

RAJYA SABHA

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

Payment to Haj 2012 operators

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Jet Airways which had been carrying on Haj operations for Air India suddenly unilaterally withdrew its Haj operation since 2012;

(b) whether it is also a fact that at this juncture and emergency another operator went to Air India's rescue and transport pilgrims to/from Medina since 2012;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what are the payments made so far and payments pending to new operators who went to Air India's rescue since 2012 for operating Haj 2012 operations and by when, Air India proposes to settle all outstanding payments/dues of such operators?

Revival of unserved/underserved airports

962. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:
DR. L. HANUMANTHAIAH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any progress has been made under UDAN scheme to revive unserved and underserved airports;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of flights routed under UDAN scheme have been subsidised so far, if so, the details thereof?

Handing over of Trivandrum international airport

963. SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM:
SHRI BINOY VISWAM:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal pending with Government from the State of Kerala for handing over the operations of Trivandrum international airport;

(b) whether the Ministry has taken its final decision on the proposed privatisation of the airport;

(c) why there is such an unfortunate approach from the centre when a State Government is coming forward to take over the airport which is otherwise decided to be privatised; and

(d) what is Government's take on the criticism that the Ministry is concentrating more on privatisation other than improving the facilities of the State owned infrastructure?

Rescue package for Air India

964. SHRI HARSHVARDHAN SINGH DUNGARPUR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to provide a revised rescue package for Air India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the circumstances which have necessitated for such a proposal?

Review meeting for revival of Air India

965. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has undertaken any review meeting of Air India;

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

(c) whether any possibilities found/ worked out for revival of ailing Air India; and

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

Status of Jagdalpur and Bilaspur airports

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Jagdalpur and Bilaspur airports of Chhattisgarh are not still being used for commercial operations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has formulated any plan regarding the operations of said airports; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by Government to improve air connectivity and the infrastructure in Chhattisgarh?

Air services from Chakulia airport

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the airport at Chakulia, 70 kilometers from Jamshedpur is non-operational; and

(b) if so, the details of steps taken by Government to make it operational again?

Delayed flights of Air India

†968. SHRI RAKESH SINHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of flights of Air India delayed by one hour or more than that in 2018-19;

(b) the financial burden caused on Air India due to this;

(c) the root cause of these delays; and

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(d) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

Employees/officers employed in Air India

†969. SHRI RAKESH SINHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employees/officers employed in Air India;

(b) how many employees/officers, out of them, are below and above the age of forty respectively; and

(c) how many employees/officers, out of them, have been working on temporary and contractual basis for the last three years?

Air service from smaller cities

†970. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had taken a decision to commence air services from small cities of the country under UDAN scheme in public interest;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a time-line to commence aviation services with effect from the month of June from Darbhanga, Purnea and Bhagalpur was fixed; and

(c) if so, the reasons for not commencing aviation services till date and by when the services are proposed to be commenced?

Replacement of neo engines in aircrafts

971. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the malfunctioning of neo engines made by Pratt and Whitney (PW) in aircrafts operated by Indian carriers;

(b) whether it is a fact that DGCA has given notice to Indigo airlines for replacement of neo engines in aircrafts operated by the airlines; and

(c) the steps taken by DGCA to ensure safety of travellers following many air crashes in different parts of the world due to malfunctioning of engines of flawed design and software used by aircraft manufacturers?

Separate corridor for flying drones

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has suggested establishing a corridor for flying drones as well as setting up a separate directorate for licensing and authorising of unmanned aircraft system;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government has also proposed constructing droneports to facilitate take off and landing of drones and a stricter regulatory framework, including features for protecting personal data by design; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Domestic manufacturing of aircraft

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is working on a blueprint for the domestic manufacturing of aircraft and also looking at aircraft financing from within the country;

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(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government is emphasising on carrying out maintenance, repair and overhaul work domestically; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Operating expenses of Air India

974. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note that Air India is suffering from heavy increase in the operating expenses for the past few years which is leading to frequent cancellation of air India flights to different destinations;

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

(c) the steps being taken by the Ministry to control such expenses in future to make the Air India reliable operator?

Installation of body scanners at airports

975. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the airports have been directed to install body scanners in place of Door Frame Metal Detectors (DFMDs) and Hand-Held Metal Detectors (HHMDs);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any priority has been fixed for highly sensitive and sensitive airports in the country for the purpose; and

(d) what special arrangements have been put in place at these airports to scan the

passengers pending installation of body scanners till March, 2020?

International airport at Ayodhya

976. DR. ANIL AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal with the Ministry to construct/start an international airport at Ayodhya (Uttar Pradesh) for pilgrims from around the world to visit the holy site and offer prayers; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

'Digi-Yatra' scheme

977. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has initiated the rollout of the Digi-Yatra scheme recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the main aims and objectives of this scheme; and

(c) whether this scheme will enable the air travellers for seamless travel?

Modernisation of Thoothukudi airport

978. DR. SASIKALA PUSHPA RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has started the work relating to modernisation and expansion of Thoothukudi airport (Tamil Nadu) after the handing over of required land parcel to Government by District Administration?

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Safety audit

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

(a) whether DGCA directed IndiGo to replace Pratt and Whitney (PW) engines of A 320 neoplanes in view of frequent snags occurring in the engines;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) how many engines are at present used for flying in IndiGo and how many aircraft would be affected;

(d) whether such malfunctions were found in any other airlines operating in the country;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether any special safety audit done for the safety of passengers; and

(g) the details of steps taken for the safety and airworthiness of aircraft operating in the country?

Expenditure by Ministry

980. SHRI DEREK O'BRIEN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the first six months of the current fiscal, the Ministry has spent only 25 per cent of the ₹ 4500 crore allocated in the Budget;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the amount spent in capital expenditure and revenue expenditure in the first six months of the current fiscal?

