

Rajya Sabha

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
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(Ministries : Civil Aviation; Home Affairs; Housing and Urban Affairs; Labour and Employment; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Social Justice and Empowerment; Steel)

Total number of questions -- 160

Violation of guidelines of DGCA

1761 **Shri Naranbhai J. Rathwa:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Director General Civil Aviation (DGCA) generally do not allow aircrafts to fly which are more than 50 years old;
- (b) if so, the complete details of guideline in this regard;
- (c) whether DGCA have recently given permission to fly twin-engine Otter aircraft for the seaplane services between statue of Unity Kevadiya and Narmada district in Gujarat; and
- (d) if so, the reasons for giving permission to 50 year old aircraft in violation of guidelines of DGCA?

Restoration of air services

1762 # **Ms. Saroj Pandey:**

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

- (a) the name of countries to which Indian airline services have been started and such countries where it is still banned after the Coronavirus pandemic;
- (b) the time-line by which the said air services would be started; and
- (c) the details thereof?

Consultations on privatisation of airports

1763 **Smt. Shanta Chhetri:**

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

- (a) whether privatisation of airports are done with consultation with the State Government where the airports are located; and
- (b) if so, the details of the State Governments' submission, State-wise?

Operation of foreign airlines

1764 # **Shri Vinay Dinu Tendulkar:**

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

- (a) the number of foreign airlines that have applied for starting their operations in the

country and the current status thereof;

(b) the number of airlines operating in civil and cargo sectors;

(c) the number along with the places where the General Sales Agents have been appointed by all the airlines operating their business in the country, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any guidelines have been provided by Government to the said airlines for appointing their General Sales Agents?

Development of airports under PPP mode

1765 **Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to develop the airports under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode and inviting private participation for speedy completion of airport projects;

(b) whether any action plan has been chalked out to award construction work of airports to private participants, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any such airports are being developed in the State of Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof?

Air fares

1766 # **Shri Neeraj Dangi:**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that air fares have been increased by 30 per cent;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government is aware of the decline in per capita income during the global epidemic;

(d) if so, whether Government is aware of the additional expenditure burden on the common citizen due to hike in air fares; and

(e) if not, whether a study and analysis has been carried out on the subject before the fare hike, if so, the details thereof?

Privatisation of airports

1767 # **Shri Neeraj Dangi:**

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

(a) whether the 'No Objection Certificates' were taken from the respective State Governments regarding the ownership of land before the privatisation of airports by the Ministry, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ministry has tampered with the principles of country's federal structure by means of privatising the airports owned by the State Governments without their approval, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Ministry would make reservation opportunity still available for the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribes after the privatisation of various airports, if so, the details thereof?

Air connectivity for small cities

1768 **Dr. Banda Prakash:**

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

(a) whether Government has any action plan to provide air connectivity to small cities of the country under UDAN scheme;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of cities covered under UDAN schemes so far, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government to connect small cities under UDAN scheme in the State of Telangana?

Construction of small airports under UDAN scheme

1769 **Lt.Gen. (Dr.) D. P. Vats (Retd.):**

Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

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

- (a) whether Government has taken action for execution of small airports at cities and flights operations under UDAN scheme particularly in Uttar Pradesh in order to enhance the tourism in the State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has fixed any time frame for those proposals under consideration for constructions of small airports; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government thereon?

Consultations on increase in air fares

1770 **Shri Sanjay Seth:**

Shri Rajeev Satav:

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

- (a) whether Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has announced an increase in the fares of air travel in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken by Government in this regard;
- (c) whether Government has consulted all the stakeholders before increasing the fares and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether increase in the fares will adversely affect air passengers and if so, whether Government has received any representation from the air travelers in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government thereon?

Capital infusion in aviation sector

1771 **Shri Derek O' Brien:**

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

- (a) whether the airlines have sought capital infusion in the sector as financial relief and the details thereof;
- (b) whether there is a possibility of airlines not being able to sustain losses due to COVID-19 restrictions in flight operations and the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of initiatives being taken by Government to ensure the financial viability of the aviation sector?

Flights to abroad under Vande Bharat

1772 **Shri Elamaram Kareem:**

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

- (a) the total number of services operated by Air India and its subsidiary Air India Express

- under Vande Bharat scheme from India to abroad destinations till date, sector-wise;
- (b) the total number of passengers ferried in these flights from India to abroad destinations till date;
- (c) the total amount collected as ticket fare, including taxes and other charges from passengers till date;
- (d) sector wise ticket fare for one passenger charged in these Vande Bharat flights, whether it was higher than the usual fare in these sectors; and
- (e) the average ticket fare in these routes prior to COVID-19, Sector-wise?

New terminal at Vijayawada airport

1773 Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that ₹ 620 crores of administrative approval and expenditure sanction has been accorded for new terminal building, Air Traffic Controller (ATC) tower, etc., at Vijayawada airport;
- (b) if so, when the approval has been accorded;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that not even a single rupee has been spent out of the above ₹ 620 crores so far; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the efforts being made to utilize the money sanctioned for and complete the project in a fixed time?

Advisory to domestic airlines

1774 Dr. C.M. Ramesh:

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

- (a) whether Government has issued any advisory to the domestic airlines to carry more passengers on board in a flight due to reported control of COVID-19 pandemic recently, the details thereof; and
- (b) the details of passengers traffic being handled by domestic airlines in the country during the last six months, airlines-wise?

Expenditure incurred under UDAN scheme

1775 Shri Vivek K. Tankha:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the UDAN scheme has been enacted by the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the details of the expenditure incurred in the implementation of the same; and
- (c) the details of the strategy plan regarding the regional airports and the requisite airlines in view of the UDAN scheme?

International air services from Bhubaneswar

1776 Shri Sujeet Kumar:

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

- (a) whether Government has any plans to run more international flights from Bhubaneswar, particularly to South and South-East Asia;
- (b) if so, the details of proposed flight connectivity to different international destinations from Bhubaneswar; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Status of airstrips planned at Jeypore and Utkela

1777 Shri Sujeet Kumar:

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

- (a) the current status of airstrips planned at Jeypore and Utkela; and
- (b) by when, they are going to be completed?

New air routes under UDAN 4.0

1778 # Shri Satish Chandra Dubey:

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

- (a) the number of new air routes which have been approved by Government under UDAN 4.0; and
- (b) the State-wise details thereof?

Airports in Chhattisgarh under RCS

1779 # Shri Ram Vichar Netam:

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

- (a) the details of airports operating in the State of Chhattisgarh after the implementation of Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS);
- (b) the number of airports under construction in the State of Chhattisgarh under RCS;
- (c) the estimated cost for construction of the said airports and the details of their present status; and
- (d) by when new airports in Chhattisgarh are likely to be operational under the RCS?

'Digi Yatra'

1780 Shri Partap Singh Bajwa:

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

- (a) the number of passengers who have created and used 'Digi Yatra' ID;
- (b) the number of airports which have/plan to implement the use of 'Digi Yatra' ID;
- (c) whether the policy has helped to reduce the operating costs of airports and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the steps taken by Government to promote the 'Digi Yatra' policy; and
- (e) whether masks/protective gear hinder the use of 'Digi Yatra' ID?

