#### **RAJYA SABHA**

#### List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, December 4, 2019/Agrahayana 13, 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 — 160

### Reconstruction of airport at Chitrakoot Dham

- †1761. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any plan for reconstruction of airport at 'Chitrakoot Dham' is under consideration by Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether this area is being neglected for many years; and
- (c) the number of airports where air travel has been commenced under UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik) scheme which happens to be commensurate with the statement made by Prime Minister that 'Hawai chappal wala bhi hawai yatra kar sake' (a common-man could also travel by air)?

#### Inspections done by the DGCA

1762. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total number of inspections done by the DGCA of various organisations during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) the details of the total number of Level I and II deficiencies found during these inspections;
- (c) if so, whether DGCA has issued any show cause notice to the operators for the above deficiencies, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether DGCA has taken any enforcement action against the operators for the above deficiencies?

#### Shortage of commercial pilots

- 1763. DR. SASIKALA PUSHPA RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that there is acute shortage of commercial pilots in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

- (c) whether Government is hiring foreign commercial pilots to operate Indian air carrier companies including Air India; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Growth rate for air and cargo traffic

- 1764. SHRI BINOY VISWAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there has been a decline in the year-on-year growth rate for air traffic and cargo traffic in this financial year, the data for major airports across the country;
- (b) if so, the reasons for the same and what steps have been taken to improve the growth rate?

#### Air service from Bhagalpur

- †1765. SHRIMATI KAHKASHAN PERWEEN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is considering on any scheme to start air services from Bhagalpur to various cities of the country;
- (b) if so, by when the air services from Bhagalpur will start and by when the construction work of the airport at Bhagalpur would be completed; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

### Strategic partnership for skill development

1766. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Airports Authority of

- India (AAI) has entered into a strategic partnership for skill development in the aviation sector and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the financial support extended during each of the last three years and the current year for the said purpose;
- (c) the number of youths, who have benefited from said training during the said period; and
- (d) the quantum of employment opportunity given by Government to trained youths during the said period?

#### Hiring of expat pilots

- 1767. SHRI K. J. ALPHONS: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether expat pilots are allowed to be hired by airlines;
- (b) whether Government is aware that many of these expat pilots do not have adequate knowledge about our domestic airports; and
- (c) whether this endangers the lives of passengers?

#### Promotion of domestic air travel

- 1768. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of domestic air travel of flyers during the last three years, State-wise; and
- (b) whether Government propose to launch any scheme for further expansion of existing airports opening of new airports and more parking bays in the airports for convenience of flyers, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

#### Operational airports in Madhya Pradesh

- †1769. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of airports currently operational in the State of Madhya Pradesh alongwith there expansion and the timeline by which the international flights would be operational therefrom alongwith the destinations thereof; and
- (b) the details of the date of start of air services alongwith the proposed destinations in Madhya Pradesh under the tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Government of Madhya Pradesh, the Ministry of Civil Aviation and Airports Authority of India (AAI)?

### Pending requests for development of airports

- †1770. SHRIMATI KANTA KARDAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether some State Governments have requested the Central Government to develop airports in their respective States;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

#### Enhancing the services of AAI

- 1771. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) what initiatives have been undertaken by Government during last three years for the development of Airports Authority of India (AAI);

- (b) whether Government has signed any Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)/ agreement with foreign companies to enhance the services of AAI; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### AirSeva App/portal

- 1772. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of complaints received from the Indian passengers on AirSeva App/ portal since its inception to till date;
- (b) whether Government has received number of suggestions to make the necessary changes in the passenger rights charter.
- (c) if so, whether Government is planning to revised the passenger rights charter with the suggestions received from passengers and to make Indian civil aviation more passenger friendly; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Air service agreements

- 1773. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether India and Saudi Arabia has revised their air services agreement recently and increased the weekly seat quota between both the countries;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of air services agreement India has signed with other countries since 2014 alongwith the weekly seat quota?

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#### New terminal building at Kolhapur

- 1774. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has plans to construct new terminal building and expand the existing runway at Kolhapur airport to ensure larger aircrafts to land and take off;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including the timeline to complete the works planned; and
- (c) which are the other places in the country where new airport terminal buildings are proposed to be constructed in the next three years?

#### Closure of Pakistan's airspace

- 1775. SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the closure of Pakistan's airspace following tensions due to recent frictions between India and Pakistan caused difficulties in international travel and affected many flights including foreign airlines which are diverted;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has any plan to take up this issue at diplomatic level with Pakistan; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Airports under UDAN scheme

- 1776. DR. ABHISHEK MANU SINGHVI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether out of the 440 odd air routes allotted to 14 major and fledgling airlines

- under the two phases of UDAN, not more than 40 to 60 routes are operating regularly, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) why air services are yet to begin in a number of newly constructed airports; and
- (c) the details of all the airports whose construction has been completed under the scheme but they are yet to operate?

#### International flights from Vijayawada airport

- 1777. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that though Vijayawada airport has been declared an international airport, there is no adequate operation of international flights from Vijayawada airport;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government will come forward to operate more international flights from Vijayawada airport;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Guidelines for refunds of air tickets

- 1778. DR. BANDA PRAKASH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has issued the draft guidelines related to refund of airline tickets and facilities to be provided to passengers by airlines due to denied boarding, cancellation and delays in flights and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if so, the mode of display and intimation to the passengers at conspicuous places of the airports and on the tickets; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the action being taken to take care and address the above vital issue?

# Compensation paid for not accommodating air passengers

1779. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of compensation paid by Air India for not accommodating air passengers in its flights despite having confirmed tickets during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) what action Government has taken in this regard; and
- (c) what action Government proposes to take to stop this malpractice by Air India and other airlines in the country?

#### Revival of Rupsi airport in Dhubri, Assam

1780. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of Rupsi airport in Dhubri, Assam which comes under UDAN-II Scheme;
- (b) the amount of fund sanctioned by Government under the scheme to revive the airport;
- (c) whether the travellers have to face a lot of problems, as they have to travel for several hours by road from lower Assam districts to reach either of the airports, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the reasons for delay and by when, this airport will be ready for operation?

### Order of NCDRC for passengers stuck at airports

1781. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether according to latest orders of National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (NCDRC) all passengers stuck at various airports have the right to free refreshment, meals during the delay of flights and also access to communications;
- (b) if so, the complete details in this regard; and
- (c) whether Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) will issue instructions to all airlines as per the on orders of NCDRC and if not, reasons therefor?

### Setting up of Greenfield airport at Dagadarthi

1782. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has given approval for setting up of Greenfield airport at Dagadarthi Mandal in Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the present status of proposed airport at Dagadarthi; and
- (d) how much time will it take for starting operations?

