

Rajya Sabha

**List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS**

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
Monday, November 29, 2021/ 8 Agrahayana, 1943 (Saka)

(Ministries : Civil Aviation; Coal; Defence; Housing and Urban Affairs; Jal Shakti;  
Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Mines; Minority Affairs; Parliamentary Affairs;  
Petroleum and Natural Gas; Planning; Statistics and Programme Implementation;  
Steel)

Total number of questions -- 160

**Renaming of Darbhanga Airport**

1 # **Shri Sushil Kumar Modi:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that two years ago the Bihar Legislative Assembly had unanimously passed a resolution and sent a letter to the Central Government through the Chief Minister to name the airport situated at Darbhanga after 'Vidyapati'; and
- (b) if so, the reason of this delay and by when Government proposes to name the airport after 'Vidyapati'?

**Establishment of water aerodromes in A P**

2 **Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to establish any water aerodromes in Andhra Pradesh for operating seaplane services;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the estimated time by which these aerodromes will be functional?

**Proposals for airports in Telangana**

3 **Shri K.R. Suresh Reddy:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any new proposals to develop and operate airports in Telangana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the status of these airports and timeline for these projects?

**Expansion and development of Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad**

4 **Shri K.R. Suresh Reddy:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of further expansion and development of Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad;
- (b) whether Government has any plan to start operating direct flights from Hyderabad International Airport to South-East Asia, Europe and USA; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

### **Report submitted to PPPAC by Government**

#### **5 Shri K.C. Venugopal:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is fact that assets of Mangaluru, Lucknow and Ahmedabad Airports Authority of India are valued at ₹ 1,300 crore in the year 2018;
- (b) if so, the details of the report submitted to Public Private Partnership Appraisal Committee (PPPAC) by Ministry of Civil Aviation; and
- (c) the reasons for selling these airports below the value assessed by the Ministry?

### **Establishing of exclusive air links or Air-Bubbles**

#### **6 Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken steps to establish exclusive air-links or Air-Bubbles with countries with the objective of restarting international passenger services;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there are any regions where flight connectivity is still not possible due to the COVID-19 conditions;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Government is aware of the cases of increasing COVID-19 outbreaks in UK and European Countries; and
- (f) if so, the steps taken by Government to prevent the further spreading of the pandemic through the aviation sector?

### **Medical benefits for retired employees**

#### **7 Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) the current number of retired employees of Air India;
- (b) the number of retired employees covered under retirement benefits, including medical facilities and insurance;
- (c) the details of the medical benefits provided to the retired employees of Air India;
- (d) whether it is a fact that a sum of ₹ 50,000 is charged upon retirement to fund their medical benefits;
- (e) if so, the number of retired employees who failed to deposit ₹ 50,000 upon retirement to fund their medical benefits; and
- (f) whether Government plans to cover the aforementioned uninsured retired employees under any medical insurance scheme to provide medical facilities?

### **New airports and heliports under UDAN Scheme**

#### **8 Shri Sanjay Seth:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is planning to make five new airports and six new heliports along

with 50 UDAN routes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the other steps Government is taking to connect small cities with big cities under UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagarik) Scheme?

### **Regulation on owning and usage of personal drones**

**9 Shri Tiruchi Siva:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether there exists any regulatory framework for owning and usage of personal drones;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, any future action plan for the same?

### **Targets of achievements of connectivity under UDAN scheme**

**10 Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by Government pushing to complete its target of achieving connectivity to 100 airports under the UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik) scheme;

(b) whether the Ministry has requested the Finance Ministry that more funds will be required to operate flights; and

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard?

### **Status of connectivity of airports under UDAN**

**11 Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry had awarded more than 800 domestic routes to various operators over four rounds since March 2017, providing connectivity to about 60 airports across the country under the UDAN scheme; and

(b) if so, what is the present status in this regard?

### **Subsidy and financial assistance to airlines**

**12 Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under the UDAN scheme, financial incentives from the Centre, State Governments and airport operators are extended to select airlines to encourage operations from unserved and under-served airports, while keeping airfares affordable; and

(b) if so, the details of subsidy or other financial assistance given, airlines-wise, so far in this regard?

### **Airports operated by private sector companies**

**13 Shri M.V. Shreyams Kumar:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of airports have been given for operation to Private Sector companies in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the terms and criteria adopted by Government and the companies of private sector in

this regard;

(d) whether the role of Airport Authority of India (AAI) with the operating companies has been ensured;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the names of the companies which have shown interest for operating and reconstructing the airports along with the companies selected by Government in this regard?

### **Regulating the use of drones**

#### **14 Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per a 2019 study, there are more than 6 lakh unregulated drones of different capacities and sizes in the country;

(b) the steps taken by Government to regulate use of drones in the country, particularly in States which are bordering with other countries;

(c) whether any study has been carried out for developing anti-drone technology and surveillance equipment;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reasons that many drones flying are without any licence?

### **Connectivity of airports in Uttarakhand with major airports**

#### **15 # Shri Naresh Bansal:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to connect the airports in Uttarakhand with night take-off and landing facilities directly with the major airports in the country and abroad; and

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

### **Plan for expansion and construction of new airports in Uttarakhand**

#### **16 # Shri Naresh Bansal:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan for expansion and construction of new airports in Uttarakhand;

(b) whether Government has given priority to the implementation of UDAN scheme for the tourism development in the State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

### **Average lifespan of passenger aircraft in flying**

#### **17 # Shri Brijlal:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) the average lifespan of any passenger aircraft in flying;

(b) the average amount of expenditure made per aircraft for the maintenance of passenger aircraft; and

(c) the number of aircrafts which have been decommissioned after their stipulated service period and the number of new aircrafts put in operation in last three years and the details thereof?

### **Growth rate registered in aviation sector**

**18 # Smt. Kanta Kardam:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the growth rate registered in aviation sector in the country with special reference to Uttar Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether Airports Authority of India (AAI) has conducted any study/ evaluation regarding the growth in aviation sector of the country in upcoming five years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken / proposed to be taken by Government to meet the increasing demand in aviation sector in future?

### **Upgradation of airport infrastructure**

**19 Shri Partap Singh Bajwa:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of airports/helipads upgraded during the year 2020-21 till present, State-wise;
- (b) the total number of airports/helipads revived during the year 2020-21 till present, State-wise;
- (c) the total number of Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) routes commenced during the 2020-21 till present, State-wise; and
- (d) the total number of passengers travelled on RCS routes during the year 2020-21 till present, State-wise?

### **Permission to foreign airlines to Kannur International Airport**

**20 Shri John Brittas:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Kerala Government has represented numerous times seeking to permit foreign airlines to Kannur International Airport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government will review the present bilateral policy facilitating foreign airlines to Kannur International Airport?

### **Scaling up of domestic flights**

**21 Shri Vaiko:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has allowed scaling up domestic flights up to 100 per cent of pre-COVID-19 levels;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether fare capping is put to ensure airlines do not charge excessive fare in the economy and super economy class; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

### **Development of civil aviation**

**22 Dr. Sasmit Patra:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the various developmental projects being undertaken for the development

of Civil Aviation in India;

(b) by when these projects are expected to be completed; and

(c) the total expenditure being incurred for these projects?

