyers from cheating by real estate developers, Government has issued certain guidelines;

(b) if so, the details of the guidelines and whether those are implemented by real estate developers; and

(c) whether cheating cases in this sector has reduced to a large extent, the details thereof?

Allocations under AMRUT scheme

3587. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention is drawn to the reports that funds allocated for Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme to States are not as per demand;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government is considering to raise the allocation to AMRUT scheme for early completion of developmental works in urban areas?

Facilities for sanitation workers

†3588. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the policy of equal pay for equal work is being followed for providing safety, security and pay allowances to the

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sanitation workers employed in Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U) and Smart City Mission (SCM) at par with the regular and contract workers; and

(b) the details of system put in place to ensure the payment of minimum wages, cleaning equipments for work and compliance of safety provisions under labour laws while employing sanitation workers on regular/ part time/ contractual basis?

Evictions due to demolition of slums

3589. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of slums demolished/ people evicted and the present status of rehabilitation of these evicted people; and

(b) by when they will be provided housing?

AMRUT scheme in Haryana

3590. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the cities undertaken under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme in Haryana, the details thereof;

(b) the number of projects approved and the number of projects completed till now;

(c) the working status of pending projects and the reasons for delay; and

(d) the funds allocated, utilized and targets met till date under AMRUT scheme in Haryana?

Cost of construction of houses under PMAY(U)

3591. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to enhance the cost of construction of houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY(U)];

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the cost per house now fixed is not sufficient to meet the cost of material due to all time escalation of material cost involved; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Urban homeless population in the country

3592. SHRI BINOY VISWAM: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any data on urban homeless people in the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

(c) what efforts have been made by the Central Government to resolve the issue of urban homelessness during the last five years; and

(d) the year-wise details thereof?

Migrant labourers in the country

3593. SHRI RAKESH SINHA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of migrant labourers in the country;

(b) how many of them are women migrant labourers;

(c) the number of workers who migrated from different States; and

(d) whether they get health facilities at their respective work places?

Maternity benefits to the women employees

3594. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan to reimburse the employers the cost of 14 weeks maternity leave; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the reimbursements will be made to the employers to encourage them to grant maternity benefits to the women employees in the country?

Impact on EPFO investment due to crisis in NBFCs

3595. SHRI JOSE K. MANI: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has decided to halt investment in private sector bonds, following defaults triggered by a crisis in Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs);

(b) whether the portfolio managers of the EPFO have been stringently following credit ratings from at least three of the four rating agencies *i.e.* Credit Rating Information Service of India Limited (CRISIL), CARE Ratings, ICRA and India Ratings and Research while choosing the bonds for investment of EPFO funds; and

(c) how many credit rating agencies are registered with the market regulator at present (SEBI) and the minimum ratings bench marked for EPFO investments?

Review of outdated labour laws

3596. DR. L. HANUMANTHAI AH: SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR: SHRI RAJMANI PATEL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has proposed to standardise and to review outdated labour laws and replace them with new laws;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the proposed changes;

(c) whether Government has consulted all stakeholders including industry sector in the matter, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by when the proposed changes are likely to be implemented?

Extension of coverage of ESI

3597. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS: SHRI T.G. VENKATESH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is contemplating on extending the ESI coverage benefits to more people and with this view relaxing the limit of ESI coverage from existing ₹ 5000 per month to ₹ 9000 per month;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of employees benefited by such relaxation, the details thereof?

Variation among States for wages of unskilled labour

3598. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is variation among the

States in wages offered to various types of unskilled labour in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has any proposal to make minimum wage notified by the Centre mandatory for all the States in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Central Government has received feedback from the State Governments in this regard, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the corrective steps taken by Government in this direction?

Safeguarding social security of domestic helps

3599. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of domestic helps in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Central Government would formulate any policy for safeguarding the social security of domestic helps in the country and allocate funds for the same;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Unemployed graduates in rural and urban areas

3600. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of graduates in the country who are employed as on date, State-wise;

(b) the details of rural unemployed graduates, State-wise;

(c) the details of urban unemployed graduates, State-wise;

(d) the reasons for steep rise in unemployment since 2014; and

(e) the reasons for failure of efforts to arrest rise in unemployment in the country?