Air cargo policy

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

(a) whether it is a fact that India's first

air cargo policy will be unveiled at the two day Golbal Aviation Summit;

(b) whether it is also a fact that despite registering a double digit growth for nearly four years in a row, India has remained without a specific policy on air cargo;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the aviation vision for 2040 would address all the issues so that India will have sustainable growth in the sector at all times; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Baggage screening charges at Delhi airport

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi airport to levy baggage screening charges from 1st February, 2019;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that Airport Economic Regulatory Authority (AERA) has allowed Delhi International Airport Private Limited (DIAL) to levy an x-ray baggage charge, ranging from ₹ 110 to ₹ 880 per aircraft flying on domestic routes and from USD 149.33 to USD 209.55 on international flights; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Debt of Air India

983. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to exit the Air India completely and invite bids for a 100 per cent stake sale;

(b) whether the prospective investor is expected to also take over the large size of Air India's debt and the severance package

to be paid to the airline's employees, the details thereof;

(c) how many people are currently employed by Air India;

(d) what will happen to their employment once the sale takes place;

(e) whether the benefits and service conditions will change for them; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Route under UDAN 3 in Kerala

984. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of airlines which have shown interest to fly under UDAN 3 in Kerala; and

(b) the new routes added in UDAN 3 in order to provide air connectivity to tourist spots within States?

Employees' related issues in disinvestment of Air India

985. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is working on the final contours for the proposed disinvestment of loss-making Air India;

(b) if so, whether Government has made any clarity on various issues including payment of salary, arrears and pensions to its serving employees;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Pending requests for new Greenfield airports

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

(a) whether a large number of requests for construction of new greenfield airports in the country are pending with the Ministry;

(b) if so, the State-wise current status, the criteria adopted and the details thereof;

(c) whether Government proposes to construct airports in Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Status of Air India after privatisation

987. SHRI BINOY VISWAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what steps is the Ministry taking to protect the interests of the over 20,000 employees of Air-India during the proposed privatisation of the airline;

(b) what are the total arrears in salaries and pensions of Air India employees at present; and

(c) what will happen to the concept of national air carrier if Air India is privatised?

Compulsory breath-analyzer test by DGCA for all staff of various airlines

988. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether breath analyzer test has been made compulsory by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) for all the staff of various airlines and in Airports, the details thereof;

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(b) whether it is also compulsory for all the pilots, crew members including the Air Traffic Control (ATC), the details thereof; and

(c) how many employees of various airlines including employees posted in airports have failed the test till date, the details thereof and the action taken against them by Government, the details thereof?

New airports under NABH scheme

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

(a) whether the regulatory revamp for greenfield and brownfield airports under the New Airports for Bharat (NABH) Nirman scheme has attracted the necessary private investments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of greenfield airports that have been completed and the number of new projects that are in pipeline, State-wise; and

(d) the details of the key performance indicators that have been formulated for greenfield airports?

Running condition of Pakyong airport, Sikkim

990. DR. SANTANU SEN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakyong airport of Sikkim is in operational condition;

(b) if so, the details of airlines operating; and

(c) if not, what is the reason therefor?

Helicopter services through UDAN

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

(a) whether Government present policy to include helicopter services under the UDAN scheme to boost air services in the country;

(b) the details of connecting places under helicopter services through UDAN, if policy has been formulated; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and probable period of commence of such services?

Modernisation of Tirupati airport

992. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the modernisation work of Tirupati airport has commenced;

(b) what was the estimated cost of the project when it was conceived and whether there is any cost overrun;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of works that have been undertaken in Tirupati airport;

(e) whether the works are going to be completed in February, 2020 as scheduled; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Strengthening of internal security

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

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note

of increase in internal security challenges in the country during recent months;

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

(c) whether Government has any proposal to further strengthen the Central Armed Police Forces to meet these challenges; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the comprehensive measures being taken to strengthen the internal security of the country?

People killed in mob lynchings

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

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the caste-wise and State-wise number of people killed in the incidents of mob lynching during the last three years;

(b) the details of steps taken towards prevention of incidents of mob lynching during the last three years; and

(c) whether Government is providing any assistance to the families of the people killed in the incidents of mob lynching so that their remaining family members can sustain?

Training of in-service police personnel

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

(a) what is the percentage of total in-service police personnel, under the

Ministry, who have received training during the course of their service; and

(b) what is Ministry's policy on in-service training for police personnel and what is the compliance with such a policy?

Legislation on modernisation of police forces

996. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL:
SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:
DR. AMEE YAJNIK:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to bring a fresh legislation on modernisation of police forces of the country, particularly to tackle prevailing alarming situation in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when, this Bill is likely to be placed before the House for consideration and passing?

Resettlement of Kashmiri Pandits

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

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken towards resettlement of displaced Kashmiri Pandits and people of other communities, after the revocation of Articles 370 and 35A;

(b) whether Government proposes to develop a mechanism for the resettlement of the displaced people of Jammu and Kashmir;

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(c) the sectors pertaining to which a number of companies have shown their willingness to get established in Jammu and Kashmir after the revocation of said Articles;

(d) the action taken to hand over the ancestral land back to the displaced families, including Kashmiri Pandits; and

(e) the data available with Government in respect of displaced families of Kashmir valley?

Circulation of fake currency notes through Indo-Nepal border

998. DR. L. HANUMANTHAI AH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that counterfeit Indian currency notes, specifically ₹ 2000 notes are circulating in the country through Indo-Nepal border;

(b) if so, the details of action Government has taken in this regard; and

(c) how many fake Indian currency notes have been recovered during the last three years and current year, the details thereof?

Grant for securing Kartarpur corridor project

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

(a) whether the State Government of Punjab has sought one-time grant of ₹ 39 crores to establish robust security and policing infrastructure at Dera Baba Nanak for the Kartarpur corridor project; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard?

Cost incurred by Government after abrogation of Article 370

1000. SHRIMATI SHANTA CHHETRI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the details of increase of expenditure incurred by Government on the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir ever since the abrogation of Article 370?

SRE scheme for Naxalite affected States

1001. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of the Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme;

(b) the details regarding funds provided to the State Governments under the said scheme during each of the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether Government has monitored the achievements of the said scheme;

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

(e) the details of steps taken/being taken by Government to provide adequate funds to the States affected by the Naxalite activities to enable them to combat this menace?

Deployment of NDRF in flood affected States

1002. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian rivers crossed highest flood level 25 times in August, 2019 causing extreme floods in many States;

(b) if so, details of States which are most affected;

(c) number of people killed/injured and property destroyed as a result of extreme floods and quantum of compensation paid;

(d) whether Government has deployed NDRF in flood affected States to rescued people;

(e) if so, number of NDRF personnel deployed and number of people rescue by them;

(f) whether availability of less NDRF force has affected rescue work; and

(g) if so, whether Government proposes to enhance strength of NDRF in view of huge work load?