### **Facilities for take-off and landing at night**

#### **23 # Shri Rajendra Gehlot:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to directly connect the existing airports of Jodhpur, Jaisalmer and Kota in Rajasthan to the airports of major cities of the country with facilities for take-off and landing at night hours;

(b) if so, the details of the said scheme; and

(c) whether Government has given a high priority to the implementation of UDAN scheme with a view to promote tourism and development of the State of Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof?

### **UDAN scheme for domestic travel in Odisha**

#### **24 Smt. Mamata Mohanta:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the airports selected/proposed under UDAN scheme for domestic travel in Odisha;

(b) the airports which are ready and to be developed for the UDAN scheme in Odisha;

(c) whether there has been demands for connecting more airports from Odisha, if so, the details thereof including destinations already connected and those which are in the pipeline; and

(d) the status of the survey conducted with regard to the airstrips under UDAN scheme in Odisha?

### **Growth of civil aviation sector**

#### **25 Smt. Mamata Mohanta:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to make the civil aviation sector a major attraction and to develop it as a major partner in the national economy and, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has taken steps to prepare any roadmap for the civil aviation sector in the country and, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has invited any foreign investment in the sector for its development and, if so, the details thereof including the progress made so far in this regard?

### **Restoring of regular international flights**

#### **26 Smt. Shanta Chhetri:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is reconsidering to restore regular international flights;

(b) whether it is a fact that airfares for returning students and family members from Europe and North America are doubling and even quadrupling this winter and permitted flights from a limited countries running packed, causing major inconvenience to the travelers;

(c) if so, the detail of steps taken by Government to ease air travel; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Vande Bharat Mission

**27 Shri Y. S. Chowdary:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Indians stranded abroad due to COVID-19 and lockdown and repatriated to India, under Vande Bharat Mission during the last two years, country-wise;
- (b) the number of Indian nationals who travelled under Vande Bharat Mission to foreign countries and from which State, State-wise details thereof;
- (c) the total expenditure incurred in the operations and whether it was covered under the air fares collected from the passengers; and
- (d) if not, the amount of subsidy/grant provided by Government?

### Illegal coal scavenging

**28 Shri Mallikarjun Kharge:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of incidents of illegal scavenging in coal mines across the country;
- (b) if so, the details of total such incidents reported over the last five years, State-wise;
- (c) whether Government is aware that many minor children from marginalized poor families are involved in these illegal scavenging incidents;
- (d) if so, the number of such minors involved in such incidents during the last five years and the total number of deaths of minors over last five years while scavenging for coal; and
- (e) the steps being taken to rehabilitate such families?

### Greening initiatives in coal sector

**29 Dr. Vinay P. Sahasrabudde:**

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

- (a) the various greening initiatives undertaken by the Ministry and its PSUs in the coal sector;
- (b) the details of mines/clusters monitored for greening initiatives;
- (c) whether the Ministry has prepared any roadmap for undertaking greening initiatives in coal sector, if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether the Ministry has undertaken any initiative for reclamation of mined out areas, if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### Shortage of coal

**30 Shri Abdul Wahab:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the coal shortage across the 135 thermal power plants in the country with 80 per cent of them having less than eight days of stock left, pushing the country into an electricity crisis;
- (b) if so, the course of action Government took to prevent this crisis; and
- (c) the present situation of the coal shortage and electricity crisis?

### SHAKTI scheme

**31 Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

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

- (a) whether Government has launched Scheme for Harnessing and Allocating Koyala Transparently in India (SHAKTI) for better allocation of coal to present and future power plants in the country;
- (b) if so, the main features of the SHAKTI scheme and the current status of its implementation in the country;
- (c) the list of States currently eligible under the SHAKTI scheme;
- (d) whether SHAKTI has been able to address the coal linkage problems of all stressed power plants; and
- (e) the details of the sanctioned/ongoing projects in the State of Andhra Pradesh along with the funds allocated and released under the said scheme?

### **Minimum stock with power plants**

**32 Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

**Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:**

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

- (a) whether Government has ordered the coal Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) to ensure minimum eighteen days of coal stock with power plants;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government aims for a production of one billion tons of coal domestically by 2024; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

### **Reduction in coal import**

**33 Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been a reduction in the import of coal;
- (b) whether the reduction in import was one of the reasons for the recent power crisis in the country;
- (c) whether the reduction in import of coal, especially non-coking coal would impact the generation of power; and
- (d) whether a sustainable substitute for non-coking coal has been made available for the generation of power?

### **Demand of coal in power sector**

**34 # Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:**

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

- (a) whether Coal India Limited is ready to fulfil the increasing demand of coal in power sector;
- (b) if so, whether the company is emphasizing on increasing its production to increase the supply for coal-based power plants;
- (c) whether a good percentage of coal-based power production in the country is dependent on supply by Coal India Limited and, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Coal India Limited has sufficient amount of coal in its coal mines and, if so, the details thereof?

### Shortage due to insufficient coal supply

35 **Shri Sanjay Singh:**

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

- (a) whether the supply of coal was insufficient which led to shortage in the months of September and October 2021;
- (b) if so, the possible reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the supply chain of coal was affected due to lockdown related restrictions; and
- (d) the steps taken to resolve this crisis?

### Declining coal production

36 **Smt. Ambika Soni:**

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

- (a) the total actual production of coal vis-a-vis production target during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) the reasons for declining domestic production of coal; and
- (c) the fresh steps taken by Government to boost the coal production?

### Provisioning of basic facilities in coal mines

37 # **Shri Deepak Prakash:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that there is lack of basic facilities related to drinking water and toilets for the workers or employees working in the coal mines; and
- (b) if so, the guidelines of Government in this regard?

### New coal mines

38 # **Shri Deepak Prakash:**

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

- (a) the number of new coal mines opened in various regions of the country by Government during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether these initiatives have promoted domestic electrification under major schemes of Government;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Plan to phase-out coal

39 **Shri Derek O' Brien:**

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

- (a) whether Government has formalised a plan to phase-out coal over the next fifteen years, as committed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has a plan to provide alternate employment to the 10 to 15 million citizens already working in the industry;
- (d) whether Government has a plan to ramp up production of alternative energies in line with the committed timeline; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### Allocation of coal blocks to APMDC

#### 40 Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:

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

- (a) whether Government has allocated any coal blocks to Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation (APMDC) since May, 2019;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### CIL's mining projects

#### 41 Dr. Narendra Jadhav:

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

- (a) the details of the Coal India Ltd's (CIL) coal mining projects in different stages of implementation; and
- (b) whether CIL's coal mining projects are running behind the schedule on account of delays in getting environmental clearances and issues related to rehabilitation and resettlement, if so, the details thereof?

### Low production of coal

#### 42 Dr. Vikas Mahatme:

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

- (a) whether the production of coal in the country has reduced in the preceding year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps Government has taken to expedite coal production to overcome the impending energy crisis in the country?