Creation of jobs under 'Make in India'

3601. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of additional jobs created and people employed under the 'Make in India' initiative in the last four years, year-wise, State-wise and sector-wise data thereof;

(b) whether any review has been made to restructure the 'Make in India' initiative to increase job opportunities in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the efforts made to increase employment generation through 'Make in India' initiative, the details thereof?

Labour reforms for employment generation

†3602. MS. SAROJ PANDEY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has been stated in Economic Survey of 2019 that labour reforms are necessary for employment generation and increase in productivity, the details thereof;

(b) whether in Economic Survey 2019, the States have been ranked in view of their labour reforms and flexibility on labour laws, the details thereof; and

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(c) the details of Government proposals to implement labour reforms to pave the way for 'Ease of Doing Business'?

Implementing schemes/programmes for job creation

3603. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH DULLO: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of schemes/programmes being implemented for eradication of unemployment in the country in both rural and urban areas;

(b) the funds allocated along with total number of beneficiaries during the last three years including the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), year-wise and State/UT-wise; and

(c) the total number of jobs created in the above schemes/programmes during the last three years, State/UT-wise?

Cases of child labour

3604. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cases of child labour reported and resolved in the past three years;

(b) the statistics of the child labour situation after the implementation of Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 2016; and

(c) the details of further steps that can be implemented to prevent child labour?

Demands of trade unions

3605. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether various central trade unions have asked the Central Government to raise minimum wages, employment generation, increasing of social spending, etc. to benefit hundreds of millions of workers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the matters raised by them;

(c) whether the Central Government has considered the above said matter; and

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

Advisory guidelines to pay salary to unorganised sector

3606. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any advisory/guidelines have been issued to pay salary through Bank/digital mode to unorganised industry employees/labourers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if so, whether day to day labourers are facing problems in getting their salary through Bank/digital mode; and

(d) whether any steps have been taken to address the issues?

Unemployment in Punjab

3607. SARDAR SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that unemployment position has been substantially increased in Punjab during the last three years;

(b) what is the position of unemployment in Punjab as compared to other States; and

(c) the number of educated, skilled and unskilled unemployed persons registered with the live registers of employment exchanges as on date?

Employment scenario in the country

3608. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the employment scenario in the country at present;

(b) how many educated persons are still in search of employment; and

(c) how many jobs for educated and uneducated persons have been created during last three years?

Special recruitment drive

3609. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is conducting special recruitment programmes in order to curb the unemployment situation in the country;

(b) whether any instructions have been issued in this regard to all Ministries/ Departments on behalf of the Prime Minister;

(c) whether Government intend to fill up all vacant posts in Government services:

(d) whether Government also intend to adopt the course of direct recruitment and promotion to implement the above;

(e) if so, the achievement made so far in this regard; and

(f) whether State Governments have also been issued any guidelines in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

Facilities for temporary migrant workers

3610. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the migration patterns of workers working on a temporary basis;

(b) whether any steps are being taken to help temporary migrant workers in availing basic facilities such as schooling for children, temporary lodging, hospital services; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Expansion of ESI scheme

3611. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering to expand the coverage of Employees' State Insurance (ESI) scheme in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating present number of employees benefiting ESI scheme, particularly in Maharashtra; and

(c) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to bring more people under the ESI scheme?

Misuse of existing labour laws by industries and business firms

3612. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many industries and business firms are misusing and not adhering existing labour laws in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the details of steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government to amend existing labour laws in the country for the benefit of workers/employees?

ESI dispensaries in Kerala

3613. SHRI BINOY VISWAM: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many districts in Kerala does not have any ESI dispensaries;

(b) the district-wise details of the same; and

(c) whether Government is ready to allocate new ESI dispensaries especially in those districts which does not have any?

Insurance for gas cylinder blast victims

3614. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that oil companies provide insurance to victims of gas cylinder blast accidents;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that oil companies are not educating their customers about such insurance and not paying the compensation whenever a claim is made by kith and kin of the victims; and

(d) the number of explosions and blasts reports during the last three years, deaths reported and compensation paid?