Information on delayed/cancelled flights

1781 Shri Harshvardhan Singh Dungarpur:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the private airlines do not inform regarding delay and cancellation of flights to the passengers;
- (b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government to warn private airlines about delays/cancellation of flights;
- (c) the On-Time Performance (OTP) and cancellation of flights of Spice Jet, Indigo and Go Air during the last three months;
- (d) whether private airlines serve refreshments in case of delays; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Krishi Udan scheme

1782 **Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:**

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

- (a) the aims and objectives of Krishi Udan scheme;
- (b) how the above scheme is different from Operation Greens;
- (c) whether the Ministry is considering to extend freight subsidy of 50 per cent to all States;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether there are any plans to add more items to the present 22 items under Operation Greens and if so, the details thereof?

Civil enclave in Bihta, Bihar

1783 # **Shri Sushil Kumar Modi:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that a civil enclave is proposed to be set up with the cost of ₹ 937 crore for the combined use of Airports Authority of India (AAI) and Indian Airforce at Bihta in Bihar;
- (b) the area of land which was supposed to be provided free of cost by Bihar Government and the area of land which has already been provided;
- (c) whether even tender for the construction of Bihta airport could not be invited so far; and
- (d) if so, the rational behind this, the details thereof?

'Point of call' status to Kannur International Airport

1784 **Shri K.K. Ragesh:**

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

- (a) whether granting 'point of call' status to Kannur international airport is under consideration; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

New airports in Uttar Pradesh

1785 **Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao:**

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

- (a) the number of airports operational in Uttar Pradesh compared to 2016;
- (b) the details of presently operational airports;
- (c) the number of new airports currently under development in Uttar Pradesh;
- (d) the details of new airports and their likely date of operation;
- (e) the status of development of Maryada Purushottam Sri Ram airport in Ayodhya;
- (f) whether there is a plan to expand the airstrip and construct a new airport terminal at Chitrakoot;
- (g) the details of (e) and (f) above; and
- (h) the status of development and completion schedule of Noida international airport at Jewar?

Rationalization of taxes in aviation sector

1786 **Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:**

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

- (a) whether Government has any plan for rationalization of various taxes in the aviation

sector, which is among the hardest hit by the COVID-19 induced economic meltdown; and
 (b) if so, the steps being taken to work on a long-term plan to help the sector by rationalizing various taxes making the sector more efficient and able to sustain itself?

Capping of airfare

1787 Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the capping of airfare has further been extended to March 31, 2021;
- (b) whether Government had consulted the airlines before this decision;
- (c) whether the fare cap has helped passengers and airlines as well; and
- (d) if so, the details in this regard?

Privatisation of Air India

1788 Shri K.P. Munusamy:

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

- (a) whether is it a fact that Government has decided to privatise Air India and some airports of the country;
- (b) whether Government has received any requests from the employees association in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken or to be taken to protect the employees of the company?

EMAS at tabletop airports

1789 Shri M.V. Shreyams Kumar:

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

- (a) whether Government examined the suggestion to establish EMAS (Engineered Material Arrestor System) in tabletop airports like Kozhikode and Mangalore to avoid air accidents by over shooting the runway; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Nails fixed at farmers' protest site

1790 Shri Narain Dass Gupta:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that nails were fixed on the road at the farmers' protest site near the Delhi-Uttar Pradesh border;
- (b) the name of the agency identified to carry out the above mentioned orders;
- (c) whether such an action on domestic ground against Indian citizens is permitted under any rule/law/protocol; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Methodology for controlling fake news and misinformation

1791 Shri Tiruchi Siva:

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

- (a) the methodology of Government to control fake news and misinformation during tensions and riots, whether internet shutdowns are a prescribed method; and

(b) the kind of data being maintained on internet shutdowns in India, the details thereof?

Separate prisons for women inmates

1792 **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that India has very few separate prisons for women inmates;
- (b) if so, the details of such prisons, State-wise;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that in few States, women inmates are kept in common cells leading to overcrowding of certain prisons and underutilisation of women's prisons in certain states; and
- (d) if so, whether Government is taking steps to increase separate women's prisons in all States as well as maximise utilisation of existing prisons of this kind?

Digitisation of criminal records

1793 **Shri K.J. Alphons:**

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

- (a) the status of digitisation of criminal records;
- (b) whether the fingerprint of criminals across the country has been digitised and uploaded on a platform to be utilised by all police forces across the country; and
- (c) the extent of use of Artificial Intelligence in the criminal justice administration?

Features of ICJS

1794 **Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:**

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

- (a) the salient features and implementation status of Integrated Criminal Justice System (ICJS);
- (b) whether ICJS provide a 360 degree view of the criminal justice system;
- (c) the list of agencies and departments that will be part of this system; and
- (d) the list of States which have adopted this system?

Census 2021

1795 **Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:**

Shri Binoy Viswam:

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

- (a) whether Government plans to carry out the Census 2021, If so, what is its current status;
- (b) Whether Government has finalised the procedure to update the National Population Register as part of Census 2021;
- (c) whether any international organisation is providing any technical assistance for Census 2021, if so, the details of the assistance; and
- (d) whether Government is planning to release the caste data of Census 2011, if so, by when and if not, the reasons for the same and whether Government is contemplating doing caste based socio-economic Census in 2021?

Increase in crimes against women in UP

1796 # **Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:**

Smt. Chhaya Verma:

Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been an increase in crimes such as murder, kidnapping and molestation against women, especially against those belonging to Other Backward Classes, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the State of Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) the State-wise details thereof during the last five years;
- (c) the number of such cases regarding prevention of crimes in which the cases have not been prevented due to laxity of the police; and
- (d) whether any increase has been observed in cases of atrocities on women even during corona pandemic?

Crime against women

1797 **Dr. Banda Prakash:**

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

- (a) whether Government has noticed that crime against women have increased during the last few years in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of crimes reported by NCRB against women during the last five years, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of steps taken by the Government to reduce the crime against women?

Strengthening of police system

1798 **Lt.Gen. (Dr.) D. P. Vats (Retd.):**

Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has formulated any action plan in coordination with the States to strengthen the police system and administration of States in view of the cyber crimes and other nature of crimes being committed by the criminals so that crimes of different nature can be stopped by identifying them;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is considering any measures to modernise the police system of the country with technical knowhow with the help of various scientific and technological institutes in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Mobile App for information on crime and criminals

1799 **Shri M. Shanmugam:**

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

- (a) whether Government has launched web and mobile based App with a view to collect, update, and analyse information related to crime and criminals in real time basis;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether various NOCs can be obtained online through this App, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the complainant can view FIR and status of FIR in the App, if so, the details

thereof;

(e) whether senior citizen helpline would also be included; and

(f) whether any other suggestions have been received from the public for improvement of the App, if so, the details thereof?

Arrest of Journalists

1800 **Shri Rajmani Patel:**

Shri Neeraj Dangi:

Dr. Amee Yajnik:

Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:

Shri Kumar Ketkar:

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

(a) the number of journalists arrested under provisions of the Indian Penal Code, Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 and Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA), 1967 during last five years, year-wise; and

(b) the number of journalists currently in jail who have not yet been convicted of any charges framed against them under the aforementioned laws, State-wise?

