

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Thursday, January 3, 2019/Pausha 13, 1940 (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; Tribal Affairs; Women and Child Development)

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Physical education centers in Punjab

*226. SARDAR BALWINDER SINGH BHUNDER: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of physical education centers in Punjab;

(b) whether Government is considering to open more such centers there; and

(c) if so, the locations thereof and by when the same are likely to be opened?

Facilities in LIG flats of DDA

*227. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the LIG flats allotted in Sector 23B Dwarka under DDA Housing Scheme 2014 and 2017 do not have any proper connectivity and

they lack basic amenities;

(b) if so, the details of remedial measures taken to provide proper public transport system, primary health centres, parking spaces, markets, parks, etc.; and

(c) by when the above mentioned basic facilities would be made available for the residents?

Reservation of seats in private schools for EWS students

*228. SHRI DEREK O'BRIEN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of private schools that are required to reserve seats for students of Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and the number of such seats available, year-wise and State-wise since 2015;

(b) the number and proportion of such seats in private schools which have been filled during that period, year-wise and State-wise;

(c) the steps taken to increase awareness about the availability of vacant seats;

(d) whether complaints have been received against any private school for non acceptance of EWS students; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard?

**Strengthening of elementary
education in North
Eastern Region**

†*229. SHRI AHMAD ASHFAQUE KARIM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has chalked out any scheme to strengthen the elementary education for educational development of children of North Eastern Region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the work under the scheme would be started?

Projects under IHSDP

*230. SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of towns and cities that have been covered, so far, under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) during the last three years, State-wise, town-wise and city-wise;

(b) whether special emphasis in IHSDP has been given on removing slums and relocating slum-dwellers in the identified towns and cities;

(c) the details of projects approved and implemented under IHSDP during that period, year-wise, city-wise, and town-wise; and

(d) the special emphasis given to IHSDP in the current plan and the progress of the scheme in Uttar Pradesh?

**Observation and special homes for
children with disabilities**

*231. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Observation Homes and Special Homes for children in conflict with law, as required to be established under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2016, State-wise;

(b) the number of children with disabilities who are sheltered in such homes, State-wise;

(c) whether such homes have special arrangements for children with disabilities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, what alternative mechanism has been put in place for children with disabilities who are sent to these homes?

**Caste validity certificates to the
Dhangar families**

*232. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been conducted to ascertain whether the Dhangar community, listed as a Vimukta Jati and Nomadic Tribe (VJNT) in Maharashtra, is

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

indeed the same as the Dhangad community who are listed as a Scheduled Tribe;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons why both the communities are not treated equally as far as affirmative action and reservation benefits are concerned;

(c) whether any survey has been conducted to ascertain the number of Dhangar families in Maharashtra;

(d) if so, whether all the families have been provided caste validity certificates; and

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

Visit of Foreign Minister of France

*233. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Foreign Minister of France has visited India recently and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether both the countries have reviewed their bilateral relations and if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(c) whether Rafale deal, after Supreme Court's verdict, or any other issue figured in the discussions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Promoting growth of education sector

*234. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to work on promoting the growth of education sector to help increase the share of service sector in the country's economy;

(b) whether Government is working with different universities and institutions in this regard;

(c) whether there is a need for increased integration and collaboration between industry and universities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Number of children in Mid Day Meal database

*235. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of children in the Mid Day Meal Scheme database;

(b) the number out of these, who had linked their Aadhaar numbers by March 31, 2018; and

(c) the number out of the rest, who have been listed as ghosts, duplicates and yet to link their Aadhaar numbers?

Slow pace of setting up of one stop crisis centre

*236. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had decided to set up one stop crisis centres for women in distress across the country;

(b) if so, the number of such centres set up so far, State-wise;

(c) the reasons for very slow pace of setting up such centres; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to ensure availability of legal, medical and psychological aid to women in distress at one place while maintaining their privacy?

Standard Operating Procedures for cleaning of sewers and septic tanks

*237. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has released the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for cleaning of sewers and septic tanks for field staff;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the procedures are legally enforceable and if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the details of technological interventions brought or introduced by Government for cleaning of sewers and septic tanks?

Misappropriation of funds under Post Matric Scholarship Scheme

*238. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH DULLO: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 442 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 13th December, 2018 and state:

(a) the details of bonafide students who have suffered due to non-release and misappropriation of funds under the Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for SCs, State-wise, especially in Punjab;

(b) the time given to audit agencies to complete their task in Punjab;

(c) whether the State Government of

Punjab had requested for release of funds for Post Matric Scholarships for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students during the last three years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of Brexit on Indians migrated to Britain on Portugal passport

*239. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Brexit would have any direct impact on India and about two lakh Indians are expected to return to India who have migrated to Britain on Portugal passport; and

(b) if so, what policy measures have been initiated by Government in this regard?

Overlapping of cities in Smart Cities Mission and AMRUT

*240. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are cities which are a part of both the Smart Cities Mission and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT);

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the funds sanctioned, allocated and received by the cities which are overlapping in both the Missions, scheme-wise, State-wise and city-wise; and

(d) the progress made under the respective schemes in those cities?

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