## Rajya Sabha

#### List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, December 22, 2021/1 Pausha, 1943 (Saka)

(Ministries: Cooperation; Education; Home Affairs; Panchayati Raj; Road Transport and Highways; Rural Development; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Social Justice and Empowerment; Tribal Affairs; Women and Child Development)

Total number of questions -- 160

## Complaints against co-operative credit societies

## 2721 Shri M. Shanmugam:

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

- (a) the number of complaints against co-operative credit societies in the matter of embezzlement/diversion of funds by the managing committee or members, during the last three years, the details thereof:
- (b) the action taken by Government against such co-operative societies;
- (c) whether complaints were received from depositors in the Adarsh Credit Cooperative Society based at Ahmedabad;
- (d) if so, the embezzlement or diversion of the depositors money and other irregularities, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken by Government for refund of deposits back to the depositors?

## **Amendment of Cooperative Societies Act**

#### 2722 Shri T.G. Venkatesh:

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to amend the Cooperative Societies Act and whether it will work in tandem with States; and
- (b) if so, the details worked out/implemented and aims and objectives of such amendments?

## RBI directive for co-operative societies' names

## 2723 Shri M.V. Shreyams Kumar:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware about the concerns of State Governments and the cooperative societies in the country regarding the RBI directive against using 'bank' in cooperative society names and accepting deposits from non-members;
- (b) if so, the response of Government thereto; and
- (c) whether Government will take steps to mitigate the concerns of co-operative societies that the RBI directive will weaken the co-operative movement in the country?

## Anomalies in institutions of co-operative sector

## 2724 # Shri Rewati Raman Singh:

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

- (a) the steps being taken by Government to remove the anomalies prevalent in the institutions of co-operative sectors:
- (b) whether Government is aware of the discriminatory treatment towards institutions of cooperative sector;
- (c) the concrete steps Government plans to take to stop the same; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Providing education to all children

## 2725 Shri P. Bhattacharya:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that despite implementation of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, millions of children are still far from education for want of schooling system; and
- (b) if not, the facts in this regard and the measures taken by Government for providing education to all the children in the country?

## Number of faculties in ITI, IIM and IIIT

#### 2726 Shri Narain Dass Gupta:

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

- (a) the number of total faculties in Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Indian Institute of Management (IIM) and Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT);
- (b) the number of sanctioned posts and number of posts filled in these institutes upto September 2021; and
- (c) the number of vacant posts at present and since when, the details thereof, institutewise?

## Special dispensation admission quota in KVS

## 2727 Shri Harshvardhan Singh Dungarpur:

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

- (a) details of parameters of the exercise of the special dispensation admission quota in KVS as decided by Board of Governors of KVS in its meeting held on 12th July, 2012;
- (b) whether the Ministry of Law has pointed out that the proposal is not in conformity with the Delhi High Court order of November 17. 1998:
- (c) if so, contention of the Ministry in over-ruling the Ministry of Law's objection; and
- (d) whether revised guidelines of increase in the quota would have an adverse impact on 25 per cent reservation under the Right to Education Act, if so, details thereof?

## Implementation of Mid-Day Meal Scheme

### 2728 Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:

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

(a) whether Government has taken any stringent action pursuant to the observation made by the Supreme Court about five States including the State of Andhra Pradesh that MidDay Meal Scheme (MDMS) is not being taken seriously in these States:

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has made any review of all States regarding the implementation of MDMS in schools across the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Vacancies in all Schools of Planning and Architecture

## 2729 Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there are 70 faculty vacancies in all Schools of Planning and Architecture (SPAs) out of the total sanctioned strength of 230;
- (b) if so, the details of vacancies in each School, SPA-wise;
- (c) since how long these vacancies are lying;
- (d) how Ministry justifies that it is not able to recruit faculty due to COVID pandemic which is there only for one year;
- (e) the details of vacancies till January, 2019, SPA-wise; and
- (f) what the Ministry has done to fill the backlog and existing vacancies between January, 2019 to February, 2020?

#### Materials uploaded on PM eVIDYA

## 2730 Shri Ajit Kumar Bhuyan:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that steps are taken to ensure that materials uploaded on PM eVIDYA are in line with curricula of the National and State education boards respectively:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the breakup of the programmes in terms of the language in which the content is provided;
- (c) the number of the programmes which have been imparted in tribal languages;
- (d) guidelines issued for ensuring data privacy to protect children while using online content; and
- (e) whether any rules, guidelines or other specific measures have been taken to regulate false advertising in the EdTech sector?

## Data of students returning to school post-COVID

#### 2731 Dr. Narendra Jadhav:

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

- (a) whether Government has any data on students who have returned to schools after reopening, State-wise;
- (b) the number of such students who belonged to SC, ST, OBC and minority communities; the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has any data on as, the number of students belonging to SC, ST, OBC and minority communities have dropped out of the schools altogether, if so, the details thereof:
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor: and
- (e) the steps which are being taken to ensure that the learning gap/loss is addressed?

## Implementation of RTE Act

#### 2732 Dr. Narendra Jadhav:

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

- (a) whether Government has data on how many students from Below Poverty Line are studying under RTE Act, if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has data on how many private unaided schools not complying with the provisions of RTE Act, especially the provision which mandates a minimum of 25 per cent free seats for children belonging to weaker sections and disadvantaged groups, if so, the details thereof:
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether any action has been taken against schools violating RTE Act, the details thereof: and
- (f) if not the reasons therefor?

# Death of Government and Non-Government school teachers while on COVID duty 2733 Prof. Manoj Kumar Jha:

# Shri Ajit Kumar Bhuyan:

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

- (a) the number of Government and non-Government school teachers who died during COVID duty, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) the Central Government's contribution, if any, as compensation to these teachers' families, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of the teachers who died during COVID duty who are eligible for compensation and the status of receipt of the same, State-wise?

## **Education projects in Punjab**

#### 2734 Shri Shwait Malik:

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

- (a) the details of education projects being run in Punjab, district-wise;
- (b) the details of funds allocated/released for these projects during the last three years and the current year in Punjab, year-wise and district-wise;
- (c) the total amount of funds spent on higher education projects during the aforesaid period, district-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by Government for effective implementation of such education projects in Punjab?

## Scheme for attracting children towards school

#### 2735 Shri Shwait Malik:

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

- (a) whether Government has formulated any scheme for attracting children to schools in rural areas in Punjab;
- (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether Government has formulated any scheme for promoting the merit/capacity of rural children; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## Opening of new JNVs

## 2736 Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that between 2018 to 2020, only one Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) was set up in the country:
- (b) if so, the reasons for not opening more JNVs during this period;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to launch more JNVs in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether any new JNVs are proposed to be set up in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Increasing enrolment of girls in school

## 2737 # Shri Deepak Prakash:

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

- (a) whether the enrolment of girls has increased in schools in the country as a result of the efforts made by Government and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Central Government is proposing to make more concrete efforts to promote education among girls in the country and if so, the details thereof in respect of Jharkhand?

## Over admision in Delhi University

#### 2738 Dr. Santanu Sen:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that several colleges and courses have over admitted students in Delhi University;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor:
- (c) the details of the amount of money spent by Government in the expansion of infrastructure in Central Universities in the last five years, University-wise and year-wise;
- (d) whether it is a fact that Government has not opened any new Central University in the last five years; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor?

## National status by NAAC to Career Point University, Himachal Pradesh

#### 2739 # Ms. Indu Bala Goswami:

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

- (a) whether Career Point University, Himachal Pradesh has been accredited the national status by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the State-wise details of number of universities accredited at national level across the country during this year by NAAC?

#### Improving education access for children of seasonal migrants

## 2740 Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:

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

(a) whether Government has any programme in place to ensure the continuity of education of children of seasonal migrants;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there are any programmes to provide remedial classes, transfer credits and enrolment for such students;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there are any specific incentives-based programmes to keep such students in formal education; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, including coverage in different host States and budget allocation and utilisation?

