

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, July 17, 2019/Ashadha 26, 1941 (Saka)*

(Ministries: Civil Aviation; Home Affairs; Housing and Urban Affairs;
Labour and Employment; Petroleum and Natural Gas;
Social Justice and Empowerment; Steel)

Total number of questions — 15

Modernisation and expansion of steel plants

†*256. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has started modernisation and expansion of its steel plants;

(b) if so, the details of the modernisation and expansion of SAIL's Bhilai Steel Plant, along with its present status;

(c) whether there has been any delay in completion of the said project; and

(d) if so, by when the modernisation and expansion of projects are likely to be completed?

Recommendations of Second National Commission on Labour

*257. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to

club 44 labour laws into 4 codes as part of reforming labour laws;

(b) the reason behind amalgamation and the benefits to labourers in general therefrom;

(c) whether Government has asked suggestions from labour organisations, unions and experts on the labour laws reforms thereof; and

(d) if so, the recommendations of Second National Commission of Labour and the suggestions from experts thereon?

Hiring of co-pilots by Air India

*258. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India is in the process of hiring around 270 co-pilots when Government has initiated the disinvestment process for loss making carrier;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Air India has also created a new post of Chief

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Pilot as well as two Executive Director level position in the IT and Civil Departments; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Crimes against children

*259. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that crimes against children are showing an increasing trend in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, separately during the last two years;

(c) whether it is also a fact that crimes against children have shown a steep rise in Assam;

(d) if so, the details thereof during the last two years along with the steps taken by the State Government to effectively check such crimes; and

(e) whether the Union Government intends to issue any advisory to the State Government in this regard?

Details of unorganised sector

*260. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's unorganised sector is shrinking, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether unorganised sector is draining India's economy and if so, the details thereof?

Delay in NRC process

*261. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Register of Citizens (NRC) process has

been inordinately delayed;

(b) what action has been taken by Government for publication of final NRC in Assam;

(c) how many foreigners have been identified by Government during NRC exercise; and

(d) whether NRC will help in checking illegal migration?

Pressure on real estate sector

*262. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how the Ministry is looking at the stress that the real estate sector is passing through;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is huge loss of jobs in the real estate sector due to glut in the sector; and

(c) if so, whether the Ministry will take this issue, as MSME sector was taken with RBI for helping hand to real estate sector?

Amendments in child labour laws

*263. SHRIDHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to make amendments in child labour laws including fixing of accountability of labour officials with a view to ensuring the enrolment of each and every child in school;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of child labourers rescued and rehabilitated during the last three years, State/UT-wise; and

(d) whether there are any welfare

schemes for children working in unorganised sectors of the country, if so, the details thereof?

Pension to persons above 60 years age

*264. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided and approved a new scheme, which assures all shopkeepers, retail traders and self-employed persons a minimum monthly pension of ₹ 3,000 after the age of 60 years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Revamping Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme

*265. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government plans for revamping the Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme; and

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

Circulation of fake notes

*266. DR. L. HANUMANTHAIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that counterfeit Indian currency notes are circulating in the country through India-Nepal border;

(b) if so, what action Government has taken in this regard, the details thereof;

(c) how many fake Indian currency notes have been recovered by Government during

last three years and current years, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the smugglers are now targeting small towns in the country to circulate the counterfeit currencies; and

(e) if so, what is Government's response to this?

Sikh prisoners under TADA

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

(a) whether a number of Sikh prisoners arrested under Terrorist and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act (TADA) have completed their sentence long back and have not yet been released;

(b) the number of such prisoners, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken to release them?

Ailments caused due to GAIL gas pipeline blast

*268. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ministry is aware that 17 survivors of GAIL gas pipeline blast at Nagaram in Konaseema region in 2014 are still suffering from various ailments and three of them are in a pitiable condition;

(b) whether GAIL promised to provide corporate treatment to the injured, but did not provide them such treatment and hence they are suffering;

(c) whether Government promised to set up fire station, upgradation of health centre and to extend drinking water supply scheme to Nagaram; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons due to which nothing has been done so far in this regard?

(c) if so, the details thereof; and
(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Migration of labourers to the metropolitan cities

*269. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of workers shift from their native States to the neighbouring metropolitan cities every year in search of employment;

(b) whether any survey has been made by Government to assess migrant labourers moving to the major metropolitan cities;

High unemployment rate in Gujarat

*270. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise trends in the rate of unemployment over the last two years, whether the highest unemployment rate is in Gujarat, if so, the reasons therefore;

(b) whether India's unemployment numbers are presented only once in every five years as compared to other countries which have figures on a quarterly basis; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

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DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General.

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