### Demand of coal for power sector

#### 43 Lt.Gen. (Dr.) D. P. Vats (Retd.):

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

- (a) the quantity of coal demanded by various public and private sector power plants during the last three years and the current year, power plant-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the details of coal supplied by Coal India Ltd. and its subsidiaries to these power plants during the said period, power plant-wise and year-wise;
- (c) whether there was a mismatch between demand and supply of coal to these power plants;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, power plant-wise and year-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by Government to fully meet the demand of coal of these power plants?

### Coal mines in Chhattisgarh

#### 44 # Shri Ram Vichar Netam:

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

- (a) the number of coal mines operating in Chhattisgarh State at present and the quantum of production out of these mines, mine-wise;
- (b) whether mines of various States and private companies are being operated in Chhattisgarh apart from South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL), if so, the mine-wise details thereof;

- (c) the total number of coal mines identified in Chhattisgarh State and the number of active and inactive mines out of these; and
- (d) the names of the mines allocated to various companies at present in Chhattisgarh?

### **Non starting of coal excavation by private companies**

**45 Dr. Ameer Yajnik:**

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

- (a) the details of coal blocks allotted to private companies for coal excavation in the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the details of companies which have still not started operation at their allotted sites;
- (c) whether Government has any plan to take action against those companies who still have not started operation and causing loss to Government; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

### **Improvement in coal distribution system**

**46 Dr. Ameer Yajnik:**

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

- (a) the details of initiative taken by Government to improve coal distribution system in the last three years;
- (b) whether Government has formulated any special coal supply strategy for thermal power units which are very far from the mining areas; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

### **Coal mine safety**

**47 Dr. Amar Patnaik:**

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

- (a) the number of serious injuries, serious accidents, fatalities that have been sustained by workers over the last five years in subsidiaries of Coal India Limited;
- (b) the details of the ex-gratia provided to employees and contractual workers over the last five years;
- (c) whether any inquiry has been undertaken to ascertain reasons behind accidents at coal mines;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, if not the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether Government has taken any measures to improve the safety and rescue division in the past five years; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, if not the reasons therefor?

### **Participation of the private sector in production and distribution of coal**

**48 Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

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

- (a) whether Government has taken a decision to promote the participation of the private sector in the field of production and distribution of coal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the specific projects identified for the purpose;
- (c) the time by which the decision is likely to be implemented; and
- (d) the other steps taken to upgrade the coal sector?

### **Reducing the coal import dependence**

**49 Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

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

- (a) the quantity of coal imported in the last five years and the details thereof;
- (b) the cost the Indian exchequer had to bear on this in the last year itself;
- (c) the measures taken by Government to reduce the coal import dependence in the recent years;
- (d) the quantity of the untapped coal reserves that are yet to be extracted in the country, especially in Jharkhand and the details thereof; and
- (e) in view of fossil fuel discouragement policy, whether Government is taking steps to use the coal reserves in an alternating way?

### **Development of Kaveri engine**

**50 Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla:**

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

- (a) whether Government has successfully produced any indigenous jet engine and, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the current developmental status of the Kaveri engine and the details thereof;
- (c) the amount of funds allocated, disbursed and utilised till date for the programme;
- (d) whether the Kaveri engine will be inducted to the LCA Tejas, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Grant of permanent commission to women Army officers**

**51 Shri M. Shanmugam:**

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

- (a) the number of women Army officers who were granted permanent commission in the Indian Army after the Supreme Court verdict;
- (b) the reasons for delay in granting permanent commission to other women officers; and
- (c) the time by which all the seventy two women officers will be granted permanent commission?

### **Status of DRDO project at Kurnool**

**52 Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the proposed DRDO Missile Testing Project in Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reasons for the delay in the completion of the project; and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to complete the project since its inception?

### **Defence manufacturing facility in private sector**

**53 Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

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

- (a) whether Government had recently operationalised the first private sector defence manufacturing facility in Uttar Pradesh;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government proposes to establish such a facility in the State of Andhra Pradesh; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

### **Unspent budgetary allocations**

**54 Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

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

- (a) whether Government has taken note of regular unspent budgetary allocations under grants/appropriation relating to the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action taken/proposed to be taken to avoid projection of inflated demands in future and proper management of allocated grants?

### **Budgetary allocation for defence**

**55 Shri Tiruchi Siva:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the budget allocated to defence as a percentage of GDP has reduced significantly for the current year; and
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

### **Replacement of helicopters**

**56 Smt. Ambika Soni:**

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

- (a) whether Government has formulated any plan to replace the ageing fleet of Cheetah and Chetak helicopters;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the present status of development of indigenous Light Utility Helicopters(LUHs); and
- (d) the time by which manufacturing of indigenous LUH is likely to start?

### **Failure of Cantonment Board Agra in evicting unauthorised occupants**

**57 Shri P. Bhattacharya:**

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

- (a) the details of mechanism and plan Government is having to evict large number of unauthorised occupants who have illegally entered quarters of Shakti Nagar colony of Cantonment Board Agra;
- (b) the reasons for not imposing heavy penalty, taking criminal action and immediately evicting such unauthorised occupants/ trespassers;
- (c) the name and designation of officials responsible for such a serious failure, negligence and corruption on the part of Cantonment Board Agra resulting in such a large scale illegal possession of quarters; and
- (d) the details of action taken against such negligent officials?

### **Hospitals functioning under the Ministry**

**58 Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

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

- (a) the number of hospitals functioning under the Ministry;
- (b) the number of doctors working at present and whether their numbers have increased or decreased in comparison to 2014-2015 and 2015-2016;
- (c) the number of nursing staff working in these hospitals;
- (d) the number of hospitals located in cities and in border areas, respectively;
- (e) whether hospitals in remote areas like Ladakh and Arunachal Pradesh maintain blood banks and have specialists posted there; and
- (f) the number of hospitals which lack adequate facilities for surgery?

### **Splitting of OFB**

**59 Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

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

- (a) the details of proposal to split Ordnance Factories Board (OFB) into seven units for better productivity and create specialized weapon manufacturing facilities;
- (b) to what extent this step helps OFB to absorb technologies developed by DRDO; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to protect interests of employees and workers of OFB?

### **Increasing defence exports**

**60 Dr. Vikas Mahatme:**

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

- (a) the details of steps Government has taken to increase defence exports to other countries; and
- (b) the details of steps taken to increase the exports from the ordnance factories?

### **Deaths due to COVID-19 in the armed forces**

**61 Dr. Santanu Sen:**

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

- (a) the details of the total number of defence personnel, their family members and civilian staff who got COVID-19 positive since its outbreak;
- (b) the details of total number of defence personnel, their family members and civilian staff who lost their life due to COVID-19 since its outbreak;
- (c) whether Government has any plan to give special compensation for deaths occurring due to COVID-19 to the family members of armed forces; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Second Sainik School at Odisha.**

**62 Shri Prashanta Nanda:**

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

- (a) whether Government has decided to start a second Sainik School in Odisha; and
- (b) if so, the location thereof?

### **Army lives lost in terrorist attacks**

**63 Shri Anand Sharma:**

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

- (a) the number of terrorist attacks in the country during the last three years; and
- (b) the number of army officers, other ranks and security personnel who sacrificed their

lives in such terrorist attacks?