## Digital divide and learning gaps due to school closure

## 2741 Shri Suieet Kumar:

Shri Bhaskar Rao Nekkanti:

## Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that only 24 per cent of households have access to the internet and only 61.8 per cent of households own a smartphone and 40 per cent of students had not accessed any remote learning as stated by UNICEF, if so, the reaction of Government thereto:
- (b) whether Government is aware that rural students were 10 per cent less likely to have accessed remote learning than their urban peers; and
- (c) the details of Government's action plan to address the glaring digital divide and learning gaps due to school closure?

## Proposal to set up NET for admission in Central Universities

## 2742 Shri A. Vijayakumar:

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

- (a) whether Government has any proposl to setup National Eligibility Test (NET) for admission in Central Universities in the country:
- (b) whether State Boards are making easier papers in board exams so that maximum number of State students get admission in Central Universities;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to review State board examination system; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## New KVs in Karnataka

## 2743 Shri Narayana Koragappa:

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

- (a) whether any new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) are proposed in Karnataka State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has plans to increase the number of seats at several KVs in Bengaluru, where admission demand is very high;
- (d) whether tab gadgets are provided to students for online classes in KVs;
- (e) the existing teacher-student ratio in KVs and based on that whether student admissions are to be increased;
- (f) whether NCC is introduced across all KVs in the country;
- (g) whether Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) are sanctioned in Karnataka; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof?

## **Student dropouts from Central Universities**

#### 2744 Shri Mahesh Poddar:

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

- (a) the number of SC, ST, OBC, EWS, transgender students who have dropped out from Central Universities in the last two years, the details thereof, gender-wise;
- (b) how much reserved category scholarships have been disbursed by Government in Central Universities during the last three years, the details thereof, gender-wise; and
- (c) the budgetary allocation for education in Jharkhand and how much has been utilized till date, the details thereof?

# Mandatory teaching of official language/local language in NEP, 2020

## 2745 # Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

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

- (a) whether teaching of official language/local language has been made mandatory in higher education institutions/colleges/universities in National Education Policy (NEP), 2020;
- (b) whether study of English language has been kept equivalent to other Indian languages or whether as earlier the `three-language formula' is being followed in context of teaching Indian languages; and
- (c) whether Government has taken cognizance of fact that the study of Hindi language is getting affected or whether there is any updated information about negative impact on education due to English language being kept equivalent to Indian languages in higher education in some States like Karnataka. etc.?

## Impact of COVID-19 on education

## 2746 Shri Bhaskar Rao Nekkanti:

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

- (a) whether Government has conducted or will be conducting an assessment of the impact of COVID-19 and the kind of learning gap school closure has created among school children:
- (b) the details of the parameters on which the 'National Assessment Survey' will be conducted to take into account the effects of COVID-19, school closure and online education on school children: and
- (c) whether Government plans to provide support to schools to address the concerns as have been highlighted in this regard in the report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee and will come forward through the official survey of Government?

## Vacant teaching posts in KVs in Puducherry

## 2747 Shri S. Selvaganabathy:

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

- (a) the status of Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) in Puducherry;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there are more vacancies of teaching staff in KVs in Puducherry;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, school-wise;
- (d) since how long they are lying vacant and the reasons for such vacancies; and
- (e) the steps taken to fill the vacancies and by when all posts are likely to be filled?

## Request for increase in Mid-Day Meal funds for Kerala

#### 2748 Dr. V. Sivadasan:

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

- (a) whether Government has received request for the increase in the Mid-Day Meal (MDM) funds in the yearly work plan 2020-21 from the State Government of Kerala:
- (b) the progress regarding the same:
- (c) whether Government intends to increase the honorarium of the Mid-Day Meal cooking workers, as per the request from the State Government of Kerala;
- (d) if so, by when it is going to be achieved; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Inclusion of Government-aided schools under SSA

## 2749 Dr. V. Sivadasan:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that in Kerala, there are more Government-aided schools than Government schools:
- (b) if so, whether Government intends to include Government-aided schools as part of the Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA); and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Setting up more entrance examination centres at Jabalpur

#### 2750 Shri Vivek K. Tankha:

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

- (a) whether the National Testing Agency (NTA) has taken any appropriate steps to start more centres in the district of Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh for the purpose of Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) as per the order of the Hon'ble High Court of Madhya Pradesh; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

#### Implementation of SSA

#### 2751 Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has revised the Integrated Centrally Sponsored Scheme for School Education Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) in light of the National Education Policy (NEP);
- (b) the detailed framework of the same after the recent restructuring undertaken in light of the NEP:
- (c) a summary of the changes made to the framework in light of the NEP; and
- (d) an overview of the modalities Government is taking to familiarize States with the modified provisions?

## Setting up of SSSA

#### 2752 Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas:

### Shri Abdul Wahab:

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

(a) the details of criteria that will be used to define/categorize a privately-managed school as public spirited;

- (b) the details of States that have started the process of creating a State School Standards Authority (SSSA);
- (c) whether any guidelines have been framed by the Ministry to facilitate the setting up of SSSA:
- (d) if so, the detailed thereof;
- (e) whether the setting up of SSSA is intended to supersede existing private school laws and other regulations; and
- (f) whether the SSSA will replace existing structures for regulation of private schools set up under State fees regulations laws?

## Reduction in budget for education

#### 2753 Shri Jawhar Sircar:

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

- (a) whether the budget of the Ministry was reduced in 2021-21 from ₹ 99,312 crores to ₹ 85,089 crores at the RE stage, which means a cut of 14 per cent;
- (b) what was the final expenditure for 2020-21 and how does it compare to the BE, RE and actuals of the previous three years; and
- (c) the actual expenditure or final estimate of the last four years in terms of major head or allocation?

## Vacant posts in research institutes under ICCSR

#### 2754 Shri Jawhar Sircar:

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

- (a) how many faculty posts of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors are lying vacant in the 27 research institutes under ICSSR, institute-wise:
- (b) the average number of months that such posts lie unfilled;
- (c) how many approvals for filling up such vacancies are pending with or withheld by ICSSR or are under process; and
- (d) whether these delays are a form of arm twisting by ICSSR to impose its will over these institutes?

## Re-opening of schools post pandemic

#### 2755 Shri Abdul Wahab:

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

- (a) the measures that have been taken by the Ministry to ensure compliance with the guidelines for re-opening of schools Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A) dated 30th September, 2020 by private schools under any centrally sponsored scheme; and
- (b) the details of guidelines/instructions issued by the Ministry to State Governments around measures to prevent overcharging and fee hikes by private schools, especially during the COVID-19 period?

#### Access of online classes in remote areas

## 2756 Shri K.T.S. Tulsi:

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

(a) the steps taken by Government to ensure access of online classes to the students in remote areas and villages in the country due to closure of schools on account of COVID-19 pandemic; and

(b) the details thereof?

## GDP allocation for education

## 2757 Shri Suresh Gopi:

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

- (a) whether there is a timeline and roadmap for achieving 6 per cent of GDP allocation for education:
- (b) the guidelines that have been framed/issued with regard to the setting up of Gender and Social Inclusion Funds; and
- (c) the role States will have in defining their priorities to access these funds?

## Committee for admission in UG courses at Delhi University

## 2758 Shri K. Somaprasad:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of that Delhi University has appointed a committee to look into the admission problems for undergraduate courses, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government or University has initiated disciplinary action against a Professor who made a deliberate remark that Kerala Board is implementing mark jihad, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Institutes of Eminence in Rajasthan and West Bengal

#### 2759 Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi:

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

- (a) which new Institutes of Eminence have been allocated for the States of Rajasthan and West Bengal;
- (b) the reason why there is not a single premier medical institute of national importance in several States of the country; and
- (c) the reasons why there is no single Central University of national importance in West Bengal till date?

#### Safeguards on harassment for fees

#### 2760 Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi:

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

- (a) the details of the measures taken by Government for the safeguard of economically weaker school students against the harassment by the private school administration to pay fees:
- (b) whether Government has introduced any policy against such harassment, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the number and details of such harassment cases registered during last year?

