RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2017/Ashadha 27, 1939 (Saka)

(Ministries: Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Civil Aviation; Corporate Affairs; Defence; Finance; Health and Family Welfare; Minority Affairs; Youth Affairs and Sports)

Total number of questions — 15

Performing of unnecessary Caesarean operations

- *16. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the private hospitals are forcing the women patients to undergo Caesarean operations even when these are not necessary, if so the details thereof:
- (b) the percentage of Caesarean deliveries reported in Government and private hospitals, State-wise; and
- (c) whether there is any mechanism with Government to check these unnecessary operations?

Concerns of textile traders/sellers about GST

- *17. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether organised traders and

- unorganised sellers have been affected by the Goods and Services Tax (GST), if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) what steps the Ministry is taking to address their concerns as they claim textiles were never taxed in independent India?

Development of world class airports in West Bengal

- *18. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that there have been repeated requests from the State Government of West Bengal for the development of world class airports in Cooch Behar and Malda, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of revenue generated, expenditure incurred and profit/loss registered by airports in West Bengal for the last three years; and

(c) whether Government is taking any steps to increase air connectivity between places in West Bengal to the North Eastern States, if so, the details thereof?

Swine flue deaths in Maharashtra and Gujarat

- *19. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that there were incidents of deaths caused by Swine flu, recently in Maharashtra and Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last twelve months, State-wise;
- (c) the total number of Swine flu patients detected in each of the States during the said period; and
- (d) what preventive and other precautionary measures Government has taken or proposes to take in the matter in these States?

Counterfeit currency and its identification

- †*20. SHRI OM PRAKASH MATHUR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of incidents of detection of counterfeit currency notes that took place in different parts of the country, post demonetisation;
- (b) the responsibility of banks in case the common man gets counterfeit currency in a situation when the Indian currency is new for now and the common man is not able to differentiate between genuine and counterfeit currency; and
 - (c) the responsibility of banks in case

the new currency is a little torn or there is something written over it so that the common man does not suffer any financial losses on account of it?

Defence personnel killed or injured on duty

- *21. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a number of defence personnel have been killed or injured while on duty and it has become frequent nowadays;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of personnel killed or injured, during the last three years; and
- (c) what are the compensation given to the family members of deceased and number of compensation cases pending along with the reasons for such pendency, if any?

Central Sports University in Manipur

- *22. SHRI K. BHABANANDA SINGH: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has started work for establishing a Central Sports University in Manipur;
- (b) whether Government contemplates to bring a Bill in this regard for passing in both Houses of Parliament during the current session; and
- (c) the amount of funds released for the establishment of the University and amount sanctioned and contemplated to be sanctioned for the university for the ensuing three years?

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

Non-spending of CSR funds by companies

- *23. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is aware that many of the companies including Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) are not spending two per cent of their total profit on welfare activities under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and the Companies Act, 2013; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof including unutilised funds in the last financial year, companies and State/UT-wise?

Identification of non-filer through NMS

- *24. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Income Tax (IT) Department has developed a comprehensive strategy for widening of tax-base and, if so, details thereof;
- (b) whether the Income Tax Department has implemented the Non-Filer Monitoring System (NMS) to identify such persons/entities who have undertaken high value financial transactions but have not filed return; and
- (c) if so, the number of non-filers with potential tax liability which has been identified through the Non-Filer Monitoring System (NMS) by the IT Department and the measures taken to ensure that they file their returns?

Share of farmers' loans in NPAs

- †*25. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) the total amount of various banks declared as Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) in the last three years along with the separate details of the said NPAs, on account of farmers and corporate sector, out of this NPA;
- (b) the year-wise and State-wise details of farmers thereof; and
- (c) the loan amount of farmers waived off and the relaxation given to corporate sector during this period, and the details thereof?

Testing of Smart Anti-Airfield weapon

- *26. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) has successfully tested an indigenous Smart Anti-Airfield weapon from an Indian Air Force aircraft, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the 120 kg. class smart weapon is used to destroy runways, bunkers, aircraft hangers and other reinforced structures, if so, the details thereof?

Gap in timely diagnosis and treatment of serious diseases

- †*27. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
 - (a) the extent of disparity found

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between the assessment made about the current requirement of timely diagnosis and treatment of serious diseases including cardiac diseases, kidney diseases, liver diseases and cancer in the country and the facilities available for the above, and the policy and action plan for improving this adverse situation; and

(b) the number of people affected by each of these serious diseases and the number of people who lost their lives due to the lack of timely diagnosis and treatment, during each of the last three years?

Availability of doctors in the country

- †*28. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of registered doctors in the country as on date and the number of doctors out of them who are in practice;
- (b) the number of vacant posts of doctors in Government Hospitals, Statewise, and whether expeditious action is being taken to fill those vacant posts;
- (c) the percentage of population for which doctors were available in the years, 2004 and 2014, respectively, and the percentage of population for which doctors are available at present; and
- (d) whether any special initiative has been taken by Government for ensuring availability of doctors for the entire

population of the country during last three years and whether they have yielded expected results?

Slowdown of GDP growth

- *29. SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has noted that the GDP growth has slid down to a twoyear low which has ceded India's top ranking as the world's fastest growing economy back to China in the fourth quarter of 2016-17;
- (b) whether the demonetisation of November, 2016 has been rippling through the economy; and
- (c) the steps Government has taken to overcome the slowdown of the growth?

Destinations covered under UDAN Scheme

- *30. SHRI C. M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
 - (a) the aims and objectives of UDAN;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has finalised five airlines to fly under UDAN, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of destinations that the Ministry has finalised for UDAN and how many flights have started their operations, so far?

New Delhi; The 12th July, 2017 Ashadha 21, 1939 (Saka) SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF, Secretary-General.

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