### **Maritime security**

**64 Shri Anand Sharma:**

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

- (a) whether the threats to maritime security has increased from both traditional and non-traditional factors/sources;
- (b) if so, the steps proposed to safeguard India's economic and security interests in Indian Ocean Region; and
- (c) the regional coordination framework to monitor the military and naval assets of hostile and adversarial countries in the Indian Ocean?

### **Sainik School Society**

**65 # Dr. Anil Jain:**

**Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:**

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

- (a) the key features of Sainik School Society according to the National Defence Policy;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government has approved the affiliation of hundred Government and private sector schools with Sainik School Society for the academic year 2022-2023 in accordance with the National Education Policy;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government will consider opening new Sainik Schools in Uttar Pradesh including Etah district?

### **Construction status of houses under PMAY-U in Andhra Pradesh**

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

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

- (a) the status of completion of houses sanctioned under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) by different agencies in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) of around 2.68 lakh houses being constructed by APTIDCO in Andhra Pradesh under PMAY-U, number of houses which have been completed as of now and houses which are under construction;
- (c) the break-up of APTIDCO constructed houses, district-wise;
- (d) the number of completed houses which have been handed over possession to the identified beneficiaries for occupation, district-wise; and
- (e) the number of APTIDCO constructed houses in Guntur and Prakasam districts of Andhra Pradesh, city/town-wise?

### **Street Vendors Act, 2014**

**67 Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

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

- (a) the status of implementation of Street Vendors Act, 2014, in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the details of street vendors identified, certificates and IDs issued and vending zones notified, district-wise;
- (c) the number of street vendors before 2014 and number of street vendors added after 2014, district-wise and year-wise;

- (d) the details of social security provided to street vendors; and
- (e) the details of financial and other assistance given by Government to States to help and protect street vendors?

### **National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY)**

**68 Dr. Vinay P. Sahasrabudde:**

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

- (a) whether Government has prepared any report of the success of HRIDAY, if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the city-wise details of total expenditure incurred on HRIDAY against the projects completed;
- (c) whether any private consultancy firms were assigned works for the implementation of HRIDAY, if so, the city-wise details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government has formulated any framework to monitor the post-implementation phase of HRIDAY, if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Assessment of buildings in Shimla**

**69 Shri K.C. Venugopal:**

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

- (a) whether an assessment has found that in Shimla, around sixty five per cent of the buildings are vulnerable and natural calamities like earthquakes and landslides can cause a catastrophic damage;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps Government will take to make the buildings sound and to access every area in case of emergency?

### **Housing for All scheme**

**70 Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:**

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

- (a) the details of achievements made by Government to fulfil the demands of houses to be built under the Housing for All scheme, State/UT-wise including West Bengal; and
- (b) whether the time-frame to complete the process of actual demand of houses has been finalised and, if so, the details thereof?

### **Shrinking of the radius of NCR**

**71 Shri Sanjay Seth:**

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

- (a) whether National Capital Region Board is working for the overall development of adjoining States of Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and districts of Uttar Pradesh coming under this region;
- (c) whether Government is planning to shrink the radius of National Capital Region (NCR) area; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

### **Disbursal of funds under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana**

#### **72 Shri Tiruchi Siva:**

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

- (a) whether there is any record of the approved funding under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana and the quantum of actual disbursal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof since 2019 till date;
- (c) whether Government has identified reasons for delay in approval and actual disbursement of funding under the scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

### **Allocation of houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana**

#### **73 # Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:**

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

- (a) the number of houses constructed from 1 January 2016 to 31 March 2021 under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) and the number of applicants who have been allotted house, the State-wise details thereof including Tripura;
- (b) whether Government proposes to include the unauthorised settlements of the cities as well while expanding the scope of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Reservation in commercial buildings for Scheduled Castes**

#### **74 # Shri Brijlal:**

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

- (a) whether there is any provision of reservation in allotment of commercial buildings for Scheduled Caste category in commercial buildings constructed by Government institutions for trade or business purposes; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

### **Funds spent on smart city projects**

#### **75 # Smt. Kanta Kardam:**

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

- (a) the amount of funds spent on smart city projects till date and the heads under which the amount has been spent;
- (b) the number of smart cities in the country at present; and
- (c) the status report of all smart city related work including the time-limit to complete the work?

### **Construction of houses in Chhattisgarh**

#### **76 # Shri Ram Vichar Netam:**

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

- (a) the main components of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban scheme and the target set for the construction of houses in the State of Chhattisgarh since 2019;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the target set by Government for the said scheme has been reduced by Government of Chhattisgarh, if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by Government in this regard; and
- (c) the number of houses that remained incomplete in the financial year 2021-2022 and by

when these are to be completed?

### **Problem of unsurveyed land**

**77 Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the problem of unsurveyed land in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Bihar, Haryana, Karnataka, Manipur, Delhi, Rajasthan, Punjab, Telangana and West Bengal;
- (b) whether Government is also aware of the percentage of people living in these unsurveyed land;
- (c) whether private persons can claim ownership of the land;
- (d) whether there is any provision for compensation to the occupants of this land; and
- (e) whether Government has any plan to solve this problem?

### **Houses constructed under PMAY**

**78 Dr. V. Sivadasan:**

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

- (a) the number of houses constructed under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), State-wise;
- (b) the number of houses constructed fully under PMAY fund; and
- (c) the number of houses constructed by the PMAY collaborating with the schemes of State Governments?

### **Action against NBFCs**

**79 Shri Syed Zafar Islam:**

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

- (a) whether Government has received complaints that there are some applicants from urban areas who were not able to take the benefits from Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) due to the negligence of financial institutions which are under Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs); and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and concrete steps taken against such NBFCs?

### **Metro rail projects in Uttar Pradesh**

**80 Dr. Anil Agrawal:**

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to start Metro Railways in more cities of Uttar Pradesh, in the near future;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) by when these projects are likely to be started; and
- (d) the time frame to complete these projects?

### **Amendment in Master Plan for conservation of monument**

**81 Shri Naranbhai J. Rathwa:**

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

- (a) whether Sarai Shahji Tomb on Shivalik Road, South Delhi is a centrally protected monument under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 2010

and construction/modification/alteration of properties around the monument is prohibited;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Delhi Development Authority (DDA) and South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC) have proposed an amendment to Master Plan to notify Shivalik-Gitanjali Road where this monument exists for use as "mixed use" street instead of present "residential" use; and

(d) if so, the reasons for such an amendment and the response of Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD) to the proposal of DDA and SDMC?

### **Projects under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM)**

**82 Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:**

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

(a) the total number of projects under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) which have been completed till November 2021;

(b) the total number of projects for which work orders have been issued as on November, 2021;

(c) the quantum of funds released as of November, 2021, out of the total commitment made by Government to spend ₹ 48,000 crore over a period of five years;

(d) whether Government intends to meet its stated deadline of completion of projects for the first round of cities selected under the Smart Cities Mission in 2021; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Production of drones**

**83 Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

Will the Minister of **Civil Aviation** be pleased to state:

(a) the details of incentives that Government proposed to give through Production Linked Incentive Scheme to push in production of drones in the country;

(b) whether does a Postal Life Insurance Scheme (PLIS) helps the country become self-sufficient in drone production which otherwise is depending on imports; and

(c) the details of liberalized drone rules unveiled recently and how these rules and PLIS help to push in domestic manufacture of drones?