### Fuel supply to Air India by oil refineries

- 1783. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that oil refineries have stopped their supply of fuel to Air

India at 6 airports due to its poor financial health which is leading to non-payment of fuel charges:

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to obviate the financial problems to Air India?

### Looking to wrap up the sale of State run airline

1784. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is looking to wrap up the sale of State-run airline Air India by March;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) if so, what will happen to the existing employees of Air India; and
  - (d) the details thereof?

#### NCRB data on riots

1785. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether recent National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) data shows that number of riots in India have decreased but have become more intense, the number of riots have decreased by 5 per cent but the number of victims have increased by 22 per cent, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the State-wise data of the number of riots occurred in the country during last three years and the current year citing the various causes of such riots;
- (c) whether Government has proposed any measures to alleviate the same; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Sensitising prison staff

1786. DR. AMAR PATNAIK:

SHRI MAHESH PODDAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Central Government institution, under the Ministry, have organised any conference/workshop/ seminar on correctional administration for sensitising prison staff in the last five years;
- (b) if so, the details of the agenda/topic of such events along with the dates; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Bill on mob lynching

1787. SHRI DEREK O'BRIEN:

DR. SANTANU SEN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is planning to introduce legislation to curb the menace of moblynching;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is aware of mob lynching prevention Bills introduced in State legislatures like in West Bengal; and
- (d) if so, whether progressive provisions from such Bills will be incorporated in the Centre's Bill?

#### People left out of final NRC

1788. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA:

SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that more than 19 lakhs of the 3.29 crore applicants in Assam were left out of final National Register of Citizens (NRC); and
- (b) the details of action Government is contemplating to take against the illegal immigrants?

#### Deaths in police custody and jails

†1789. SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of deaths of civilians are taking place in police custody and inside jails, for which the Supreme Court has expressed its concern;
- (b) whether the Central Government, State Governments and Union Territories are considering to set up Human Right Courts in every district in view of cases of deaths occurring in police custody and inside jails; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Role of NDMA in disasters

1790. DR. L. HANUMANTHAIAH: SHRI RAJMANI PATEL: DR. AMEE YAJNIK:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

 (a) which were the major disasters that occurred during the last two years in the country;

- (b) what was the role of NDMA in those disasters:
- (c) how many of the projects of rehabilitation after those disasters have been completed or are nearing completion;
- (d) whether it is a fact that many of the projects are not completed due to shortage of project managers of disasters; and
- (e) if so, what steps Government is taking to address this issue?

#### Protection of witnesses

- 1791. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any action has been taken by Government for protection of witnesses in various cases and keep the witness identity a secret;
  - (b) if so, the details of action taken; and
- (c) whether any advancements has been done to make use of in-camera hearings where the witness does not come face to face with the accused?

#### Citizenship Amendment Bill

1792. PROF. M. V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the reason why Government plans to extend benefits offered under the Citizenship Amendment Bill to minorities of only three neighbouring countries namely, Afghanistan, Bangladesh and Pakistan while leaving out other neighbouring countries like Myanmar; and
- (b) the reason why other persecuted minorities like Jews, Atheists and Muslim

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religious minorities like the Ahmadis in Pakistan are not included in the proposed Bill?

#### **Custodial deaths**

1793. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that custodial deaths in the country are unacceptable as India is signatory to the UN Convention against torture;
- (b) the number of custodial deaths reported from each State during the last three years, year-wise; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to have a legislative framework to stamp out criminal behaviour in custody?

#### Illegal intrusions along Indo-Bangladesh border

1794. SHRI RONALD SAPA TLAU: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) how many cases of illegal intrusions along Indo-Bangladesh border have been detected, detained and deported by BSF in past four years, State-wise and year-wise;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government has plans to resume soon two failed Indo-Bangladesh dialogues 1992 and 1995 on repatriating Chakmas from Northeast States, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### NRC exercise on religious lines

1795. SHRI AHAMED HASSAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to conduct National Register of Citizens (NRC) exercise across the country on religious lines;
- (b) if so, the details of amount allocated and expenditure incurred for planning NRC across the country in the last three years;
- (c) whether Government has identified sites for detention centres across the country for the exercise; and
- (d) if so, the State-wise detention centres to be constructed in the next five years?

#### Asylum to citizens of other countries

- †1796. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the policy of Government regarding giving asylum to citizens of other countries in India:
- (b) the total number of citizens along with the number of countries residing in India as refugees; and
- (c) the details of act or law under which matters related to the asylum to citizens of other countries are dealt with in India?

### Death of civilian in ceasefire violation

1797. SHRI S. MUTHUKARUPPAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India lodged a strong protest over the death of a civilian in unprovoked ceasefire violation by Pakistani forces on 11th January, 2019 in Sunderbani area of Jammu and Kashmir;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that India also protested Pakistan's continued support

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to infiltration of terrorists into India, including supporting cover fire provided by Pakistani forces; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Possible terror strike and security breach in J&K

1798. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any information on terror strikes and/or security breach in the part of Jammu and Kashmir valley;
- (b) if so, whether necessary security action has been taken by Government thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that an alert is alarming in 40 cities of the country by the foreign militant groups; and
  - (d) if so, the action taken thereon?

### Observation of strike by policemen in Delhi

1799. SHRI JOSE K. MANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken serious note of the policemen in Delhi resorting to an unprecedented strike on 5th November, 2019 over repeated assaults by lawyers in court premises over trivial issue of lawyers trespassing into the parking slot reserved for judicial officers;
- (b) whether Government recognises that lawyers and policemen have an interdependent relationship and whether amidst the anarchic protests by either group, it is the common man who suffers; and
  - (c) if so, what steps are being taken to

restore a harmonious relationship between lawyers and policemen?

### Report on implementation of prison reforms

1800. SHRI NARESH GUJRAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government collects any State-wise report on implementation of prison reforms, including the occupancy rates, expenditure on construction of new prisons, etc., if so, the details thereof;
- (b) what has been the progress on resolutions adopted by 5th National Conderence of Heads of Prisons of States/ UTs on Prison reforms on 4th May, 2017 and whether Government maintains any record of the same, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) as of 2016, how many States have adopted the Model Prison Manual 2016 and whether Government collects any annual State-wise report on revision of their prison manuals, if so, the details thereof?