Digital Census

1801 **Shri B. Lingaiah Yadav:**

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

(a) the steps being taken for the forthcoming Census which could be the first digital census in the history of India and the details of funds sanctioned/spent and progress made, State-wise; and

(b) if no steps are being taken, the reasons therefor?

CCTV cameras under modernisation of police forces

1802 # **Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:**

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

(a) whether Government has chalked out any plan for modernisation of State police forces;

(b) if so, whether installing of CCTV cameras in the towns and cities is included in this plan;

(c) if so, the amount released for installing CCTV cameras during last three years;

(d) the reason for non-functioning of majority of CCTV cameras installed and amount of funds released per year by each State for the maintenance and servicing of these cameras; and

(e) the details of steps taken to deal with these shortcomings and fixing the responsibilities?

Misuse of farmers protest rally

1803 **Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:**

Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

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

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

(a) whether any case has been registered against the persons who misused the protesting rally recently in the name of 'Farm Laws';

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any case has been registered against the culprits who tried to tarnish the

image of the country in the name of farmers protest including foreigners who were indirectly involved in the matter digitally such as toolkit;

(d) whether Government has instructed the police authority to investigate the case against the culprits and take strong action against them; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Crimes against women and children

1804 Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:

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

(a) whether women and children continue to be vulnerable to crime;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) the total number of cases of crimes against women and children registered during last two years upto December, 2020, crime-wise including rape, torture, eve-teasing, murder and kidnapping separately, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the total number of accused arrested, convicted, cases solved/unsolved, conviction rate achieved and the steps taken to solve all the cases along with the action taken against the accused during the said period, State/UT-wise?

Honour killings

1805 Shri G.C. Chandrashekhkar:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that in recent years highest number of honour killings, dowry deaths and bride burning cases have been registered in the country;

(b) if so, the details of such murders, State-wise during last five years; and

(c) the action taken to stop such violence against women in the country?

Non-renewal of FCRA certificates of NGOs

1806 Shri G.C. Chandrashekhkar:

Shri Digvijaya Singh:

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

(a) the total number of Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) whose Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, 2010 (FCRA) certificate has not been renewed during the last five years, year-wise;

(b) the total number of NGOs whose FCRA certificate has been suspended during last five years, year-wise;

(c) whether Government has received representations from NGOs in reference to the rules framed under the Foreign Contribution Regulation (Amendment) Rules, 2020 being too restrictive and stringent;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether Government is considering relaxing or reviewing any of its provisions; and

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

E-visa facility

1807 Dr. Vinay P. Sahasrabudhe:

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

(a) the number of e-visas issued to foreigners during 2018-2019 and the country-wise details of such visas issued;

- (b) the mechanism adopted to ensure that terrorists and other persons, whose entry in India is not desirable, do not enter taking advantage of e-visa facility; and
- (c) in what manner the Ministry and Indian Missions abroad are coordinating with each other in administration of visa issuance?

Cyber crimes in financial transactions

1808 **Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

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

- (a) the number of cases of cyber crimes in general and specifically financial transactions took place between 2018-20;
- (b) whether it is a fact that such cases soared up during the lockdown period;
- (c) the number of cases which have been solved;
- (d) the number of arrests that took place in these two years; and
- (e) the quantum of money illegally transacted recovered?

Violence against Christians

1809 **Shri P. Wilson:**

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

- (a) whether Government has conducted any survey on violence against Christians, Priests, Preachers, Missionaries and Churches in India, including in Tamil Nadu, during the last five years, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the response of Government in this regard along with details of the action advised to be taken against the culprits; and
- (c) the purpose for taking survey on the missionaries in India and follow up action taken in this regard along with details during last five years?

NCRB report on crimes

1810 **Dr. Santanu Sen:**

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

- (a) whether according to recently published report of NCRB 2018, 91 rape cases, 80 murders and 279 abduction cases are taking place daily in the Country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of steps taken by Government towards reducing crime rate in the country and its impact in coordination with the State Government;
- (d) whether it is a fact that only a small percentage of such incidents are reported and lodged as FIR;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the details of steps taken by Government to ensure registration of FIR in such incidents?

Anti-Human Trafficking Units

1811 **Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has provided ₹100 crores to States for setting up of Anti-Human Trafficking Units in all districts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details of districts where units have so far been set up, State-wise;
- (c) whether there are any States which are yet to set up such units; and
- (d) if so, the details of such States and whether COVID has impacted setting up of such

units?

Communal violence in Delhi

1812 Shri Kumar Ketkar:

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

- (a) whether Government has undertaken any investigations to identify the perpetrators of communal violence in Delhi in February, 2020;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government intends to investigate some political leaders for communally provocative speeches in the city;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Release of SECC data

1813 Dr. Anbumani Ramadoss:

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has any proposal to release the categorised and classified SECC -2011 data, caste-wise and region-wise of Other Backward Classes and General Category other than Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has any proposal to conduct the 2021 population Census on caste basis including the castes falling under OBCs and General Category along with SCs and STs; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

FIRS on Crimes against Women

1814 Shri Bikash Ranjan:

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

- (a) the details of FIRs filed on offences against women during the last three years as per National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the cases registered for offences against women are increasing day by day; and
- (c) the number of cases under which convictions have been made under these offences as per National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)?

Volunteer based reporting of anti-national activity

1815 Shri Binoy Viswam:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the ministry is testing a scheme under which citizens can volunteer to report anti-national activities;
- (b) the details of basis on which these volunteers will be qualified to carry out this process;
- (c) what is the definition of anti-national activities that the scheme will use;
- (d) what will be the safeguards in this scheme that will prevent its malicious use to target certain groups of people; and
- (e) whether the Ministry of Home Affairs will be the implementing Ministry for this scheme or will State Governments also be involved?

Facilities to women in Prisons and detention centres

1816 Shri Binoy Viswam:

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

- (a) whether Government is cognizant of the problems being faced by women, transgenders and children in prisons and detention centres due to the Covid-19 pandemic;
- (b) if so, what steps Government has taken to address these concerns of women and children in these settings;
- (c) whether Government has developed any particular schemes or given any particular support to these above mentioned groups during the Covid-19 pandemic; and
- (d) the total number of women, transgenders and children released from prisons and detention centres during the covid-19 pandemic?

Cow smuggling through Indo-Bangladesh border

1817 # Shri Narayan Rane:

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

- (a) whether Government has received any information through several newspapers and magazines that cows are smuggled through Indo-Bangladesh border;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there has been any investigation into the role of Indian security personnel deployed on Indo-Bangladesh border in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Modernisation of police forces

1818 Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:

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

- (a) whether Government is providing financial and other assistance for modernisation of police forces in States;
- (b) if so, the details of financial and other assistance provided to the State of Andhra Pradesh for modernisation of its police force during the last five years and the current year, year-wise and the expenditure thereof along with physical target set and achieved, year-wise and component-wise;
- (c) whether Government would consider for sharing some of the revenue expenditure of AP Police in view of the State reeling under financial constraints; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Attacks on Hindu temples and religious places

1819 Shri Y. S. Chowdary:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been a sudden rise in attacks on Hindu temples and religious institutions across the country including the state of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action taken/being taken by Government in this regard?

