

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Thursday, August 9, 2018/Shravana 18, 1940 (Saka)*

(Ministries : Prime Minister; Atomic Energy; Development of North Eastern Region; External Affairs; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Housing and Urban Affairs; Human Resource Development; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; Social Justice and Empowerment; Space; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Tribal Affairs; Women and Child Development)

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Reimbursement of arrears for revised UGC pay scales

*241. SHRID. KUPENDRAREDDY:
Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be
pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government
has not reimbursed the arrears arising out
of the implementation of 2006 revised
UGC pay scales for the university and
college teachers to various States including
Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Central Government
has taken any action for expediting the
release of the said arrears to the States;

(d) if so, the details thereof and by when
these funds would be released; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Conditions of juvenile homes

*242. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS
BAIDYA: Will the Minister of WOMEN
AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be
pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note
of pathetic condition of juvenile homes,
deprivation of basic facilities/infrastructure
to children living there and their involvement
in criminal activities;

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

(c) the corrective steps taken/being taken
by Government to ensure adequate
facilities/infrastructure to the children living
in juvenile homes?

Grants in aid to NGOs in NE

*243. SHRI BHUBANESWAR
KALITA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL

JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes meant for Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) in the country;

(b) the details of grants in aid given to NGOs of Assam and other North Eastern States during the last three years;

(c) whether all these NGOs have been able to utilise the grants in aid received from the Central Government within the stipulated time frame; and

(d) if not, whether any action has been initiated by Government against the defaulting NGOs?

ISRO's share in global satellite launch market

*244. SHRI JOSE K. MANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ISRO currently holds just 0.6 per cent of the global satellite launch market despite its highly successful performance in launching of rockets;

(b) whether ISRO has launched more than 230 foreign satellites of 28 countries till today and out of the 43 launches since 1993, only 3 launches have failed with a success rate of 94 per cent; and

(c) whether ISRO would launch a PSLV rocket solely for foreign satellites in September, 2018?

Selling of infrastructure projects to power companies

*245. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to sell successfully running public sector infrastructure projects such as power and

steel plants to power companies;

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

(c) whether Government has made any detailed consultations regarding this proposal with all CPSEs and if so, the response of those CPSEs thereon?

Privatisation of Hindustan Newsprint Limited, Kerala

*246. SHRI ELAMARAM KAREEM: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to privatise the Hindustan Newsprint Limited (HNL), Velloor, Kottayam, Kerala;

(b) whether Government has received a request from the State Government of Kerala expressing their willingness to take over the HNL; and

(c) if so, whether Government has taken any decisions in this regard?

Ban on migration to Gulf countries

*247. SHRI T. G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is imposing restrictions on migration to Gulf countries in view of the problems being faced by Indians in those countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken/being taken by Government to bring already migrated Indians back; and

(d) the details and the number of people benefited by such steps?

Funds for Chennai Metro Rail Project

*248. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has responded to the requests for approval and allocation of funds to expedite the Chennai Metro Rail Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the details of funds allocated by Government during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) whether Government has allocated any funds for the purchase of new train coaches and if so, the details thereof and the countries from which such coaches are imported and their total cost?

Setting up of Special Educational Zones

*249. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of measures being taken to boost vocational education;

(b) whether Government would set up Special Educational Zones to serve higher education and skill development;

(c) whether Government has any proposals to establish educational townships on the lines of Oxford and Cambridge; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether Government would consider such a proposal in the near future to raise the standards of higher education?

Utilisation of Nirbhaya Fund

*250. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any action to ensure proper utilisation of Nirbhaya Fund that aims at improving safety for women and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of implementation of the scheme and utilisation of funds for the victims;

(c) the details of the funds allocated and utilised in Tamil Nadu during the last three years; and

(d) whether Government has set up any mechanism to monitor the utilisation of these funds by the State Governments and if so, the details thereof?

Grants to coaching centres for OBC, SC and ST

*251. DR. SASIKALA PUSHPA RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has initiated any scheme to provide grants to coaching institutes which are imparting coaching for UPSC and other competitive examinations to OBC, SC and ST aspirants in view of the fact that there is virtual absence of Government coaching centres;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

National Electric Mobility Mission

*252. SHRIMATI ROOPA GANGULY: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has finalized the mode for pursuance of its National Electric Mobility Mission;

(b) whether Government has set up a research team to analyze the battery conundrum; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Health problems of Safai Karamcharis

*253. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOT: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a recent survey has revealed that most of the Safai Karamcharis in Mumbai, the National Capital and other parts of the country are having breathing and other respiratory problems due to their working conditions;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the remedial measures Government proposes to take in the matter?

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Basic facilities for Anganwadi Workers

*254. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Anganwadi Workers working in the rural and urban areas of the country and their duties and pay/salary;

(b) whether Government has provided the basic facilities for these Anganwadi Workers and children under their care and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has received grievances/complaints from them and if so, the details thereof along with the remedial steps taken by Government, so far?

Amendments to RTI Act

*255. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to amend the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons and rationale therefor?

DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General.

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