### NCRB report on crime against women

- †1801. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has drawn its attention towards the current report of National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), according to which the crimes against women has been increasing in the country;
- (b) whether it is a fact that in the year 2017, there were 3,59,849 cases against women out of more than 50 lakh 7 thousand cases of crimes registered;
- (c) if so, the steps taken by Government to bring down the cases of crime being

committed against women and to provide them safe environment; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Illegal foreign immigrants living in West Bengal

- 1802. SHRIMATI SHANTA CHHETRI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has statistics on number of illegal foreign immigrants living in West Bengal and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the exercise of the National Register of Citizens (NRC) can be carried out in West Bengal to figure out the number of illegal foreign immigrants living in West Bengal;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the plans of Government in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to prevent illegal foreign immigrants from entering West Bengal?

#### Women Police in Delhi

- 1803. SHRI VIJAY GOEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the total number of personnel deployed in Delhi Police;
- (b) the total number of women police deployed in Delhi; and
- (c) whether Government is contemplating on increasing the number of women police personnel in Delhi?

#### Crimes against minorities

1804. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases registered under the crimes against minorities, State-wise, UT-wise as well as parameter-wise *i.e.* the type of crime committed in the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether there has been a drop in these numbers over the last three years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the various State Governments have taken measures to curb crimes against minorities; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

### Fake currency notes stolen from strong room of NIA

- 1805. SHRI G.C. CHANDRA-SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether fake currency notes of high net worth have been recently stolen from the high security strong room of National Investigation Agency (NIA);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with Government's reaction thereto;
- (c) whether the accused is from the agency itself;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by Government; and
- (e) the number of cases taken and solved by the NIA during the last three years?

### Division of corporations/companies between A.P. and Telangana

1806. DR. K.V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Telangana and Andhra Pradesh States are still unable to come to a compromise and divide the various corporations and companies between them even after expiry of five years of reorganisation;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government has taken any step to mediate between the States for amicable division of those corporations and companies?

#### Meetings of Hindi Advisory Committee

- †1807. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the meetings of Hindi Advisory Committee, organised to take stock of the progressive use of Hindi as an official language and to give suggestions for following various instructions issued by Government, are not held regularly in various Ministries and Public Sector Undertakings under them;
- (b) if so, whether Government would direct various Ministries to hold said meetings regularly in order to ensure their utility; and
- (c) whether a programme would be chalked out under which the inspection of various offices under the administration of Ministries would be carried out by the members of Advisory Committee?

#### Reasons for banning NGOs

- †1808. SHRI RAKESH SINHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) banned in the year 2017-18 and 2018-19;
- (b) the reasons behind the ban on these NGOs; and
  - (c) the details of amounts which the

country's NGOs received from foreign countries during said period?

### Committee for investigating activities of Amnesty International

- †1809. SHRI RAKESH SINHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is constituting any Committee for investigation of the activities of Amnesty International;
- (b) the donations received respectively by them during the year 2017-18 and 2018-19 from abroad and from within the country; and
- (c) whether Government would issue any white paper for the double standards adopted by this NGO at international level?

### Persons not included in NRC in Assam

- †1810. SHRI REWATI RAMAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Assam is the only State in the country where National Register of Citizens (NRC) has been created;
- (b) the number of Indians that have not been included in National Register of Citizens implemented in Assam;
- (c) whether Government also proposes to implement the National Register of Citizens (NRCs) in other States of the country; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Serious crimes in Delhi

†1811. SHRI REWATI RAMAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

- (a) the number of serious crimes taking place in National Capital, Delhi;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there is no fear of police administration among criminals;
- (c) the measures being taken by Government in order to prevent recurrence of crimes; and
  - (d) the details thereof?

## Rising attacks of Maoists in Chhattisgarh

- †1812. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has conducted any study regarding rising attacks of Maoists in Chhattisgarh;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the incidents of Maoists attacks have increased in Chhattisgarh during last year, if so, the details of registered deaths or casualties in these attacks;
- (d) the number of cases registered against Maoists in Chhattisgarh during last year; and
- (e) the details of steps being taken to prevent increasing Maoist attacks in Chhattisgarh?

#### Arrest of terrorists of Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh

- 1813. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) how many terrorists of Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh have been arrested in the country in the past five years, with

- the details of States in which terrorists have been arrested;
- (b) what efforts have been made to reach out to authorities in Bangladesh to catch the terrorists of the above mentioned banned organisation; and
- (c) how many manifestations or offshoot organisations of the above mentioned banned organisation have been recognised by Government as of October, 2019, the details thereof?

#### Preparation of National Population Register

- †1814. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has taken a decision to prepare a National Population Register (NPR) for all the citizens of the country, on the lines of National Register of Citizens (NRC), by the year 2020;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the census work has been initiated for preparing National Population Register (NPR); and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### FCRA registration of NGOs

- 1815. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has recently cancelled registration of about 1800 NGOs and institutions due to non-submission of annual reports on fund transaction;
- (b) if so, what special measures Government proposes to take to ensure that annual returns are filed at the end of every year failing which bank transactions

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are automatically freezed and registration put under suspension;

- (c) whether Government had cancelled registration of other NGOs/institutions in previous years also for similar reasons; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Action plan to eradicate Naxalism

- †1816. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that many security personnel have lost their lives during the last three years in the Naxalaffected areas of the country;
- (b) if so, whether Government is considering on formulation of any special action plan to eradicate the menace of Naxalism; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Terrorists and soldiers trying to infiltrate from Pakistan

†1817. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that not only the terrorists but even the soldiers are trying to infiltrate from Pakistan side;
- (b) if so, whether Government is deliberating upon to take any special and effective steps to foil their attempts; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Political detention in Kashmir

- 1818. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the total number of residents of Jammu and Kashmir lodged in various jails during each of the last five years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the nature and status of cases against such persons, State-wise;
- (c) the total number of people in Jammu and Kashmir under political detention and preventive arrest after the abrogation of Article 370, their names and status; and
- (d) the period by which they will have to wait to come out in public sphere?

### Development plan for UTs of J&K and Ladakh

1819. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any development plan for the Union Territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh particularly after the changes were made in Article 370 of the Constitution of India; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

### Extending jurisdiction of CBI to J&K and Ladakh

1820. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether Government is extending the primary jurisdiction of CBI over investigation of offences notified under the Delhi Special Establishment Act, 1946 in the Union Territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh?

### Arrests in Jammu and Kashmir after August, 2019

- 1821. SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) how many persons have been arrested in Jammu and Kashmir from 01-08-2019 to 31-10-2019 in different incidents;
- (b) how many cases have been registered in the region after 5th August, 2019 against civilians for protesting and violating emergency;
- (c) the number of political party leaders and people's representatives under house arrest in Jammu and Kashmir from August, 2019 onwards:
- (d) how many of them have been released or set free so far and how many are still under house arrest; and
- (e) whether it is a fact that the situation in the region is still not normal?