Easing of power supply in J&K

1820 Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:

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

- (a) whether the power supply situation in Jammu and Kashmir continues to be grim even after it became a Union Territory;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps being taken to ensure that the power supply is eased out of the existing infrastructure and borrowings from the National grid; and
- (d) whether Government has any plan to establish new power generation plants for the UT in near future and if so, the details thereof?

Development works in J&K

1821 Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:

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

- (a) whether the Jammu and Kashmir administration has initiated development works in a big way which was paralysed due to continued terrorism related activities in the region for quite some time to send a good message amongst the people;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the administration has taken adequate initiatives to revive tourism and arts and crafts on which the economy of the region was majorly dependant; and
- (d) if so, the concrete steps already taken and those which are in the pipeline?

Non-submission of chargesheet by Delhi Police

1822 # Shri Digvijaya Singh:

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

- (a) the reasons for non-submission of chargesheet by Delhi Police within the stipulated time period for Deputy Superintendent of Police of Jammu and Kashmir, who was arrested with the terrorists and was given bail as Delhi Police failed to file a chargesheet within the period of ninety days; and
- (b) whether the said DSP has got bail against another case filed by National Investigation Agency (NIA), if so, the details of status thereof?

Recovery of damages to public property

1823 Shri Anil Desai:

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

- (a) whether there is any law authorising Government to recover damages from the persons who damage public and private property;
- (b) if so, whether Central and State Governments are recovering damages from such elements;
- (c) if so, the details about the recovery since 2018, 2019, 2020 by Central Government and State Governments; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Infiltration from neighbouring countries

1824 Shri Anil Desai:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that a large number of people from Bangladesh, Myanmar and Pakistan have entered into Indian territory without any valid documents;
- (b) if so, the details of such infiltration during last three years, year-wise and country-wise;
- (c) what is the legal punishment provided in IPC for such illegal entry; and

(d) the number of people arrested, prosecuted and awarded punishment by courts during the last three years?

Left Wing Extremism Problems in Odisha

1825 Shri Bhaskar Rao Nekkanti:

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

- (a) whether Government of Odisha has sent a list of 483 locations to the Government of India for installation of mobile towers in the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas of the State under Phase – II of the 'Mobile Connectivity Scheme' in LWE affected areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the status of the installation of these mobile towers;
- (d) whether the State Government of Odisha has requested the Union Government for extension of Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS) up to the financial year 2022-23; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government in this regard?

Security Related Expenditure Scheme

1826 Shri Bhaskar Rao Nekkanti:

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

- (a) whether expenditure amounting to ₹ 19485.95 lakh incurred by the State Government of Odisha under Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme during the period 2005-06 to 2018-19 awaits verification by the Internal Audit Wing of the Ministry for reimbursement;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that an amount of ₹ 50.56 crores audited and recommended for reimbursement by the Internal Audit Wing of the Ministry is yet to be reimbursed to the State of Odisha by Central Government; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by Government in regard thereto?

Publishing of Caste Census

1827 # Smt. Chhaya Verma:

Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner has handed over caste-related details received from Socio-Economic Caste Census 2011 (SECC) to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment;
- (b) if so, whether the Ministry proposes to publish the same;
- (c) if so, by when and the reasons for not publishing the Caste Census till now; and
- (d) whether there is no column for Caste Census in the proforma for the proposed Census 2021?

Barbed wire fencing in view of farmers agitation

1828 # Smt. Chhaya Verma:

Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

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

- (a) the places at the Delhi Borders where roads have been dug up and barbed wire fencing has been put in place due to security reasons in view of farmers agitation;

- (b) the amount spent on digging up the roads and putting up the barbed wire fencing;
- (c) whether any study has been undertaken about the hardships occurring in public commutation due to pits dug up and barbed wire fencing; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Terrorist training camps in PoK

1829 **Dr. Amee Yajnik:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that terrorist training camps are still functioning and are training the future terrorists in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (PoK) who will be pushed into Jammu and Kashmir for terror activities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) what action Government has taken so far to dismantle and counter such camps in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir?

People charged with UAPA and sedition

1830 **Shri Abdul Wahab:**

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

- (a) the number of UAPA cases registered during the last five years, the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) the number of sedition cases registered during the last five years, the State-wise details thereof; and
- (c) whether it is also a fact the the provision of UAPA is being used callously against minorities and backward sections of the society?

Peace talks with ULFA

1831 **Shri Ajit Kumar Bhuyan:**

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

- (a) the latest position of the peace talks being conducted between the Central Government and the United Liberation Front of Assam (ULFA);
- (b) whether it is a fact that the term of the Interlocutor Shri A. B. Mathur has expired in the month of March, 2020;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether there is any proposal being considered for the appointment of a new Interlocutor to carry forward the peace talks with the United Liberation Front of Assam?

Rehabilitation of slums

1832 **Shri Narain Dass Gupta:**

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

- (a) whether slums are being evicted for the implementation of Smart Cities Mission (SCM) in different cities;
- (b) if so, the number of proposals of those cities which have been included the rehabilitation of slums under PMAY(U);
- (c) the slum rehabilitation policy/scheme/plan being used for the rehabilitation; and
- (d) the number of slums evicted across the country as per the proposals submitted to the Ministry from different cities?

Listing of municipal bonds

1833 **Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

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

- (a) whether Government is encouraging municipal corporations in the country to raise funds by issuing municipal bonds which are listed at stock exchanges in India as well as abroad; and
- (b) if so, the details of municipal corporations which have issued such bonds till date and the funds generated through such listings, the State-wise details thereof?

Central Assistance under Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U)

1834 **Shri T.G. Venkatesh:**

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

- (a) whether Government has taken a decision to increase the amount of Central help towards Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantum of amount proposed to be released to each State, particularly to Andhra Pradesh; and
- (d) the details of the projects being taken up under this programme?

Study on urban floods

1835 **Dr. Bhagwat Karad:**

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

- (a) whether Government has set up a panel to study disasters like the urban floods during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

National Urban Innovation Stack

1836 **Shri Sanjay Seth:**

Shri Rajeev Satav:

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

- (a) whether Government has started a new programme under the name of National Urban Innovation Stack;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the aims and objectives behind starting the programme;
- (c) the achievement made by the programme since its inception;
- (d) whether the Ministry has partnered with any private entity for the proposal or implementation of the National Urban Innovation Stack and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the current status of the National Urban Innovation Stack and whether any deadline has been set for its development?

Beneficiaries under PMAY (U)

1837 **Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa:**

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

- (a) the details of complaints regarding Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) (PMAY (U));
- (b) the steps taken to address these complaints;

- (c) the total number of beneficiaries of PMAY (U) during the financial year 2020-21; and
 (d) the State-wise total number of beneficiaries of PMAY (U) during the financial year 2020-21?

Demolition of residential flats

1838 **Dr. C.M. Ramesh:**

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

- (a) the number of Government residential flats which are about five decades old in different localities of NCT of Delhi demolished during the last five years, the area-wise details thereof; and
 (b) whether any timeline has been fixed for completion of newly constructed houses;
 (c) the status of flats under construction and newly constructed flats, area-wise, in New Delhi/South Delhi and other areas; and
 (d) the number of newly constructed houses which are habitable have since been allotted to Government employees, the details thereof?

