RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Tuesday, July 24, 2018/Sravana 2, 1940 (Saka)

(Ministries: Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Corporate Affairs; Culture; Finance; Health and Family Welfare; Minority Affairs; New and Renewable Energy; Power; Tourism)

Total number of questions — 15

Inclusion of temples in Central list of religious places

†*61. SHRI NARAYAN RANE: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken or proposes to take steps to include Lord Ganpati temple Kadyavarcha Ganpati Anjarle, Konkan region; Keshavraj temple of Lord Vishnu and Vyagreshwar temple of Lord Shiva in Aasood village 7 km. away from Dapoli, Anjarle Road; Tamas pilgrimage and Sri Datta temple and ancient Veleshwar temple situated at Ladghar; Velneshwar Shiva temple in Konkan region and Harihareshwar temple on bank of Tambi (Tamrapani) river situated 45 km. away from Gondhele village (Chiplun), in Central list of religious places and to provide basic amenities at these places; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Activities taken under Janani Suraksha Yojana

- *62. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of the activities and initiatives taken under Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) for reduction of infant and maternal mortality in the country;
- (b) the financial and technical support extended to the States/UTs under JSY during each of the last three years, State/ UT-wise; and
- (c) the number of women benefited under the scheme during the said period, State/UT-wise?

Status of health care schemes in the country

*63. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under

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

the active consideration of Government for health care schemes in the country;

- (b) if so, whether these schemes have already been introduced;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, by when it is expected to be introduced; and
- (d) the details of weaker sections, particularly the minority communities, which would be benefited under these schemes, State-wise?

Information on black money from Switzerland

- *64. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's fight against black money has taken a major beating as the latest data released by the Swiss National Bank has revealed that the amount deposited by Indians in the Swiss banks in the past one year has increased by 50 per cent;
- (b) whether India and Switzerland have signed an agreement for automatic information exchange and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether Indian Government has received any information on black money from Switzerland;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, by which date India will receive information on black money from Switzerland?

Inclusion of petrol, diesel and natural gas in GST ambit

- *65. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether demands are pouring in for inclusion of petrol, diesel and natural gas in Goods and Services Tax (GST) ambit to bring uniformity in their price throughout the country; and;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and also the reaction of Government in this respect duly taking in view the opinion expressed in public by the Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas?

Debt recovered and bad debts written off by PSBs

- *66. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that total gross Non Performing Assets (NPAs) stands at ₹9 lakh crore and over 90 per cent of it is with Public Sector Banks (PSBs);
- (b) the details of debt recovered and bad debts written off by each PSB and financial institutions as on March 31, 2018:
- (c) whether it is also a fact that PSBs could only recover ₹15,786 crore in first nine months of Financial Years 2017-18 and 2016-17; and
 - (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Flow of black money into entertainment industries

- *67. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether as per the assessment of Revenue Intelligence agencies, unaccounted/ black money is flowing into Entertainment

Industries including cinema production and distribution, Television and IPL cricket;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of television, cinema production and distribution companies found involved in investment of unaccounted money;
- (d) the action taken against the erring companies having nexus with such organisations, company-wise; and
- (e) whether Government proposes to bring out any new legislation with relevant provisions to regulate cinema and television industries as well as IPL cricket and if so, the details thereof?

Curb on illegal kidney business in private hospitals

- *68. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that there are increasing incidents of illegal kidney transplant in the private hospitals across the country;
- (b) if so, the details of such cases in the current year along with the status of such cases; and
- (c) what are the measures taken by Government to stop such crimes in private hospitals?

Rise in money parked by Indians in Swiss Banks

- *69. SHRI JOSE K. MANI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether money parked by Indians in Swiss Banks rose over 50 per cent to ₹ 7,000 crore in 2017, reversing a three year downward trend amid India's

- clampdown on suspected black money stashed abroad;
- (b) whether in comparison, total funds held by all foreign clients of Swiss Banks rose about 3 per cent to ₹ 100 lakh crore in 2017 according to annual data released by Swiss National Bank, the Nation's Central banking authority; and
- (c) whether this is in contrast to India's claims that it had secured co-operation of all nations including European Union Nations, in tightening regulations over parking of illegal funds by Indians?

Shortfall in CSR funding

- *70. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of firms found to have not met their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) spending requirements since 2014, year-wise;
- (b) whether the Ministry has taken steps to ensure that the requisite expenditure is incurred;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Rigorous punishment for adulteration of foodstuffs

- †*71. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been a ten-fold increase in cases of adulteration during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the number of cases in which adulteration has been found to be unsafe:
- (c) the number of cases of adulteration in which culprits have been punished;

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- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether Government would bring provision of rigorous punishment after declaring the adulteration of foodstuffs as a serious crime; and
- (f) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

Expenditure incurred on International Yoga Day, 2018

- *72. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of programmes organised and projects launched on the occasion of International Yoga Day;
- (b) the expenditure incurred on the celebration of the events this year including expenses incurred on promotion, publicity, advertisement and awareness in India and worldwide:
- (c) the number of participants who took part in these programmes and places where these were held, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken or being taken by Government to promote yoga in the country and worldwide?

Tax incentives extended to Andhra Pradesh

- *73. SHRI G.V.L. NARASIMHA RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of tax incentives given to the State of Andhra Pradesh to promote

- industrial and economic growth as per the AP Reorganisation Act, 2014;
- (b) which districts of Andhra Pradesh have benefited from the above tax incentives:
- (c) how many industrial projects have sought and availed tax incentives under the aforesaid benefits; and
- (d) the total value of tax incentives availed by industries in the last three years?

Reversion to old Pension Scheme

- *74. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) the reasons for removing Pension Scheme from April 2003;
- (b) whether the employees who had joined after 2003 are demanding to revert back to the old Pension Scheme since they virtually get nothing after their retirement in the new Pension Scheme;
- (c) whether these employees, after retirement, do not get whatever they contributed and the matching amount of Government in the scheme, since 40 per cent of it has to be mandatorily invested in an annuity scheme of authorised insurance company and the returns are dependent on market forces; and
- (d) what constraints Government has to revert back to the old Pension Scheme?

Empanelment of Ayurveda Hospitals under CGHS

- *75. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has any proposal to increase/empanel Ayurveda hospitals under CGHS;
- (b) if so, the number and names of the hospitals empanelled and to be empanelled in the country for Ayurveda treatment, State-wise;
- (c) whether in-patient facilities at Ayurveda hospitals are not available under CGHS; and
 - (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

New Delhi; *The* 18th July, 2018 Ashadha 27, 1940 (Saka) DESH DEEPAK VERMA, Secretary-General.

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