### Relaxing visa norms for business activities

- 1822. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has taken any initiatives to relax visa norms for business activities in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has premitted extension of business visa upto fifteen years:
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;

- (e) whether Government has permitted conversion to medical visa in case of emergency; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Detention camps in Nagaland**

- 1823 SHRI K.G. KENYE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has constructed detention camps in Nagaland to detain those who don't have documents proving their citizenship under NRC;
- (b) if so, the district-wise details of location and proposed capacity of camps and the expenditure involved;
- (c) whether Government is considering reverifying certain percentage of the population under NRC in districts bordering Bangladesh; and
- (d) what are the next steps once the NRC list is finalised, post review appeals by individuals along with a timeline for the same as well?

## Financing of militants and separatists

- 1824. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the financing from across the border for militants and separatists is a cause of concern;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the separatists also exploit every possible situation to agitate the people; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Aadhaar card for visit to Nepal and Bhutan

#### 1825. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Aadhaar cards are now valid travel documents for Indians under 15 and over 65 travelling to Nepal and Bhutan;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the Aadhaar card has now been added to the list of documents as proof of identity for persons of above age visiting to the said neighbouring countries?

### Implementation of provisions of A.P. Reorganisation Act

- 1826. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that large number of provisions of Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation (APR) Act, 2014 have not been implemented so far;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has fixed any time-frame to implement the provisions/fulfill the assurances given by Government;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

### Relief to victims of communal incidents

- 1827. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether cases of communal violence have been reported from various parts of

- the country during each of the last three years and current year, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the number of persons killed/injured and sheltered in relief camps in such cases during the said period;
- (b) the financial assistance provided to victims of such cases by Government during the said period along with number of beneficiaries of such assistance, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the other steps taken by Government to prevent such incidents and to provide adequate relief to the victims of such incidents?

### Life and property affected due to cyclones

- 1828. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the number of cyclones and severe cyclones in the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal has risen rapidly during the last five years, which have been affecting life and property;
- (b) if so, details thereof indicating loss occurred to the human life and property due to such cyclones during this period;
- (c) how much amount has been spent for the relief to the cyclone hit areas and its people during the last three years; and
- (d) whether Government has taken any steps or proposes to take steps for improving fast relief services system and to control loss in cyclones hit areas?

#### Proposal to set up NIDM at Vijayawada

1829. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the status of National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM) proposed to be set up in Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh:
- (b) the details of allocations made and expenditure done so far on the above project;
- (c) whether it is a fact that NIDM was to become operational from this year; and
  - (d) if so, the reasons for delay?

#### Undertrial prisoners in the country

- 1830. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of number of prisons in the country and their total capacity;
- (b) what has been the average percentage of undertrial prisoners to total number of prisoners over the last three years;
- (c) what proportion of undertrial prisoners have been convicted on an average over the last three years; and
- (d) what reforms are being undertaken by Government to ensure expeditious delivery of justice to undertrial prisoners?

## Temples and gurudwaras destroyed in Srinagar

- 1831. SARDAR SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Hindu temples and Sikh gurudwaras destroyed in Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir as per latest figures available with the Government of India;
- (b) whether Government has chalked out any plan to reconstruct the damaged temples; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

### Implementation of AMRUT scheme

1832. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Ministry is aware that drawbacks in the implementation of Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme are resulting into non-judicious release of funds for the implementation of the scheme, if so, details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that release of fund under AMRUT scheme is based on population basis which is why a large number of small municipalities are not able to utilize scheme, if so, details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government, keeping in view of the fact, will revise guidelines of AMRUT scheme to enable small municipalities enable to avail the benefits of the scheme?

#### **Centrally Sponsored Schemes**

- 1833. SARDAR BALWINDER SINGH BHUNDER: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS), including flagship programmes, being implemented at present by the Ministry; and
- (b) the details of targets and allocations made, fund allocated, disbursed and utilized in these schemes during the last three years, including the present year, scheme-wise and State/UT-wise, particularly in the State of Punjab thereof?

### Parameters for implementation of AMRUT scheme

- †1834. SHRI OM PRAKASH MATHUR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the parameters specified for the successful implementation of Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme;
- (b) the number of States and cities which have adopted the said scheme, so far;
- (c) the quantum of funds spent by Government under this scheme, so far; and
- (d) whether there is any prescribed time line for the implementation of said scheme?

### App to encourage people for planting trees

- 1835. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has launched any mobile application that encourages public engagement in planting trees and other such green drives recently, if so, details thereof;
- (b) details of aims and objectives of launching this application along with its benefits;
- (c) details of language options which the app is likely to offer;
- (d) whether Government has created awareness to popularise this mobile app, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether this application will enable concerned nodal officers to periodically monitor plantation, if so, details thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken by Government to create awareness campaign and encourage public engagements in planting trees?

### Regularising unauthorised colonies of Delhi

- †1836. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a decision has been taken by Government recently to regularise the unauthorised colonies in Delhi, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the total number of colonies to be regularised along with their names;
- (c) whether the Kishangarh village is also being regularised, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and by when it would be regularised; and
- (d) the number of villages in Delhi which are included in the list of regularisation, the details thereof?

#### Database on evicted slum-dwellers

- 1837. DR. SANTANU SEN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Ministry maintains a nation-wide database on the number of slum-dwellers evicted because of private or public construction;
- (b) if so, the details of such evictions during the last five years;
- (c) if so, the initiatives taken by the Ministry during the last five years to rehabilitate these slum-dwellers;
- (d) if so, the details of those initiatives thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(e) the details of number of families resettled during the last five years?

### National Urban Rental Housing Policy

1838. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of National Urban Rental Housing Policy (NURHP);
- (b) the reasons for delay in implementation of the policy; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government for time bound implementation of NURHP in order to meet urgent need for housing of urban poor particularly migrant people?

#### **Evaluation of SCM**

- 1839. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Centre has devised a mechanism for the evaluation of the Smart Cities Mission (SCM);
- (b) if so, the details of mechanism thereof;
- (c) how much fund each smart city has received under this scheme till now; and
- (d) the year-wise distribution, details thereof?

#### Metro rail in cities of U.P.

- 1840. DR. ANIL AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to start metro rail in more cities of Uttar Pradesh in the near future;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) by when, these projects are likely to be started; and
- (d) the time-frame to complete these projects?

#### Land pooling policy in Delhi

- 1841. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the current status of work under land pooling policy in Delhi and the details of sectors qualified for development in first phase;
- (b) the reasons for delay in opening the single window portal for submission of land of villages of P-1 Zone;
- (c) whether Delhi Development Authority (DDA), in consultation with other concerned authorities would expedite the process of notification of P-1 zone so that these are also opened for registration under land pooling policy; and
- (d) what action has been taken so far to bring P-1 Zone on single window portal and the progress made so far in this regard?