Applications for Retail Outlets

†3615. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of the applications received from SC/ST/OBC and General category candidates for Retail Outlets (ROs) in pursuance of an advertisement promulgated in November, 2018;

(b) the details of the applications received from SCs/STs/OBCs in group-1, group-2 and group-3 and status of the petrol pump allotments being made against these applications;

(c) the total amount received from all applicants (charges, bidding fee etc.); and

(d) the State-wise number of places wherefrom the applications have not been received, so far, from SC/ST/OBC category candidates?

PNG to households in Andhra Pradesh

3616. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to provide Piped Natural Gas (PNG) to all the households in the State of Andhra Pradesh in the coming years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has roped any Oil Marketing Company (OMC) for this purpose; and

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(d) if so, the details thereof?

Sale of subsidised LPG cylinders by private companies

3617. SHRI T. G. VENKATESH:
SHRI D. KUPENDRA
REDDY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to allow private companies to sell subsidised LPG cylinders;

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

(c) whether the Central Government has formed a panel in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

PMUY in Karnataka

3618. SHRI K. C. RAMAMURTHY:
Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of domestic LPG connections issued under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana to Karnataka since implementation of the scheme, year-wise and district-wise;

(b) what are the reasons that the Ministry has put a condition on connection release capacity to only 1.5 lakh per month to OMCs;

(c) what constraints the Ministry will face, if the capacity is increased to three lakhs per month;

(d) whether Ministry is aware that OMCs are not sharing their database of gas connections with State Governments which helps in avoiding duplication; and

(e) if so, how the Ministry is planning to go ahead in this regard?

Rise in prices of petrol and diesel

†3619. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH NAGAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the prices of diesel and petrol are rising relentlessly after general elections in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when Government would roll back the hike in the prices of diesel and petrol?

Crude oil production

3620. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is to become an engine of crude oil demand growth;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government is considering to enhance the domestic production of crude oil in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Approval to Cairn-ONGC Joint Venture

3621. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has accorded approval to Cairn-ONGC JV (Joint Venture) to supply gas extracted from Rajasthan through pipeline to Gujarat;

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

(c) whether Government has received any request from Government of Rajasthan to utilise the gas extracted in Rajasthan for distribution to cities within the State;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details regarding action taken on the request of Rajasthan Government?

PM's meeting with global oil and gas experts/CEOs

3622. DR. BANDA PRAKASH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the PM held meeting with global oil and gas experts/CEOs to reduce energy cost, partnership between producers and consumers in the oil market; and

(b) if so, the details along with the outcome thereof?

Artificial petrol production through flora and fauna

†3623. SHRI NARANBHAI J. RATHWA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether artificial petrol can be produced by using flora and fauna of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Oil alliance of India and China

3624. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian and

Chinese oil ministers decided to jointly purchase crude oil from the West Asia for better bargaining power by forming an oil alliance;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) how oil alliance is possible when there is a huge difference between India and China on crude buying patterns;

(d) whether there are any plans to include Japan and Korea in the oil alliance; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Immovable property of ONGC and other oil PSUs

3625. SHRI RAKESH SINHA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how much land is owned by ONGC and other oil PSUs under the Ministry;

(b) what is the worth of immovable property of ONGC and other oil PSUs under the Ministry; and

(c) whether Government would specify the utilisation of the land owned by ONGC and other oil PSUs under it?

Progress of setting up of Barmer refinery

3626. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the road blocks in setting up of oil refinery at Barmer in Rajasthan by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) have been removed; .

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the revised expenditure likely to be incurred;

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(c) the ancillary industries that are likely to be set up near the refinery area; and

(d) whether Government has an estimate on number of people likely to get employment, directly or indirectly after the refinery is made operational?