### **Development of Warangal and Karimnagar smart cities**

**84 Dr. Banda Prakash:**

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

(a) the details of the schemes proposed for the development of Warangal and Karimnagar smart cities;

(b) the details of the funds allocated and sanctioned for the development of Warangal and Karimnagar as a smart city, head/work- wise;

(c) whether Government proposes to formulate any new scheme in this regard and, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of the funds utilised out of the sanctioned funds so far for the said purpose, particularly for sewerage works?

### **Objective of JJM**

**85 # Smt. Geeta alias Chandraprabha:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the objective of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM);
- (b) whether it is a fact that people from rural areas will be trained under the scheme;
- (c) if so, what would be the objective of this training; and
- (d) the total number of States where the scheme is already implemented till now?

#### **Amount spent on Polavaram Project**

**86 Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the delay in reimbursing money spent by Andhra Pradesh Government on Polavaram Project;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Andhra Pradesh Government has sought reimbursement of ₹ 2,033 crore it spent on works at Polavaram Project; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken by Government to reimburse the amount which has been delayed by more than six months?

#### **Groundwater reserves in Tamil Nadu**

**87 Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of groundwater reserves in the State of Tamil Nadu, district-wise;
- (b) the steps taken to mitigate the depletion of groundwater reserves, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the impact of single use plastics on the groundwater table and the steps taken to mitigate such impact;
- (d) the status of groundwater contamination in the State of Tamil Nadu, district-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken to mitigate groundwater contamination and, if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Full funding for Polavaram Project**

**88 Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:**

**Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government intends to provide full funding for the Polavaram Project, as per the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh State Re-organisation Act; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Illegal power production by Telangana**

**89 Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken note that Telangana Government is continuing its power production from Srisailem Left Canal, violating the directions of Government and not considering the Krishna River Management Board (KRMB) orders also;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by Government in this regard?

#### **Data on pollution levels of Ganga and Yamuna rivers**

**90 Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government maintains data of dissolved oxygen and levels of fecal coliform for the rivers- Ganga and Yamuna;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the details of the most polluted stretches of rivers- Ganga and Yamuna; and
- (d) the current status of the measures taken by Government to better the river health of the aforementioned rivers?

### **Depletion of groundwater level in metro cities**

**91 Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the groundwater level is fast depleting in Metro-cities of the country due to heavy demand of water;
- (b) whether any survey has been carried out to measure the total demand and the existing supply of water in big cities of the countries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the measures being taken by Government to restore groundwater level and ensure adequate supply of drinkable water?

### **Supply of pure drinking water to citizens**

**92 # Smt. Ambika Soni:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of organisations responsible for distribution of public drinking water throughout the country under drinking water inspection and monitoring programme, that have been inspected for drinking water supplied by them during the last three years;
- (b) the reasons for failure of drinking water samples in large numbers; and
- (c) the details of permanent mechanism established by Government to ensure supply of good quality pure drinking water to the citizens by organisations responsible for public distribution of drinking water?

### **Hazardous chemicals in Indira Gandhi canal**

**93 Dr. Vikas Mahatme:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has undertaken any study to determine the quality and level of hazardous chemicals in the Indira Gandhi canal; and
- (b) whether Government has any proposal of determining its impact on the health and lifestyle of the people affected?

### **Tap water connection under JJM in Assam and WB**

**94 Ms. Sushmita Dev:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether less than 15 per cent of rural households in Assam have running tap water supply;
- (b) the details of percentage of households in rural Assam and West Bengal, district-wise, that have been provided with tap water facility under Jal Jeevan Mission, (JJM) scheme;
- (c) whether Government is falling short of its promise to provide households with safe and adequate drinking water through individual households tap connections by 2024 in Assam and West Bengal; and

(d) the details of the total amount of money sanctioned and utilized under the above mentioned scheme in Assam and West Bengal, district-wise?

### **Swachh Bharat Gramin Phase II**

**95 Shri Partap Singh Bajwa:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of individual household latrines constructed as per norms and a State-wise list of the same for the years 2020-21 till present;
- (b) the total number of community sanitary complexes constructed as per norms the above said period; and
- (c) the total number of villages with effective solid management built during the years 2020-21 till present and a State-wise list of the same?

### **Contamination of Ground Water**

**96 Shri Deepender Singh Hooda:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the States where rivers and groundwater have been found to be contaminated with salinity, Iron and Nitrates;
- (b) whether the contamination is in excess of the limit prescribed by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS);
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the corrective steps being taken by Government in this regard;
- (e) whether Government proposes to bring out a white paper in this regard;
- and (f) if so, the details thereof?

### **IT based sensors**

**97 Shri Derek O' Brien:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the new National Water Policy (NWP) proposes usage of IT based sensors to ensure equitable distribution, leak detection and plugging, if so, the parameters which will be used to decide equitable distribution;
- (b) the details of the technology that will be deployed for said purposes; and
- (c) where and how this technology will be developed?

### **Allocation of fund for Polavaram Irrigation Project**

**98 Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has released any funds to Andhra Pradesh Government with regard to Polavaram Irrigation Project (PIP) from May, 2019 onwards;
- (b) if so, the details of the funds released since then i.e., May, 2019, 2020 and 2021 (till now);
- (c) whether Government has undertaken any audit regarding the expenditure of the released fund;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Safe drinking water for rural areas

99 **Shri Iranna Kadadi:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the steps taken by Government to provide safe and adequate drinking water to every rural person in the country in each State/ UT with special emphasis on Karnataka;
- (b) the details regarding percentage of people who do not have access to safe drinking water;
- (c) whether Government has formulated any plan or mechanism regarding this problem, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of projects to provide clean drinking water; and
- (e) the details of funds allocated, sanctioned and disbursed for the projects to provide clean drinking water in Karnataka during the last five years?

### Providing water to every household in North-Eastern States

100 # **Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages in North-Eastern States benefited under Jal Jeeven Mission so far and the efforts being made by Government to provide water to every household; and
- (b) the details of the beneficiaries of Tripura, district-wise?

### River corridors

101 **Dr. Narendra Jadhav:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is planning to identify, define and protect river-corridors as areas for no cement-concrete structures, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government is taking any steps to restore base flows of rivers through groundwater recharge, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Ganga and Yamuna rejuvenation

102 **Dr. Narendra Jadhav:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has constructed wastewater treatment facilities alongside the whole stretch of Ganga river so as to treat wastewater generated from towns in the Ganga basin, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government is also considering rejuvenating the eight major tributaries of Ganga i.e Yamuna, Son, Ramganga, Gomti, Ghaghra, Gandak, Kosi and Damodar and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the total expenditure incurred by Government to rejuvenate Ganga till March 2021, and the details thereof?

### **New hydro-power projects in Ladakh**

**103 Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has cleared eight new hydro-power projects on the river Indus in Ladakh;
- (b) what is the estimated cost for implementation of the new hydro-power projects and the maximum time period for their completion;
- (c) which would be major areas within Ladakh to get the benefit of irrigation after the completion of the new and ongoing hydro-power projects; and
- (d) the important hydro-power projects in the construction stage in the States outside Ladakh?