### Credit linked subsidy under PMAY(U)

- 1842. SHRI G.C. CHANDRA-SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the present status of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY (U)] and its aims and objectives along with the total number of houses constructed by Government under PMAY (U) during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

- (b) the funds sanctioned by Government under the said initiative during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the details of Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) provided to beneficiaries including Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) and Low Income Groups, since 2016?

#### AMRUT in UTs of J&K and Ladakh

- 1843. MIR MOHAMMAD FAYAZ: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Ministry has decided to give approvals for action plans under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) for three years instead of the present one year;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of municipalities covered under AMRUT in UTs of J&K and Ladakh and amount approved for various projects in UTs of J&K and Ladakh?

### Sanitation facilities in J&K and Ladakh

- 1844. MIR MAHAMMAD FAYAZ: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the rate of implementation of the scheme in terms of sanitation facilities in UTs of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh as per the Ministry's policy and the Millennium Development Goals;
- (b) the schemes that have been undertaken in order to provide for safe disposal of sanitary wastes; and
- (c) the details of amount spent and utilised on all these schemes for UTs of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh during the last three years?

#### Urban poverty alleviation

- 1845. LT. GEN. (DR.) D.P. VATS (RETD.): Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) action taken by Government for poverty alleviation of poor people of the country during the last three years;
- (b) whether Government have issued any guidelines to the States under Integrated Urban Poverty Alleviation Programme; and
- (c) if so, the achievements made by State Governments in this regard?

#### Metro/Mono rail in U.P.

- †1846. SHRIMATI KANTA KARDAM: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Central Government has any proposal to develop an elevated rail network like Metro/Mono train, in Uttar Pradesh, especially in Meerut; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and by when it is likely to be completed?

### Removal of slums under SCM in Chhattisgarh

- †1847. SHRI RAM VIHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of the progress made towards developmental works in the cities identified to be developed as 'smart city' in Chhattisgarh;
- (b) whether Government had gone for removal of the slums under the said project;
- (c) if so, the number of slums that have already been removed in Chhattisgarh;

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

- (d) the steps taken by Government to resettle the displaced families due to removal of slums; and
- (e) the funds allotted and spent on the re-settlement of the affected families in this regard?

#### Implementation of PMAY (U)

1848. SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the full amount sanctioned under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY (U)] has been utilised during the last five years and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (b) the number of houses sanctioned and the number of houses built during the last three years under the scheme, Statewise?

#### **Constructions under PMAY (U)**

1849. PROF. MANOJ KUMAR JHA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of houses sanctioned, under-construction and completed under each component of the scheme, year-wise;
- (b) State-wise details of number of beneficiaries provided houses and rehabilitated under in-situ component;
- (c) number of houses and locations where work under in-situ rehabilitation under PMAY (U) is under progress and dates by which the said work will be completed;
- (d) deadline by which all the houses sanctioned under the scheme are proposed to be completed;

- (e) the number of houses grounded for construction under each component of PMAY (U), State-wise and year-wise; and
- (f) the number of houses completed and occupied under each component?

### Interest subsidy on housing loan in Gujarat

- †1850. SHRI NARANBHAI J. RATHWA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any interest subsidy/concession in being provided by Government on home loan for the purpose of purchasing/construction of houses in Gujarat;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of beneficiaries in Gujarat in this regard during the last three years?

#### **HRIDAY** in Gujarat

- †1851. SHRI NARANBHAI J. RATHWA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether 'Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY)' has been implemented in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the number of cities included in this scheme:
- (c) the city-wise details of the works carried out under this scheme during the last two years; and
- (d) the city-wise details of the funds allocated during the last two years for this purpose?

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

#### **ICT in Smart Cities Mission**

- 1852. DR. ABHISHEK MANU SINGHVI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of the Information Technology (IT) and Information Communication Technology (ICT) used in Smart Cities;
- (b) the details of the steps taken by Government to ensure data protection in those IT and ICT technologies in Smart Cities; and
- (c) the year-wise cost of the technologies implementation till date, since the beginning of the Smart Cities Mission (SCM)?

#### Floods in various States

- †1853. SHRI RAMKUMAR VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the State-wise details of the loss of life and property caused by floods in various States of the country; and
- (b) the details of the financial assistance provided by Central Government to various States, the State-wise details thereof?

#### PMAY (U) in Assam

- 1854. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) number of towns in Assam in which Government has implemented Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY (U)];
- (b) eligibility criteria fixed by Government for candidates applying for PMAY (U);

- (c) number of applications received from candidates for applying for various categories/components under PMAY (U) from Assam during the last three years and current year;
- (d) the number of houses constructed under each component of PMAY (U) in the country, especially in Assam;
- (e) the number of houses allotted to beneficiaries under its each component in country, especially in Assam; and
- (f) whether Government has conducted social audit of scheme, if so, the outcomes thereof?

#### Global Housing Technology Challenge—India

1855. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: SHRI S. MUTHUKARUPPAN:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government would offer ₹ 150 crore as a technology innovation grant to build 6,000 homes, cheaper, faster and better using alternative technologies and materials under Global Housing Technology Challenge-India (GHTC-India) launched recently;
  - (b) if so, details thereof:
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the challenge may not do much to actually speed up pace of construction under urban section of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY (U)] or Housing for All which has completed just over 10 per cent of its target as the scheme reaches its halfway point; and
  - (d) if so, reasons therefor?

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#### **New Urbanization Policy**

1856. DR. BANDA PRAKASH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plans to come up with a National Urbanization Policy to ensure better policy implementation and timely achievement of urban development goals in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government has set up a Committee headed by Sameer Sharma to draft 'New Urbanization Policy' 2018, if so, the details and terms of reference of the Committee thereof;
- (c) the basic concept and special features of the proposed Urban Policy-2018; and
- (d) the time by when the proposed policy is likely to be implemented?

### Proposal by States to Centre for PMAY (U)

- †1857. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the State-wise details of houses provided to poor families including Rajasthan under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY(U)] during the last three years:
- (b) the proposed expenditure so far under the scheme during said period;
- (c) whether various States have submitted project proposals before Government for the construction of houses under PMAY(U):
- (d) whether Government accorded approval to these projects after due consideration; and

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

#### **EWS Housing**

1858. DR. ASHOK BAJPAI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of EWS houses, Statewise, provided to urban homeless poor during last three years;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries registered for EWS houses and homeless urban poor, State-wise, who are to be given houses under any scheme during next three years; and
- (c) the target year by which any homeless urban poor will have his own house?