Delhi Police helpline

†1003. SHRIMATI KAHKASHAN PERWEEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that process of seeking help from the Delhi Police helpline number 100 is very complicated because after a call has been made by the complainant, the police call back and enquire about the incident and its location etc. and as a result thereof the police generally reaches the place of incident approximately a half an hour or an hour late, by which time the incident had already occurred;

(b) whether Government considers to make this process simpler and hasslefree; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

NCRB report and farmer suicides

1004. SHRI AMAR PATNAIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether, as per the NCRB data, Government has identified the causes for

the reduction of farmer suicides across the country in 2016;

(b) the reason why the NCRB 'Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India' (ADSI) report for 2016 excluded publishing the 'reasons' behind the suicides by farmers unlike previous versions of the report; and

(c) whether it is a fact that data on the reasons for farmer suicides was collected for the 2016 report?

Communal and mob violence

1005. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of increase in communal and mob violence in the country over the past three years;

(b) the reasons of such violence; and

(c) what measures have been taken by Government to control communal and mob violence?

Citizenship to Hindu immigrants

1006. SHRI S. MUTHUKARUPPAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that no Hindu or minority immigrant from Bangladesh, Pakistan and Afghanistan would be granted citizenship without having State Governments on board;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that every application seeking Indian citizenship would be enquired into by the Deputy Commissioner or District Magistrate concerned, who would do due diligence before forwarding the same to the State Governments; and

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(d) whether it is also a fact that the State Governments will conduct own enquiry through its agencies?

Districts affected by Left Wing Extremism

1007. SHRI SASMIT PATRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of districts in the country affected by Left Wing Extremism, as on date, State-wise;

(b) the names of districts in the country affected by Left Wing Extremism as on 1st December, 2014 and 1st December, 2009, State-wise;

(c) the number of deaths of civilians, security forces and Left Wing Extremists, State-wise during last three years; and

(d) the expenditure towards handling Left Wing Extremism during the period, year-wise and State-wise?

Improving safety and security situation in J&K

1008. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the increasing incidents of terror attacks in Jammu and Kashmir, infiltration and continued shelling from across the border in bordering areas in the recent past in which large number of security people and civilians lost their lives;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps being taken by Government to improve the safety and security in the sensitive locations and to protect the lives of security forces and common man including holding dialogue

with Pakistani authorities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Penal provisions for insulting father of the Nation

1009. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to bring legislation with severe penal provisions for insulting the Father of the Nation and other icons of freedom movement;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the time-frame; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

People staying in detention centres

1010. SHRI NARESH GUJRAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many people are staying in detention centres in Assam;

(b) what are the facilities being provided in the detention centres and the estimated cost incurred for the same; and

(c) for how long are the detainees scheduled to remain in the detention centre and what is the legal process once the illegal migrant is shifted to the detention centres?

Second capital for the country

1011. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering it necessary to have a second capital for the country in the south India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Immigration policy

1012. SHRI K. J. ALPHONS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has an immigration policy; and
- (b) if so, what are the main components of the immigration policy?

Steps taken to maintain communal harmony in Ayodhya

1013. DR. SANTANU SEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken to maintain communal harmony in Ayodhya and the rest of the country after the SC verdict on the Ram Janmabhoomi-Babri Masjid dispute;
- (b) whether Government has formally or informally reached out to religious leaders for the purpose; and
- (c) whether the Army/Paramilitary has been kept on stand by for the purpose?

Status of talks with different Kuki groups

1014. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of negotiations with the different Kuki groups in the State of Manipur;
- (b) whether Government is looking to complete the negotiations along with the Naga Peace Accord;
- (c) whether Government has finalized any agreement with different groups; and
- (d) the schedule for talks between Government and other parties for the years 2018-19?

Repatriation and rehabilitation of Bru migrants

1015. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Bru families that have been repatriated to the State of Mizoram since 2018;
- (b) the number of relief camps and Bru families living in these camps in the State of Tripura;
- (c) whether there are plans to create Block Development Councils in the territories where the Bru people are being repatriated to; and
- (d) the total number of Bru families living in the country?

Police reforms

1016. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes for fresh police reforms in the country in view of continuous threat to internal security;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry would issue directions to the State Governments to rationalize ratio of police personnel as per the recommendations of United Nations to 2.22 police personnel per 1000 population;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Linkage with foreign country for disaster management

1017. SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to

form linkage with any foreign country for enhancing and dealing with emergency situations and natural disasters as well as encouraging greater institutional linkages between research and training institutes in the area of disaster management; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Investment in security technology

1018. SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister has emphasised on the need for greater investment in security technology to counter terrorism and boost internal security effort;

(b) if so, whether Government is proposing to seek latest security technology from the developed countries;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the existing available technology is not properly used for security; and

(e) if so, the plans formulated to make use of such technologies?

Deaths in prisons

†1019. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise, year-wise and prison-wise numbers of natural and unnatural deaths in the prisons during last three years;

(b) whether the judicial enquiry had been initiated in each case;

(c) if so, the State-wise, year-wise and prison-wise number of such cases where judicial enquiry had been initiated during

last three years and the current status thereof; and

(d) the State-wise list of such cases where compensation had been recommended by National Human Rights Commission and whether that compensation amount has been paid?

Increasing efficiency in disaster response and mitigation

1020. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made assessment to identify areas in disaster response and mitigation which need drastic improvements despite the fact that excellent work has been done by disaster response agencies in the past;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what immediate plans Government has to improve the efficiency of the agencies?

Political leaders under house arrest in Jammu and Kashmir

1021. SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of political party leaders and people's representatives under house arrest in Jammu and Kashmir from August, 2019 onwards;

(b) how many of them have been released or set free so far and how many are still under house arrest;

(c) what is the total number of deployment of military and paramilitary forces in Jammu and Kashmir in the month of August, 2019;

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(d) when the deployment of military and paramilitary forces in such a large number in Jammu and Kashmir is expected to retreat from the valley; and

(e) in what way Government is planning to bring normalcy in the valley?

Damage due to cyclone Bulbul

1022. DR. ANIL AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who lost their lives and estimated loss of property and number of persons affected across the State of West Bengal, Odisha and other States in the country by the cyclone Bulbul recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of assistance/relief provided by Government to each State?

Terrorist infiltration into Jammu and Kashmir

1023. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the terrorist infiltration into Jammu and Kashmir is increasing higher and higher;

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

(c) the corrective measures being taken by Government to ward off such infiltration in future?