### **Repairs and maintenance of the minor irrigation channels**

**104 Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- a) whether Government has any specific plan to restore, maintain and rejuvenate minor irrigation channels which were laid right up to the villages to irrigate agriculture fields under the Five Year Plan Schemes in the past;
- (b) if so, the details of progress made; and
- (c) whether Government has any data on the repairs and maintenance of such minor channels and also those newly laid during the last five years?

### **Test quality of water**

**105 Dr. Amar Patnaik:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of quality test of water under Government's flagship Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM);
- (b) the details of Government accredited laboratory, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the fees charged for quality test of water at Government accredited laboratory;
- (d) whether Government has any proposal to use water quality test data to monitor and prevent public health concerns; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

### **Funds allocation of Ken-Betwa river linking project**

**106 Dr. Amar Patnaik:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated and utilised and status of the Ken-Betwa river Linking project;
- (b) the details and status of the proposals for inter-State linking of rivers under the Inter Linking of Rivers Programme;
- (c) the details and status of the Mahanadi-Godavari Project;
- (d) whether Government has any proposals to study the impact of inter-linking of rivers that may cause large scale submergence; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

### Supply of tap water to rural households

107 # **Ms. Saroj Pandey:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of rural households where the supply of tap water has been ensured through Har Ghar Nal Ka Jal Yojna till date and the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) by when the supply of water be ensured for every rural household of the country under this scheme; and
- (c) the financial budget proposed by Government for it?

### Allocation of funds under JJM

108 **Shri Neeraj Shekhar:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of fund allocated, released and utilised under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) for provision of tap water in every rural household during 2021-22 till 20th November, 2021, State-wise;
- (b) the details of target for provision of tap water in rural households during 2021-22, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the number of households which have been provided with tap water facilities during 2021-22 till 20th November, 2021, State-wise?

### Availability of clean and potable water

109 **Shri Neeraj Shekhar:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has assessed the requirement and availability of clean and potable water in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of States whose 100 per cent population has coverage of clean and potable water as on date, State-wise?

### Controlling increasing pollution of water in Yamuna

110 # **Shri Brijlal:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the factors responsible for increasing pollution of water in Yamuna in Delhi during various festivals every year have been identified;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any guidelines have been issued to State Governments including Delhi to take any concrete steps to save Yamuna from getting polluted; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

### Increasing groundwater pollution

111 **Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether indiscriminate use of chemicals and fertilisers during the last three years is a major cause of rapidly increasing groundwater pollution in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to check the pollution of groundwater during the last three years?

### **Action Plan for water conservation**

**112 # Shri Rajendra Gehlot:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has prepared any action plan during the last three years to conserve water and increase the level of groundwater in the country;
- (b) if so, the outline of the said action plan; and
- (c) whether any time limit has been fixed for the said scheme and, if so, the details thereof?

### **Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) 2.0 targets and implementation**

**113 Smt. Vandana Chavan:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the targets of the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) 2.0 (Phase II), State/UT/year-wise;
- (b) the details of expenditure on Open Defecation Free (ODF) Plus component of the Swachh Bharat Mission - Grameen, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of funds allocated, disbursed and utilised under the ODF Plus component of SBM - Grameen, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) whether there are monitored targets for the behavioural change component under the SBM 2.0 and, if so, details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Tap water connections under JJM**

**114 Smt. Vandana Chavan:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) details of fully functional incremental tap connections provided till date under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), State/UT-wise;
- (b) reasons for certain incremental tap connections not yet being fully functional and steps to rectify the same;
- (c) details of water quality testing of the incremental tap water connections under JJM and, if not, the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether it is a fact that water-deficient States (Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana) are performing better in tap water connection coverage, compared to States along Ganga and Brahmaputra Basin (West Bengal, Assam, Uttar Pradesh); and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor and actions being taken to correct this disparity?

### **Annual flooding in Assam**

**115 Shri Rajmani Patel:**

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has assessed the impact of annual riverbank erosion caused by flooding of the Brahmaputra in Assam;
- (b) whether Government has assessed the reasons for such annual flooding;
- (c) whether Government has or intends to implement measures to prevent such flooding;
- (d) whether Government has conducted consultations with local stakeholders to solve flooding and soil erosion in Assam;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether Government has received any proposals from the State Government of Assam

to solve annual flooding and consequent soil erosion?

### **Cleaning of Ganga river**

116 **Smt. Shanta Chhetri:**

Will the Minister of ***Jal Shakti*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount spent so far during the last five years on cleaning the river Ganga;
- (b) the details of improvement, if any, in the water quality in terms of dissolved oxygen or fecal coliform; and
- (c) the reasons for delay in Ganga cleaning and the details thereof?

### **Piped water connection for every household**

117 **Shri K.J. Alphons:**

Will the Minister of ***Jal Shakti*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the target for supplying piped water connection to every household in the county;
- (b) the achievement made so far;
- (c) the States which have achieved the targets; and
- (d) the States which are lagging behind?

### **Status of people rendered jobless**

118 **Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of people employed in Micro, Small and Medium industries in the country who have lost their jobs during the COVID-19 Pandemic from March 2020 to till date and the details thereof;
- (b) the steps taken by Government to improve the status of people rendered jobless, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has provided any financial assistance for the revival of MSMEs in Tamil Nadu and the details thereof; and
- (d) the amount of money disbursed to beneficiaries in Pudukkottai district in Tamil Nadu and the details thereof?

### **Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE)**

119 **Shri Bhaskar Rao Nekkanti:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has lowered collateral requirements for MSMEs since according to a World Bank report, 80 per cent of these enterprises are less likely to have access to fixed assets;
- (b) the details of beneficiaries under the Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE), State-wise; and
- (c) whether the CGTMSE has been successful in attracting new sources of financing to lower the burden on the banking system as the sole capital generator, if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Promotion of Khadi fabrics**

120 # **Smt. Kanta Kardam:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes being implemented to promote the usage of Khadi fabrics;
- (b) whether Government has taken any step for technology upgradation and value addition in order to promote Khadi fabrics; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Credit Guarantee Scheme for Subordinate Debt**

121 **Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has recently extended the time period of Credit Guarantee Scheme for Subordinate Debt till March 2022;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total amount of credit facility given through lending institutions to the promoters of stressed Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) from the State of Andhra Pradesh and the details thereof?

#### **MSMEs facing difficulty from regulatory agencies**

122 **Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that most of the Small and Medium Enterprises face difficulty in meeting regulatory requirements and scientific queries from regulatory agencies with respect to exports; and
- (b) whether Government is contemplating on providing financial support to such service offering companies, so that the roadblock in reaching out to export markets can be overcome?

#### **Employment generation**

123 **Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has any proposal to generate employment for over one crore persons during the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and time by which such employment generation is likely to take place alongwith the schemes initiated for this purpose; and
- (c) the names of the States which are likely to benefit from the said proposal including Uttar Pradesh?