Fresh dealership of petrol pumps/gas agencies

3627. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to issue fresh dealership of petrol pumps/gas agencies in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether sale of petroleum products is possible as Government intends to reduce the fossil fuels in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Parallel Marketing System (PMS) of LPG

3628. SHRIMATI SHANTA CHHETRI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has constituted an expert committee to look at various issues related to review of Parallel Marketing System (PMS) of LPG in the country;

(b) whether Government is looking for any specific goal or solution from the expert committee; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Petroleum reserves in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand

3629. DR. ASHOK BAJPAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new reserves of petroleum have been found in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand during the last four years;

(b) if so, the estimated potential of the said reserves;

(c) whether any new petroleum exploration work is going on in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand; and

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

Schemes for welfare of SCs

†3630. SHRIMATI KANTA KARDAM: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has issued any guidelines for proper implementation of its various ongoing schemes dedicated for the welfare of Scheduled Castes, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has set up a monitoring mechanism to ensure proper implementation of schemes by various State Governments;

(c) whether it is a fact that despite the various efforts being made by Government, a large number of people belonging to Scheduled Caste are living Below Poverty Line and they have nil assets, State-wise details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to develop a balanced and egalitarian society in India, the details thereof?

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Anomaly in reservation for OBCs

‡3631. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken a decision about the sub-categorisation of the Other Backward Castes (OBCs);

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the objectives thereof;

(c) whether any time-limit has been fixed to complete this work;

(d) whether it is a fact that even if a candidate from OBC category scores equal marks to that of a candidate from General category, yet he is considered as an OBC candidate; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor and whether Government would make an effort to address this anomaly?

Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana in Andhra Pradesh

3632. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of beneficiaries who availed the Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY) during the last two years; and

(b) the funds allocated to Andhra Pradesh under this yojana, the details thereof?

Norms for financial assistance to NGOs

3633. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether financial assistance is provided to the Non-Governmental

Organisations (NGOs) working for the welfare schemes under the Ministry;

(b) if so, what is the eligibility criterion/ licensing procedure to avail such grant or benefits;

(c) whether there is a provision for periodical review and verification of the same; and

(d) whether there is a Government portal with a list of such authentic as well as blacklisted NGOs etc. to prevent people from donating to fake organisations or being exploited otherwise?

Incentives for promotion of inter-caste marriages

3634. DR. D. P. VATS: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether incentives are provided for promotion of inter-caste marriages;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds provided to various States during the last three years and the current year; and

(c) the steps taken/efforts made to encourage inter-caste marriages in the country?

Schemes for welfare of OBCs

3635. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes being operational for the benefit of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) by the Ministry including the fund allocation made and funds utilised for these schemes during the last three years, State-wise;

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(b) the details of beneficiaries for various schemes of the Ministry for OBCs as stated in Part (a) above during last three years, State-wise, along with district-wise details for Maharashtra; and

(c) the details of the funds allocated, funds disbursed and beneficiaries of the National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC) during last three years, State-wise, State-channelising agency-wise along with district-wise details for Maharashtra?

OBC creamy layer status

3636. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention is drawn towards the demand of OBCs about their tagging of creamy layer status;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government is identifying creamy layer equivalence for Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBC) in various posts?

Old age homes

3637. SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the progress made towards the establishment of 'old age homes' in the country according to the 'Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007';

(b) the measures taken by Government to generate awareness amongst the elderly towards their rights under the act;

(c) whether Government proposes to encourage productive ageing, providing the elderly with opportunities to contribute meaningfully to the society; and

(d) if so, the details of the proposed plan thereof?

Report on sub-categorisation of OBCs

3638. SHRI G. C. CHANDRA-SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has constituted a Commission to examine sub-categorisation of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) into three sub-categories on the basis of how much benefit they have got from quotas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Commission has submitted its report to Government, if so, the details thereof and if not, the timeline of report submission;

(d) whether Government is planning to scrap the provision of creamy layer in OBC reservation; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Survey regarding manual scavenging

3639. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a NITI Aayog Survey of 163 districts in 17 States has identified 25,276 manual scavengers upto 31.12.2018, if so, whether Government has compiled a nationwide data on the number of dry latrines and the number of manual scavengers present till today;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether Government has taken measures to eradicate currently present manual scavenging completely and to rehabilitate manual scavengers;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of manual scavengers rehabilitated, with details of financial, social and employment assistance provided, State-wise?