Delay in release of annual crime data by NCRB

1024. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for the delay in release

of annual crime data by NCRB for the year 2017;

(b) by when the NCRB report for the years 2018 and 2019 will be released;

(c) the data on farmer suicides for the years 2016 to 2019;

(d) the reasons as to why the data on farmer suicides has not been published from the year 2016; and

(e) the reasons for non-inclusion of data on crimes related to lynching?

Guidelines on celebratory firing

1025. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of celebratory firings in public gatherings, religious places and weddings, birthday parties reported in the country during the last three years;

(b) the number of deaths and number of persons injured, year-wise and city-wise in the last three years;

(c) whether Government has framed stringent policies, rules and guidelines to curb the practice of celebratory firing;

(d) if not, why there is a delay, despite the direction by Delhi High Court; and

(e) by what time, the guidelines will be ready?

Persons killed after abrogation of Article 370

1026. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the number of persons killed or injured including civilians, BSF, CRPF and military persons since the abrogation of Article 370 that had given special status to Jammu and Kashmir State?

Redefining Human Rights in Indian context

1027. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government considers the need to redefine Human Rights in the Indian context;

(b) whether any Committee has been set up for the purpose; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

No data on reasons for farmers suicides in NCRB

1028. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether unlike its previous reports, the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) has not included reasons behind farmers' suicides which were present in last report under categories such as farm distress, crop failure, loans, family problems, illness, etc., if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) why the suicides have not been recorded separately but included under the category 'Suicides by Profession', the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether 50 per cent of farmer deaths were reported to be in Maharashtra, What Government is planning to reduce such a high number?

Gaps in National Crime Records Bureau data

1029. PROF. M. V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recently released National Crime Records Bureau data categorises offences under crimes within

the provisions of the Indian Penal Code and other special provisions;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether similar offence-wise data is available at prison level as well, the details thereof;

(d) whether the rate of 'chargesheeted' was calculated on the basis of number of cases disposed instead of number of cases taken up for investigation; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

Representation of women in police force

†1030. SHRI AJAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of representation of women in police force in the country;

(b) whether Government has any special scheme to raise basic facilities like creche as also to provide such facilities at Police Stations/work place in view of the increasing representation of women in police force; and

(c) whether Government would extend financial assistance to State Governments under this scheme, if not, the reasons therefor?

Vacancies in Central Armed Police Forces

1031. SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total sanctioned strength of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF);

(b) the details regarding the number of posts lying vacant and the reasons therefor; and

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(c) the percentage of women in the Central Armed Police Forces?

Crime against women

1032. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rate of crime against women has increased by 23 per cent from 2016 to 17;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government is aware that the highest number of crime against women is conducted by husbands or his relatives;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) what steps are being taken by Government to resolve the issue of domestic violence in the country?

Reactivation of terror camps in Balakot

1033. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that terror camps have again been reactivated in Balakot in Pakistan which will be used against India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what precautionary and other measures Government proposes to take in the matter?

Loss due to restriction in Jammu and Kashmir

1034. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has noticed the burden, loss of income and jobs of people

of Jammu and Kashmir following the restriction imposed in recent days, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government intends to declare a compensation package for those who lost jobs and earnings in Jammu and Kashmir following the restriction imposed in recent days, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any report has been received about the loss in the IT and Tourism sector in Jammu and Kashmir during the recent restriction periods, if so, the details thereof?

Citizenship to religious minorities

1035. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of Pakistani, Afghanistani and Bangladeshi citizens visited India during last three years, year-wise;

(b) the details of number of citizens deported to various countries during the period;

(c) the criteria for issuing Long Term Visas for foreign citizens now in force; and

(d) whether Government has decided to grant citizenship to religious minorities from Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh, if so, the details thereof?

Spa and massage centres in National Capital

1036. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that instances of spa and massage centres in the National Capital operating as sex rackets have come to light recently;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) what action Government has taken in regard thereto?

Shortage of staff in Indian jails

1037. SHRI NARAIN DASS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that Indian jails were understaffed by at least 33 per cent as per India Justice Report 2019; and
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and the details of measures undertaken to address the deficiency?

Prison occupancy rate

1038. SHRI NARAIN DASS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that the nationwide prison occupancy rate stood at 114 per cent as of 2016 as per India Justice Report 2019;
- (b) whether 67 per cent of all prison inmates are undertrials;
- (c) whether Government considers it a human rights and administrative emergency; and
- (d) if so, the details of measures undertaken to address the situation?

Maoist activity in Southern States

1039. SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Maoists have spread their activities to Southern States;

- (b) if so, the details thereof, including their areas of activities in Kerala;

(c) whether Government has examined the allegation that the Maoists were killed in Kerala by fake encounters; and

(d) the details of encounters between police and Maoists in Kerala for the last three years, year-wise?

Steps to improve condition of prisoners

†1040. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Supreme Court had expressed its concern over lodging more prisoners than the capacity of jails as also the treatment being meted to them in jails throughout the country;
- (b) whether many jails are overcrowded and human rights of the prisoners are not being protected;
- (c) the details of minimum facilities provided to the prisoners;
- (d) whether Government in consultation with State Governments would take any step to improve the condition of prisoners lodged in jails and to release the prisoners lodged for committing minor offences and completed a period equal to the sentence for their crimes; and
- (e) if so, by when?

Downgrading the status of Jammu and Kashmir

1041. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) what reasons prompted Government for downgrading the Status of

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Jammu and Kashmir to separate Union Territory;

(b) whether Government has proposal to give Jammu and Kashmir back the Status of Statehood;

(c) if so, by when; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Officials sent for training courses

1042. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many officials from the Joint Secretary and above rank were sent for some capacity building/training courses abroad during the last three years;

(b) the details of officials sent abroad for training and the institutions where they were sent; and

(c) whether any written reports were sought from these trainee officials in the form of a feedback, if so, what was the overall feedback and if not, the reasons therefor?

Worsening traffic situation in Delhi

1043. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware about worsening traffic situation in Delhi, prompted by the increasing traffic snarls in the National Capital causing inconvenience to the public;

(b) whether the Delhi Police authorities allowed protesting squatters blockading vehicular traffic at the Mandi House roundabout continuously for three days

forcing the unwary public to abstain from work and pressing engagements; and

(c) whether even with the declaration of Jantar Mantar area as agitation free zone, the traffic situation in NDMC Lutyen's areas have become worse?

