

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, December 27, 2017/Pausha 6, 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

Rise in crimes against women in Delhi

*91. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP:
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be
pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that among
metropolitan cities Delhi recorded the
highest number of cases of crimes against
women in 2016;

(b) if so, the measures taken to check
the rise in crimes against women in Delhi;
and

(c) what is the status of cases of crimes
against women in 2016 in Mumbai,
Kolkata, Lucknow, Bengaluru and
Chennai?

Construction of physical barriers along India-Bangladesh border

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

(a) whether out of 667 kms. along India-
Bangladesh Border where physical barrier

is feasible, only 21 kms. of fencing was
completed in 17 months since July, 2015;

(b) if so, the reasons for slow pace of
construction of physical barriers and
measures taken to speed up the
construction;

(c) estimated losses to West Bengal due
to border infiltrations arising from lack of
security measures along the border, the
details thereof;

(d) whether Government has considered
rehabilitating villages near fencing, the
details thereof; and

(e) whether Government is considering
building community houses for households
living beyond fencing under Border Area
Development Programme?

Stone pelting incidents in Kashmir valley

*93. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN:
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be
pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has

been a sharp drop in the number of stone pelting incidents in the Kashmir valley this year;

(b) whether it is also a fact that around 1,600 such incidents were reported last year when CRPF personnel were attacked with stones;

(c) whether it is also a fact that around 30,000 personnel of the CRPF are deployed in the valley to assist the local police in maintaining law and order and conducting anti-militancy operations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Funds for development of Jallianwala Bagh national monument

*94. SHRI SHWAIT MALIK: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Jallianwala Bagh is a national monument as thousands of nationalists sacrificed their lives for the country at this place in April, 1919;

(b) whether Government has sanctioned any funds for the development of this monument for the year 2017-18; and

(c) whether Government is planning to allocate budget to organise inspirational programmes in the memory of patriots who sacrificed their lives in Jallianwala Bagh massacre on completion of 100 years in 2019?

Goals fixed for NSDM

*95. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether goals have been fixed for

the National Skill Development Mission (NSDM);

(b) in what manner Government proposes to achieve those goals in the coming two years; and

(c) the details of funds allocated/proposed to be allocated to the NSDM in order to achieve its set goals for the years 2017-18 and 2018-19?

Training to tribals under PMKVY

*96. DR. VIKAS MAHATME : Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to provide training to tribals under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana in view of increasing unemployment among tribal population in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise, especially in Maharashtra?

Promotion of Odissi dance

*97. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Ministry to promote Odissi dance;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government of Odisha has sent a proposal to the Central Government for setting up 'Odissi Dance Museum' at Guru Kelu Charan Mohapatra Odissi Research Centre at Bhubaneswar; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**Dilapidated condition of monuments/
heritage sites**

†*98. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR:
Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased
to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that
several monuments/heritage sites in the
country are in dilapidated condition;

(b) the State-wise list of the sites that
have been identified where monuments are
in a dilapidated condition; and

(c) the action being taken by Government
to renovate the historical monuments
especially in Bihar, the details thereof?

**Protection of Taj Mahal from
environmental hazards**

*99. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH
MAHRA: Will the Minister of CULTURE
be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any action
plan to protect the Taj Mahal from
environmental hazards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that a large number
of trees have been cut in order to construct
a multi-level car parking in the ecologically
sensitive area around the Taj Mahal; and

(d) if so, what is Government's action
plan to restore the lost vegetation, the details
thereof?

**Inhuman condition of jails in the
country**

*100. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will
the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased
to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the

inhuman condition of jails in the country
and the increasing instances of torture by
the inmates;

(b) if so, what corrective steps have been
taken in this regard;

(c) whether Government has any action
plan ready for prison reforms in the country;
and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Foreign exchange earnings from
foreign tourists**

*101. SHRI MANISH GUPTA: Will the
Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise number of foreign
tourists who visited India during the past
three years;

(b) the year-wise details of foreign
exchange earnings, in US dollars, from
tourism in India during this period;

(c) the number of tourists and foreign
exchange earnings, in US dollars, from
tourism for nearby South East Asian
countries like Thailand, Malaysia,
Singapore and Indonesia during the past
three years;

(d) whether India lags behind the above-
mentioned countries in tourist inflow and
foreign exchange earnings; and

(e) if so, the plans to catch up and match
their success?

Deaths in various jails

†*102. SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of
HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of deaths that occurred in
various jails during the last three years and
out of them the number of unnatural deaths

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and in how many deaths complaints regarding inhuman behaviour were received from families of deceased prisoners;

(b) whether prisoners are being kept in various jails including Tihar jail beyond their capacity;

(c) if so, the capacity of various Central jails and the number of prisoners kept in them at present; and

(d) the reasons for keeping prisoners beyond jail capacity and the steps taken to address this problem during last three years?

ESIC hospital at Kalaburgi (Gulbarga), Karnataka

*103. SHRI BASAWARAJ PATIL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the intake capacity of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) hospital, Kalaburgi (Gulbarga), Karnataka for labourers and how much of it is utilised;

(b) what is the present treatment status;

(c) whether permanent staff is available to discharge duties at Dental and Medical College; and

(d) whether it works at full capacity and is being used for labourers, if not, what steps Government proposes to take to improve its utilisation for labourers?

Sale of ONGC's stake in hydrocarbon blocks

*104. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA: Will

the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ONGC Association of Scientific and Technical Officers (ASTO) has sought Government's intervention to stall the plans to sell 60 per cent stake in 15 hydrocarbon blocks as part of a plan to increase output;

(b) whether production has declined by close to 60 per cent in Panna-Mukta field over the past seven years;

(c) whether Government aims to cut oil imports by 10 per cent by 2022 and this can be achieved only through enhanced hydrocarbon output by domestic companies both public and private; and

(d) if so, the reasons for the need to sell 60 per cent stake in 15 hydrocarbon blocks?

Cost and market price of steel

†*105. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the per tonne cost and market price of steel produced by Government and private sector companies and consumer market price of imported steel;

(b) the status of production and demand-supply of various categories of steel and consumption of imported steel and the consumer price per tonne of domestic and imported steel; and

(c) the comparative details of domestic and international steel market?

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DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General.

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