Slow implementation of PMAY(U)

1839 **Dr. Vinay P. Sahasrabudhe:**

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

- (a) the number of houses constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana Urban (PMAY(U)) during the last three years, the State-wise details thereof;
 (b) whether the Ministry has analysed the causes behind slow pace of implementation in certain States, if so, the reasons therefor and the remedial measures taken, if any; and
 (c) whether Ministry has ascertained the actual usage profile of the houses constructed under the scheme?

Plots/properties occupied by NGOs in Delhi

1840 **Shri A. Vijayakumar:**

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

- (a) whether many NGOs are holding plot/properties in Delhi;
 (b) whether any survey/review has been conducted on such NGOs;
 (c) whether cancelled NGOs are still holding plot/ properties in Delhi; and
 (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Registration slip under PM-UDAY scheme

1841 **Shri A. Vijayakumar:**

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

- (a) the number of properties issued registration slip under Prime Minister-Unauthorised Colonies in Delhi Awas Adhikar Yojana (PM-UDAY) scheme;
 (b) if so, whether there are only few properties registered due to slow process and lengthy procedure; and
 (c) if so, whether any measures have been taken to simplify the procedure?

Housing for All

1842 **Shri Rakesh Sinha:**

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

- (a) the number of new houses constructed in urban areas between 2018-20 to fulfil the Prime Minister's mission 'Housing for All';
- (b) the target of new houses in urban areas by 2022;
- (c) the number of people living in inadequate houses and slum households physically; and
- (d) the share of Below Poverty Line (BPL) category, Low Income Group (LIG), non-BPL households who earn (monthly income 10,000 to 25,000 rupees), MIG (monthly income 25,000 to 50,000) and HIG (mostly income 50,000 rupees plus) in overall urban house shortage?

Houses for SC/ST in PMAY (U)

1843 Shri Sanjay Singh:

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

- (a) the total number of houses constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) (PMAY(U)) during last five years, year-wise, State-wise and district-wise;
- (b) the expenditure incurred thereon, year-wise; and
- (c) the number of houses constructed for people belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes?

Safeguards for stakeholders in real estate sector

1844 # Shri Satish Chandra Dubey:

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

- (a) whether any advisory has been issued or measures have been adopted to protect the interests of home buyers and all stakeholder in the real estate industry; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Public's objections to Central Vista redevelopment

1845 Shri Kumar Ketkar:

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

- (a) the reasons for providing only two days time by Delhi Development Authority (DDA) to hear the public's objections and suggestions on the changes in land use pattern in relation to the Central Vista redevelopment project;
- (b) whether a review of the process of hearing the public's objections to the changes in land use patterns will be undertaken; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Land Pooling Policy for Delhi

1846 Shri P. Bhattacharya:

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to simplify Land Pooling Policy (LPP) for Delhi for its smooth implementation and greater participation of land owners as shift from 2013 policy and changes such as lowering of FAR, requirement of 70 per cent contiguous land in a sector, formation of consortium have been factors behind its slow implementation;
- (b) whether DDA would make suitable changes for fast tracking the implementation of LPP to gather pace for planned development of Delhi; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and whether DDA plans to open portal for P-1 zone soon as this zone has been left behind under policy?

Light House Projects for urban poor

1847 **Shri P. Bhattacharya:**

Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

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

- (a) whether Government has proposed to construct large number of houses in various cities in the country under Light House Projects (LHPs) for urban poor;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of houses built till date along with the cities which are identified for construction under the project; and
- (c) whether Government has fixed any time limit to complete these houses?

Central database on real estate activity

1848 **Shri Rajeev Satav:**

Shri Sanjay Seth:

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

- (a) whether Government is planning to develop a central database on real estate activity across the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the aims and objective behind the move;
- (c) whether Central Government has consulted States and Real Estate Regulatory Authorities in this regard;
- (d) if so, the response thereto; and
- (e) the number of States that have implemented the Real Estate Regulation and Development Act (RERA) 2016 and the achievement made since inception of the act?

Creation of new employment through PMRPY

1849 **Shri Parimal Nathwani:**

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

- (a) whether the Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) was launched with the objective to incentivise employers for creation of new employment; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) how the employers will be incentivised for creating new employment in the lockdown period?

Freed child and adolescent labourers

1850 # **Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:**

Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

Shri Chh. Udayanraje Bhonsle:

Smt. Chhaya Verma:

Smt. Sampatiya Uikey:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the process of emancipation of child and adolescent labour has been slow during COVID period;
- (b) the number of child and adolescent labour freed under Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986 during last three years, the State-wise details thereof; and
- (c) whether it is a fact that a laxity is being noticed in getting the child labours free during the last one year?

Complaint centres for labourers

1851 # **Ms. Saroj Pandey:**

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

- (a) the changes that have been brought in the lives of labourers by the 20 complaints centres established for the victim labourers by Government;
- (b) the places where the said complaint centres have been established and the number of victim labourers whose complaints have been resolved through the said centres; and
- (c) the details thereof?

Upgradation of employment exchanges

1852 **Shri Syed Zafar Islam:**

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to upgrade employment exchanges;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government proposes to consider the requests made by Uttar Pradesh for financial assistance in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken in this regard?

Safety of construction workers

1853 **Shri Syed Zafar Islam:**

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

- (a) the number of construction workers in Uttar Pradesh at present;
- (b) whether deaths at construction sites are reportedly increasing in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year in Uttar Pradesh; and
- (d) the details of monitoring of guidelines issued, fund for worker's welfare cess, social security scheme to private and public construction majors on the safety and security of construction labourers at construction sites especially for small sites for small house construction?

Beneficiaries under PM-SYM Yojana

1854 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

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

- (a) the details of the modalities/procedures that are being followed/adopted to identify beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-dhan (PM-SYM) Yojana;
- (b) the details of beneficiaries along with Jan Dhan accounts who have been enrolled under this scheme so far, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of amount that have been collected so far, State-wise?

Increasing cases of child labour

1855 **Shri Prashanta Nanda:**

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

- (a) whether child labour cases have increased over within last five years; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, sector and State-wise?

Minimum monthly pension under EPF

1856 **Shri M. Shanmugam:**

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

- (a) the minimum monthly pension for a retired employee since when the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) pension scheme was started;
- (b) the reason for not increasing the minimum monthly pension despite increase in cost of living and higher inflation;
- (c) whether demands have come for increasing minimum monthly pension from various quarters including trade union organisations;
- (d) if so, the response of Government thereto; and
- (e) by when the minimum pension would be increased to ₹ 9000, as demanded by various trade unions, the details thereof?

Scheme for migrant workers

1857 **Shri B. Lingaiah Yadav:**

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

- (a) the steps being taken for welfare of migrant workers and labourers to further extend efforts towards the unorganised labour force migrant workers particularly through launching of a portal that will collect relevant information on gig, building, and construction-workers among others to formulate health, Housing, Skill, Insurance, Credit and food schemes for migrant workers; and
- (b) the proposals received/action taken so far, category-wise and State-wise also as on date and if not, the reasons therefor?

Poor amenities in sanitation companies

1858 # **Shri Surendra Singh Nagar:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that many sanitation companies are not providing better amenities including proper wages to their labourers;
- (b) whether Government has done any review of this, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the policy implemented by Government to provide daily allowance to labourers or sanitation workers on daily basis; and
- (d) whether Government has issued any directions to these companies, if so, the details thereof?