### Four day work a week experimented in Japan

1859. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that four day work a week has been experimented in Japan recently and a surge of 40 per cent in productivity has been recorded:
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government proposes to introduce four day work in a week in lieu of 5 or 6 day work in a week in Government sector and organised private sector;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

### Social security to the workers of unorganised sector

1860. SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR: SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:

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

- (a) whether Government besides providing a new model regarding imparting training during job to enhance skill is going to start a new mode to provide social security to the workers of unorganised sector; and
  - (b) if so the details thereof?

#### Setting up of Employment Commission

1861. LT. GEN. (DR.) D.P. VATS (RETD.):

SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR:

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

- (a) whether any proposal is under consideration with Government to set up an Employment Commission in the country to generate employment avenues;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the existing mechanism to create employment avenues is not adequate; and
- (d) if so, the extent to which the setting up of Employment Commission is going to solve unemployment problem in the country?

### Unorganised sector workers in social security schemes

1862. DR. L. HANUMANTHAIAH: SHRI RAJMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) number and percentage of workers in the unorganised sector who have been included in various social security schemes provided by the Ministry, State-wise;
- (b) whether Government has undertaken measures to identify and register unorganised sector workers in social security schemes, if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor:
- (c) whether Government has undertaken measures to identify and register unorganised workers, if so, details thereof, coverage data, time line for completion, State-wise, if not, reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government has undertaken measures to ensures compliance of the unorganised sector with labour legislation; and
- (e) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

#### Job seekers in the country

1863. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of unemployed in the country increased approximate ten times and the number of job seekers also increased in last three years; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the employment possibilities increased by Government?

### Workforce employed in the unorganised sector

1864. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the data on number of workers in

the unorganised sector in the country for the years 2014-2019, year-wise;

- (b) the number of women employed in the unorganised sector in the country for the years 2014-2019, year-wise; and
- (c) the number of workers who have been employed on a contractual basis for the years 2014-2019?

#### Child Labour Technical Advisory Committee

- 1865. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Child Labour Technical Advisory Committee has held any meetings during the last three years and current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of meetings held and deliberations of the Committee; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Scheme for Rehabilitation of Bonded Labourer, 2016

1866. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the budget allocation for the bonded labour victim rehabilitation under Central Sector Scheme (CSS) for Rehabilitation of Bonded Labourer, 2016;
- (b) the amount of budget spent for victim rehabilitation under CSS 2016 for Rahabilitation of Bonded Labourers since 2016; year-wise; and
- (c) the number of States providing the corpus of Rs. 10,00,000 to their districts for bonded labour rehabilitation as per the provisions of the scheme and the actual corpus provided since 2016, State-wise?

#### Welfare schemes for the labourers

- 1867. SHRI MANAS RANJAN BHUNIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has so many welfare schemes for the labourers of our country:
  - (b) if so, what are schemes;
- (c) how these schemes are implemented in the different States; and
- (d) which State is identified as the best performer of these schemes?

### Creation of jobs in public and private sector

1868. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH DULLO: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of jobs created in the public and private sectors since 2012 to till October, 2019, year-wise; and
- (b) the number of people laid off from jobs in the public and private sectors since 2012 to till date?

#### Shortage of staff in EPFO

1869. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that EPFO has around 250 offices across the country wherein most of officers are facing acute shortage of staff which is causing undue hardships to the subscribers in getting timely disposal of their claims and grievances;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the present employees are overloaded with work assignments leading to impossible work output targets beyond their capacities;

- (c) if so, whether Government has any plan to appoint more staff in EPFO for its smooth functioning; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Social audit of factories

1870. SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is proposing to conduct social audit of all factories to check that workers are getting conducive working conditions, continuing with its strategy of extracting benefits for employees as part of strategy to build support for labour reforms;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether most workers are often deprived of protection measures and are exposed to hazardous air and water and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the social audit is likely to remove these problems being faced by the workers; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **National Pension Scheme**

†1871. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has started a National Pension Scheme for the retail merchants, shopekeepers and for selfemployed people of the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the current beneficiaries of National Pension Scheme have been identified; and
  - (d) if so, the details of the beneficiaries

of said National Pension Scheme in various States including Madhya Pradesh?

### Retrenchment of employees in IT sector

1872. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is massive retrenchment of employees in the IT sector;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if so, whether any measures are proposed to address such massive retrenchment of workers?

#### Minimum wages for apprentices

1873. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the apprentices are considered employees and eligible for minimum wages or stipend at par with minimum wages, as contractual or permanent workers, under Code on Wages Bill, 2019 passed by Parliament; and
- (b) if so, any rules are being considered to ensure minimum wages or stipend at par with minimum wages for apprentices?

### Maternity benefit for women in unorganised sector

1874. PROF. MANOJ KUMAR JHA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of construction workers who have received maternity benefits since 2012, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the number of domestic workers who have received maternity benefits since 2012, year-wise and State-wise;

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

- (c) the number of women working in unorganised sector who have received maternity benefits since 2012, year-wise and State-wise:
- (d) whether the amended maternity benefit entitlement Act is likely to cover the women in unorganised sector; and
- (e) if so, how and if not, what benefits will be extended to such women?

#### Deaths and accidents of labourer

- 1875. DR. SASMIT PATRA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of labourers who have lost their lives in the organised sector over the last three years, sector-wise and yearwise:
- (b) the number of labourers who met with accidents in the organised sector over the last three years, sector-wise and yearwise:
- (c) what are the steps taken by the Ministry to prevent deaths and accidents of labourers in the country; and
- (d) whether it has led to reduction in deaths and accidents of labourers in the country, if so, the details thereof?

### Monitoring system for data base of labour force

- †1876. SHRI RAM SHAKAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government provides a monitoring system for convergence along with the data base of labour force; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

### Providing social security to organised and unorganised employees

- †1877. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of domestic, selfemployed and salaried workers in unorganised sector and those employed in organised sector in the country who are not being provided any social security by their employees;
- (b) the details thereof alongwith their State-wise numbers; and
- (c) the efforts being made by Government to provide them benefit of social security, the details thereof along with the achievement of last three years?

## Solving problem of unemployment by NCS project

- †1878. SHRI RAM SHAKAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has launched National Career Service (NCS) project to deal with the problem of unemployment;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is providing a digital forum for employers and job aspirants; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Ratification of ILO conventions**

- 1879. SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) how many ILO conventions are ratified by India so far;

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

- (b) what is the status of implementation of the recommendations of ILO conventions binding on India, how many are implemented and how many are yet to be implemented and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government admits the fact that India is continuously violating ratified ILO conventions; and
- (d) whether Government is planning to overcome this allegation?

### New schemes for organised and unorganised sector

- †1880. MS. SAROJ PANDEY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of the new schemes which have been implemented for the labourers of organised and unorganised sector from the year 2014 till date; and
- (b) the number of labourers of the country registered under these schemes and the details of facilities provided to them till date?

