

Rajya Sabha

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Tuesday, December 14, 2021/ 23 Agrahayana, 1943 (Saka)

(Ministries : Ayush; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Corporate Affairs; Finance; Health and Family Welfare; New and Renewable Energy; Ports, Shipping and Waterways; Power)

Total number of questions -- 15

Unclaimed funds with Financial Institutions

166 Shri Sanjay Raut:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that more than ₹ 82,000 crore of unclaimed funds are with banks, mutual funds, provident fund and insurance companies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to return the amount to the person or next to kin within a fixed time frame through the financial institutions; and
- (d) whether Government will consider using the above money for welfare schemes of poor and downtrodden, if so, the details thereof?

Revenue generated from taxes on petrol and diesel

167 # Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

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

- (a) the details of hike in excise duty on petrol and diesel during last three years, year-wise; and
- (b) the details of revenue earned through various taxes on petrol and diesel during last three years?

Documented policies of IRDAI

168 Shri Narain Dass Gupta:

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

- (a) whether Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has a documented Vigilance policy, Transfer policy, Whistle-blowers policy and Compulsory leave policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether IRDAI is exempt from seeking approval of Chief Vigilance Commissioner before appointing its own Chief Vigilance Officer; and
- (d) if so, under which rule and the reasons therefor?

Regulation of private health care system

169 **Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) the mechanism to regulate and monitor health care system in private sector so that they practise ethically and benefit the poor;
- (b) whether Government will provide facilities to clinics run by single or two or three doctors to expand health care facilities; and
- (c) the number of beds that are exclusively reserved for poor in every private hospital which take many subsidised help from Government?

Reopening of stranded PSUs

170 # **Shri Naresh Bansal:**

Will the Minister of **Chemicals and Fertilizers** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to reopen and/or re-modernise the stranded Chemicals and Fertilizers Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action taken by Government regarding utilisation of assets, machinery, townships and hospitals of such PSUs;
- (d) whether Government has handed over all the assets owned by stranded Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) to the State Governments; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Expenditure on health infrastructure

171 **Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of funds from the total Budget being spent on health by the Union Government;
- (b) the amount set to be spent on health infrastructure out of the same; and
- (c) the details of the sanctioned amount of funds for Health Department, State-wise?

Revenue Deficit in Andhra Pradesh

172 **Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao:**

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

- (a) the total transfers made from the Union Government under various heads to Andhra Pradesh since 2014, post bifurcation, year-wise;
- (b) the estimated revenues of Finance Commissions for Andhra Pradesh from 2015 till 2021, year-wise and the actual revenues of Andhra Pradesh, year-wise;
- (c) the estimated expenditure of Finance Commission for Andhra Pradesh from 2015 till 2021, year-wise and the actual expenditure of Andhra Pradesh, year-wise;
- (d) the gap or difference between estimated revenue deficit in Andhra Pradesh and actual revenue deficit, year-wise; and
- (e) the reasons for major variations, year-wise?

Status of vaccination in different age-groups

173 **Shri Neeraj Shekhar:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered in the country as on 1st December, 2021, State-wise;
- (b) the number of persons vaccinated with COVID-19 vaccines in the country as on 1st December, 2021, State-wise;
- (c) the number of people above 60 years of age who are fully vaccinated as on 1st December, 2021, State-wise;
- (d) the number of people between 45 to 60 years of age who are fully vaccinated as on 1st December, 2021, State-wise; and
- (e) the number of persons between 18 to 44 years of age who are fully vaccinated as on 1st December, 2021, State-wise?

Status of vaccination among women

174 # **Smt. Geeta alias Chandrababha:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that women are getting less vaccinated with COVID-19 vaccine due to lack of awareness; and
- (b) if so, whether any steps have been taken by Government to maintain the ratio of women coming to vaccination booths for vaccine in order to do away with this difference?

Steps taken to control vector-borne diseases

175 **Shri Vaiko:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is increase in the cases of vector-borne diseases like Dengue, Malaria and Chikungunya year to year, in the country;
- (b) if so, the details in the last three years, State-wise and year-wise; and
- (c) the details of steps taken to control the case load including prevention and treatment?

Beneficiaries of Ayushman Bharat Yojana in Jharkhand

176 # **Shri Deepak Prakash:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features and objectives of the Ayushman Bharat Scheme of the Union Government;
- (b) the total number of beneficiaries under the above scheme in Jharkhand along with the amount of funds spent till date; and
- (c) whether the people from EWS category can also be covered under the above scheme of Government besides the BPL card holders?

Self-reliance in power sector

177 # **Shri Ram Shakal:**

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

- (a) whether Government acknowledges the fact that the country is not yet self-reliant in the power sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has chalked out any plan to make the country self-reliant in the power sector before completion of 100 years of Independence; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Fungal carriage in hospital premises

178 **Dr. C.M. Ramesh:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether disease causing fungi are present in hospital settings and the details of the steps taken by hospital authorities to prevent fungal infection;
- (b) whether according to a Journal published by AIIMS, 33 per cent of health workers showed fungal carriage and even aprons or hospital scrubs showed fungal carriage; and
- (c) the details of remedial action taken by Government in this regard?

Health schemes for the treatment of poor

179 **Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has formulated or introduced several health programmes or schemes in the country so that poor people may get their treatment easily and free of cost; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise?

Steps taken to increase women's access to health

180 **Shri Sujeet Kumar:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken note of the World Economic Forum's Global Gender Gap Report 2021 which places India at 155th position out of 156 countries on female health and survival, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereto;
- (b) whether Government has examined a gendered perspective on access to health, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the existing policies aimed at increasing women's access to health; and
- (d) whether Government is planning to take any additional steps or policies besides the one mentioned in (c) for increasing women's access to health?

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