Job fairs

1859 # **Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:**

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

- (a) whether Government has chalked out any plan to organise jobs fairs at district level across the country with the collaboration of State Governments;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of jobs fairs organised district-wise in Rajasthan during last three years, the details thereof alongwith the result thereof; and
- (d) the district-wise number of unemployed youth from SC/ST category who have been provided jobs in the job fairs organised district-wise in Rajasthan during last three years?

Construction workers registered under BOCW Act, 1996

1860 Shri Derek O' Brien:

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

- (a) the details of the total number of construction workers registered under the Building and Other Construction Workers (BOCW) Act, 1996, as of the year 2020, State-wise;
- (b) the State-wise details of the total amount of cess available under each board as of the year 2020;
- (c) the number of welfare claims that have been filed against the number of claims that have been cleared under the BOCW Act, 1996 for 2019-20, 2020-21, State-wise; and
- (d) the details of the categorization of claims based on their financial value filed under the BOCW Act, 1996 for the year 2020?

Employment opportunities in agriculture and tourism sectors

1861 # Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

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

- (a) whether any action plan has been prepared by Government to create employment opportunities in the industries based on agriculture and tourism, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the State-wise details of employment provided to unemployed youth in the industries based on agriculture and tourism during last three years?

Job opportunities for youth

1862 Shri Sanjay Singh:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the latest estimates by Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE) which indicate that around 10 crore working age youth are unemployed and actively searching for jobs;
- (b) if so, whether Government has taken any measures to boost employment opportunities for the youth and freshers in rural and urban areas; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Funds for gig workers

1863 Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal before the Ministry to create a fund for gig workers as they are not covered under any legal framework thereby denied social security benefits;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Standing Committee on Labour and Employment has given any recommendations/observation on this issue;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of scheme announced by the Finance Minister in the Budget for 2021-22;
- (e) whether the Ministry has tried to rope in companies/e-commerce platforms in providing financial assistance to gig workers; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Data of migrant workers

1864 Dr. Anbumani Ramadoss:

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

- (a) whether the Central Government has collected the complete data of migrant labourers i.e. age, gender, State, profession-wise who were dead, displaced or lost their job and livelihood during the national lockdown due to COVID-19 in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Central Government has taken any measures to resolve the above said crisis at national and State-level; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Restoration of lost jobs

1865 Shri Vaiko:

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

- (a) whether all jobs lost due to COVID-19 lockdown have slowly returned;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the percentage of workers engaged in agriculture and mining sectors in pre-lockdown and at present, as on March 1, 2021; and
- (d) the details of proactive measures taken to engage more workforce in various sectors and to reduce unemployment rate, the details thereof?

Impact of slowdown in economy on employment

1866 Shri Harshvardhan Singh Dungarpur:

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

- (a) the extent to which the slowing down of the economy has impacted on the employment in the organised and unorganised sectors of the country;
- (b) whether any study has been conducted or assessment has been made in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details of such assessment; and
- (d) the remedial measures taken by Government in this regard?

Social security schemes for the workers

1867 # Shri Narayan Rane:

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

- (a) whether Government has started schemes for social security of the workers of unorganised sector during the last five years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the schemes started for the social security of workers belonging to unorganised sector, during last five years as on date?

Schemes for workers in unorganised sector

1868 Shri K.K. Ragesh:

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

- (a) whether any concrete proposals to ensure the minimum wages, social security and occupational safety to workers in unorganised sector is under consideration; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Enrolment under AABY

1869 **Shri Subhash Chandra Singh:**

Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa:

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

- (a) the target enrolment number for Aam Aadmi Bima Yojana (AABY) for the last three years;
- (b) the achieved enrolment numbers for the last three years;
- (c) the funds spend on advertisement and outreach to encourage enrolment over the last three years;
- (d) the details of social security schemes in place for unorganised sector workers; and
- (e) the total number of enrolments in such schemes, State-wise?

Growth of Non-contractual labourers

1870 **Shri Subhash Chandra Singh:**

Shri Prashanta Nanda:

Shri Bhaskar Rao Nekkanti:

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

- (a) whether the share of Non-contractual workers in formal sector has increased within last five years; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Financial support to unorganised sector

1871 **Shri K.P. Munusamy:**

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

- (a) whether Government has released any emergency funds for the people of who have lost their jobs in various States particularly Tamil Nadu since the announcement of lockdown;
- (b) if so, the details of funds released, State-wise;
- (c) whether Government has provided financial support to people in unorganised sector since March 2020 to till date; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken being taken in this regard?

Children working as domestic servant

1872 # **Smt. Kanta Kardam:**

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

- (a) whether Government has launched a countrywide campaign to identify the children under the age of 14 working as domestic servants and send them to school;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by Government in consultation with the States in this regard; and
- (d) the other stringent steps taken by Government to eradicate domestic child labour in the country?

Migrant labourers

1873 **Dr. Amee Yajnik:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that a large number of workers shifted from their native States to the neighbouring metropolitan cities every year in search of employment;
- (b) whether any survey has been made by Government to assess migrant labourers moving to the major metropolitan cities;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and whether any arrangement being made by Government for welfare of the this migrant labourers; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Recommendations of the expert commission on labour

1874 **Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia:**

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

- (a) whether an expert commission on labour constituted by the Central Government has recommended setting up a Labour Authority of India for ensuring social security to workers and basic living wages to be paid in case of employment loss;
- (b) if so, the details of the recommendations made by the Expert Commission on Labor; and
- (c) the reaction of the Central Government on such recommendations made by the said commission?

Ratnagiri Mega Refinery Project

1875 **Shri Hishey Lachungpa:**

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

- (a) the status of Ratnagiri Mega Refinery in Maharashtra;
- (b) whether the project is free from all encumbrances;
- (c) how much more time will be taken to complete this project;
- (d) whether there is any local opposition to this project; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and how it will be taken care of?

Gas pipeline in Ranchi

1876 # **Shri Mahesh Poddar:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the implementation of the scheme of providing gas through pipeline has begun in Ranchi, Jharkhand;
- (b) if so, the number of domestic and industrial consumers of gas pipeline connections in Ranchi city so far and the number of consumers to which gas supply has been started; and
- (c) the future action plan to provide gas from the pipeline in Jharkhand and the names of other cities of the State likely to benefit therefrom and by when?

Oil and gas reserves in Rajasthan

1877 # **Shri Rajendra Gehlot:**

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

- (a) whether according to a survey, crude oil and gas reserves have been found in Barmer and Jaisalmer districts of Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government has any plan to increase the production of oil and gas, if so, the details of the said scheme thereof?

Petroleum university in country

1878 # **Shri Rajendra Gehlot:**

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has any plan to open a petroleum university in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the status of the opening of Petroleum University in Jodhpur district, Rajasthan, as announced earlier by Government; and
- (c) whether any time frame has been fixed for the construction of this university, if so, the details thereof?

Extraction of natural gas

1879 **Shri K. Vanlalvena:**

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

- (a) by when the natural gas will be extracted from Meidum village, Kolasib district, Mizoram; and
- (b) the reasons for delaying by Government for the extraction of natural gas at for Meidum village after all the exploration works have been done?

