

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 18, 2004/Sravana 27, 1926 (Saka)*

**(Ministries: Defence; Home Affairs; Non-Conventional Energy Sources; Power;
Rural Development; Textiles; Youth Affairs and Sports)**

Total number of questions — 20

Central Rural Sanitation Programme

†*321. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI:
Will the Minister of RURAL
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Rural Sanitation
Programme being run in Madhya Pradesh
since 1992 has been discontinued due to
instructions of running this programme
only in the districts approved for total
sanitation campaign programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government of Madhya
Pradesh has sent projects for approval to
Central Government for 30 districts of the
State for inclusion in the said programme;
and

(d) if so, the reasons for not according
the approval and by when Central
Government are likely to accord sanction
for the same?

Expenditure incurred on the security of VIPs

*322. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the
Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased
to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the
Government are considering to reduce the
security provided to the hundreds of VIPs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of VIPs who have
been provided with the security; and

(d) the total expenditure incurred on the
security of VIPs annually?

Non-utilisation of funds under the Rural Drinking Water Schemes

*323. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA:
Will the Minister of RURAL
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the outlay
for the Rural Drinking Water Schemes
is not being utilized fully for years
together;

(b) the reasons for non-utilisation of
funds by the States for drinking water in
rural areas; and

(c) the amount earmarked for
Swajaldhara Scheme during 2002-03?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Assignment of jobs and works under SGRY

*324. SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Maharashtra had requested the Central Government to assign jobs and works under the Sampoorna Gramin Rojgar Yojana (SGRY) to Labour Co-operative Societies; and

(b) if so, what was the precise request of the State Government and what decision has been taken thereon?

Snag in the engine of Jaguar fighter

*325. SHRI AMAR SINGH : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Court of Enquiry set up by Government to go into the crash of a Jaguar fighter aircraft on May 7 near Ambala had pointed out a snag in the engine of the aircraft which led to the crash; and

(b) if so, the action Government have taken in the light of the observation of the Court of Enquiry?

Old Age Pension

†*326. SHRI ISAM SINGH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of old persons above the age of 65 years in India who are living below poverty line;

(b) whether Government are providing old age pension to all these old people; and

(c) if not, the action Government propose to take to ensure that pension is provided to all these people?

Manufacturing AJTs by HAL

*327. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. will manufacture Advanced Jet Trainers in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) when will they be able to meet the full demand of Indian Air Force in this regard?

Target for generating employment opportunities

†*328. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set any target to generate new opportunities of employment in the rural areas during Tenth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the annual target for generating employment opportunities; and

(c) the number of employment opportunities that would be generated by the end of the Tenth Plan in different sectors, sector-wise?

Inclusion of 'Tulu' language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution

*329. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal before Government to include 'Tulu' language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution; and

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(b) by when a decision in the matter is expected?

Subsidy on import of wind power electric generating units/parts

*330. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
SHRI SANTOSH
BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a subsidy on importing wind power electric generating units or their machinery parts;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are entrepreneurs in India who are indigenously manufacturing similar machines in India;

(d) if so, the comparative details of the cost of an imported wind power unit to a similar KV unit manufactured in India; and

(e) whether Government have plan to remove the subsidy offered on import of such machines or equipment?

Generation and requirement of power in the country

†*331. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise total power being generated in the country each year;

(b) the State-wise total power requirement of the country each year; and

(c) the State-wise details of the power projects formulated and implemented/ proposed to be implemented by Government for increasing the existing power generation capacity?

MoU between Centre and States for implementation of drinking water programmes

*332. SHRIMATI JAMANA DEVI
BARUPAL:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI
REDDY:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Drinking Water Supply is trying to get all State Governments to agree to sign a Memorandum of Understanding;

(b) whether States have clearly been told that if they fail to sign MoU, Central Government will progressively reduce its funds and stop funding for World Bank; and

(c) if so, to what extent States have signed MoU and by when it is likely to be implemented?

Fall in export of cotton textiles

*333. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is considerable fall in the export of cotton textiles in the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to increase the export of cotton textiles?

Performance of weaving and processing sector

*334. SHRI S.P.M. SYED KHAN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to lack of modernisation, the performance of

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weaving and processing sector is critical, and consequently India is not able to compete with China and Japan; and

(b) the year-wise details of amount, released under the Technology Upgradation Fund scheme during the last five years and progress made as a result thereof?

Availability of drinking water in villages of Chhattisgarh

*335. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the villages in Chhattisgarh are getting drinking water;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps Government have taken or propose to take to ensure that every village gets drinking water?

Complaints received by POTA Review Committee

*336. SHRI ARUN JAITLEY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received by the Central POTA Review Committee headed by Justice A.B. Sahariya;

(b) the number of complaints disposed off in favour of the complainants;

(c) the number of complaints rejected; and

(d) the number of complaints still pending?

Suicide attacks by militants in J&K

*337. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of suicide attacks by militants in Jammu and Kashmir on the security forces and civilians during the last three months and the number of casualties suffered by the security forces and others;

(b) whether Government have since traced the camps or hideouts where the human suicide bombs originate from, are prepared, trained and motivated; and

(c) the steps taken, with or without Pak co-operation, to eliminate their camps and centres?

Electrification in Eastern States

*338. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR: SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that power is one of the slowest growing infrastructure sector and only 43 per cent rural households have electricity;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Eastern States-Orissa, Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh etc., are the least lighted; and

(c) if so, what is the action plan of Government to speed up electrification in Orissa?

Coverage of primary schools under RGNDWM

*339. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rajiv Gandhi National

Drinking Water Mission (RGNDWM) has been created to solve the drinking water problem;

(b) if so, whether the drinking water supply in all primary schools would also be covered under the Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission; and

(c) if not, which scheme will look after the problems of non-availability of drinking water in several primary schools in the country?

Measures for promotion of sports and sports infrastructure

*340. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken certain measures for the promotion of sports and improvement of sports infrastructure in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware of the high proportion of wasteful expenditure in the name of sports promotion;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to curb this trend;

(e) whether it is proposed to hold a meeting of the Sports Ministers of all the States to discuss the strategies to be adopted for betterment of sports and our sportspersons; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

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YOGENDRA NARAIN,
Secretary-General.

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