## Vacant teaching posts in all constituent colleges of Delhi University

#### 2761 Shri Shaktisinh Gohil:

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

(a) the total number of teaching posts that are vacant in all the constituent colleges of the University of Delhi; and

(b) the number of teachers who are presently working on an ad-hoc basis against those vacant teaching posts in all the constituent colleges of the University of Delhi, the collegewise details thereof?

## Steps taken to bridge digital divide

## 2762 Shri Deepender Singh Hooda:

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

- (a) the steps that has been taken by Government to bridge the digital divide especially in remote rural areas and Tier 3 and Tier 4 towns;
- (b) whether it is a fact that a large section of students in the country could not participate in the online schooling curriculum due to lack of Internet facilities/digital medium like mobile phones and computers;
- (c) if so, the steps Government has taken/is taking to compensate the learning loss for such children; and
- (d) details of State-wise number of school children who could not participate in online schooling curriculum during the last two years?

## Mental health as part of school curriculum

#### 2763 Dr. Amar Patnaik:

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

- (a) whether Government has studied the deteriorating mental health condition of young people in India post the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government will take any steps to address rising mental health concerns due to COVID-19 and the stigma around mental health in young children as part of school curriculum:
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether Government intends to increase budgetary allocation for mental health programmes in educational institutions; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

## Setting up of Model Degree College in Wayanad, Kerala

#### 2764 Shri John Brittas:

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

- (a) the progress achieved in the setting up of a Model Degree College (MDC) in Wayanad, Kerala:
- (b) whether the Central share grant will be released in the current financial year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the expected period of completion of the project?

# Adoption of private publishers' books instead of NCERT by private schools

## 2765 Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that most of the private schools force their students to read books published by some private publishers instead of NCERT;
- (b) whether NCERT books are very valuable for making careers of the students as well as for preparing for competitive examinations, but some private schools are not adopting these

books: and

(c) if so, whether any action/instructions have been taken/issued by Government to these private schools to use the NCERT books in their schools particularly in primary and secondary schools?

## Pupil-Teacher ratio in urban and rural India

## 2766 Shri Derek O' Brien:

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

- (a) the average pupil-teacher ratio in urban and rural India, the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) the steps being taken to increase the same; and
- (c) the funds disbursed for it so far, the details thereof?

#### Caste based census

#### 2767 # Shri Narain Dass Gupta:

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

- (a) whether Government has carried out census based on caste in the country;
- (b) if so, whether its report would be made public/placed on the Table of the House;
- (c) if not, whether Government is ready to carry out census based on caste; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

# Fulfillment of commitments given in Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 2768 Shri Kanakamedala Ravindra Kumar:

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

- (a) whether Government has discussed about the commitments that were given to the successor State of Andhra Pradesh while enacting the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 in any of its recent meetings:
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has fixed any time limit to fulfill all the commitments that were given to the State of Andhra Pradesh; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Investments and land sale in J&K and Ladakh

#### 2769 Shri Kumar Ketkar:

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

- (a) whether any commercial land deal has been done after August, 2019 in Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) and Ladakh;
- (b) if so, the details of such deals like date, name of the party/company who purchased, etc:
- (c) the details of investments made in J&K and Ladakh after August, 2019; and
- (d) the new employment generated after August, 2019 in J&K and Ladakh?

#### Increase in unrest in Jammu & Kashmir

## 2770 Shri Mallikarjun Kharge:

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

(a) the reasons why there has been a sudden increase in unrest and targeted attacks on religious minorities in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir;

- (b) the reasons why the UT administration has failed to control the proliferation of such incidents:
- (c) how many arrests have been made in connection with these incidents;
- (d) how many have been chargesheeted; and
- (e) whether the creation of a new anti-terror agency in the UT signals the failure of existing agencies in tackling the situation and if so, the reason therefor?

#### Minister's visit to J&K

#### 2771 # Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

## Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

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

- (a) the number of citizens and members of social organisations met by the Home Minister last October, 2021 during his visit to Jammu & Kashmir to discuss about solutions to the problem of the said Union Territory:
- (b) the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken for development in Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh after their formation as Union Territories and the impact thereof on the ground?

## Ishan Uday scholarship schemes

## 2772 # Shri Brijlal:

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

- (a) the number of students of the North Eastern region who benefited from Ishan Uday scholarship scheme during the last five years, State-wise details in the ratio of femalemale:
- (b) the details of the changes brought in this scheme during the last five years; and
- (c) the details of the budget earmarked for this scheme?

#### Unregistered vehicles in India

## 2773 Shri Sanjay Singh:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government plans to analyze the extent of unregistered vehicles in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with methodology used to measure the number of unregistered vehicles in India;
- (c) whether a clampdown of such vehicles would possibly impact the safety of our roads; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## Development of border villages along the international borders

#### 2774 Shri Parimal Nathwani:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering developing border villages along the international borders in relevant States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) the amount earmarked and released during the last three years and the current year so far for the all-round development of these villages; and
- (d)if so, the details thereof and the amount spent for each village, State-wise and villagewise?

#### Cases of sedition and UAPA

## 2775 Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:

#### Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

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

- (a) the details of the number of cases where Indian citizens were slapped with sedition and UAPA during the year 2021 till 15th December, 2021 and were acquitted by the courts, State-wise:
- (b) the number of such cases in the year 2021 in which chargesheet could not be filed till 15th December 2021, State-wise; and
- (c) the number of such cases in the year 2021 in which chargesheet could be filed till 15th December, 2021, State-wise?

## **Promotion of Inspector (Stenographer)**

## 2776 Shri B. Lingaiah Yadav:

Will the Minister of *Home Affairs* be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2597 given in the Raiya Sabha on 11th August, 2021 and to state:

- (a) the manner/mechanism through which confirmed Inspector (Stenographer) shall be promoted to next rank in case there is no sanctioned post of ACP (Stenographer) and no need to create separate posts as replied;
- (b) whether services of confirmed Inspector (Stenographer) with 30 years of service, may be utilized as ACP/HQ/Admin in view of similar job profile; and
- (c) the current status of the proposal, the reasons for no initiative in the matter since 2012, and whether any action has been taken by Ministry in this regard?

## Firing at West Bengal-Bangladesh border

#### 2777 Dr. Santanu Sen:

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

- (a) the details of firing incident which happened along the West Bengal-Bangladesh border during the last three years by BSF;
- (b) the reasons for resorting to firing:
- (c) whether the illegal activity across India- Bangladesh border has increased during the last three years;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, year-wise; and
- (e) the details of action taken by BSF to stop illegal activities on the West Bengal-Bangladesh border?

#### Developmental works in terror-hit Jammu & Kashmir

## 2778 Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:

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

- (a) whether the Jammu & Kashmir Administration has initiated developmental works in a big way to send a good message amongst the people as J&K was paralyzed due to continued terrorism-related activities in the region for quite some time;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Administration has taken adequate initiatives to revive tourism, 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 in this

regard?

#### Loss due to natural disasters

## 2779 Shri Md. Nadimul Haque:

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

- (a) the annual economic loss incurred from various extreme weather events in the country during the last five years, the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) whether the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) or any State Disaster Management Authorities (SDMAs) use financial tools like catastrophe risk financing, risk insurance, micro-insurance, etc. to compensate for massive losses on account of disasters;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the financial assistance given by Government to different States as against the economic losses suffered by the States due to disasters during the last five years?

## Employment opportunities in the Naxalite affected areas of Odisha

## 2780 Shri Suieet Kumar:

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

- (a) whether any steps have been taken by Government to create employment opportunities in the Naxalite affected areas of Odisha to prevent unemployed people to join Naxal groups;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government will consider sanctioning additional funds to the aspirational districts of Odisha to impart skill development and job opportunities to the youths; and (d) if so, the details thereof?

