

## RAJYA SABHA

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
Monday, the March 21, 2005/Phalguna 30, 1926 (Saka)*

(Ministries: Culture; Development of North Eastern Region; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Human Resource Development; Information and Broadcasting; Law and Justice; Mines; Parliamentary Affairs; Social Justice and Empowerment; Tribal Affairs; Urban Development; Urban Employment and Poverty Alleviation)

Total number of questions — 20

#### Historical buildings and monuments

†\*261. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government take care of the historical buildings and monuments themselves or through any private undertakings and institutions;

(b) if it is being done by the private institutions whether they are taking care of these historical buildings and monuments properly; and

(c) if not, whether Government are considering to assign the work of taking care of these buildings and monuments to private institutions in future?

#### Night Shelter Scheme

\*262. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have introduced any Night Shelter Scheme for the shelterless and pavement dwellers;

(b) if so, when the scheme was introduced; and

(c) the funds released so far, by Government for this scheme State and year-wise?

#### Promotion of Vedic and Sanskrit studies

\*263. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to promote Vedic and Sanskrit studies at the All-India level;

(b) if so, whether Government have earmarked any special funds for this purpose; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**Comprehensive policy for tribal welfare**

\*264. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:  
DR. T. SUBBARAMI  
REDDY:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to come out with a comprehensive policy for tribal welfare;

(b) if so, whether the proposed policy is comprising welfare programmes for 698 Scheduled Tribes spread all over the country;

(c) if so, by when this policy is likely to be announced;

(d) to what extent, it would be different than the NDA Government's proposal; and

(e) the amount earmarked for implementation of this policy?

**UN report on children**

\*265. DR. KARAN SINGH:  
DR. T. SUBBARAMI  
REDDY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the United Nations report on the "state of world children 2005";

(b) if so, whether there is lack of basic amenities for children in the country and millions of children are denied access to proper shelter, clean drinking water, toilets, immunization, nutrition, education and even information;

(c) if so, what are the other aspects that have been mentioned in the report about India; and

(d) the steps Government propose to take to improve condition of children who are deprived of the basic rights?

**Sanctions to Public Educational Institutions**

†\*266. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that sanctions to some Public Educational Institutions were accorded during Lok Sabha election 2004 even when the code of conduct was in force;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating names of such Institutions;

(c) whether Government are fixing any responsibility for violation of code of conduct; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and by when?

**Autonomous District Councils for Development of Tribals**

\*267. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Autonomous District Councils in the country for making concerted efforts for development of the tribal people;

(b) the classification of such councils;

(c) whether Government have any plan to extend the formation of such councils in the States with higher concentration of the tribals; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

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†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**State Censor Board of Andhra Pradesh**

\*268. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Censor Board of Andhra Pradesh has been reconstituted with the new Board having 88 members;

(b) what is the present Composition of the Board;

(c) whether it is also a fact that previously there were only 30 members; and

(d) if so, the reasons for constitution of such a large Board?

**Tribals residing in forests**

†\*269. SHRI ISAM SINGH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that tribal people residing in forests remain naked even today;

(b) if so, the number thereof; and

(c) the details of Government's action plan to improve their standard of living?

**Fake NGOs**

†\*270. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) receiving financial assistance under various schemes being run by her Ministry, State-wise;

(b) whether Government have detected some of the fake NGOs; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action being taken against these NGOs?

**Telecast of adult films by DD**

\*271. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Doordarshan is going to show Adult Films after 10.00 pm; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

**Scholarships to ST students**

†\*272. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to provide any financial assistance by way of scholarships to the pre-matric students belonging to Scheduled Tribes in Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) if so, by when Government would issue any orders in this regard?

**Funds for Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Disposal Schemes**

†\*273. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts being made by Government to arrange sufficient funds for implementation of the Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Disposal Schemes; and

(b) whether the rules and procedure for providing loans for the above schemes by the Life Insurance Corporation of India, HUDCO and other financial institutions are being liberalized?

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### **Setting up of Metropolitan Authority in Bangalore**

\*274. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Karnataka has requested for setting up of a Metropolitan Authority for Bangalore to ensure co-ordination between the stakeholders of the civic amenities; and

(b) if so, the details of the action, if any, taken in this regard?

### **Legislation for judicial accountability**

\*275. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to enforce a legislation on judicial accountability as per the resolution passed by the Apex Court;

(b) whether Government are aware of the fact that there is erosion of people's trust in the judiciary;

(c) if so, whether any steps are being considered to stop the erosion of people's trust; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### **New schools and school buildings**

\*276. SHRIMATI SUKHBUNS KAUR:

SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new schools, school buildings and classrooms constructed and the number of school children provided

with free books this year with the money collected as Education Cess of 2 per cent on all the Central Taxes, State-wise, and the expenditure incurred thereon;

(b) the number of new school teachers added to the teachers' strength in each State with the help of these funds, and the expenditure involved thereon; and

(c) the number of children still to be provided with schooling facilities in each State?

### **Autonomy to PSUs**

\*277. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to grant complete autonomy to PSUs to run their business;

(b) if so, the type of freedom that is proposed to be granted to help the PSUs compete with the private sector;

(c) whether any instructions in the matter have been issued by Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### **Report on ICHR**

\*278. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received an interim report of the one-man Review Committee of the Indian Council for Historical Research (ICHR);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

**Upkeep of Taj Mahal**

\*279. DR. AKHILESH DAS: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether UNESCO has made concrete suggestions for upkeep of Taj Mahal at Agra and maintenance of its surroundings and environment;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken to implement the same?

(a) whether the country has made the most notable progress in poverty alleviation while registering a healthy growth rate among the other South Asian Countries as per the report of the World Bank revealed in the publication "Annual Bank Conference on Development of Economies, 2003";

(b) if so, whether according to the report about 40 per cent of the world's poor are in south region;

**Progress in poverty alleviation**

\*280. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:  
SHRIMATI JAMANA DEVI  
BARUPAL:

Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(c) if so, whether the World Bank has agreed to provide all necessary assistance to the country to further reduce the poverty; and

(d) if so, the aid the World Bank has agreed to provide to the country?

NEW DELHI;  
*The 15th March, 2005*  
*Phalgun 24, 1926 (Saka)*

YOGENDRA NARAIN,  
*Secretary-General.*

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(Ministry-wise)

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