Lack of skills for investigation of cyber crimes

1044. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to data compiled by NCRB, India recorded around 22,000 cyber crimes in 2017 at 1.7 cyber crime committed per 1 lakh population;

(b) whether over 50 per cent of cyber crimes were done for monetary gains through ATM and banking frauds, surprisingly in urban areas where digital literacy and awareness is considered high;

(c) whether police force is lacking in digital skills for investigation of cyber crimes, as trained and qualified IT professionals prefer private sector jobs with high pay; and

(d) plans to modernise police force with recruitment of qualified and skilled IT force to man cyber crime cells?

Cities under SCM

1045. SHRI K. J. ALPHONS: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many cities have been taken up under Smart City Mission (SCM);

(b) how many of these cities have already completed the work; and

(c) by when Delhi will become a Smart City?

Expenditure on SCM

†1046. MS. SAROJ PANDEY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cities throughout the country included under Smart Cities Mission (SCM), the city-wise and State-wise details thereof; and

(b) the details of financial expenditure incurred by Government on this project, so far and the estimated expenditure till completion of the project?

Solid waste processing and disposal

1047. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of total solid waste generated per day in the country especially in Assam and the quantum of the same which is processed;

(b) whether Government has been able to achieve the target of 100 per cent scientific processing and disposal of solid waste by 2nd October, 2019;

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

(d) the problem being faced by Government in achieving the target; and

(e) the corrective steps taken by Government in this regard?

Non-functioning STPs in the country

1048. SARDAR BALWINDER SINGH BHUNDER: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 70 per cent of Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) are not

functioning properly in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) how much amount has been spent for STPs during the last three years, State-wise, particularly in the State of Punjab?

Status of Smart Cities Mission

1049. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the present status of 100 smart cities, including Delhi; and

(b) the target set to complete the announced projects under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM)?

Land conversion policy in Delhi

1050. SHRI G.C. CHANDRA-SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) details regarding Government conversion policy which allows conversion of build up residential, commercial, mixed land use and industrial properties leasehold to freehold in Delhi;

(b) number of properties converted from leasehold to freehold in Delhi during last three years and revenue generated under conversion fee and various penalties on such properties;

(c) number of re-entered cases accepted for conversion of leasehold property into freehold property during last three years; and

(d) whether Ministry is planning to bring an amnesty scheme to settle pending case of property conversion from leasehold to freehold in Delhi, if so, details thereof and if not, reason therefor?

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Repair and maintenance in DDA flats, Dwarka

1051. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received complaints of falling off of roofs of staircases and damaged staircases from various pockets of DDA MIG Flats, Dwarka, particularly from Pocket-7, Sector-12, Dwarka;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by when, action would be taken for repair and maintenance, looking into the vulnerability of threats of lives of the residents; and

(d) the reasons for delay in taking action so far?

Smart Water Project

†1052. SHRI RAM SHAKAL: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared a Smart Water Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the project-wise amount of fund allocated during the current financial year; and

(d) the details of the initiated/completed Smart Water Projects?

Upliftment of slum population

1053. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted any survey regarding the slum population in the cities in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has introduced any scheme for the upliftment of slum population;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the cities included in the above scheme, State-wise specifically in Maharashtra; and

(f) the details of progress achieved so far, in this regard?

Efficient utilization of funds for PMAY(U)

1054. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the targets set by Central Government under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY(U)] for construction of houses for urban poor across the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that diversion of PMAY(U) funds for other purposes is taking place;

(c) if so, the measures taken by Government to make use of the funds by the States for PMAY(U) houses only;

(d) what steps Government proposes to take so that poor people get their own pucca houses by the date of target; and

(e) whether there is any plan to build houses under PMAY(U) without associating the State Governments, the details thereof?

Memorials for freedom fighters

1055. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has built memorials for freedom fighters during the last three years;

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(b) if so, the details thereof including expenditure incurred on construction and maintenance; and

(c) the details of projects to construct memorials that are under construction or have been sanctioned?

Allocations and expenditure under SCM

1056. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Smart Cities Mission identified in the country, State-wise thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that out of nearly ₹10,000 crores allocated, only ₹650 crores have been spent during 2017-18;

(c) the status of 2018-19 and 2019-20;

(d) the details of money allocated to each of the smart cities and money spent, so far, city-wise;

(e) the bottlenecks that the Ministry found as a hindrance for speedy implementation of Mission; and

(f) the details of cities that have not set up SPVs?

Air purifiers in DDA gymnasiums

†1057. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of gymnasiums being run by DDA in Delhi;

(b) whether there is a feeling of suffocation in Delhi these days and during the whole winter season, due to pollution and owing to it, there is a difficulty in exercising even inside the gymnasiums;

(c) whether it has become essential to install air purifiers in Delhi's gymnasiums, especially the DDA gymnasium of Vasant

Kunj by the DDA and whether Government has any plans in this regard; and

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

Progress under 'Smart Cities Mission'

†1058. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made under the scheme which was begun to transform hundred cities of the country into smart cities;

(b) the names of those cities that have been declared as "smart city" under this scheme;

(c) by when the other cities included under this scheme would be made "smart cities"; and

(d) the quantum of amount that was to be spent on each of the smart cities under the scheme and the expenditure that had already been incurred on it?

SCM in Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu

1059. DR. SASIKALA PUSHPA RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to set up more 'Sewage Treatment Plants' (STPs) in the Thoothukudi district under 'Smart Cities Mission' (SCM);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has any proposal to construct more bridges under SCM to ease traffic flow in Thoothukudi city, particularly;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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Action plan for 'Housing for All'

†1060. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the target, policy and action-plan for providing 'Housing for All;

(b) the State-wise number of the houses built and the cost incurred so far to serve this purpose during the past years; and

(c) the State-wise estimate of rest of the houses and the details of the financial expenditure incurred in implementation of scheme of 'Housing for All'?

Revival of stalled housing projects

1061. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are large number of constructions/housing projects that have been stalled during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons for the stalled housing projects, indicating how many people have been impacted due to stalled housing projects;

(c) whether Government is considering to provide help through financial assistance to the stalled housing projects; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and how many stalled projects would be revived in the country?

New Sewage Treatment Plants

1062. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number and locations of Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) in the country, State-wise;

(b) the number of STPs in the country that are working at maximum or near maximum capacity and the number that have become totally defunct, State-wise and location-wise;

(c) the steps taken by Government to repair or replace the ones that have become defunct;

(d) the amount of untreated sewage and waste-water entering water bodies, the State-wise details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by Government to build new STPs, the details thereof?

