## 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 13, 2003/Sravana 22, 1925 (Saka)

(Ministries: Coal; Defence; Home Affairs; Mines; Non-Conventional Energy Sources; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Power; Rural Development; Textiles)

Total number of questions—20

## Pending power projects of UP

- †\*321. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any new power project of the State of Uttar Pradesh is pending with the Central Government for approval; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Delhi Co-operative Societies Bill**

\*322. SHRI MANOJ BHATTA-CHARYA: SHRI KARNENDU BHATTA-CHARJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have received any proposal from the Delhi Government for enactment of the Delhi Co-operative Societies Bill;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including its objects;
- (c) when the proposal together with the text of the proposed Bill was received; and
- (d) by when the proposal is likely to be cleared by Government?

#### Diversion of arms and ammunition

- \*323. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that arms and ammunition of the Indian army is being diverted to terrorist outfits by our own paramilitary forces; and
- (b) whether any inquiry has been conducted into this affair; if so, the details thereof?

#### **Diamond-mines**

- †\*324. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of the diamond-mines in the country; and
- (b) the status of diamond-mines in the State of Chhattisgarh?

#### **Poverty alleviation schemes**

- †\*325. SHRI ABHAY KANT PRASAD: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the World Bank has sanctioned funds for poverty alleviation schemes in the rural areas;

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

- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (c) the State-wise details of the proposals pending with Government in this regard; and
- (d) the action so far taken by Government in this regard?

## Savings under SJGSY

- †\*326. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether women are being encouraged to cultivate habit of savings under Swarn Jayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana;
- (b) if so, whether Government are also contributing any amount as incentive to the amount of savings done under this scheme;
- (c) if so, the district-wise details in respect of Bihar during the financial year 2001-2002?

#### **Cross-border terrorism**

\*327. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTA-CHARJEE:

SHRI N.K. PREMA-CHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have received any report from the Intelligence authorities warning that cross-border terrorism and infiltration from Pakistan will pick-up by August-September this year;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the pre-emptive steps being taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

# Fortifying army camps and installations in J&K

- \*328. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that an order has been issued to the effect that army camps and other army installations in Jammu and Kashmir should be fortified with barbed wire fencing;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of attacks on army camps and installations in Jammu and Kashmir by Pak militants during the last six months?

## Introduction of hydrogen as an alternative fuel

- \*329. SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have set up a high powered Committee and given it six weeks to finalise a 'Road map' for the introduction of hydrogen as an alternative fuel in the country;
- (b) if so, the comparative advantages of developing hydrogen as an energy source; and
  - (c) the estimated cost of doing this?

## Fencing of Rajouri-Poonch sector

- \*330. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether 280 kilometres Line of Control in the woods of Rajouri-Poonch sector has been fenced; and

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

(b) if not, when the work is likely to be sanctioned amount and released amount; taken up and completed to stop infiltration of Pak ultras into India?

## Anti-terrorist cell in Karnataka

## \*331. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: DR. VIJAY MALLYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Karnataka has anti-terrorist special cell to deal with any unprecedented situation in the State; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether Government propose to give any direction to set up such cell in the State?

#### Nirmal Gram Puraskar scheme

- †\*332. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have launched an incentive scheme named as "Nirmal Gram Puraskar" with a view to encourage cleanliness in rural areas;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of rural areas estimated to be benefited by the above scheme?

#### Funds under APDRP to Assam

- \*333. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of funds sanctioned to Government of Assam under Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme for power generation, transmission and distribution during the last three years;
- (b) the reasons for gap between the

- (c) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

#### **Textile Reconstruction Fund**

## \*334. DR. A.R. KIDWAI: DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether top officials from the Ministries of Finance, Textiles and a few leading financial institutions and Nationalised banks met in New Delhi recently to discuss ways to revive the debt-ridden textile mills of the National Textile Corporation through the Textile Reconstruction Fund;
- (b) if so, what were the main points discussed and decisions taken; and
- (c) how the decisions are being implemented?

## **Employment generation under SJGSY**

- †\*335. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of people provided with the employment in the country after launching the Swarna Jayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana on 1st April, 1999;
- (b) the details of the amount provided by the Central Government to different State Governments under this scheme in May, 2003 and the amount contributed by the State Governments for the scheme;
- (c) the amount spent for 'Test Check' and whether any complaints of misuse of

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the funds allocated under this scheme were received; and

(d) whether any outlines were drawn for the implementation of the scheme before its launch?

### Fencing of India-Myanmar border

- \*336. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to fence India-Myanmar border;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the target for completion of the project?

#### Arms license in Delhi

- \*337. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government are aware that 90 per cent of crimes in Delhi are committed using unlicensed guns and illegal fire arms;
- (b) if so, the estimated number of unlicensed guns in Delhi;
- (c) how many licensed persons of guns/ revolvers are registered with the DCP (Licensing) as on 1st July, 2003; and
- (d) whether Government propose to restrict the issue of armed license in future on account of an increase in crime rate and if not, the reasons therefor?

# Revival of small and medium sector textile units

\*338. SHRI R.K. ANAND: SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government plans to offer some special package over what has already been allocated in the Union Budget 2003-2004 to revive small and medium sector textile units;
- (b) if so, the details of the package Government intends to offer to the textile sector to revive small and medium units;
- (c) whether such a package would be worked out for bigger units also in the future; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Share of textiles in total exports

## †\*339. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN': SHRI LAJPAT RAI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether textiles industry has a major share in total exports of the country;
- (b) if so, the percentage of textiles in the total exports during 2000-01, 2001-02 and 2002-03; and
- (c) the measures being taken by Government to increase this percentage of export in the coming years?

### Shrinking of glaciers

- †\*340. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Ministry are aware of the fact that glaciers of many snow rivers are shrinking in the country;

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

- (b) if so, the names of glaciers which are rivers including Ganga-Yamuna as well as shrinking;
- (c) whether Government propose to formulate any special scheme for conservation of originating sites of snow rivers under water conservation scheme of

for conservation of catchment areas of tributaries of these rivers; and

(d) if not, the alternative steps proposed to be taken to raise water level in these rivers?

New Delhi; The 7th August, 2003 Sravana 16, 1925 (Saka) YOGENDRA NARAIN, Secretary-General.

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