

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, December 20, 2017/Agrahayana 29, 1939 (Saka)*

**(Ministries : Commerce and Industry; Culture; Home Affairs; Labour and
Employment; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Petroleum and
Natural Gas; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Steel;
Tourism; Youth Affairs and Sports)**

Total number of questions — 15

Disciplinary proceedings and investigations against IPS officers

*46. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many IPS officers are currently facing disciplinary proceedings and investigations by Central and State investigating agencies;

(b) in reference to part (a) above, in how many cases FIRs have been registered and after investigation, chargesheets have been filed; and

(c) how many IPS officers have been retired by Government by invoking Rule 16(3) of the AIS (DCRB) Rules, 1958 since 2014?

Unemployment among youth

*47. MS. DOLASEN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many unemployed youth have been given employment by the Central Government during the last one year; and

(b) how many youth were employed during the last three years?

Revision of retail prices of petrol/ diesel/LPG

*48. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many times the retail prices of petrol, diesel and LPG were revised, give the date and the amount increased/decreased, since May, 2014;

(b) what is the tax component in these prices; and

(c) what are the details of variation in crude prices during this period?

Investigations into killings of Kashmiri Pandits

*49. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of FIRs registered for the killings of Kashmiri Pandits in the 1990s have not been investigated by the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) whether it is also a fact that leaders of Kashmiri Pandit body had also approached the Central Government in this regard but no action was taken thereon; and

(c) if so, what are the specific reasons therefor and by when directions are proposed to be issued to the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir to initiate investigations into the killings of Kashmiri Pandits?

Fall in prices of pepper

*50. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that prices of superior quality pepper have fallen due to increase in its production;

(b) whether it is also a fact that cheap and low quality Vietnamese pepper is finding its way into India through Sri Lanka under South Asian Free Trade Area Agreement which is severely impacting pepper growers in south Indian States, particularly Kerala and Karnataka; and

(c) what measures the Ministry propose to take to stop the unethical inflow of inferior quality pepper from Vietnam through Sri Lanka so that the prices of

pepper get stabilized and its growers are protected?

Increase in prices of petrol and diesel

†*51. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to fix the prices of petrol and diesel on a daily basis and whether it is a fact that the prices of petrol and diesel have been rising continuously since this decision was taken even as the price of crude oil is very low in the international market;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, the details of total cost of production of petrol and diesel and their delivery to the market?

Skill development in Saansad Adarsh Grams

†*52. DR. SUBHASH CHANDRA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employment opportunities created till date for the skilled manpower in Saansad Adarsh Grams, the State-wise details thereof;

(b) the details of various schemes implemented for the skill development and creation of employment in Saansad Adarsh Grams; and

(c) whether any assessment has been made about the economic growth of such villages, if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Increase in incidents of lynching by mob

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

(a) whether incidents of lynching by mob are reportedly on the rise in the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the total number of such cases reported, persons killed/injured, arrested and the action taken against them during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether Government has any proposal to bring a stringent law against mob lynching and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other measures taken by Government to stop such incidents in future?

Removal of prohibition on pulses' export

*54. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has removed the prohibition on export of all types of pulses;

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

(c) whether Government has taken steps to ensure availability of pulses at affordable prices in the country while according permission for pulses' exports; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Encroachment of historical and archaeological sites

†*55. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of historical and archaeological heritage sites marked by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in Gwalior;

(b) whether all those heritage sites situated in Gwalior are being protected in appropriate manner;

(c) whether any case has come to the notice of Government about renting out and encroachment of the historical and archaeological heritage sites situated in Gwalior; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Border Outposts along India-Bangladesh border

*56. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Cabinet Committee on Security reduced the estimated number of Border Outposts to be constructed along the India-Bangladesh border from 509 to 422;

(b) if so, the rationale behind this decision;

(c) whether Government is considering to go with original estimate of 509, if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of other measures taken by Government to reduce the inter-BOP distance to 3.5 kms. along the India-Bangladesh border; and

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(e) whether Government is aware of increasing security breaches into the State of West Bengal due to lack of sufficient BOPs along India-Bangladesh border?

Land under PSUs in Kerala

*57. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of land under the possession of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) of the Ministry in Kerala;

(b) the total market value of the land under possession of PSUs in Kerala;

(c) the details of area of land of PSUs sold out so far; and

(d) the amount collected by selling the land of PSUs during the years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17?

National Minimum Wage

*58. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to fix the National Minimum Wage;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the methodology adopted for the said revision;

(c) whether the methodology of determining the minimum wage is as per any study; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the logic for fixing the National Minimum Wage?

Talks to solve problems of J&K

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

(a) whether Government has authorised any representative to talk to all stakeholders with a view to solve long standing problems and turmoil in Jammu and Kashmir; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Schemes to promote work of rural artisans

†*60. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes or programmes being implemented by Government to promote the work of rural artisans of the country;

(b) the funds allocated and used to promote the work of rural artisans during the last three years, the State-wise details thereof and especially the details of funds allocated to the State of Maharashtra; and

(c) the number of artisans benefited from the schemes, the State-wise details thereof?

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DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
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