National Urban Mobility Mission

1063. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to implement a National Urban Mobility Mission;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount of funds to be released for the Mission, with special reference to Haryana;

(d) the time-frame within which Government plans to implement this and the cities that will be covered;

(e) whether Government is planning to cover 50 cities with a strong metro network; and

(f) if so, the details of the cities and the amount of fund allocated for each cities?

Fund provided under PMAY(U)

†1064. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amount of ₹1.50 lakh

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per house is provided under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY(U)] by the Central Government which is received in three installments;

(b) whether, as per policy, the amount of the installment is provided to the States only after the completion of the project;

(c) whether the third installment is not received for the rest of the houses also, if the construction of the approved number of houses is not completed under PMAY(U); and

(d) whether the third installment for the houses has not been released in many States including Madhya Pradesh?

Houses sanctioned under PMAY(U)

†1065. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses sanctioned to be constructed under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY(U)] and number of houses for which construction has been completed;

(b) the number of houses handed over or under the process of handing over to the beneficiaries;

(c) whether any proposal related to PMAY(U) is under consideration with Central Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Urban transportation projects in Konkan, Maharashtra

†1066. SHRI NARAYAN RANE: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any fund has been allocated to the districts of Konkan region under the

Urban Transportation Projects in the State of Maharashtra during the last four years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of Urban Transportation Projects being considered for streamlining and remedial steps being taken for the same?

Removal of slums in metro cities

†1067. SHRI NARAYAN RANE: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are many ongoing schemes to remove slums and crores of rupees have been spent on the same, however the metropolitan cities of the country have not been slum-free yet;

(b) the reaction of Government in this regard thereto;

(c) the scheme-wise funds that have been spent to make the cities slum-free during the last three years; and

(d) the percentage of these metropolitan population that resides in slum areas of the country, as on data?

Criteria for Smart Cities Mission

1068. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria of selecting cities under Smart Cities Mission (SCM), the details thereof; and

(b) the total number of smart cities in the country and how many new cities have been identified in different States and included under the Mission during the last three years, the details thereof?

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Ownership rights in J.J. colonies of Delhi

†1069. SHRI RAMKUMAR VERMA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the house owners of J.J. colonies in Delhi have no right of ownership to their houses; and

(b) if so, what Government is planning to provide ownership rights to the house owners of the said colonies?

Stalled housing projects

1070. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that more than 1600 housing projects have been stalled across the country for one reason or other;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has taken any step to revive the stalled projects;

(d) if so, details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Allotment of houses in Gujarat to weaker section

†1071. SHRI NARANBHAI J. RATHWA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of weaker section people in Gujarat who have been allotted houses under various schemes during the last three years;

(b) the number of persons who do not have housing facility in Gujarat; and

(c) the efforts being made to ensure accommodation/housing facility to one and all in Gujarat by 2022?

Extension of working hours

†1072. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has recently circulated a draft proposal to various Ministries regarding extension of working hours for workers from 8 hours to 9 hours;

(b) if so, the intentions of Government behind this extension;

(c) whether such a step on the part of Government would be appropriate in view of ill effects on the workers health caused by stress and depression due to the modern trend of excessive work load; and

(d) whether Government would consider some other methods to enhance the human efficiency and productivity?

Creation of additional job

1073. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL:
DR. AMEE YAJNIK:

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

(a) details of unemployed persons particularly in the rural areas of educated youths provided with employment during last two years and current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) details of schemes formulated to create additional job opportunities for educated and uneducated youths in the country along with the targets set/achieved during said period; and

(c) whether employees are working in low paid jobs with higher education and if

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so, details thereof and the concrete measures taken/being taken by Government to create more job opportunities across various sectors of the economy including the measures to provide vocational training to marginal workers to enhance their skill?

Draft labour code on working hours

1074. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:
SHRI RITABRATA
BANERJEE:

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

(a) whether as per the draft labour code, nine hours working for a day has been suggested, as against eight hours a day, at present; and

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

Women unemployment rate

†1075. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH
YADAV:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA:

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

(a) the current unemployment rate in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that the unemployment is steadily increasing in the country in which women unemployment is relatively increasing on a higher rate;

(c) the rate of increase in unemployment of women and men respectively during last three years and the number of employment opportunities made available during said period;

(d) whether it is a fact that the rate of unemployment among urban women remained on higher side in comparison to rural women; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Code on Wages, 2019

1076. SHRI JOSE K. MANI:
SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ:

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

(a) whether Government has placed on public domain the draft rules that would govern wages including norms for minimum wages and fixing floor-level wages enacted in the Code on Wages, 2019 passed by the Parliament in August;

(b) whether trade unions are upset over the definition/criterion of a standard working family's needs for dignified living and are in the process of filing their objections to the draft; and

(c) whether the unions say that instead of moving on to a minimum wage and then a living wage, Government is walking back to floor-level wage which is unscientific and inhuman?

State of unemployment in the country after demonetisation

1077. SHRI MANAS RANJAN BHUNIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that unemployment rose to four year high after demonetisation;

(b) if so, the details of unemployment rate in different States for the last three years and the reasons for this happening year-wise; and

(c) the steps being initiated to resolve this issue?

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Increasing national minimum wage

1078. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is planning to increase the national minimum wage;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Rising unemployment rate

1079. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India's unemployment rate has risen to 8.5 per cent due to economic slowdown and contraction of industrial output;
- (b) the number of employable men and women in urban and rural areas presently categorised as unemployed;
- (c) the labour participation rate of male and female workers in the economy; and
- (d) what steps Government proposes to revive job creation and employment for the youth?

Eradication of child labour

1080. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken cognizance of the practice of child labour still going on in various parts of the country in spite of a ban on it ;
- (b) whether Government has made a law through Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2016 to eradicate child labour completely from the country; and

- (c) if so, what are the reasons that only 23 per cent of the cases reach conviction?

Labour reforms

1081. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry aims to reform the labour market for regulating the market, protecting employment and ensuring social security of workers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the labour reforms will really be going to achieve the long-delayed Indian industrial revolution in the present system, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which the labour reforms will take place for the benefit of employee and employer in fair manner?

Contribution of Government to EPFO scheme

1082. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has collected data on the number of employees of SC/ST category from PSUs and private firms;
- (b) if so, the objectives of such an exercise and the detailed findings of the exercise;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Government will make contributions to EPFO schemes on behalf of SC/ST employees; and
- (d) if so, the budgetary allocation for the same and by when this would be implemented?