Crossing 50 per cent limit of reservation by States

3640. DR. ASHOK BAJPAI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that some States have crossed the limit of reservation of 50 per cent as guided by the Supreme Court;

(b) if so, whether Government would ask the States to reduce it to less than 50 per cent or Government shall increase overall ratio of reservation by more than 50 per cent; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Drug abuse among children in metro cities

3641. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been conducted by Government on drug abuse among children living on streets of metro cities and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any steps are being taken to reduce drug abuse among children and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of de-addiction centres partly or fully funded by Government and managed by NGOs, the details thereof?

Civil rights of transgenders

3642. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps are being taken to uphold the civil rights of transgenders in each State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Decline of steel exports

3643. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reasons that country's finished steel exports recently fell to their lowest in the last three years as shipments to traditional markets shrank, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of the countries where steel exports declined, in the past three years and the steps taken by Government to boost steel exports, the details thereof?

Shortage of metallurgical coal for the steel industry

3644. SHRI MANISH GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether shortage of metallurgical coal for the steel industry in the country is a serious limiting factor in the development of the industry, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether power supply is irregular in some plants, if so, the actions being initiated to obviate this factor; and

(c) whether the labour force is not as productive as in most steel plants in other developed countries, if so, the reasons therefor?

Problems facing the steel industry in the country

3645. SHRI MANISH GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) what are the major problems facing the steel industry in the country, the details thereof;

(b) what is India's position in the world in respect of production of iron and crude steel, the details thereof; and

(c) whether there is lack of modern technology in most of the country's steel plants, if so, the reasons therefor?

MoU between RINL and Odisha Mining Corporation

3646. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) and Odisha Mining Corporation have entered into an MoU for getting iron ore from Gandhamardhan hills of Western Odisha to RINL;

(b) if so, the details of MoU;

(c) whether it is a fact that the ore is of low quality and needs a lot of blending to meet the quality requirements of RINL; and

(d) how much ore now RINL is getting from Bailadila mines of NMDC and to what extent ore from Odisha helps to balance ore requirement of RINL?

Expenditure incurred by NMDC on CSR

†3647. SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure incurred by National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) during the last three years;

(b) the State-wise, district-wise and work-wise details of the incurred expenditure during the said years;

(c) whether it is a fact that less funds were released for the State of Chhattisgarh under CSR during the last five years, due to which less number of people were benefited;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the expenditure of funds by NMDC under this head in Bastar, Kodagaon, Dantewada and Bachel which have plants, during the last three years?

Lease of NMDC mine in Chhattisgarh

†3648. SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of discrepancies have come to light with regard to leasing of deposit no. 13 which is operated by National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) Limited in Bachel area of Chhattisgarh;

(b) the period for which the said mine has been leased out to private sector; and

(c) the terms and conditions having been relaxed in respect of said lease, the details thereof?

Reason for high steel price

3649. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the main reason for high steel price in India despite huge good quality indigenous iron ore is the abnormally higher mining taxes, import of costly iron ore and high coking coal prices;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for such a situation;

(c) whether any effort is being made to increase the iron ore mining to stop import

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of iron ore and to avoid draining off valuable foreign exchange; and

(d) what further steps Government proposes to take to reduce the price of steel in the country?

Disinvestment of various steel plants under SAIL

3650. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has considered for disinvestment of various steel and alloy plants under Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the detail of steel plants considered for disinvestment?

Policy of steel export

3651. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of steel being exported and the revenue earned therefrom during each of the last three years;

(b) whether the export oriented policy of steel is the primary cause of high steel prices in domestic market; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken/proposed to be

taken by Government to bring down the price?

Lack of scrap for steel production

3652. SHRI G. C. CHANDRA-SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the small scale steel industries are not getting enough scrap for steel production in the country including Madhya Pradesh;

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

(c) the corrective steps taken/to be taken by Government to assist steel industry?

Scrap required for Salem steel plant

3653. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of scrap that is required for full capacity production of steel plant in Salem, Tamil Nadu that has been imported during the last five years;

(b) the details of the amount that has been paid for importing scrap for Salem steel plant in Tamil Nadu;

(c) whether Government explored the possibility of obtaining scrap locally for steel plant in Salem, Tamil Nadu;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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