RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, August 1, 2018/Shravana 10, 1940 (Saka)

(Ministries: Civil Aviation; Commerce and Industry; Home Affairs; Labour and Employment; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Steel; Textiles)

Total number of questions — 15

Pension under EPS-95 Scheme

- *151. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether pensioners under Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS-95) are getting less than ₹ 2500 per month pension inspite of present year-on-year average inflation rate of 5.21 per cent;
- (b) the total number of Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) pensioners an on 30 June, 2018 thereof;
- (c) total accumulated fund with interest in EPFO account towards Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) contributions as on 30 June, 2018 thereon;
- (d) status of Koshiyari Committee recommendations on enhancement of pension of EPS holders; and
- (e) when will the pension of EPS-95 pensioners be reviewed and what will be minimum pension in effect thereto?

Action against pilots found drunk

- *152. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the total number of pilots found to be drunk before flight operation during each of the last three years, airport-wise and airline-wise;
 - (b) the action taken against them; and
- (c) the action taken on being detected Breathalyzer (BA) positive second time?

Bringing natural gas and ATF under GST

- *153. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that natural gas and Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) are being brought under the Goods and Services Tax (GST);

- (b) if so, what is the response of the States: and
- (c) how does the Central Government propose to compensate the losses of States?

Installation of more CEPTs in textile industry towns

- *154. DR. SASIKALA PUSHPA RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has taken steps to install more Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs) in the textile industry towns of Coimbatore and Tirupur to prevent further pollution of Siruvani and Noyyal rivers;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government intended to open more textile parks in the State of Tamil Nadu;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Government is facing opposition on the ground that opening up of more textile parks in the State would further aggravate the pollution of river stretches; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and Government's response thereto?

Task Force on reducing import dependence

- *155. DR. BANDA PRAKASH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has set up a high level Task Force to identify various items and policy interventions to reduce dependence on imports and to suggest ways to cut import of those items which

- can be manufactured or explored in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with India's imports during the last three years, item-wise?

Second phase of UDAN Scheme

- *156. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has planned for the second phase of Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN) Scheme across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of routes likely to be awarded under this Scheme and the number of airports to be connected/developed under the same, State/UT-wise including Himachal Pradesh;
- (c) whether Government proposes to include helicopter operators under this scheme, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government is strongly emphasizing on enhancing connectivity to remote and hilly areas under this scheme, if so, the details thereof?

Unsettled boundary pillars along Indo-Myanmar border

- *157. SHRI K. BHABANANDA SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there are many unsettled boundary pillars along Indo-Myanmar border, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the efforts made by surveying agencies of the two countries to put an end to the border demarcation issue?

Reservation to women in police force

- †*158. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Central Government had advised States and Union Territories for providing reservation to women in direct recruitment in police force against nongazetted posts right from the post of constable to the post of sub-inspector in all the States and Union Territories;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether States have made any provision for providing reservation to women in direct recruitment against nongazetted posts in police force right from the post of constable to sub-inspector as per the advice of the Central Government; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Incidents of terrorist infiltration

- †*159. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the year-wise number of incidents of terrorist infiltration occurred in 2017 and 2018 till date;
- (b) the number of terrorists killed in the course of their infiltration every year and the number of terrorists who were caught alive during the above period; and
- (c) the number of security personnel who got martyred as well as those who got injured during the encounters that took place at the time of infiltration during the said period?

Building aircrafts under 'Make in India' programme

- *160. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is seriously considering to build aircrafts indigenously under 'Make in India' programme for the requirement of country's aviation sector;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to encourage domestic industry to participate in building aircrafts in the country?

Garment manufacturing hub in Jabalpur

- *161. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Jabalpur, a garment manufacturing hub, engages nearly 3 lakh women in about 20,000 cottage units and 300 small scale units, and has an annual turnover of ₹ 300 crores, which could increase manifold to ₹ 3000 crores:
- (b) whether Government would consider connecting readymade garment work force with the national and world markets, designs, fashions and trends, linking them to national markets, facilitating exports, inter-State and international transport:
- (c) if so, whether Government would include this in its New Industrial Policy; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

[†]Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Economic and caste census

- †*162. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether caste and economic census was also carried out during the last census;
 - (b) if so, the reasons for doing so;
- (c) whether Government is serving the purpose for which the caste based census was done; and
- (d) the reasons for not making public the caste based census?

Take over of tea gardens in West Bengal

- *163. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Union Government had declared to take over seven tea gardens in West Bengal in 2016;
- (b) if so, whether the tea gardens have been taken over; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

'No Investment' policy in steel PSUs

- *164. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has taken a decision on 'no investment' policy in the steel PSUs of the country;
- (b) if so, the present condition of modernisation projects in steel sector;
- (c) conditions of the proposed modernisation projects in steel sector;
- (d) the decision of Government for strategic disinvestment of SAIL subsidiaries;and
- (e) the action taken by Government along with reasons therefor?

Crimes against women and children in Delhi and NCR

- *165. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that of late crimes against girls, women and children in the National Capital and National Capital Region (NCR) have increased manifold;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last two years, year-wise; and
- (c) the measures taken or proposed to be taken by Government to curb crimes against girls, women and children in Delhi and NCR?

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