Complaints regarding delay in payment of unorganised labourers

†1083. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received complaints regarding delay in payments and the under payment of wages fixed by Government to unorganised labourers;

(b) if so, the officer or agency responsible for paying the eligible workers according to the work done during that particular day; and

(c) whether there has been instances of preparing fake muster rolls for misappropriation of Government money, if so, the details thereof?

Amendment in Child Labour act

1084. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry propose to amend the Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986 to increase the age banning child labour from 14 years to 16 years or 18 years; and

(b) if not, the reasons as to why child labour is made illegal only upto the age of 14 years?

Implementation of the policy of 'equal pay for equal work'

†1085. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken to implement the policy of 'equal pay for equal work' in the various categories of labours in

industries and the achievements thereof; and

(b) the manner in which the discrepancies in the salary of the labourers doing equal work, workers of skilled and semi-skilled category and the engaged regular labourers and the contractual labourers for the regular works for the production in industry?

Rising unemployment

1086. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that unemployment is rising every quarter, if so, what is the reason and what steps have been initiated to check the situation;

(b) the steps initiated by Government to create dignified jobs to youths to provide greater dignity of labour;

(c) the reason for rising rural unemployment and the steps taken to create jobs; and

(d) whether it is a fact that low skill jobs are dominated in employment market due to other avenues being shrunk, if so, what steps have been initiated by Government to correct the situation?

Construction of ESI hospital in Kochi

1087. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering the proposal to construct 100-bed ESI hospital in Kochi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for delay in considering the proposal?

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ESI dispensaries in Kerala

1088. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether final giving operational nod for the sanctioned ESI dispensaries in Kerala is still under consideration;

(b) if so, the reasons for not giving operational nod for the sanctioned ESI dispensaries;

(c) the status of giving operational nod for such dispensaries; and

(d) the details of the dispensaries which are awaiting operational nod?

Draft wage code

1089. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the labour Ministry has suggested nine-hour regular working day in its draft wage code as against eight hours now but stayed away from fixing a national minimum wage;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have made any consultation with all stakeholders of employees regarding nine-hour working regular working day and fixing a national minimum wage; and

(d) if so, details in this regard?

New schemes for unorganised sector

†1090. MS. SAROJ PANDEY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of new schemes which have been implemented by Government for the social security and economic development of the workers of unorganised sector during the last three years; and

(b) the State-wise details of workers from unorganised sector registered and benefited under such schemes throughout the country so far?

Factories covered under EPF and M.P. Act, 1952

1091. SHRI AHMAD ASHFAQUE KARIM: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of establishments, mines factories which are covered under EPF and M.P. Act, 1952 and out of those how many are contributing region-wise as on 30th September, 2019;

(b) the number of such establishments which have been defaulting both in payment of statutory returns, the detailed list, region-wise; and

(c) the details of penal action taken against each such establishments under various laws including assessment of dues under Section 7A, 7Q and 14B of the EPF and M.P. Act, 1952, the detailed list region-wise?

Enrollment of employees under EPF and M.P. Act, 1952

1092. SHRI AHMAD ASHFAQUE KARIM : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many establishments under such scheduled head, building and construction industries are covered as on 30th September, 2019 under the EPF and M.P. Act, 1952 with number of total amounts and contributing subscribers engaged, region-wise; and

(b) whether all legal actions to get enrolled all eligible employees from the date

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of their eligibility, action to access all statutory dues and recovery thereof have been taken by the EPFO authorities in time, if not, the reasons therefor?

Rehabilitation of bonded labourers

1093. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of bonded labourers identified and rehabilitated under the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976, State/UT-wise and gender-wise;

(b) the funds sanctioned during last three years and current year to rehabilitate the bonded labourers, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of Vigilance Committee set up under the Act, State/UT-wise;

(d) the number of persons convicted for enforcement of bonded labour under the Act during last three years and current year, State-wise;

(e) whether there is a low rate of conviction under the Act; and

(f) the details of corrective measures taken or proposed by the Ministry in this regard?

Welfare of domestic workers

1094. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry maintains any data pertaining to the number of people working as domestic workers in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government plans to formulate any law or policy for protecting the rights of domestic workers;

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

(d) the details of existing welfare and social security schemes for the benefit of domestic workers in the country?

Construction of multi-speciality hospitals under ESIC

1095. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to construct multi-speciality hospitals under the administrative control of Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) in order to provide specialised medical care to the labourers/workers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Welfare of domestic workers

1096. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 603 given in the Rajya Sabha on 26th June, 2019 and state:

(a) whether there has been no improvement on the condition and no visible changes can be observed on domestic workers, daily working;

(b) whether coolies are not provided any upgraded tools to avoid carrying heavy baggage on their head, if not, the reasons therefor, the status of action on similar issues;

(c) the status of manual rickshaws replaced by e-rickshaws in small towns; and

(d) whether Government has planned any awareness campaign on polite behaviour towards domestic workers?

**Provision of PMUY connections
without identity cards**

†1097. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA:
Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND
NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government
is considering to provide PMUY gas
connections even without identity card;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken
any steps in this regard, so far; and

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

ONGC's overseas investments

1098. SHRI B. LINGAIAH YADAV:
Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND
NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has approved
an investment of ₹ 5,000 crore by ONGC
into its overseas arm, ONGC Videsh, if so,
the details thereof; and

(b) whether the investment is in the
form of ONGC converting into equity an
existing loan to its overseas unit and the
approved investment will strengthen the
capital base of ONGC Videsh and enhance
the ability of ONGC to undertake overseas
exploration and production business,
thereby improving the energy security of
the country, if so, the details thereof?

Biodiesel from cooking oil

†1099. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA:
Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND
NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government
is seriously contemplating to make
biodiesel from cooking oil;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken
any step in this direction so far; and

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

**LPG connections provided to BPL
families**

†1100. SHRI RAM SHAKAL: Will the
Minister of PETROLEUM AND
NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase
in the LPG connections being provided to
the BPL families; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Adulteration of fuel in the country

†1101. SHRI AJAY PRATAP SINGH:
Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND
NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received
complaints regarding adulteration of fuel in
the country, if so, the State-wise details
thereof during the last three years;

(b) whether Government has taken any
step to contain such complaints and
adulteration of fuel, if so, the details thereof;
and

(c) the State-wise/district-wise details
of action taken on such complaints during
the last three years?