# Proposal to make NHs toll free

## 2781 Shri A. Vijayakumar:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the longest and shortest National Highway in the country;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to make all National Highways toll free: and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Increase in women representation in the police force

#### 2782 Shri Bhaskar Rao Nekkanti:

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

- (a) the details of the visits by 5 advisories who were asked to go to all States from 22nd June, 2021 in order to increase women representation in the police force to 33 percent;
- (b) whether State Governments have accepted the request to create additional posts of women constables and SIs by converting the vacant posts of male constables; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

## Loss of lives and properties due to floods and cyclones

## 2783 Shri Anand Sharma:

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

(a) whether loss of lives, properties and livelihood have taken place due to frequent floods and cyclones in the country during the last three years;

- (b) whether standard protocols to mitigate such disasters exist;
- (c) whether mitigating measures are taken by Government, if so, the State-wise details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Citizenship applications from neighbouring countries

#### 2784 Dr. K. Keshava Rao:

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

- (a) the total citizenship applications received from Hindu, Sikh, Jain and Christian minorities groups from Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan during the years 2018,2019,2020 and 2021:
- (b) the total number of Indian citizenship granted to people belonging to Hindu, Sikh, Jain and Christian minorities groups from Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan during 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021;
- (c) total number of requests received by Government from Hindu, Sikh, Jain and Christian minorities groups from Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan who sought refuge in the Indian territory during 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021; and
- (d) total number of requests accepted by Government from above said requests?

## NRIs harassed at airports

## 2785 Shri K.C. Venugopal:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is fact that a number of NRIs based outside India, were harassed at the airports and even sent back from airports in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, during the last three years:
- (c) whether it is fact that some of them were asked to stop helping farmers' agitation against the three farms laws by the authorities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## Citizenship granted

## 2786 Shri Abdul Wahab:

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

- (a) the details of those who have been granted Indian citizenship over the last five years, the year-wise details thereof; and
- (b) the details of current applicants for Indian citizenship, including the data of their current citizenship?

## Registration process of FCRA for NGOs

#### 2787 Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu:

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

- (a) whether Government has cancelled the FCRA registration of various NGOs particularly run by minority institutions and individuals from minority communities in Tamil Nadu during the last two years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is an inordinate delay in the process of registration of FCRA of the NGOs from Tamil Nadu:
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the list of NGOs already granted FCRA registration and

those which are pending; and

(e) the effective measures taken by Government to expedite the process of FCRA registration by various NGOs from Tamil Nadu?

## **Cyclone Risk Mitigation Projects**

#### 2788 Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu:

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

- (a) whether Government has left out Tamil Nadu from National Cyclone Risk Mitigation (NCRM) Projects phase-I and II which were implemented to respond better to cyclones and for the construction of infrastructure to address the vulnerability of coastal community to cyclones:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (c) the effective measures taken by Government to implement projects under NCRM in Tamil Nadu: and
- (d) the details of the funds allocated for the projects under NCRM?

## Implementation of Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes

#### 2789 Shri Shaktisinh Gohil:

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

- (a) whether any study has been done by Government on the efficiency of implementation of Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC), formerly Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCSP), during the last five years i.e. 2016-2020;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether there is any proposal on the part of Government to give legal framework to DAPSC to avoid circumvention of guidelines;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor: and
- (g) the steps being taken by Government to implement the DAPSC?

## Forensic labs in the country

## 2790 # Smt. Geeta alias Chandraprabha:

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

- (a) whether Government has plans to set up forensic labs in each district of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether there are any plans for making forensic evidence mandatory in offences involving punishment for more than six years, if so, the details thereof?

#### Clubbing of cases under POCSO Act

#### 2791 Dr. Amar Patnaik:

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

- (a) whether Government clubs reporting of cases from Section 17-22 under the Prevention of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and if not, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government clubs reporting of cases under POCSO for Section 4 with Section 6 and Section 8 with Section 10:
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and if not, the details thereof; and

(e) whether Government is aware that study indicates the lack of invoking aggravated charges under the POCSO Act, if so, the steps taken to mitigate it?

#### Protection of vulnerable witnesses

#### 2792 Shri G.C. Chandrashekhar:

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

- (a) whether Government has complied with the orders of the Supreme Court in the case of Mahender Chawla and Ors. Vs Union of India and Ors. to provide financial support to the States to establish Vulnerable Witness Deposition Complexes in the States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including budgetary allocations and funds released and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether Government has tracked implementation of the Witness Protection Scheme 2018 across States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, including funds allocated and released toward the scheme and the list of implementing States, and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Devolution of power and funds to PRIs

#### 2793 Dr. Fauzia Khan:

Will the Minister of Panchayati Raj be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to give more powers and funds to the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs):
- (b) if so, the details thereof, along with the number of requests received from the State Governments including Maharashtra in this regard, State-wise;
- (c) whether the NITI Aayog has made recommendations in this regard and any policy is being worked out to make PRIs successful; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government for effective implementation of the said policy?

#### Installation of street lights in Gram Panchayats of Tamil Nadu

#### 2794 Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:

Will the Minister of *Panchayati Raj* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government provides funds to Gram Panchayats for street lighting in villages, if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu:
- (b) whether Government has demanded utilisation certificate of funds from concerned
- authorities and if so, the details thereof; (c) whether any actual target for fund utilization has been fixed for the said purpose, if so,
- the details thereof and achievements made thereon, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu; (d) whether any time-frame has been fixed for providing street lights in all the villages in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **Progress under SVAMITVA Scheme**

## 2795 Smt. Roopa Ganguly:

Will the Minister of *Panchayati Raj* be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of land records that have been finalised under the SVAMITVA scheme, the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) the number of loans that has been taken by keeping these land records as collateral,

the details thereof;

- (c) whether the Ministry plans for dissemination of information regarding the scheme through the Kisan Kendras; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## Funds under RGSA for Andhra Pradesh

## 2796 Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:

Will the Minister of *Panchayati Raj* be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA):
- (b) the details of funds approved and released under RGSA to Andhra Pradesh since 2017-18 to 2020-21, year-wise;
- (c) whether it is a fact that no money has been released in 2019-20 and 2020-21 to Andhra Pradesh under RGSA;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the steps taken to release the pending dues to Andhra Pradesh; and
- (f) the details of funds allocated for RGSA in 2021-22 Budget?

## Making Panchayati Raj System more effective

#### 2797 Dr. C.M. Ramesh:

Will the Minister of *Panchayati Raj* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government, in consultation with State Governments, proposes to suitably amend the existing Act to make Panchayati Raj System more strong and effective, the details thereof: and
- (b) whether Government proposes to constitute a high powered committee to study the existing Panchayati Raj System and suggest how to make the Panchayati Raj System more effective and to meet the technology need of rural India, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Status of schemes in Karnataka

#### 2798 Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:

Will the Minister of Panchayati Raj be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of grants released under various Schemes of the Ministry to the State of Karnataka in the last four years and the current year, year-wise and scheme-wise;
- (b) whether grants are released on time during the above period;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the status of implementation of Rajiv Gandhi Panchayat Sashaktikaran Abhiyan in Karnataka since its inception, district-wise?

## Uniformity of laws under SVAMITVA scheme

## 2799 Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:

Will the Minister of *Panchayati Raj* be pleased to state:

- (a) the measures being taken by the Ministry to ensure uniformity in the State revenue laws which are concerned with implementing SVAMITVA scheme;
- (b) whether grievance redressal mechanism is formulated by the Ministry to deal with property disputes; and
- (c) the status of survey of rural land holdings under SVAMITVA scheme?

### Assessment of PRIs

#### 2800 Shri Iranna Kadadi:

Will the Minister of Panchayati Raj be pleased to state:

- (a) the key role of panchayats in rural governance and socio-economic development of the country:
- (b) whether Government has reviewed/assessed the performance of the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) in the country;
- (c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof including the various loopholes or deficiencies noticed in the functioning of panchayats as institutions of local self-government; and
- (d) the details of the grant allocated to Karnataka for PRIs during the last five years?

