

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on

Monday, the May 6, 2002/Vaisakha 16, 1924 (Saka)

(Ministries: Development of North Eastern Region; Disinvestment; Health and Family Welfare; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Information and Broadcasting; Law, Justice and Company Affairs; Shipping; Social Justice and Empowerment; Tribal Affairs; Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation)

Total number of questions—20

Audio-visual animation agreement with Canada

†*561. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV:
Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND
BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that
with the audio-visual animation agreement
with Canada there is possibility of business
of more than 150 million dollar every year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, togetherwith
the steps taken in this regard; and

(c) the details of the revenue earned by
the country through the animation business
as well as its export during the last three
years?

Quality of programmes and advertisements

*562. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY:
Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND
BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any mechanism to
monitor the quality of programmes and
advertisements in Cable TV channels in
view of entry of foreign channels;

(b) if so, the details of the mechanism;
and

(c) the guidelines evolved by it?

Functioning of CGHS dispensaries in Delhi

*563. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will
the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of CGHS dispensaries
functioning at present in Delhi;

(b) the details of facilities including
Homoeopathy, Ayurvedic, Yoga, etc. being
provided in those CGHS dispensaries;

(c) the total number of CGHS
beneficiaries in Delhi;

(d) whether there is any proposal to start
more CGHS dispensaries in Delhi and
improve their functioning; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

National Press Centre

*564. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that setting up of National Press Centre is hanging fire since Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the reasons for not taking up the project since then; and

(c) the original estimate for this project and the revised estimate?

Water shortage in South Delhi

*565. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of water in several areas in South Delhi during the last few months;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a large number of complaints have been received from residents of Pocket C-II, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi regarding inadequate and erratic water supply and tankers in the area; and

(c) if so, the steps Government have taken to augment the water supply and provide water tankers in the area?

Classical music programme by National AIDS Control Organisation

†*566. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Shastriya Sangeet Karyakram per lut raha

hai AIDS niyantran kosh", which appeared in the Rashtriya Sahara, dated the 13th March, 2002;

(b) if so, the expenditure incurred, so far, by the National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) towards sponsoring classical music programme on Doordarshan and for how long this programme is proposed to be sponsored; and

(c) the success achieved by the classical music programme in controlling AIDS?

Manipulating the PGI Act

†*567. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Members of Parliament and PGI Employees Union, Chandigarh have drawn his attention regarding the present Director, PGI, Chandigarh who has shown the age as 62 years in place of 60 years in the notification by manipulating the PGI Act and the decision of Governing Body; and

(b) if so, the officer responsible for mis-recording the decision and whether any action has been taken against him?

Letter of Intent to Dr. Somervel Memorial CSI Hospital, Kerala

*568. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been irregularities concerning inspection report and issue of Letter of Intent to Dr. Somervel Memorial CSI Hospital in Karakonam, Kerala by Medical Council of India (MCI);

(b) if so, whether any action has been taken against the erring officials;

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- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Violation of master plan of Delhi

*569. SHRIMATI SHABANA AZMI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no check on construction of new Government buildings in the green vistas, as reported in the Hindustan Times, dated the 19th April, 2002;

(b) if so, the reasons for violating master plan of Delhi by allowing such construction; and

(c) whether Government propose to look into the matter and prepare a legal framework so as to save Lutyen's Delhi?

Criteria for selection of towns for AUWSP

*570. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of schemes approved under Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) during the year 2001-2002;

(b) the number of towns in the country which were identified/selected and benefited by the scheme, State-wise;

(c) the criteria for selection of towns under the scheme; and

(d) the total amount sanctioned and spent for various schemes approved under the programme during the year ending 31st March, 2002?

Proposal for Connaught Place-Dwarka Metro Project

†*571. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have received any proposal from Delhi Government for Metro-Rail's ambitious Connaught Place-Dwarka Project for approval;

(b) if so, by when Government would sanction the proposal and send it back to Delhi Government;

(c) the total length of the project together with details of stations in Dwarka; and

(d) by when it is likely to be completed?

Inclusion of Thachar community in SC list

*572. SHRI N.K. PREMA-CHANDRAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 120 given in the Rajya Sabha on 26th November, 2001 and state:

(a) whether Government have received any comments from the State Government of Kerala regarding the inclusion of 'Thachar' community in the Scheduled Caste list; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

Spurious drugs

*573. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: SHRI C. RAMA-CHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether spurious drugs are being

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manufactured on a large scale and flooding Indian market; and

(b) if so, the action taken to tackle the problem on a war-footing?

Contract between HAM Dredging Marine Contractors and CPT

*574. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Teroso Koti Dheleo Gangar Nabyata Baren", which appeared in the Ananda Bazar Patrika, Kolkata, dated the 31st March, 2002;

(b) if so, whether there was no guarantee on the navigable depth in the contract between HAM Dredging Marine Contractors and Calcutta Port Trust, as alleged in the report;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the action taken against the erring official;

(d) if not, whether his Ministry has withheld reimbursement of Rs. 206 crore to Calcutta Port Trust, as reported in the news-item; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Review Committee for income criteria for creamy layer among OBCs

*575. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to constitute a Committee to review the income criteria for identification of creamy layer among Other Backward Classes; and

(b) if so, by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Funds for various corporations

*576. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to the various corporations for the economic upliftment of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes during the year 2001;

(b) whether State Governments like Gujarat are closing down Leather Development Corporations and Handloom Corporations; and

(c) whether Government would consider revival of these corporations which are helpful for the rural population, Scheduled Castes in particular?

Target and achievement of Shipping Industry

*577. SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO: SHRI C. RAMA-CHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian shipping industry has failed to achieve the target fixed for Ninth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the target and the achievement for the Plan period;

(c) the reasons for the wide gap between the target and the achievement; and

(d) the steps being taken to achieve target during the Tenth Five Year Plan?

Notification regarding medical waste management

*578. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any notification regarding medical waste management for disposing waste safely and in an environment-friendly way;

(b) if so, the date of notification in each State;

(c) the total number of hospitals that have authorization certificates to dispose waste; and

(d) the total number of hospitals that have incinerators as on March, 2002, district-wise, State-wise?

Delhi Metro

*579. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether first phase of Delhi Metro is likely to be completed in time;

(b) if not, by when it is likely to be completed; and

(c) by when the second phase is likely to be completed?

Funds for total television coverage

*580. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has made funds available to her Ministry in the Tenth Plan to ensure total television coverage of the population;

(b) if so, whether her Ministry has pointed out that Rs. 4,000 crore would be needed to reach out to the remote North-East and the far-flung areas by the existing terrestrial network; and

(c) if so, the steps Government are considering to take to provide television coverage of rural and remote areas during the Tenth Plan period?

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Vaisakha 10, 1924 (Saka)

R.C. TRIPATHI,
Secretary-General.

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(Ministry-wise)

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