

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Thursday, December 28, 2017/Pausha 7, 1939 (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)

Total number of questions — 15

Review of progress of urban development schemes

*106. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:
Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has reviewed the progress of various urban missions/urban development schemes announced by Government during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the detailed review of progress and implementation issues noticed, State/Union Territory-wise;

(c) whether Government has assessed that the major infrastructure projects targeted for cities have not been completed; and

(d) whether various schemes/projects like Smart Cities Mission and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) are likely to

be completed within their time-frame and if so, the details thereof?

Cyber bullying of children

†*107. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether school children are falling prey to cyber bullying in the wake of growing use of smart phones and internet;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any study report has been published in this regard recently; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Development of PVTGs

†*108. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM:
Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been

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conducted to identify the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise, including Chhattisgarh;

(b) whether Government has any data of PVTGs and if so, the details thereof, State-wise, including Chhattisgarh; and

(c) whether any scheme is being implemented by Government for development of PVTGs and if so, the details thereof, State-wise, including Chhattisgarh and the funds allocated to Chhattisgarh during the last three years?

Toilet and water facilities for girls in schools

*109. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the absence of toilet facilities and inadequate water is forcing the girl students to abandon education;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated and disbursed during the last three years for construction of toilets in schools under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), State-wise and year-wise;

(c) the status of setting up of toilets in remaining schools under SSA, State-wise;

(d) whether Government has any plans to involve NGOs, PSUs and corporate companies in construction of toilets and also in their maintenance; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Redressal of public grievances

*110. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of public grievances are pending for redressal with Government;

(b) whether Government is aware that, due to absence of effective grievance redressal mechanism in its Departments, the aggrieved citizens are forced to take legal recourse for redressal of their problems; and

(c) whether Government has any strategy to institute effective grievance redressal mechanism and fix accountability on the officers responsible for redressal?

Contract/outsourcing of jobs by departments

†*111. SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that people are not getting permanent jobs due to contracts/outsourcing resulting in their frustration;

(b) whether the Ministry proposes to issue guidelines whereby departments provide permanent jobs to people instead of keeping them on contract/outsourcing for a long time;

(c) whether the Ministry is also contemplating to issue any guidelines to curb middlemen in contract/outsourcing; and

(d) the number of permanent jobs provided and the number of jobs provided on contract/outsourcing during the last three years?

Construction of road and helipad in Doklam

*112. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether China has again started

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construction of road and helipad in Doklam area;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry has taken up the matter at diplomatic level;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the reasons for repeated diplomatic failure of Government to check China?

Approvals for real estate projects

*113. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that almost about fifty approvals need to be taken for starting a real estate project and these approvals are required from different Government departments or authorities;

(b) whether poor record keeping of land titles is the major hurdle faced by real estate industry; and

- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Recognition of Jerusalem as Capital of Israel by USA

*114. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the statement of US President Donald Trump, officially recognizing Jerusalem as the capital of Israel; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

Difficulties in utilization of funds of SSA and RMSA

*115. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE

DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the criteria for disbursement of funds under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) create difficulties for some States to utilize such funds;

(b) how much funds have been given to different States during the last three years and how much of them have been utilized;

(c) whether States including Kerala have pointed out the difficulties they face in this regard; and

(d) if so, whether Government would reformulate the stipulations considering the facts that different problems are faced by various States?

Vidya Sri Residential Schools for SC girls

*116. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is introducing 'Vidya Sri Residential Schools for girls' for upliftment of Scheduled Caste girls in the country;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any such schools are being established in Andhra Pradesh, particularly in Kurnool district and if so, the details thereof?

UGC guidelines for autonomous colleges

*117. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has come up with new

guidelines on eligibility criteria for autonomous colleges;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of colleges in the country which have applied for the autonomous status since the new guidelines came into force?

Kendriya Vidyalayas in Rajasthan

*118. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many seats are there in Kendriya Vidyalayas in Rajasthan and how many students are enrolled against these seats;

(b) whether Government is considering to increase seats in such schools and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are any vacancies for the posts of teachers in such schools; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for not filling up such vacancies?

Promotion of electric vehicles

*119. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering to finetune the plan to promote electric vehicles in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the surplus electricity available in the country would be used in promoting electric vehicles; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Placement of engineering graduates

*120. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lakhs of seats offered by various engineering colleges in the country are going vacant each year;

(b) the total number of engineering graduates passing out each year during last three years; and

(c) the average percentage of their placement during the said period?

NEW DELHI;
The 22nd December, 2017
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DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General.

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