#### **Revival of MSMEs**

124 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

Will the Minister of *Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken any steps to revive Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises which were worst effected due to two lockdown periods announced in view of COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has any further proposals to push the revival of the MSMEs sector which contributes significantly to the GDP of the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Functional MSMEs in Karnataka

125 **Shri Iranna Kadadi:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) set up in northern region of Karnataka till date;
- (b) the number of MSMEs functional/non-functional out of these;
- (c) whether Government has made any efforts to encourage small scale industries especially in Karnataka; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

### Schemes of MSMEs

126 **Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the target set and achieved under the various schemes of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) from FY 2014-15 to 2021-22;
- (b) the total number of MSMEs in the country, State wise;
- (c) the total number of people employed by MSMEs in the country, State and sector-wise;
- (d) the impact of COVID-19 on the MSME sector, especially the number of people who have been rendered unemployed;
- (e) the total number of MSMEs that have closed down during the past two years; and
- (f) the steps being taken by Government to redress the issue?

### Loss of micro beneficiaries

127 **Dr. Santanu Sen:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of micro beneficiaries under Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) who were negatively affected due to the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) whether Government has provided any relief package for such micro beneficiaries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the number of micro units that were shut down temporarily during the COVID-19 pandemic?

### Digitizing and automating the MSMEs sector

128 **Shri Sujeet Kumar:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government to digitize and automate the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector and assist international trade digitization of local enterprises;
- (b) whether Government has considered setting up large number of business incubators in educational institutions to facilitate innovation; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to address concerns of lack of understanding of technology, high cost of adoption, data privacy and digital fraud to protect the interests of MSMEs?

### Mahila Udyam Nidhi scheme

129 **Shri Sujeet Kumar:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beneficiaries enrolled under the Mahila Udyam Nidhi scheme, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that less than 20 per cent of MSMEs are owned by women and 11.5 per cent of these businesses had permanently closed down during the coronavirus lockdown, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of steps and schemes undertaken by Government to curb this discrepancy?

#### **Employment opportunities in rural areas**

**130 # Ms. Saroj Pandey:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Small and Medium Enterprises functional in the country at present, according to the records of Government and the number of persons being provided employment through these enterprises directly or indirectly;
- (b) whether Government has prepared any special action plan for expansion of Small and Medium Enterprises and to increase the employment opportunities in rural areas; and
- (c) if so, the details of its pattern and the amount of funds allocated by Government for this purpose?

#### **Rating system for MSMEs**

**131 Shri John Brittas:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plans to implement rating system for monitoring Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether this will increase the compliance requirements of MSMEs in addition to GST related compliance; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Roadmap for Moradabad**

**132 Shri Syed Zafar Islam:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a detailed analysis is being done or will be done for drawing a roadmap for Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh related to its business potential; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Zero Defect Zero Effect scheme**

**133 Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:**

Will the Minister of ***Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) that have started to follow the manufacturing patterns as provided in the guidelines of the Zero Defect Zero Effect scheme;
- (b) whether the National Monitoring and Implementation Unit (NMIU), i.e. the Quality Council of India (QCI) has been following the guidelines on a consistent basis; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

### **District Mineral Foundations in Andhra Pradesh**

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

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

- (a) funds received by different District Mineral Foundations (DMFs) in Andhra Pradesh as royalty since inception, district-wise, as per Mines and Minerals Act, amended in 2015;
- (b) number of projects sanctioned sector-wise, amount sanctioned and amount utilised by DMFs in Guntur and Prakasam districts in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) details of schemes or projects including name, details, exact location, completion or implementation status from DMF funds in Guntur and Prakasam districts of Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) whether DMFs in Guntur and Prakasam have been audited by CAG; and
- (e) if so, details of the latest audit and key findings thereof?

### **Increase in expenditure from district mining fund**

**135 # Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:**

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

- (a) whether any measures have been taken by Government to increase the expenditure from the district mining fund and, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the guidelines to spend the funds from the district mining fund in the State of Rajasthan and the total amount spent in all the districts, including Dausa district, during the last three years, the work-wise details thereof; and
- (c) whether any Committee has been constituted for sanction of action plan and review of the above amount and, if so, the names of the Members of the Committee and the details thereof?

### **Revenue generated for States from mining activities**

**136 Dr. Sasmit Patra:**

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

the details of the revenue generated for States under mining activities of the Ministry for the past five years, State-wise and year-wise?

### **Solution mining of potash in Rajasthan**

**137 Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:**

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

- (a) whether Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd. (MECL), Rajasthan State Minerals Ltd. (RSMML) and the Department of Mines and Geology (DMG) of the State Government of Rajasthan have entered into a tripartite agreement for conducting feasibility study for solution mining of potash in Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the subsoil potash bearing strata are adequate enough for commercial exploitation for use as fertilizer; and
- (d) how much time is likely to be taken to complete the feasibility study of the reserve?

### **Expenditure on welfare schemes for minorities**

**138 Shri Mallikarjun Kharge:**

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

- (a) the actual expenditure of all welfare schemes under the Ministry for FY 2021-22, including scholarships, skill training, etc;
- (b) the spending as a percentage of total Budget Estimate (BE) 2021-22, scheme-wise;
- (c) whether there has been a trend in understanding on welfare schemes under the Ministry; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Budget allocation for upliftment of minorities**

**139 Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

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

- (a) whether the budget allocation and expenditure on schemes for the upliftment of minorities in the country is very low;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of budget allocation under various schemes and expenditure thereon during each of the last four years and the current year, scheme-wise, State-wise;
- (d) whether Government proposes to increase the actual expenditure on minorities under various schemes; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

### **Educational upliftment of Minorities**

**140 Dr. Santanu Sen:**

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

- (a) whether Government has implemented any new scheme for the educational upliftment of minority communities in the country after 2018 and, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government is aware that several States in the country are taking measures ranging from stopping financial assistance to Madrasas to abolishing State-run Madrasas against the Constitutional mandate;
- (c) if so, whether Government would consider giving appropriate directions to the State Governments to protect educational rights of minorities guaranteed by the Constitution and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Low intake of minority students in minority schools**

**141 Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:**

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

- (a) whether any recent NCPCR reports have shown that the intake of minority students have been lower than the required number in minority educational institutes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including steps taken to tackle this issue;
- (c) whether Government is planning to bring minority schools under RTE;
- (d) the percentage of minority students enrolled in formal education in different States and the details thereof for the last two years;
- (e) whether Government is planning to adopt any measures to ensure that quota for minority students in public educational institutes are filled; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

### **Implementation of Madrasa Modernisation Scheme**

**142 Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has not paid its dues under the Madrasa Modernisation Scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government is aware that the teachers appointed under the scheme have not been paid their salaries properly and are under financial and mental stress;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether Government has adopted any measures to ensure the proper implementation of the scheme such as regular inspections, timely financial allocation and provision of incentives; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Complaints received by NCM from various minority communities**

**143 Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

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

- (a) the number of complaints the National Commission for Minorities received in 2018-2019, 2019-2020 and in 2021;
- (b) what is classification of complaints received by it on the basis of various minority communities;
- (c) the nature of complaints, ie., economic, political, religious, law and order, discriminatory treatments etc and details thereof, complaint nature-wise;
- (d) if complaints received, whether the Commission has probed and investigated;
- (e) if so, number of complains which were found to be genuine; and
- (f) what action it has taken to deter complaints for the purpose of propaganda and false evidence?