Missed call service facility for LPG consumers

1880 # **Shri Ram Shakal:**

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

- (a) whether a missed call facility has been introduced by Government to provide excellent service to the LPG consumers; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

XP100 premium grade petrol

1881 # **Shri Ram Shakal:**

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

- (a) whether Government has made available the branded world class premium grade petrol (Octane 100) in the second phase in the form of "XP100" being manufactured by Indian Oil; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Rising prices of petroleum products

1882 **Shri Sanjay Raut:**

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

- (a) whether petrol, natural gas and diesel prices have been rising since last 21 times in 2021, till now and common people are agitating thereon;
- (b) if so, details thereof and Government's reaction thereto; and
- (c) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to reduce the petroleum and natural gas prices in the country?

Reduction in domestic oil production

1883 **Shri Sanjay Raut:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that domestic oil production has been reduced during the last four years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to increase the domestic oil production in the country?

National Biofuel Fund

1884 Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa:

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

- (a) the financial incentives extended by Government including Viability Gap Funding (VGF), subsidies and grants for biofuels, the State-wise details as on date;
- (b) whether Government has a scheme pertaining to 'Advanced Biofuels';
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, national and State-wise targets thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government has set up a National Biofuel Fund;
- (e) if so, the details thereof including the amount of corpus, and national and State-wise allocation targets of such fund; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor?

Strategic sale of BPCL

1885 Shri Elamaram Kareem:

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

- (a) whether a Sale Purchase Agreement Draft been prepared in connection with the BPCL Strategic Sale;
- (b) whether the issues relating to employees been included in the Share Purchase Agreement, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the current Wage, Allowances & Service Conditions of BPCL Employees will be guaranteed till their retirement; and
- (d) whether Government is planning to discuss these issues with the Trade Unions to reach in an agreement, if not, the reasons therefor?

PMUY in Tamil Nadu

1886 Shri P. Wilson:

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

- (a) whether Government has supplied free LPG cylinders for poor families under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) in the country during COVID-19, especially in Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the total number of poor families enrolled and benefited by this facility under the said scheme across the country, including district-wise in Tamil Nadu; and
- (c) whether Government has taken any special steps to expand the scope of PMUY to cover more number of underprivileged families affected by cyclones and floods in the country, especially in Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof?

Oil and gas reserves

1887 Dr. Fauzia Khan:

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

- (a) the current oil and gas reserves in the country;

- (b) the total consumption of oil and gas in the country at present;
- (c) the percentage of the total requirement of the country met by the current oil and gas reserves;
- (d) the quantity of oil and gas imported in addition to the domestic production to meet the requirement during each of the last three years in the country; and
- (e) the amount of foreign exchange spent in this regard during the said period?

LPG bottling plants

1888 Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

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

- (a) the number of Letter of Intent (LoI) issued by the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) for private LPG bottling plants in the country in 2019;
- (b) whether for some locations that were advertised initially, LoI were not issued as no participant could qualify under specified norms of OMCs;
- (c) whether Government has plan to provide more LPG bottling plants in private sector to ease burden of refilling of LPG cylinders;
- (d) whether Government would include those locations which were not awarded LoI in 2019 in new locations proposed for private LPG bottling plants; and
- (e) by when Government plans to offer new locations?

Clean hydrogen fuel from water

1889 Shri K.R. Suresh Reddy:

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

- (a) whether it is fact that researchers of IIT-Delhi found clean hydrogen fuel from water at low cost; and
- (b) if so, whether Government has any proposal to introduce hydrogen fuel in place of petrol and diesel in the country to reduce burden on common man?

PNG connections in the country

1890 Shri K.R. Suresh Reddy:

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

- (a) the status of the Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections in the country;
- (b) the phase-wise and State-wise plan of the project details; and
- (c) whether there is any proposal to give free PNG connections to Below Poverty Line (BPL) people?

PMUY beneficiaries in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal

1891 Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao:

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

- (a) the number and percentage of households with LPG connections in the country in January 2014 and at present, the State-wise, UT-wise details thereof;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries receiving free LPG connections under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal; and
- (c) whether the highest number of PMUY beneficiaries and those receiving free refills under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana as COVID relief are in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the district-wise number of PMUY beneficiaries and the number of refills given as COVID relief in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal?

Clean fuel to each household

1892 # **Shri Om Prakash Mathur:**

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

- (a) whether providing clean fuel to each household in the country is on the priority of Government;
- (b) the State-wise details of clean fuel provided to the households in the country at present; and
- (c) whether Government has set any target in this regard?

Fire in Baghjan oil field

1893 **Shri Ajit Kumar Bhuyan:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that that recent fire in the oil field of Baghjan oilfield has created havoc in the upper Assam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the Oil India Limited (OIL) has not yet been able to contain the fire, if so, the reason therefor;
- (d) the steps taken for rehabilitating the people who were evacuated when the fire broke out so far; and
- (e) the steps taken by the concerned Ministry to mitigate the ecological destruction caused by the fire?

Scholarship schemes

1894 **Shri Tiruchi Siva:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the prevalent schemes for scholarships for marginalized sections at the primary, secondary and high education levels;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries of these schemes during 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21; and
- (c) whether any scholarship scheme has not been implemented due to COVID-19 pandemic?

Prohibition of manual scavenging under MS Act, 2013

1895 **Smt. Shanta Chhetri:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Section 5 of Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013 (MS Act, 2013) prohibits employment as manual scavengers;
- (b) whether from 2015 to 2019, on average, one person died every five days while cleaning sewers manually;
- (c) the details of the violation of the act and efforts of the Ministry in saving manual scavengers lives; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act

1896 # **Shri Brijlal:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had enacted the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2016 and whether 25 additional offences were included in the Amendment Rules, and financial assistance in the rules for the victims of atrocities was raised more than 4 times;
- (b) whether the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2016 is being followed across all the States;
- (c) whether financial assistance is being provided to the victims of atrocities as per the prescribed norms in the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Rules, 2016; and
- (d) if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof?

Identification of drug addicts

1897 **Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had identified persons who consume psychoactive substance pursuant to the finding of the National Survey on Extent and Pattern of Substance Use, 2018;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Welfare of PwDs during COVID-19

1898 **Dr. Vikas Mahatme:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government to ensure work from home for the Persons with Disabilities (PwD) communities;
- (b) whether Government has taken any steps since the onset of COVID-19 to enhance quality learning / skill development for this group; and
- (c) the steps, if any, taken by Government to ensure proper medical facility to such individuals?

Challenges faced by Nomadic tribes

1899 **Dr. Vikas Mahatme:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Shepards and Nomadic Tribe are migrating for livelihood, and it affects the health and education of their family and children, if so, whether there is there any plan of Government to give stability and source of income for these Nomadic Tribes;
- (b) whether there are any scheme through which Government can provide them land, shelter and schools at one place, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of girls to boys ratio in education of Nomadic tribes after 7th standard, and the steps the Ministry is taking to narrow down this difference?

Residential Schools For OBC students

1900 **Dr. Bhagwat Karad:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plan to open new Residential Schools For OBC students in the Country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the criteria for selecting these areas?