### Gaining employment through NCS project

- 1881. SHRI AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Model Career Centres (MCCs) under the National Career Service (NCS) project established in the last two years, State-wise;
- (b) the number of persons who have gained employment through the NCS project, in the last two years, State-wise;

- (c) whether persons skilled under the NCS project are given special consideration for Government jobs; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

### Employment details in formal and informal sector

- 1882. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the list of recognised formal and unrecognised informal sectors and workers in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the pecentage of the workforce engaged in formal and informal economy, sector-wise and gender-wise, State/UTwise:
- (c) the method by which Government arrived at the above figures; and
- (d) whether Government has plans to transition certain workers from the informal to formal economy and the details thereof?

### Enhancement of gratuity from ₹ 10 lakhs to ₹ 20 lakhs

- 1883. SHRI M. SHANMUGAM: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government employees are eligible to get ₹ 20 lakhs gratuity from 01.01.2016 as per the Payment of Gratuity (Amendment) Act though the enhancement will be eligible only from 29.03.2018; and
- (b) whether this can be extended at par with Government employees to industrial workers w.e.f. 01.01.2016?

#### Cadre restructuring of EPFO

- 1884. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the cadre-wise strength of officers and staff of EPFO prior to and after implementation of the recent cadre restructuring;
- (b) the steps taken to recruit/promote the existing staff/officers to the vacant posts;
- (c) whether some persons at the grade of APFCs were given promotion as Regional Provident Fund Commissioners after relaxing their qualifying service;
- (d) whether EPFO proposes to fill the vacant posts by giving similar relaxations to other grades also; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

# Creation of employment opportunities in Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh

1885. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has prepared any roadmap for creation of employment opportunities in UTs of Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Financial performance of corporations/refineries

†1886. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV: SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:

#### SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry is heading towards disinvestment of many corporations/refineries;
  - (b) if so, the details of such units; and
- (c) the details of the profits and losses incurred by these units during the last five years?

#### Strategic oil reserves

1887. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has plans to increase strategic oil reserves stored in underground caverns in the country after the drone attacks on Saudi oil depot;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) any other measures taken to meet the oil crisis in case of emergency?

#### ONGC's profit sharing

†1888. SHRI NARAYAN RANE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has considered passing on the share of State Government of Maharashtra out of the profit earned by ONGC through production of natural gas;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and Government's response thereto?

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi

#### Hydrocarbon wells of ONGC in Tamil Nadu

1889. SHRI VAIKO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) how many hydrocarbon wells have been proposed by ONGC in the Delta region of Tamil Nadu, with the total spread of acres of land;
- (b) whether environmental clearance has been given to these wells, if so, how many;
- (c) whether the digging area falls under farm land also;
- (d) if so, whether the farmers have made protest against such move in view of affecting of fertility of the land and contamination:
- (e) if so, the response of Government thereto; and
- (f) whether the proposal of hydrocarbon wells would be reconsidered and shelved?

#### Compressed Bio Gas (CBG) plants

- 1890. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Letter of Intent (LoI) issued by Ministry to potential entrepreneurs for setting up Compressed Bio Gas (CBG) plants in the country;
- (b) whether financing from banks for setting up CBG plants was also assured to entrepreneurs under this initiative;
- (c) whether Ministry has taken up issue of bank financing of CBG plants with Ministry of Finance as in absence of proper rating of this project, banks are reluctant to give finance; and

(d) whether Ministry would expedite the process of CBG so that plants are set up and vision of promoting biofuel is realised in true spirit?

#### Piped Natural Gas (PNG) in Andhra Pradesh

1891. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) has got the geographical areas as per PNGRB Act, 2006 to provide Piped Natural Gas (PNG) in Srikakulam, Visakhapatnam and Vizianagaram districts of Andhra Pradesh;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by IOCL so far to provide PNG to the households in the above districts?

#### City Gas Distribution in Bihar

- †1892. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) the cities of Bihar which have been selected for the City Gas Distribution (CGD):
- (b) the areas in those cities where the distribution of gas has been started through pipes and the areas where the work related to infrastructural development is still in progress;
- (c) whether Government is formulating any plan for CGD in other cities of Bihar as well; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

#### India Pavilion at Abu Dhabi

- †1893. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of the companies which have established 'India Pavilion';
- (b) the objectives of 'India Pavilion' and the details of the action plan which has been made to achieve those objectives; and
- (c) the details of initial amount invested for 'India Pavilion'?

#### Investments in IOCL's Paradip Refinery

- 1894. DR. SASMIT PATRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) the total financial investment by Government of India in Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), Paradip Refinery during the last five years, yearwise details thereof;
- (b) the total financial investment by Government of India for the development of the Petroleum Chemicals and Petrochemicals Investment Region (PCPIR) at Paradip;
- (c) the present status of operations of IOCL Paradip and PCPIR region in Paradip; and
- (d) the details of future plans for development of IOCL Paradip and PCPIR region in Paradip?

#### Shortage of medical staff in ESIC

- 1895. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
  - (a) whether cases of shortage of doctors,

- nurses and other paramedical staff in hospitals being run by Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) have come to the notice of Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether Government has taken any steps to remove any such shortage with a view to providing timely and quality medical services to beneficiaries under ESIC; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

#### LPG connections to every household

- 1896. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has set a target of providing LPG connection to every household in the country in the next three years;
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme and the status of implementation of the same;
- (c) the amount of funds earmaked for the purpose and the amount spent so far;and
- (d) the details of implementation of the scheme in North-Eastern India and the number of households yet to be provided LPG connections, State-wise, including Assam thereof?

## Investments by domestic and foreign companies in exploration and production

- 1897. SHRI K.G. KENYE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
  - (a) the investment made by the domestic

and foreign companies in exploration and production of natural gas, refineries and LNG re-gasification in the country during the current year, State-wise;

- (b) the details since commencement of the New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP), Hydrocarbon Exploration and Licensing Policy (HELP) and Open Acreage Licensing Policy (OALP) policies/ schemes including policy changes and project involved;
- (c) whether these schemes/policies have been successful in achieving the desired results; and
- (d) if so, the details of schemes, programme-wise and State-wise, alongside ongoing/planned projects being executed under the same?

#### PNG service in Tamil Nadu

1898. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any proposal to provide Piped Natural Gas (PNG) service in Tamil Nadu;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether many States are not covered by PNG service in the country; and
  - (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

#### Refilling of cylinder under PMUY

1899. SHRI NARAIN DASS GUPTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) how many LPG cylinders were issued under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) till date;
- (b) how many of the above LPG cylinders have been refilled; and

(c) the ratio of issue of cylinders to refill requests?

