

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Monday, the April 22, 2002/Vaisakha 2, 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

Disposal of pending cases by retired judges

*401. SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a group of retired judges of Patna High Court has offered to return to the bench to assist the court to dispose of over 100,000 pending cases; and

(b) if so, Government's response in this regard?

Facilities in hospitals

*402. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: 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 "Facilities in hospitals exist only on paper: panel", which appeared in the Hindu, dated the 18th March, 2002;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to implement the recommendations of the

Parliamentary Committee to provide quality medical facilities in the various medical institutes and hospitals of Government?

Infrastructural development of towns/cities in Tamil Nadu

*403. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of towns/cities in Tamil Nadu which have been allocated financial assistance for infrastructural development;

(b) whether there is any proposal to include Andipatti/Theni towns in Tamil Nadu for infrastructural development;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Non-existent voters' names in West Bengal

*404. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the CEO of West Bengal detected seventy lakhs non-

existent voters' names as reported in the Statesman, Kolkata edition, dated the 5th February, 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof and status of those indicating their existence, citizenship status, *modus operandi* adopted for their inclusion in the list and implication on the Assembly Poll, 2001 results;

(c) the steps taken to prevent such happening in future; and

(d) the reported incidents of such finding, if any, in other States including Assam?

Model Land Use Policy for urban areas

*405. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to formulate a Model Land Use Policy for urban areas to meet the aspirations of the economically weaker sections;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the Model Land Use Policy is likely to be brought before the Parliament?

Hostels for SC/ST students

*406. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of hostels for SC/ST students in the country, State-wise;

(b) the number of students availing the facility in the country, State-wise;

(c) whether Government propose to construct more number of hostels; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Budgeting nightmares for cancer patients

*407. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: 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, "Have some sympathy, Mr. Sinha-Budgeting nightmares for cancer patients", which appeared in the Indian Express, dated the 15th March, 2002; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto and the corrective steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

Report on National Cancer Research Programme

*408. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Cancer Research Programme has been entrusted to the National Institute of Health and Family Welfare;

(b) if so, whether the Institute has submitted its report on the evaluation of the programme; and

(c) if not, the reasons for the delay?

Cereal Banks in villages

†*409. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set-up Cereal Banks in the villages;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) in what manner it will help to provide food security to the villagers, particularly poor villagers?

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Comprehensive policy for mentally challenged persons

*410. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that mentally challenged persons are increasing in the country;

(b) if so, the details of such persons, State-wise;

(c) whether Government propose to make a comprehensive mental health policy in order to take care of these persons; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

R.K. Puram, Sector VI, in particular, do not attend to any patient;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government are aware that the CMO of the above dispensary sits idle and is very rude and impolite to the beneficiaries;

(d) if so, whether any complaint against him from any Member of Parliament has been received;

(e) if so, the action Government have taken against this CMO; and

(f) if not, by when suitable disciplinary action would be initiated against him?

Financial assistance to Government hospitals

†*411. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the financial assistance provided by Government during the year 2000-2001 under the scheme to the selected Government hospitals in various States for emergency nursing centres in the towns/cities located at the National Highways;

(b) the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the names of the areas in Gujarat where the benefits of this scheme have been extended?

Action against CMO of CGHS dispensary, R.K. Puram

*412. PROF. RAM GOPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether CMOs of CGHS dispensaries in Delhi, in general, and of

Disinvestment of Bhilai Steel Plant

*413. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to disinvest Bhilai Steel Plant;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Bhilai Steel plant is making profit; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Incentives for speedy disposal of court cases

*414. SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY: Will the Minister of LAW JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any scheme for giving incentives for speedy disposal of court cases;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with its area of operation;

(c) the number of cases pending relating to senior citizens in various courts in Delhi; and

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(d) the measures Government propose to take for their early disposal?

Allotment of plots to landless persons

†*415. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have allotted plots to landless persons under 20-point programme;

(b) if so, the number of landless persons to whom plots have been allotted and the number of persons to whom plots are yet to be allotted;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some of the allottees have not got possession of plots, so far;

(d) if so, the steps Government propose to take to give them possession of the plots; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Steps to modernise BALCO

*416. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether production, reserve stock of bauxite and the quality of the final product have considerably reduced as compared to that before disinvestment of Bharat Aluminium Company (BALCO);

(b) whether above company had a reserve of about Rs. 300 crores and made a profit of more than Rs. 40 crores when it was privatized;

(c) whether the new management is taking any steps for modernisation of the company;

(d) if so, the details of steps taken in this regard; and

(e) whether Government would reconsider the disinvestment of Bharat Aluminium Company?

Law on land use in NCT Delhi

*417. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

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

(a) whether Government have formulated an elaborate, practicable and uniformly applicable law on land use in NCT of Delhi in view of the court verdict on the status of Sainik Farm;

(b) if so, how is it different from the old law;

(c) how is it going to stop arbitrariness, unequal and partisan treatment, and

(d) by when a final decision on all unauthorized colonies in the NCT of Delhi is expected?

Applicants registered under New Pattern-1979

*418. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the applicants registered under the DDA Scheme for New Pattern-1979, under the HIG, MIG and LIG categories;

(b) the number of the applicants who have been allotted the flats under the said scheme; and

(c) by when, the rest of the applicants would be allotted the flats?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Crisis of drinking water

†*419. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA:
Will the Minister of URBAN
DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY
ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the crisis of drinking water has assumed serious proportion in the metropolitan cities/cities/towns/densely populated areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps Government are taking to provide adequate quantity of water in the summer season; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Study on average fertility rates

*420. SHRI N. K. PREMA-
CHANDRAN: Will the Minister of
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be
pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any study on the average fertility rate in various States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any States have launched the two-child norm, if so, the details thereof;

(d) the existing average fertility rate at national level and whether Government would consider adopting any specific approach to slow down the population growth;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether Government propose to move any Bill on the above subject; and

(g) if so, the stage at which the introduction of the Bill stands at present?

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R.C. TRIPATHI,
Secretary-General.

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