Assistance to Voluntary Organizations

1901 **Shri Prashanta Nanda:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of beneficiaries of the scheme Assistance to Voluntary Organizations for Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse during the year 2018-19; and
- (b) the total number of beneficiaries, State-wise of the scheme Assistance to Voluntary Organizations for Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse during the year 2018-19?

Rehabilitation of disabled children

1902 # **Shri Surendra Singh Nagar:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has withheld the grant to some Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) working for rehabilitation of disabled children and running special schools for them in the country including Uttar Pradesh during the last two years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken to restore said grant and start special schools in the country including Uttar Pradesh;
- (d) whether Government proposes to give a rejig to the system for allocation and disbursement of funds; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Social welfare schemes

1903 **Smt. Priyanka Chaturvedi:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of social welfare schemes being implemented in various States of the country along with name of each scheme;
- (b) whether there are specific schemes for weaker section; and
- (c) if so, the details of these schemes along with allocation, State-wise?

Technology to replace manual scavenging

1904 **Shri Prasanna Acharya:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of scavengers working in different parts of the country, State-wise details thereof;
- (b) whether Government is planning to bring new technology to replace manual scavenging completely by machines, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether there is any program of Government to provide alternate livelihood to manual scavenger, if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

Rehabilitation of street beggars

1905 **Shri Prasanna Acharya:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of beggars identified in the country, State-wise details thereof;
- (b) whether there is any program/scheme for rehabilitation of street beggars, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government for elimination of street begging in the country?

Representation on age relaxation to EWS candidates

1906 **Dr. Santanu Sen:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is no age relaxation for Economically Weaker Section (EWS) students/candidates applying for Government jobs;
- (b) whether Government has received any representation from student groups/MPs for making provision of age relaxation for EWS candidates;
- (c) if so, Government's reaction thereto;
- (d) whether there is any plan to provide age relaxation to EWS candidates in Central Government jobs as some State Governments have also made provision for the same in their respective States; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Complaints received by NCSC

1907 **Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:**

Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

Smt. Chhaya Verma:

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of complaints for violation of constitutional provisions of reservation in promotion to Scheduled Castes received by NCSC (National Commission for Scheduled Castes) from Members of Parliament during the month of September, October and November 2020;
- (b) the details of action taken against such complaints, so far, complaint-wise and MP-wise; and
- (c) the details of cases of complaint by MPs during September to November 2020 which are pending for action as on date along with the reasons therefor, complaint-wise and MP-wise?

Attempt benefits for EWS category

1908 **Shri Bikash Ranjan:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration from Government for giving age relaxation for the Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) of the general category in Government jobs and education;
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration from Government for giving attempt benefits for EWS category;
- (c) if so, by when that will be implemented; and
- (d) if not, the reasons for not giving such relaxations?

Deaths due to manual scavenging

1909 **Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been any death recorded during the last three years caused by manual scavenging;
- (b) if so, the details of action taken thereon to ensure due compensation;
- (c) whether Government proposes to increase the quantum of punishment prescribed in Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act 2013 to abolish manual scavenging;
- (d) whether the National Commission for Safai Karmacharis (NCSK) had recorded instances of manual scavenging; and
- (e) if so, the State-wise details for the last five years?

Web-based programme for UDID cards

1910 **Shri Rajeev Satav:**

Shri Sanjay Seth:

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has started issuing Unique Disability Identity (UDID) cards to each person with disability in the country through uniform web-based programme and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether only few States have been covered in the first phase of issuing identity cards, if so, the reasons therefor and the time by when other States will also be covered;
- (c) whether specific guidelines were issued relating to Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) during lockdown period; and
- (d) if so, whether these guidelines were made available in braille, audio format, sign language or other accessible formats and if not, the reasons therefor?

Creamy layer for OBCs

1911 # **Shri Sushil Kumar Modi:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the creamy layer was fixed on 23rd August, 2017 for 27 per cent reservation for backward classes in Central services;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that as per Office Memorandum of 1993, "salary" and "agricultural income" have been excluded from the income limit for creamy layer fixation which Government now wants to change; and
- (c) if so, the justification for the new definition of creamy layer and by when Government propose to declare a new maximum limit on income?

Skill development for welfare of SC students

1912 # **Smt. Kanta Kardam:**

Will the Minister of ***Social Justice and Empowerment*** be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise details of schemes including the skill development schemes being run by Government for the welfare of Scheduled Castes(SCs) in the country;
- (b) the State-wise/scheme-wise funds sanctioned/utilized and the details of achievements made during last five years;
- (c) whether any target has been set in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Employment to Manual Scavengers

1913 **Dr. Amar Patnaik:**

Will the Minister of **Social Justice and Empowerment** be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps been taken by Government to provide employment to the 47,775 Manual Scavengers identified as part of the National Survey of Manual Scavengers done in December, 2019;
- (b) the proportion of those people who are still having to engage in manual scavenging;
- (c) whether Government has any plans to carry out the survey in more districts in the current year; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Employment of disabled persons in steel PSUs

1914 **Shri K.J. Alphons:**

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

- (a) the number of persons with disability employed in Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) of the Ministry during the last five years; and
- (b) whether there is any reservation in jobs for them in steel PSUs?

Steel production capacity of the country

1915 **Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:**

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

- (a) the steel production capacity of the country at present including the details of the units engaged in steel production and mining;
- (b) the places where Government, Semi-Government and Non-Government units are producing steel, State-wise;
- (c) whether the production of these plants/units are adequate; and
- (d) if not, whether the Government has any plan to set up new steel plant?

Allocation of captive mines to RINL

1916 **Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:**

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

- (a) whether due to policy shift in coal blocks allocation, Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) was not allocated captive mines;
- (b) if so, what process has been followed for allocation of coal blocks during last five years;
- (c) whether captive mines have been allocated to any steel company by the Ministry directly without following the auction or other process in last five years;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether non-availability of captive mines is the main reason for losses incurred by RINL during the last few years; and
- (f) if so, whether the Ministry would at least now allot captive mines to RINL?

Performance of Government-owned steel companies

1917 **Dr. Fauzia Khan:**

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

- (a) the revenue generated by Government-owned steel companies during last five years;

- (b) whether the profit of Government-owned steel companies has reduced since 2014;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

Steel dismantling centres

1918 **Shri Partap Singh Bajwa:**

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

- (a) the details of deficit in domestic steel production that has been compensated for through the utilisation of scrap steel since 2018;
- (b) the number of steel dismantling centres in the country;
- (c) the number of such centres which follow the updated guidelines of Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Series (OHSAS) as a percentage of the total number of such centres;
- (d) the number of informal centres that are a part of scrap steel supply chain but are not regulated/reviewed by Government;
- (e) the potential risks associated with such centres; and
- (f) the steps Government has taken to bring such centres into the formal sector?

Central Dispatch Yard Project at Vizag

1919 **Shri Y. S. Chowdary:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that construction works of Central Dispatch Yard Project at Vizag in Andhra Pradesh is yet to be completed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by Government in this regard?

Performance of Rourkela steel plant

1920 **Dr. Amar Patnaik:**

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

- (a) the details of the budget spent for modernisation of Rourkela steel plant so far;
- (b) the details of the overall performance of Rourkela steel plant;
- (c) whether Government has conducted any study to assess the performance of Rourkela steel plant; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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