

Rajya Sabha

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, March 10, 2021/ 19 Phalguna, 1942 (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

Women and children employed in beedi making

166 **Shri K.T.S. Tulsi:**

Will the Minister of **Labour and Employment** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of women and children employed in beedi making, State-wise; and
- (b) the total amount of wages paid to them, the details thereof?

Implementation of PM-SYM Yojana

167 **Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa:**

Will the Minister of **Labour and Employment** be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-dhan (PM-SYM) Yojana;
- (b) the number of people currently enrolled in the scheme, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of institutions tasked with the management of the funds?

Implementation of ILC recommendations

168 **Shri Bikash Ranjan:**

Will the Minister of **Labour and Employment** be pleased to state:

- (a) when was the Indian Labour Conference (ILC) last held and the recommendations of the last ILC;
- (b) the details of recommendations of the Central Trade Unions (CTUs) for implementation in Labour codification;
- (c) the details of measures taken for the implementation of ILC recommendations; and
- (d) the reasons for not holding the ILC during the last five years?

Trade union of farmers

169 **Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

Will the Minister of **Labour and Employment** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is similar process of registration for farmers organisations as it happens in labour organisations;
- (b) whether their memberships are verified as labour organisations' membership verified;

- (c) if not, whether Government will initiate the process of membership verification; and
 (d) whether Government will ensure fair elections of office-bearers?

Increase in communal cases

170 Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:

Will the Minister of **Home Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the country has witnessed an increase in communal cases during the last two years;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the details of communal cases during the last two years, State-wise?

Lifting of ethanol by OMCs

171 Shri Sushil Kumar Modi:

Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Natural Gas** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) are unable to lift the allocated 325 crore litre ethanol (2020-21) and are asking the suppliers to relocate their supplies to far away depots;
- (b) whether OMCs did not create adequate tankage and hence are refusing to lift ethanol;
- (c) whether Government is ready to increase blending in States that have already reached 9-10 per cent average blending; and
- (d) if not, the reasons for not increasing the blending percentage?

Light House Projects

172 # Shri Ram Shakal:

Will the Minister of **Housing and Urban Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has launched the Light House Projects (LHPs) scheme in some States of the country under the Global Housing Technology Challenge (GHTC);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the companies around the world who participated through new technology, State-wise/UT-wise;
- (d) whether an incubation centre is also proposed to be set up through innovation and technology; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Use of Land under Bokaro Steel Limited

173 # Shri Mahesh Poddar:

Will the Minister of **Steel** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total land under Bokaro Steel Limited (BSL), the area in which structures are constructed and activities are operational, and the vacated land which can be used for other activities;
- (b) the details of number of houses built in BSL Township, the number of houses being used by BSL itself, the number of houses handed over to the State Government, the number of houses given on long term leases and the number of vacant houses; and
- (c) whether Government would take any initiative to utilize the plots not in use or houses of BSL, if so, by when?

Increase in crimes against women

174 Dr. Fauzia Khan:

Will the Minister of **Home Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been an increase in the crime cases against women such as acid attacks, rape, molestation, dowry deaths and domestic violence against women and girls individually;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of such cases reported and convicted separately for each crime mentioned during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by Central Government to stop such cases along with the guidelines issued to the State Governments in this regard?

Creation of employment opportunities for people in J &K.

175 Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:

Will the Minister of **Home Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has introduced measures in Jammu and Kashmir to create job opportunities for the unemployed youth;
- (b) if so, the details of all such measures taken after Jammu and Kashmir became UT;
- (c) whether the process of industrialisation has also been initiated in the UT; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Report of NCRB on Atrocities on women and STs in Chhattisgarh

176 # Shri Ram Vichar Netam:

Will the Minister of **Home Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per the report of National Crime Records Bureau, the cases of atrocities on women and Scheduled Tribes in the State of Chhattisgarh has increased during the last two years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the steps being taken by Government in this regard; and
- (c) the details of the action being taken by the police in such rising number of cases?

PMAY(U) in Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh

177 Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao:

Will the Minister of **Housing and Urban Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh have been sanctioned the highest number of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) (PMAY(U)) houses in the country;
- (b) the number of PMAY(U) houses sanctioned and completed in these two States;
- (c) the expected level of investment and central assistance sanctioned and released to AP and UP;
- (d) the reasons for slow progress of construction of houses in Andhra Pradesh as compared to Uttar Pradesh; and
- (e) whether Andhra Pradesh Government has sought the Ministry's assistance for construction of houses on 30 lakh free plots assigned to beneficiaries, if so, the response of Ministry thereon?

Revision in minimum pension

178 Shri Prasanna Acharya:

Will the Minister of **Labour and Employment** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received representations from Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 (EPS-95) pensioners for increase of minimum pension as per the recommendation of the Koshyari Committee;
- (b) whether Government has taken any decision to increase their pension;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether any decision has been taken to give dearness allowance to EPS-95 pensioners with their monthly pensions to neutralize the price index as has been given to Central Government Pensioners, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Modernisation of police forces

179 # Shri Deepak Prakash:

Will the Minister of **Home Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any scheme or policy for modernisation of Central and State police forces;
- (b) if so, whether this scheme is implemented for Jharkhand State Police and whether this covers the aspects of improving capabilities and efficiency including communication skills;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of financial outlay of the scheme; and
- (e) whether fund is divided between Central Government and concerned States or whether it would be solely funded and managed by Central Government?

Sale of BPCL

180 Shri Elamaram Kareem:

Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Natural Gas** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of parties submitted their interest to participate in the bid for the strategic sale of BPCL, the details of Qualified Interested Parties;
- (b) whether the Qualified Interested Parties have experience in oil refinery and oil products retailing business;
- (c) whether any other global oil majors who have not participated in the EOI will be permitted to participate in the price bid;
- (d) whether the Qualified Interested Parties have shared with the Data Room Entry;
- (e) the schedule for physical due diligence procedures and how much time is allowed; and
- (f) the method used for BPCL Valuation?

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