## National Highways projects passing through Odisha

## 2801 Shri Prasanna Acharya:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of new National Highway projects passing through Odisha that have been proposed to be taken up and the latest status of those projects, project-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the four-laning work of NH No. 55 (previously NH No.42) connecting Sambalpur and Cuttack in Odisha is incomplete, if so, the reasons for the delay and by when it is likely to be completed; and
- (c) the original project cost of this project and the cost escalation due to time overrun?

## Toll tax on Delhi-Meerut Expressway

## 2802 Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that toll tax will be levied on people travelling on the Delhi-Meerut Expressway from next month onwards;
- (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether steps are being taken to exempt vehicles of local residents commuting between National Capital Region (NCR) and Delhi; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

## EV charging stations along national highways

## 2803 Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:

Will the Minister of **Road Transport and Highways** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is encouraging the adoption of electric vehicles and the use of alternative fuels;
- (b) if so, the steps that have been taken in the last two years in this regard; and
- (c) the details of the plans to start EV charging stations along the National Highways?

## Engagement of private companies for repair of NHs

## 2804 Shri K.R.N. Rajeshkumar:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government/NHAI engages private companies for maintenance and repair work of the National Highways (NHs):
- (b) if so, the details and the objectives thereof along with the criteria laid down for engaging these private companies;

- (c) whether Government has reviewed the functioning of these private companies and if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (d) the steps being taken to ensure that the work entrusted to these companies is completed in the given time frame?

## Road projects in Tamil Nadu

#### 2805 Shri P. Wilson:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any decision has been taken to waive toll fee arrears/future toll fees for public transport buses, school,college buses and public transport run by corporations/private in the country, especially in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) whether Ministry has taken any measure to improve the pace of 24 National Highways under development and in progress in Tamil Nadu including industrial connectivity project;
- (c) whether any audit committee has been formed to find out which NH projects have yielded returns for investment made by concessionaire and are still allowed to collect toll fees; and
- (d) if so, details thereof, if not, reasons therefor?

## National Highways in Rajasthan

#### 2806 # Shri Rajendra Gehlot:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that National Highways are being constructed in Rajasthan under the Bharatmala Project, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the length of the highway in Amritsar-Jamnagar Economic Corridor under Bharatmala Project which passes through Rajasthan especially via Jalore-Barmer-Jaisalmer and Jodhpur of Jodhpur division and the number of sections in which work has been approved; and
- (c) whether any time limit has been set to complete the construction work of the above mentioned highway, if so, the details thereof?

#### MMLP in Silchar

#### 2807 Ms. Sushmita Dev:

Will the Minister of Road Transport and Highways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is building or going to build a Multi Modal Logistics Park (MMLP) in Silchar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, the timeline for completion of the project and the total estimated cost of the project; and
- (c) the details of how the people of Barak Valley would benefit from this project?

#### 3-lane bridge on river Brahmani

#### 2808 Shri Subhash Chandra Singh:

Will the Minister of **Road Transport and Highways** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether work on the new 3-lane bridge which is to be constructed on river Brahmani has commenced;
- (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) if not, by when construction is expected to commence; and
- (d) the quantum of funds allocated and utilised so far?

## National Highways in Narasaraopet Parliamentary constituency

#### 2809 Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao:

Will the Minister of Road Transport and Highways be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of Detailed Project Report (DPR) preparation for stretches of Piduguralla to Vodarevu (167A), Kondamodu to Perecherla (167AG), Macherla to Dachepalli (167AD), Vinukonda to Guntur (544D) Highways;
- (b) reasons for delay in DPR and likely date of completion of DPR for each of these stretches:
- (c) reasons for delay in construction of Macherla-Sirigipadu-Yerragondapalem (NH No.565) stretch and likely date of completion;
- (d) reasons for delay in construction of bypasses at Piduguralla (on NAM Highway), Chilakaluripet bypass (on NH No.16) and likely date of completion;
- (e) whether any representation has been received for new National Highway stretches Macherla-Karampudi-Narasaraopet and Narasaraopet-Sattenapalli; and
- (f) whether the representation has been examined?

## National Highways in Andhra Pradesh

## 2810 Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao:

Will the Minister of Road Transport and Highways be pleased to state:

- (a) the length of National Highways in residual Andhra Pradesh in August, 2014 and at present;
- (b) the total length of National Highways completed/ongoing in Andhra Pradesh since June, 2014, the details thereof;
- (c) the cost incurred on each stretch;
- (d) the total investment in roads and highways by Government since June, 2014, year-wise;
- (e) the funds released to Andhra Pradesh in the last three years by the Ministry for construction of State and district roads; and
- (f) the planned investment in roads in Andhra Pradesh as part of National Infrastructure Pipeline, the details thereof?

## Status of tunnel project in Dakshina Kannada

## 2811 Shri Narayana Koragappa:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the Shiradi Ghat Tunnel Project between Addahole in Dakshina Kannada and Heggadde in Sakleshpur;
- (b) whether the tenders are floated for the project;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the land acquisition is completed;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the estimated target date for completion of the project?

#### Sale of electric vehicles

## 2812 Shri T.G. Venkatesh:

Will the Minister of Road Transport and Highways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government aims to increase the electric vehicles sales to account for 30 per cent of private cars, 70 per cent of commercial vehicles and 80 per cent of two and three wheelers by 2030 as there is an immediate need to decarbonise the transport sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and steps being taken in this regard/results yielded so far?

#### Reasons for road accidents

## 2813 # Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been any decrease in the number of persons who died and got injured in road accidents during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof including Uttar Pradesh:
- (c) whether it is also a fact that most of the road accidents occur due to driving for more than the permissible number of hours and driving under the influence of alcohol; and
- (d) if so, the details of action plan of Government to bring down the number of road accidents?

## National Highways under the Bharatmala Pariyojana scheme

## 2814 Shri Sushil Kumar Modi:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress in achieving targeted construction and upgradation of National Highways under the Bharatmala Pariyojana scheme, the details of the fund utilized and percentage of target achieved:
- (b) the schemes sanctioned and implemented in Bihar under Bharatmala Pariyojana;
- (c) whether the pace of highway construction has decreased this fiscal year, if so, the shortfall compared to targeted 40 km/day and the reasons therefor and steps taken by Government; and
- (d) the employment generated through the construction works undertaken by the Ministry over the last three years?

## Roads and National Highways in North-Eastern States

## 2815 # Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

the extent of work done with respect to roads and national highways in the North-Eastern States in the last two years, the State-wise details thereof?

## Road safety audit to reduce accidents

## 2816 Shri Vaiko:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of accidents and consequently deaths and injuries in the country, Statewise during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Ministry is able to reduce the number of road accidents year by year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of road safety audit conducted and black spots identified to prevent road accidents in the States, Tamil Nadu in particular; and
- (e) the funds allocated for road safety for the State of Tamil Nadu in the last three years?

## Status of implementation of Vehicle Scrappage Policy

#### 2817 # Shri Vinay Dinu Tendulkar:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has implemented the Vehicle Scrappage Policy framed for 10 year old diesel vehicles and 15 year old petrol vehicles in the entire country;
- (b) the parts of the country where this policy is being adhered to and whether any central monitoring centre has been formed for this; and
- (c) the States in which this policy has been implemented in a uniform manner, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Vehicle scrappage policy

## 2818 # Shri Vinay Dinu Tendulkar:

Will the Minister of Road Transport and Highways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether provisions given under the National Vehicle Scrappage Policy would be implemented in uniform manner in the entire country or the States would amend and implement the same as per their requirement;
- (b) whether the States have sent any correspondence or amendment proposals to the centre for any kind of amendment in this policy;
- (c) whether any commission or dispute redressal centre has been formed to resolve issues wherein the States implement this policy as per their convenience without sending the amendment proposals; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## All India registration of vehicles

## 2819 Shri Sanjay Seth:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has announced a new all-India registration facility for vehicles;
- (b) the salient features of this registration:
- (c) the type of vehicles which are eligible for registration under this; and
- (d) the manner in which this will be helpful to relieve the pain of re-registration of vehicles?