**Diversion of domestic LPG for
Commercial use**

1102. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY
VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be
pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of
the Ministry that LPG distributors, under
the pretext 'consumer not available at home',

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are cancelling bookings and diverting the same to blackmarket, particularly for commercial use;

(b) why OMCs are not carrying out raids on commercial establishments using domestic LPG; and

(c) the details of LPG connections given under PMUY to Nellore so far, and what the Ministry is doing to release LPG connections to the left out households?

PNG in Andhra Pradesh

1103. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that geographical area of Nellore district has been given under PNGRB Act, 2006, to provide Piped Natural Gas (PNG) in Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the status of providing Piped Natural Gas to the households in the above district?

Production of CNG from stubble

1104. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that technology of converting stubble into Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) is commercially viable;

(b) if so, whether Government has any such proposal to convert stubble into CNG, a move which will provide jobs and additional income to farmers and also will help reducing pollution; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the alternate arrangements for this purpose by Government?

DBTL for LPG

†1105. SHRIMATI KANTA KARDAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount saved so far by adopting the Direct Benefit Transfer for LPG (DBTL) across the country and the State-wise details thereof;

(b) the total amount saved by deliberately giving up of subsidy, and the State-wise details thereof; and

(c) the total outlay of the LPG connections provided in the rural areas, the State-wise details during the years 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 thereof?

CSR funds

1106. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) total amount spent by Oil/Petroleum PSUs under their CSR funds during last five years in the country and in North-Eastern India;

(b) total amount spent by Oil/Petroleum PSUs under CSR funds in North-Eastern India, State-wise, along with amount and activities on which it is spent during last five years;

(c) total amount spent by Oil/Petroleum PSUs under CSR funds in their areas of operation and outside their areas of operation; and

(d) whether there is any bar in spending of CSR funds outside areas of operation and if not, why is there so much difference in spending in their areas of operation and outside?

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Socio-economic status of SCs and OBCs

†1107. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH
YADAV:

SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA:

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

(a) the category-wise details of data regarding Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes in the Census Report of 2011;

(b) the details of current socio-economic and educational status of said categories;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Other Backward Classes, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes constitute 85 per cent of the population and the rest 15 per cent belongs to General Category; and

(d) the details of the steps taken by Government to strengthen the socio-economic and educational conditions in view of the data on census carried out in 2011?

Elimination of caste system

1108. DR. AMEE YAJNIK:
SHRI RAJMANI PATEL:
DR. L. HANUMANTHAIAH:

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

(a) whether Government is considering any proposal/scheme to eliminate caste system from the society;

(b) if so, the details thereof and steps taken in this regard; and

(c) the details of the funds released by Government for promoting inter-caste/inter-religious marriages in the country, State/UT-wise, thereof?

Reservation benefits for EWS

†1109. SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA:

SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:
CH. SUKHRAM SINGH
YADAV:

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

(a) the caste-wise details of opportunities/benefits received by the candidates of General Category under 10 per cent reservation given to Economically Weaker Section (EWS) as on date; and

(b) whether it is a fact that in most cases, the benefit of 10 per cent reservation is being taken by only few selected castes of General Category, the details thereof?

Schemes under NBCFDC

1110. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether appropriate technical training has been provided under National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC)'s scheme in the field of traditional and technical occupations and entrepreneurship;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether financial assistance has been provided in the form of grant through

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SCA (Special Central Assistance)/
Institution; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Eligibility criteria of quota for EWS

1111. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the eligibility criteria for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) quota is tougher than OBC creamy layer;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that creamy layer rollout put one section of Mandal class at par with upper castes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Eradication of manual scavenging

1112. DR. BANDA PRAKASH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of States that are implementing the 'Prohibition of Employment as Mannual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013' (MS Act, 2013) in letter and spirit;

(b) the State/UT-wise details of manual scavengers identified thereof;

(c) the details of beneficiaries identified and sanctioned under Self-Employment Scheme for the rehabilitation of identified manual scavengers;

(d) whether the Task Force constituted for carrying out a National Survey of manual scavengers has submitted its report; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Revision in income limit of creamy layer for OBCs

†1113. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any provisions have been laid down by Government to revise income limit of creamy layer in the jobs for Other Backward Classes (OBCs);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the provisions made by Government are being complied with?

Welfare and development of Dalits

1114. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formed any committees or groups recently on different issues related to the welfare and development of Dalits;

(b) if so, the details of each committee thereof;

(c) whether such committees have submitted their recommendations;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the follow-up action thereon;

(e) whether some committees have not submitted their reports so far; and

(f) if so, the specific reasons therefor and the time by when the said committees are likely to submit their reports?

Welfare of senior citizens

1115. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has collected

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data about offences committed against senior citizens during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the Senior Citizens' Welfare Fund including expenditure incurred year on year since its inception and purpose of the expenditure; and

(d) whether the Ministry has any schemes to provide educational and reskilling opportunities to senior citizens post retirement?

Prevalence of drug abuse in the country

†1116. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that drug abuse is continuously increasing in various States of the country;

(b) if so, the details of States in which drug abuse is more prevalent; and

(c) whether special programmes are being proposed to be run in order to prevent the increasing drug abuse amongst youngsters?

Rehabilitation programmes and centres

1117. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many rehabilitation programmes have Government launched for the victims of alcoholism and substance abuse during the last four years, State/UT-wise details thereof since 2014;

(b) whether Government has established any new Integrated Rehabilitation Centre for Addicts (IRCA), State-wise and district-wise details thereof since 2014; and

(c) whether Government has audited any of these centres to monitor their working and how many people have been successfully rehabilitated, if so, State/UT-wise audit thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Model village for Scheduled Castes

1118. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is formulating or proposes to formulate any scheme for transforming villages with majority of Scheduled Caste population into a model village for SCs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds allocated for the said scheme by the Union Government; and

(d) the time by when the said scheme is likely to be implemented by the Union Government?

Capacity building for JS and above rank officers

1119. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many officials from the Joint Secretary and above rank were sent for some capacity building/training courses abroad during the last three years;

(b) the details of officials sent abroad for training and the institutions where they were sent; and

(c) whether any written reports were sought from these trainee officials in the form of a feedback, if so, the overall feedback details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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Privatisation of Steel PSUs

1120. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to privatise Steel PSUs of the country;

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

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government has decided to close down Alloy Steel Plant, Salem Steel Plant, Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Plant (VISIP); and

(d) the reasons for sale and/or disinvestment and thus call of global tender and its reaction on the strategic sale plan thereof?

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