### **National Commission for Minorities**

**144 Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the National Commission for Minorities recommended, since 1980 to 1988, to merge the commission into the National Commission of Human Rights;
- (b) if so, the logic and reasons given by Commission while recommending to make the National Commission for Minorities a part of the Human Rights Commission;
- (c) who were then chairmen of the Commissions (1980 to 1988);
- (d) the reaction and response of the then Central Government;
- (e) whether Government find sense in the recommendations made in 1980s for the merger; and
- (f) whether Government finds rational in the logic to merge the Minority Commission and the Human Rights Commission?

### **Maulana Azad National Fellowship**

**145 Shri Partap Singh Bajwa:**

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

- (a) the details of fellowships given under Maulana Azad National Fellowship scheme during the the academic years 2019-20 and 2020-21 and a State-wise list of the same;
- (b) the number of Transgender beneficiaries under Maulana Azad National Fellowship in the academic years 2019-20 and 2020-21 and a State-wise list of the same;
- (c) the total number of beneficiaries of the Maulana Azad National Fellowship scheme for the years 2019-20 till present and a State-wise list of the same; and

(d) the total number of beneficiaries who have completed their PhD and MPhil between the years 2016-20 till present?

#### **Students benefitted under NSS**

146 **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

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

- (a) the number of students who have been reached out under the Naya Savera Scheme(NSS) of Government during the last four years, and the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) whether Government maintains the data of the same, religion-wise, if so, the details thereof of the beneficiaries;
- (c) how much of the dedicated funds has been utilized till date; and
- (d) whether Government classifies data for the urban and rural zones, if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Daily LPG consumption**

147 **Shri Mallikarjun Kharge:**

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

- (a) the total number of domestic LPG cylinders consumed across the country daily;
- (b) the total number of commercial LPG cylinders consumed across the country daily;
- (c) the total monthly revenue earned by Government from domestic LPG cylinders in 2021;
- (d) the total monthly revenue earned by Government from commercial LPG cylinders in 2021, and;
- (e) the subsidy transferred to bank accounts for each LPG cylinder under the Ujjwala Yojana in 2021, month-wise?

#### **Emissions and foreign exchange savings due to ethanol blending**

148 **Shri Sushil Kumar Modi:**

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

- (a) the quantum of total petrol demand which is currently ethanol blended and the details of E10 and E5 ethanol;
- (b) the estimated emission and foreign exchange savings achieved through blending and additional emissions and cost savings expected in future, and details thereof as per timeline; and
- (c) the present ethanol production capacity and additional capacity required to achieve target of E20 and roadmap thereof?

#### **Use of green hydrogen in lieu of petrol**

149 **Shri K.R. Suresh Reddy:**

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

- (a) whether Government has any plan to promote the use of green hydrogen in lieu of petrol as the petrol prices are touching the sky; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

### **Increase in petroleum prices**

**150 Shri K.C. Venugopal:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the prices of petroleum products have increased manyfolds resulting in inflation on each and every products in the country and the increase is being linked to international prices;
- (b) if so, the details of taxes increased on petroleum products during the last three years;
- (c) whether Government has any plan for increasing the price of petroleum for the benefit of oil producing companies and not raising the taxes so as to cushion the consumers as well as controlling the inflation; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **High prices of petrol and diesel**

**151 Shri Anil Desai:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that common man is suffering due to high prices of petroleum products for last several months;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the extent to which country is self sufficient in her energy needs; and
- (d) whether Government is taking any steps to lighten import cost of the petroleum products, if so, the details thereof?

### **Shifts to non conventional fuels**

**152 Shri Sanjay Seth:**

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

- (a) whether it is fact that Government is planning to shift to non conventional fuels i.e. CNG, LNG or Electric by providing facilities for these alternatives at the existing petrol pumps;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the norms eased for setting up of petrol pumps by new entities?

### **Entitlement of Chief Vigilance Officer in oil companies**

**153 # Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:**

**Smt. Chhaya Verma:**

**Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:**

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

- (a) whether Chief Vigilance Officer of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) and other oil companies working on deputation basis are entitled to performance related payment (PRP) and business expense;
- (b) if so, the number of officers who have availed PRP and business expense from 2016 till date; and
- (c) the details of the amount of funds availed since 2016, year-wise, month-wise and officer-wise?

### **Hydrocarbon Vision for North East 2030**

**154 Ms. Sushmita Dev:**

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

- (a) the details of the status of implementation of the Hydrocarbon Vision for North East 2030 as of 2021, including details of investments made, State-wise;
- (b) the details of refineries in the Northeast region, including respective refining capacities and production rates, State-wise and year-wise from 2014 till date;
- (c) the amount of oil refined and produced by said refineries, including by-products and profit/loss incurred by them from 2014 till date; and
- (d) the details of the current status of implementation of the Guwahati-Barauni pipeline and details thereof including estimated date of completion?

### **Contingency plan for natural gas infrastructure**

155 **Shri Derek O' Brien:**

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

- (a) whether Government has a contingency plan towards a possible under-utilisation of gas-based infrastructure considering the increasing prices of LNG in Asia;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government plans on building other alternative cost effective transitions considering the high cost of gas-based technologies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Oil exploration by ONGC**

156 **Shri Iranna Kadadi:**

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

- (a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) has explored crude oil reserves during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the estimated quantum of various varieties of oil available in these reserves;
- (c) the number of oil reserves from where oil is being extracted by ONGC along with the quantum of oil available in these reserves; and
- (d) the quantum of oil being produced by ONGC from these reserves annually and the details thereof?

### **Reducing the prices of petroleum products**

157 **Dr. V. Sivadasan:**

**Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

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

- (a) Whether Government has any proposal to further reduce prices of petrol, diesel, LPG and CNG considering the economic hardships faced by the people of the country and also business people, who are facing lots of hardship post second lockdown period;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Online computerised monitoring system**

158 # **Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:**

Will the Minister of ***Statistics and Programme Implementation*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government monitors the infrastructure projects of central sector upto the cost of ₹ 150 crore through online Computerised Monitoring System and, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether there is time and cost overrun of projects due to lack of policy framework related to project management;
- (c) if so, the details of the pending projects including the increase in their cost due to pendency of the projects; and
- (d) whether Government has prescribed any five-year time frame for completing all pending projects, if so, the details thereof?

### **Consumption Expenditure Survey Report**

**159 Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:**

Will the Minister of **Statistics and Programme Implementation** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has released any Consumption Expenditure Survey (CES) report during the last five years, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government is aware that CES Reports should be released every five years;
- (c) the source used by Government to formulate policies to combat malnutrition and food insecurity in the absence of the latest data through CES;
- (d) whether Government is planning to conduct a CES this financial year; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Decline of steel production**

**160 Dr. L. Hanumanthaiah:**

**Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:**

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

- (a) whether the steel production has registered the sharpest decline in the last five years due to slow demand in the automobile and real estate sector;
- (b) if so, the details of total steel production, year-on-year basis;
- (c) whether the decline in steel production is wholly or partially attributed to slow down in the economy;
- (d) if so, the steps that are taken to boost the demand in automobile and real estate sectors; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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