## Vehicle tracking system on transport vehicles

## 2820 Shri K.C. Venugopal:

Will the Minister of Road Transport and Highways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has issued notification regarding fitment of Vehicle Location Tracking Device, CCTV Surveillance System and Alert Buttons on transport vehicles;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the objective behind the move;
- (c) the number of States where GPS system in passenger service vehicles is being implemented; and
- (d) whether Government has been able to create awareness among the public about this move and if so, the details thereof and the success achieved?

#### Accidents on NHAI expressways

#### 2821 Dr. Ashok Bajpai:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the expressways built/managed/controlled by the NHAI;
- (b) the year-wise number of accidents during the last three years on such expressways;
- (c) whether Government is aware that the accidents on the NHAI expressways are quite fatal and severe:
- (d) whether such expressways have the facilities of number plate readers and speed

cameras to check overspeeding; and

(e) whether smart traffic management on such expressways is integrated in the concession agreements or development projects?

## Access permission from NHs

## 2822 Dr. Ashok Bajpai:

Will the Minister of *Road Transport and Highways* be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of permissions granted for access to private properties from National Highways during the last three years;
- (b) the details of the present procedure and charges for such access permissions:
- (c) whether Government is aware that the existing procedure for such access permission is cumbersome and lengthy; and
- (d) whether Government has any proposal to simplify its procedures and also to delegate the powers to grant such permission to lower level with Standard Operating Procedure?

#### Lack of funds for MGNREGA

## 2823 Shri Sanjay Singh:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the flagship scheme of Government, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) scheme has ran out of funds halfway through the financial year. in October 2021:
- (b) if so, details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is a fact that there are large unpaid wages to workers under the scheme; and
- (d) the steps taken to ensure that rural workers under the scheme do not experience forced labour or delayed wages till new budgetary allocation?

## Loans sanctioned under NRLM

## 2824 Shri Neeraj Dangi:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of loans sanctioned under the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) in the last three years and its utilisation, State-wise;
- (b) whether Government has undertaken an independent evaluation to ensure the effective usage of these loans;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Housing scheme in rural and urban areas in Tamil Nadu

#### 2825 Shri P. Wilson:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of houses constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gramin Awas Yojana in the rural areas in Tamil Nadu for last three years;
- (b) if so, the amount spent under this scheme during the last three years, year-wise;
- (c) the name of the districts where the houses have been constructed and details thereof; and
- (d) under the urban scheme, how many houses have been constructed in the urban areas in Tamil Nadu since the date of launching, if so, the amount spent under this scheme during last three years, year-wise and the name of the districts where it is constructed, details

#### thereof?

## Proposal for maintenance and modernisation of rural roads

## 2826 Shri Parimal Nathwani:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal from Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat and Jharkhand regarding maintenance and modernisation of roads in the rural areas is pending with Government:
- (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether Government is considering the aforesaid proposals:
- (d) if so, the details along with the status thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Road connectivity for farmers under PMGSY

## 2827 Shri Sambhaji Chhatrapati:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) also contains provision for repairs and maintenance of roads laid under the scheme since most of those laid in the beginning are in very poor condition;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the roads connecting the fields could also be made fair-weathered under the scheme for easy movement of tractors and other farming equipment; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and also the funds allocated under the scheme during 2021-22, State-wise?

## Inspection of roads under PMGSY

#### 2828 # Ms. Indu Bala Goswami:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is planning to send the National Rural Infrastructure Development Agency for inspection work of the rural roads in Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether this agency would inspect the roads constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in rural areas:
- (d) whether Government has recently increased the time limit for completing the ongoing projects under the PMGSY; and
- (e) the number of roads in which construction work is going on under this project in Himachal Pradesh till date?

#### Rural mason training in Maharashtra

## 2829 Dr. Vikas Mahatme:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of masons enrolled, undergoing training, certified as well as institutes providing the training under the rural mason training in the State of Maharashtra for the preceding two years, the details thereof; and
- (b) what steps has Government taken to provide skill development and for creating awareness of rural mason training?

## Villages adopted under SAGY

## 2830 # Smt. Jharna Das Baidya:

Will the Minister of Rural Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages adopted under Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY);
- (b) whether there is any provision of a separate fund for development of these villages and the details thereof; and
- (b) the amount of expenditure under the fund and the details thereof?

## Proposal for widening of roads under PMGSY

## 2831 # Shri Rewati Raman Singh:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) the length of roads in kilometers, proposed to be widened under PMGSY in rural areas of the country in the coming six months;
- (b) the number of roads Government plans to widen and strengthen under this scheme in the current financial year;
- (c) the number of roads in the rural areas of Uttar Pradesh planned to be widened and strengthened under PMGSY; and
- (d) the details thereof?

# Permanent disability certificate to people suffering from sickle cell disease 2832 # Shri Samir Oraon:

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

- (a) whether sickle cell is a chronic/incurable disease, if so, whether Government proposes to give permanent disability certificate instead of temporary disability certificate to the people suffering from it;
- (b) the number of people suffering from sickle cell in India out of that the and number of people from tribal community out of that:
- (c) whether Government is contemplating on setting up a 'Centre of Excellence' in all the States to provide timely and proper treatment to sickle cell patients; and
- (d) whether Government is considering any pension scheme for these patients?

#### Status of PMAY-G in Karnataka

## 2833 Shri K.C. Ramamurthy:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry proposed to construct 86,000 houses in Phase–II of Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) in Karnataka:
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the status of targets achieved in Phase-I in Karnataka;
- (d) whether there are still some houses to be constructed in Phase-I: and
- (e) if so, by when the construction is likely to be completed?

## **PMAY-G** status and irregularities

## 2834 Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:

#### Dr. Sasmit Patra:

Will the Minister of Rural Development be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses that have been constructed under Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana

Gramin(PMAY-G), during the last five years, the details thereof, year-wise and State-wise;

- (b) whether it is a fact that irregularities have been found in implementation of PMAY-G scheme across the country; and
- (c) if so, the details with regard to irregularities and the steps taken by the Ministry in addressing the same?

#### Construction of houses under PMAY

## 2835 # Shri Dineshchandra Jemalbhai Anavadiya:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) by when the pucca houses would be built at rural level under the Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana; and
- (b) the number of pucca houses constructed in Banaskantha district of Gujarat and by when the remaining houses would be constructed?

## Status of work on first phase of SAGY

## 2836 Shri Deepender Singh Hooda:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of villages adopted under the first phase of Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) in Haryana;
- (b) the status of work done and construction of immovable assets in these villages along with inspection reports thereof for the State of Haryana;
- (c) the details of the expenditure incurred and assets created under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) during the first and second phases of the Yojana, State-wise and village-wise; and
- (d) whether Government has given any direction to the State Governments for taking necessary steps to extend works under the said model villages and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Details of wages under MGNREGA**

#### 2837 # Smt. Geeta alias Chandraprabha:

Will the Minister of Rural Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of beneficiaries under MGNREGA in the country;
- (b) the States having maximum and minimum number of beneficiaries, the details thereof; and
- (c) the States having the highest and lowest per day wages, the details thereof?

#### Houses constructed under PMAY-G

#### 2838 Smt. Ambika Soni:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) the annual target as well as houses actually constructed under Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the strategy adopted in order to achieve housing for all target by August, 2022; and
- (c) the outcome of the physical verification of the constructed houses done recently, Statewise?

#### Beneficiaries of MKSP

#### 2839 Shri G.C. Chandrashekhar:

Will the Minister of *Rural Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government would like to share the details of total beneficiaries of Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP), State-wise and year-wise from 2016;
- (b) the total number of projects initiated, executed and behind the schedule, State-wise and year-wise from 2016; and
- (c) the allocated and pending budget for the approved projects, State-wise and year-wise from 2016?