### Delay in releasing of subsidies to OMCs

1900. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has noticed the delay in releasing subsidy on sale of petroleum products to the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) during each of last three years and current year, if so, the details thereof along with the subsidy provided by Government to OMCs during the said period, company-wise;
- (b) the impact of such delay on the functioning of the OMCs in the country;
- (c) whether Government proposes to reduce its subsidy burden on sale of petroleum products in the country, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government to protect the interest of common man in this regard?

### Gas agencies/CNG pumps reserved for SCs/STs/OBCs

- †1901. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) the State-wise details of sale of gas at every gas agency and CNG pump during the year 2017-18;
- (b) the gas agencies/CNG pumps reserved for SCs/STs/OBCs out of them;
- (c) the State-wise details of the places where there is a backlog of SCs/STs/OBCs members and the details of their estimated sales; and

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(d) the reasons behind the backlog of SCs/STs members and details of efforts made to deal with those reasons and their present status?

#### New norms for retail licensing

1902. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has relaxed norms for setting up petrol pumps, allowing non-oil companies to venture into the business to meet consumer demandsupply;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details and number of domestic and foreign companies that have applied for retail licence in oil and gas marketing in the country?

### Schemes for upliftment of weaker sections

1903. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of various projects being implemented by Government for upliftment of weaker sections of the society; and
- (b) the number of persons benefited from these projects during the last two years?

### Next caste-based census in the country

1904. DR. AMEE YAJNIK: DR. L. HANUMANTHAIAH: SHRI RAJMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to conduct the next census in the country in the year 2022 on caste-based;
- (b) if so, what are the motives of Government to have caste-based census especially for OBCs and SCs/STs in the country;
- (c) whether Government has a proposal to carry out a census of OBCs in the country; and
- (d) whether census for other castes is also being proposed and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Senior Citizens Welfare Fund

1905. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the annual report of the Senior Citizens Welfare Fund for the period 2017-18 onwards is available, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the principal amount of funds available in the fund;
- (c) the details of sources of revenue for the fund;
- (d) whether the Ministry has mobilised resources from private sources for the fund, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the total disbursement of the fund and its expenditure reports from the year 2017 till date?

#### Creamy layer equivalence for Socially and Educationally Backward Classes

1906. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has constituted a committee to examine the issues related to creamy layer equivalence among the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBCs);
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the committee has submitted the report; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

### Financial assistance provided to NGOs

1907. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) how many NGOs have been given financial assistance during the period 2014-2019 by the Ministry; and
- (b) if so, how many people have been benefited by these NGOs during the said period?

### Social boycott of Dalits in Haryana village

1908. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that Dalits are being socially boycotted in a village in Hisar district of Haryana for over two years;
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by Government to address this issue;

- (c) whether Government is aware of a 20 per cent increase in crimes against Scheduled Castes (SCs) during 2016-17, in Haryana; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

### Reservation for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs)

1909. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is reservation for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) in Government/public/private sector for employment in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether despite reservation, many of the organizations are not implementing reservation for PwDs; and
  - (d) if so, the action taken thereon?

#### Reduction in funds allocated to Ministry

1910. SHRI NARAIN DASS GUPTA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that funds allocated for the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for financial year 2018-19 were reduced by 11 per cent to ₹ 8,885 crore from ₹ 9,963.25 crore (revised estimates) during 2018-19;
- (b) if so, details of project and departments that received decreased funding compared to previous fiscal year; and
  - (c) the reasons for the choices therefor?

### Demands of physically challenged people

- 1911. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a large number of physically challenged persons protested for several days at Mandi House in the NCT of Delhi, raising various demands;
- (b) if so, the details thereof with nutshell of their demands; and
- (c) the action Government has taken or proposes to take on the demands of the physically challenged people?

#### Reservation in private sector

- 1912. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has taken initiatives to implement caste or economic reservation policy in private sector;
- (b) if so, the details of the policy worked out for this purpose and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government is proposing to give any incentive for encouraging diversity in workplace;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### National Commission for Neglected De-Notified and Nomadic Tribal Groups

- 1913. DR.VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government proposes to set up a new National Commission for the

- Neglected De-Notified and Nomadic Tribal Groups across the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the welfare proposal prepared by Government in this regard;
- (c) the steps taken to implement the recommendations made by National Commission for De-Notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes (NCDNT) under the Chairmanship of Shri Balkrishna Sidram Renke;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to give them benefits of welfare schemes at par with those of Other Backward Classes (OBCs); and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

### Scheme for welfare of transgender persons

- 1914. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) details of schemes that have been implemented by the Ministry for the welfare of transgender persons;
- (b) total expenditure incurred on these schemes as a proportion of total expenditure of the Ministry during the last fiscal year;
- (c) whether there is any reservation for them in public sector employment; and
- (d) if not, whether Government is planning to introduce such reservation?

#### Sick public sector steel units

1915. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of sick public sector steel units in the country at present;
- (b) whether Government has taken any steps to revive the said units;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, plant-wise; and
- (d) the time by which the said work is likely to be undertaken?

#### Decline of export of finished steel

- 1916. SHRI MANISH GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
- (a) the present status of finished steel exports as compared to imports, the details thereof:
- (b) whether it is a fact that the country's exports of finished steel are presently falling, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) what action Government has initiated to reverse this trend with any new policies, if so, the details thereof?

### MSMEs of Bokaro facing closure due to delayed payments by SAIL

- 1917. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that MSMEs of Bokaro is facing closure due to delayed payments by SAIL, BSL;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof, case-wise;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that because of inordinate delays in issuing Goods Receipt Note (GRN)/acceptance on the part of BSL against materials supplied, MSMEs were unable to raise bills; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the remedial steps taken by Government?

#### Steps to increase production of steel

- 1918. SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
- (a) the steps Government is currently taking to increase the production of steel; and
- (b) the percentage of domestic requirement that is currently being fulfilled through imports?

### Steel production capacity of the country

- 1919. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
- (a) the steel production capacity of the country at present including the details of the units engaged in steel production and mining;
- (b) the places where Government, Semi-Government and Non-Government units are producing steel, State-wise;
- (c) whether the production of these plants/units is adequate;
- (d) if not, whether Government has any plan to set up new steel plants in the country; and
- (e) if so, the names of the places where Government proposes to set up new steel plants?

#### Wage revision of employees of SAIL

- †1920. MS. SAROJ PANDEY: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
  - (a) whether it is a fact that the wage

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revision of the employees of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), which comes under the Ministry of Steel, is pending since 2017; and

(b) if so, the number of officers and staff whose wage revision is still pending and by when this revision would be made?

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