## RAJYA SABHA

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, the August 10, 2005/Sravana 19, 1927 (Saka)

(Ministries : Commerce and Industry; Defence; Home Affairs; Non-Conventional Energy Sources; Power; Rural Development; Textiles)

## Total number of questions — 20

# Dispute between Nagas and Manipuris

- \*241. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) how Government plan to sort out the social and territorial problems between the Nagas and the Manipuris in the State of Manipur;
- (b) whether Government are planning to involve the different ethnic groups and the political parties of Manipur to solve this burning issue; and
- (c) whether Government have any blue print to sort out this issue?

# Development of textile industry in Assam

\*242. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state the details of steps being taken by Government for rapid development and promotion of textile industry in the State of Assam?

# Use of numbers on dollar currency as codes by militants in J&K

- \*243. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the reports about the use of numbers on million dollar currency bills as code by militants for their nefarious activities in Kashmir Valley; and
- (b) if so, Government's response and reaction thereto?

#### Rape cases registered in the country

- \*244. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the total number of rape cases registered in India, during 2004, with Statewise break-up;
- (b) the number of rapes per lac of population in India, with State-wise breakup;
  - (c) in the light of above statistics, which

were the first five States, where rape scenario was most alarming; and

(d) the steps Government intend to take to improve the situation?

#### Recruitment in Delhi Police

- †\*245. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the recruitment of nearly 15 thousand constables including women constables would be made in Delhi Police;
- (b) if so, the number of lady constables out of them; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Potable water for fluoride affected districts of AP

- \*246. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government had earmarked Rs. 208 crore for supply of potable water for fluoride-affected districts of Andhra Pradesh: and
- (b) if so, the amount earmarked for each district in Andhra Pradesh?

### Provision made under R.G.G.V.Y.

- †\*247. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) the amount earmarked under the Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana togetherwith targets fixed therefor;
  - (b) the amount sanctioned/likely to be

- sanctioned to Uttar Pradesh for the years 2005-2006 and 2006-07 under the above yojana;
- (c) whether Government have identified those districts of eastern Uttar Pradesh where rural electrification is quite low in comparison to national average;
- (d) if so, district-wise details thereof; and the number of villages targeted to be electrified under the above yojana; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Roads under PMGSY

- \*248. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of roads in the rural areas in States particularly in the State of Uttar Pradesh being constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, Statewise/Road-wise; and
- (b) the total funds allotted and utilised for the construction of these roads during the last three years, State-wise?

#### Parking facilities in NDMC area

- \*249. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that despite Supreme Court direction to N.D.M.C. to improve the parking facilities in Lutyen's Delhi, the N.D.M.C. has failed miserably to improve the construction of spacious Palika Parking at Connaught Place and has not commenced work on multilevel parking projects;
- (b) if so, the reasons for this inordinate delay; and

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(c) by when the work on these multilevel Parking projects is likely to be commenced and completed?

#### Power projects sanctioned for J&K

- \*250. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) how many power projects have been sanctioned for Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) how much funds have been proposed for the same and the details of the funds spent on each power project;
- (c) what is the present status of these projects; and
- (d) how many people of Jammu and Kashmir have been employed by these projects?

## Liberalisation of visa rules for foreign students

- †\*251. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether keeping in view the fact that foreign students are extremely impressed by the world class education system in India, Government have decided to liberalise the visa rules for the foreign students;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) by when the said decision would be implemented alongwith the number of foreign students likely to be benefited as a result thereof?

## Infiltration attempts on LoC

\*252. SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA: DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has been reported that infiltration attempts are rising along LoC;

- (b) if so, whether security officials did not rule out possibility of some militants having crossed LoC;
- (c) whether militant activities in Kashmir and other States in India are on increase:
- (d) whether latest attack on Ayodhya by militants is proof of Pakistan encouraging infiltration and militant activities in India;
- (e) if so, what are the steps proposed to check such attempts; and
- (f) whether Pakistan has been warned of serious consequences?

#### Abuse of drug

## \*253. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: SHRI C.

RAMACHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has come to Government's notice that Phensedyl cough syrup produced by one of India's major pharma firms are being smuggled into Bangladesh on a very extensive scale for non-medicinal use with full knowledge of the firm:
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken to stop such gross abuse of drug and curb smuggling activities on the Indo-Bangla border?

### Power crisis in the country

- †\*254. SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the domestic and industrial consumers as well as the farmers are being affected due to shortage of electricity in different parts of the country; and

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(b) if so, the long term and the short term measures that are proposed to be taken to bridge the gap between the demand and the availability of electricity?

#### Review of the drinking water crisis

- \*255. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government are planning to review drinking water crisis in the country;
- (b) whether Government are aware that the drinking water supplied in villages in some parts of the country is unfit for consumption; and
- (c) if so, what are the steps Government is planning to provide quality water in rural areas ?

## Purchase of paint by Defence Department

- \*256. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Paint Association (IPA) has urged the Government to set up a Task Force to evaluate and redefine the Department's purchase from the industry;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government have called for any bids for supply of imported paints; and
- (d) the details of annual consumption of indigenous paint by defence?

#### **Fuel Scam in the Army**

### \*257. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether soldiers deployed in Ladakh region are dependent on Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) for bulk supplies of petrol, diesel and kerosene delivered in IOC tankers directly to Leh;
- (b) if so, whether these tankers come to Leh from IOC depots at Ambala;
- (c) whether recently it was unearthed that agents engaged for supply of oil from IOC were delivering tankers full of water to forward bases instead of oil;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the matter has been inquired into;
- (f) if so, the details and outcome thereof; and
- (g) the action taken against persons found involved in this malpractice and fraud?

## Joint Ventures in tea, coffee and agriculture related sectors

- \*258. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether several countries have sought participation in Joint Ventures in sectors like tea, coffee and other agriculture related sectors;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any country has signed any JVs with India so far during the last six months and if so, the details thereof?

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## Non-use of East Yard of Mazgaon dock

- \*259. SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Mazgaon dock's twenty years old East Yard constructed at the cost of nearly Rs. 45 crore has been lying idle for the last ten years in the absence of any major submarine project;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the yard had been specially built to manufacture submarines in addition to repairing and refitting the vessels; and
- (c) if so, whether Government have made any investigations in this regard?

## Loss due to flood in Bihar

- †\*260. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that due to sudden flood in Bihar last year apart from immense loss of life and property the existing infrastructure also collapsed;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Central Government had sent a team of experts to Bihar to take stock thereof and to assess the loss; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

New Delhi; *The 4th August*, 2005 *Sravana* 13, 1927 (*Saka*) YOGENDRA NARAIN, Secretary-General.

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