## Skill development training to youth in hilly, remote and tribal areas

#### 2840 Dr. Fauzia Khan:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formulated any scheme to impart skill development training and provide employment to youth in the hilly, remote and tribal areas and if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the criteria laid down for identification of such districts;
- (b) the total cost of the scheme along with the details of funds allocated to different districts under the scheme, State-wise/district-wise;
- (c) the challenges faced by Government to overcome the difficulties in the implementation of the scheme; and
- (d) the manner in which Government reviews the implementation of the scheme in such districts?

## **National Policy on Skill Development**

2841 Shri P. Bhattacharva:

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

Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

Will the Minister of **Skill Development and Entrepreneurship** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has formulated National Policy on Skill Development;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the major objectives of the policy; and
- (d) the steps taken to achieve the objective?

## Skill development centres/institutes

#### 2842 Shri P. Bhattacharya:

- (a) whether Government proposes to set up a network of skill development centres/institutes across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including targets fixed by Government for the purpose during the current year and next two years and the achievements made so far, State-wise/UT-wise:
- (c) whether Government also proposes to involve private sector for this purpose and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any arrangements have been made for providing advanced training to trainers for ensuring the quality of training and if so, the details thereof?

## Shortage of skilled workforce

## 2843 Shri Sanjay Singh:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that only about 2 per cent of the total workforce in the country have formal vocational training, and only 9 per cent have non-formal vocational training as per a recent survey;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the reasons why India continues to face one of the highest shortages of skilled workforce despite having the largest youth population in the world; and
- (d) the measures taken by Government to impart higher vocational skills among workers?

## Skill India programme

## 2844 Shri Neeraj Dangi:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) the objectives of the Skill India programme;
- (b) the number of people who have been provided skill training, State-wise and district-wise thereof, during last five years;
- (c) whether Government keeps a record of the number of people who have secured employment after being skilled under Skill India programme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and district-wise; and
- (e) if not, the reasons why Government does not keep a record of the number of people who have secured employment after being skilled under Government's flagship programme?

## People trained under PMKVY

## 2845 Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:

Will the Minister of **Skill Development and Entrepreneurship** be pleased to state:

- (a) the current percentage of people trained under PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana and consequently found placement in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether there has been an improvement in terms of number of people placed;
- (c) the details, State-wise, including the number of people placed annually since 2017, with a particular reference to Andhra Pradesh:
- (d) whether there is any impact/more pressure on PMKVY due to COVID pandemic;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether any impact assessment study has been conducted and, if so, the details thereof?

## Skill development training for youth in Assam

## 2846 Shri Ajit Kumar Bhuyan:

## Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa:

- (a) the details of the schemes being implemented by Government for skill development of the youth in States during the last one year, including Assam;
- (b) the details of funds allocated and released by Government to the States, including Assam, during last one year, State-wise, scheme-wise and agency-wise;
- (c) whether any new proposal has been sent to the Central Government by Government of Assam during the last one year; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government thereon?

## **Craftsman Training Centres**

## 2847 Dr. Amee Yajnik:

Will the Minister of **Skill Development and Entrepreneurship** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of craftsmen training centre opened by Government during the last three years under its long-term training programme, State-wise;
- (b) the number of students trained and employed during the last three years under long-term training programme. State-wise:
- (c) whether Government have any policies for placement assistance or support for selfemployment for such trained persons; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## **National Skill Training Institutes**

## 2848 Dr. Amee Yajnik:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of National Skill Training Institutes opened during the last two years in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the number of women beneficiaries who became self-dependent by the training and support of National Skill Training Institutes in the country, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of courses offered and its validity in Government and private institutions for seeking employment?

## Skill development training for rural poor and unemployed youth

#### 2849 Shri Kamakhva Prasad Tasa:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) the extent to which PMKVY could help rural poor and unemployed youth in country to attain skill training and get a job;
- (b) mechanisms available with Government to ensure maximum number of placements and decent salaries for candidates that got placed:
- (c) number of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs) sanctioned and established in each State as of 30th November, 2021, and whether any PMKKs got closed due to COVID-19 and lockdown:
- (d) whether Government is able to ensure that all the candidates enrolling in PMKVY are completing training and getting placed; and
- (e) the reasons for placements percentage being very low;

#### Skill development training to migrant workers

#### 2850 # Shri Rajendra Gehlot:

- (a) the State-wise number of migrant workers trained/proposed to be trained under the Garib Kalyan Yojana during last three years;
- (b) whether Government has any plans to conduct skill development training programmes for various employment categories as per the requirements of domestic industries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Skill India Mission for SCs/STs

#### 2851 # Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has the data of those students belonging to the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes who have been trained through short-term courses, Jan Shikshan institutions under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), for skill development under Skill India Mission:
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has set a target for compulsory enrolment of students belonging to the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and Economically Backward Classes under the Skill India Mission:
- (d) if so, the State-wise details thereof; and
- (e) whether the said target has been achieved so far, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

## Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS)

## 2852 Shri Subhash Chandra Singh:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

the number of people who received employment under Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS), the State-wise details thereof?

## Skill Development of SCs and STs

#### 2853 Dr. Sasmit Patra:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of persons of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe community who have undergone skill development during the last five years, year-wise and State-wise, the details thereof; and
- (b) the details of the placements provided to these persons, community-wise, year-wise and State-wise?

#### Requirement of skilled manpower

2854 Lt.Gen. (Dr.) D. P. Vats (Retd.):

Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

- (a) whether it is a fact that as per study conducted by National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) incremental requirement of skilled manpower in 21 high growth sectors, including manufacturing sector by the year 2022 is 3470 lakh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

#### Vision of Skilled India

2855 Lt.Gen. (Dr.) D. P. Vats (Retd.):

Shri Vijay Pal Singh Tomar:

Shri Harnath Singh Yadav:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) the efforts being made by Government to provide skill development to the youth with their skilling partners around the country;
- (b) the achievement made by Government for removal of disconnect between demand and supply of skilled manpower, building the vocational and technical training framework, skill upgradation, building of new skills and innovative thinking, not only for existing jobs but also jobs that are to be created: and
- (c) the action taken to skill on a large scale with speed and high standards in order to achieve its vision of Skilled India?

## Data of individuals who have visual, hearing and locomotor disabilities

#### 2856 Dr. Fauzia Khan:

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

- (a) whether Government has collected the data of individuals who have visual, hearing and locomotor disabilities in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, gender-wise and State/Union Territory-wise;
- (c) whether any special plan has been prepared for these individuals;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the funds provided to State Governments during the last five years and the current year; and
- (f) the steps taken for the welfare of these individuals?

## Old age homes in the country

## 2857 Shri Mahesh Poddar:

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

- (a) the number of old age homes that have been constructed/opened by Government during the last three years, alongwith the total number of elderly persons occupying it, the details thereof:
- (b) the steps that have been taken by Government to provide health benefits and relief measures to the elderly, the details thereof; and
- (c) the budgetary allocation for old age homes and how much has been utilized till date, the details thereof?

## OBC population living below poverty line

## 2858 Shri M.V. Shreyams Kumar:

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

- (a) whether Government has any data of people belonging to Other Backward Classes (OBC) living below poverty line:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government for their upliftment along with the details thereof?

## Scholarships to SC/ST/OBC students

## 2859 Shri S. Selvaganabathy:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that all students belonging to SC/ST/OBC are not getting scholarships in banks since it is given to a very limited number of students;
- (b) if so, whether the Ministry will consider extending scholarship/fellowship to all the SC/ST/OBC students; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### UDID cards to PwDs

#### 2860 Shri Ramkumar Verma:

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

- (a) whether Government has any data with regard to total number of Unique Disability Identity (UDID) cards distributed to Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) in the country in the last five years, if so, the State and UT-wise details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has taken any correctional steps to increase the distribution of UDID cards to the beneficiaries of less performing States, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the number of UDID card applications that are pending in the State of Rajasthan along with the action taken by Government in this regard?

#### Grant-in-aid to NGOs for SCs

#### 2861 Shri Ramkumar Verma:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry is providing grant-in-aid to voluntary organizations working for welfare of SCs, if so, the State and UT-wise details thereof;
- (b) the details of grant-in-aid provided by the Ministry in the last five years, State and UT-wise: and
- (c) whether the Ministry has received complaints of mismanagement by voluntary organizations working for welfare of SCs, if so, the State and UT-wise details thereof and the action taken by Government?

#### **National Council of Senior Citizens**

#### 2862 Shri Vaiko:

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

- (a) the activities of National Council of Senior Citizens in the Ministry and how many meetings were held in the last three years;
- (b) how many schemes and programmes for senior citizens have been reviewed and assessed for their effective implementation, the details thereof:
- (c) whether any representations have been received from Pensioners Association/Non-Governmental Organizations for providing facilities, safety and security to senior citizens who are living alone; and
- (d) if so, the response of Government?

## Schemes for transgenders

#### 2863 Shri Tiruchi Siva:

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

- (a) the details of the schemes in place for transgender people till date; and
- (b) the number of people who have benefited from the schemes so far?

## Students benefitting from schemes of the Ministry in Kerala

## 2864 Shri K. Somaprasad:

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

- (a) the total number of students who benefitted from the pre-matric Scholarship scheme for Scheduled Caste (SC) students in Class V to X in Kerala in 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21; and
- (b) the details of students enrolled in "Free Coaching Scheme for Scheduled Caste and Other Backward Caste Students" during 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 from Kerala?

#### Status of Van-Dhan Scheme

#### 2865 Shri Prakash Javadekar:

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

- (a) the number of minor forests produce on which Minimum Support Price (MSP) is given under the Van-Dhan scheme;
- (b) the status of MSP under this scheme in 2014;
- (c) the increase in MSP that has been granted by Government over the last 7 years; and
- (d) the number of tribals that have benefitted from this scheme?

## Allocation of funds to Tribal Sub-Plans

#### 2866 Shri Mallikarjun Kharge:

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

- (a) the details of the proposals received by Government under the Tribal Sub-Plan Area during the last two years, State-wise;
- (b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government in this regard;
- (c) whether Government plans to allocate funds to the sub-plans in proportion to the population of tribals:
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Availability of medical units for PVTGs

## 2867 # Shri Brijlal:

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

- (a) details of the instructions, information and suggestions given to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare by the Ministry for operating the mobile medical units made available by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs):
- (b) the way in which the requirements and the habitat of the PVTGs has been identified; and
- (c) whether the mobile medical unit has collected any data with which the area-wise population of PVTGs can be ascertained, if so, the details thereof?

#### Amendment in ST list

## 2868 # Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena:

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

- (a) whether Mina/Meena caste residing in Rajasthan belongs to same terminology, if so, the details of the letters sent by the State Government in this regard;
- (b) whether Mina caste is listed at ST serial number 09 in the list of Central Government and Mina or Meena have the same terminology and caste and there is a difference only in colloquial language; and
- (c) whether it is a fact that State Government has requested Ministry of Tribal Affairs in the years 2018-19 and 2019-20 to issue a clarification regarding considering Mina and Meena as the same, if so, by when the Central Government would revise Mina with Meena?

#### Tribal hostels in India

#### 2869 Dr. Sasmit Patra:

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

- (a) the details of total number of children staying in the tribal hostels in the country, Statewise:
- (b) the number of tribal hostels in the country. State-wise; and
- (c) the details about the plans for establishing more tribal hostels by the Centre and the States?

## Scholarship to tribal students

## 2870 Shri K.J. Alphons:

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

- (a) the number of tribal students who have been provided with scholarships during the past three years, year-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the numbers have decreased during the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- (c) if so, whether Government will take corrective action?

## GOAL (Going Online As Leaders) programme

#### 2871 Shri John Brittas:

Will the Minister of Tribal Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government plans to sign MoUs with other private entities to facilitate the GOAL (Going Online As Leaders) programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps Government has undertaken to create awareness about leadership among tribal youth?

## **Budgetary allocation on POSHAN Abhiyaan**

## 2872 Shri Kumar Ketkar:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of budgetary allocation and expenditure on POSHAN Abhiyaan during the last five years: and
- (b) the number of children, adolescent girls, pregnant women and lactating mothers who have availed of benefits under the POSHAN Abhiyaan from 2018 to 2020?

## Status of Nirbhaya Fund

## 2873 # Dr. Sonal Mansingh:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of Nirbhaya Fund and the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) the increase in the amount of this fund through allocation made in the finance budget during the last three years; and
- (c) the rank-wise position of States in terms of spending the allocated amount of Nirbhaya Fund under various schemes, the State-wise details thereof?

#### National Crèche Scheme

## 2874 Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a study has been conducted to analyse if the National Crèche Scheme improves the nutrition and health status of children and promotes the physical, cognitive, social and emotional development/holistic development of children in all the crèches in the country.
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reason therefor;
- (c) whether the non-functional and non-performing crèches out of the 23,293 crèches in the country have been weeded out through intensive inspections by agencies according to the revised scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reason therefor?

# Child security in cyber space

## 2875 Smt. Roopa Ganguly:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is fact that there is 400 per cent rise in cyber crime cases committed against children in 2020:
- (b) if so, the measures that have been taken by the Ministry to keep the cyber space safe, the details thereof;
- (c) the long term plans of the Ministry to increase safety for children in the cyber space; and
- (d) the details thereof?

## Nirbhaya Fund for human trafficking survivors

#### 2876 Ms. Sushmita Dev:

Will the Minister of *Women and Child Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has undertaken any study to assess the impact of the pandemic on the potential increase in trafficking cases owing to increased vulnerability, job insecurity and livelihood options:
- (b) whether there is any provision to include survivors of human trafficking on various committees that oversee trafficking;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the State-wise details of the quantum of funds disbursed from the Nirbhaya funds towards human trafficking survivors during the last five years; and
- (f) the State-wise data for the number of victims to whom the compensation was disbursed

## Aims and objectives of ICDS scheme

## 2877 Shri Sanjay Seth:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objective of launching Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme:
- (b) the details of the programmes implemented under the ICDS scheme during each of last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated, released and its utilization reported by the States /UTs under the scheme during the said period along with the number of beneficiaries enrolled; and
- (d) whether Government has approved strengthening and restructuring of ICDS scheme and if so, the details thereof?

## Cost norms for supplementary nutrition

## 2878 Shri Dhiraj Prasad Sahu:

Will the Minister of *Women and Child Development* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government last revised the cost norms for supplementary nutrition vide Ministry's letter dated the 6th October, 2017;
- (b) whether the aforesaid letter provided for annual revision in the cost norms of supplementary nutrition under Anganwadi services based on Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI):
- (c) whether there has been marked increase in the CFPI after October, 2017 and if so, how much: and
- (d) whether Government has revised the cost norms provided for in the letter dated the 6th October, 2017 after the year 2017 and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Guidelines for declaring a disaster as natural calamity

#### 2879 Shri Iranna Kadadi:

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

- (a) the details of guidelines for declaring a disaster as a natural calamity;
- (b) whether the affected State is provided special assistance in case of natural calamity;
- (c) whether Government is considering the proposal from Karnataka to revise the scale of Central Assistance and norms with respect to NDRF/SDRF; and
- (d) the details of funds released to Karnataka under National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF) during the last three years?

#### Stunting rate for children in Goa

#### 2880 Shri Derek O' Brien:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken to reduce the stunting rate for children in Goa in view of the fact as per the National Family Health Survey (NFHS)-5 stunting rate in Goa is 25.8 per cent;
- (b) whether there is any data about child labour in Goa and the steps being taken to address the same; and
- (c) the budget allotment for the above mentioned points so far, the details thereof?

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P. C. Mody, Secretary-General.

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