

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 25, 2005/Vaisakha 5, 1927 (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

Management of Kendriya Vidyalayas

*421. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA
MURTHY:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Kendriya
Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) has failed to
cater to the educational needs of the children
and whether there are large scale
irregularities in the management of the
schools;

(b) whether it is also a fact that
infrastructural facilities, such as buildings,
playgrounds, laboratories, computers,
drinking water and sewerage etc. are lacking
in many schools despite enhancement of
monthly rates of contribution from the
students; and

(c) the details of the steps initiated by
Government to strengthen control and
monitoring of KVS over functioning of the
schools?

National Mission for urban poor

*422. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA
RAO: Will the Minister of URBAN
EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY
ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to
form a National Mission for basic services
to urban poor;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether existing institutions would
be scrapped in favour of the National
Mission;

(d) to what extent Government propose
to remove all urban slums in the next five
years; and

(e) the details of the schedule of targets
for removal of urban slums?

Reservation for women in Parliament and Assemblies

†*423. SHRIMATI KAMLA
MANHAR: Will the Minister of LAW
AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have held any

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discussions in the recent months to bring unanimity among all the political parties for reservation for the women in Parliamentary and Assembly constituencies;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

Monitoring system for drug abuse

†*424. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that drugs are being misused on a large scale;

(b) if so, whether any monitoring system has been put into place by Government to stop this;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the States where the same has been implemented;

(d) whether any help from the voluntary organisations is also being taken in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

International cooperation for promotion of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

†*425. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the countries whose cooperation is being sought to promote "Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan" in the rural areas;

(b) the aid received from the international financial institutions and other countries during the last three years;

(c) the States where this aid has been utilized, district-wise and State-wise; and

(d) the details of the other programmes formulated by Government for promotion of investment in the field of primary education?

White Paper on minority communities

*426. SHRIMATI VANGA

GEETHA:

SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring out a White Paper on the situation of the minority communities; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Judge population ratio

*427. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of judges of High Courts and Subordinate Courts per one lakh population;

(b) whether Government propose to increase the number of judges per lakh of population; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Capacity utilisation of Public Sector Enterprises

†*428. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

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

(a) the number of public sector enterprises being run by his Ministry as on March, 2005;

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(b) the number of such enterprises that have achieved production utilisation of more than 90 per cent of their installed capacity during the years 2003-04 and 2004-05; and

(c) the number of enterprises that could utilise less than 30 per cent of their installed production capacity?

Upliftment of tribal women

*429. SHRI S.P.M. SYED KHAN: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of tribal women employed in Government sector (both in the States and Centre) during the last five years, State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that adequate attention has not been paid to uplift the tribal women for better education and employment; and

(c) the steps taken by Government for upliftment of tribal women?

Rules to control foreign channels

†*430. SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have framed any rules to keep check on foreign channels;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the channels which have violated these rules during the last two years; and

(d) if answer to the part (a) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor?

Literacy ratio

†*431. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any study to ascertain the literacy ratio of male and female in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last five years, State-wise;

(c) whether the female literacy rate in Madhya Pradesh happens to be lower than that of the other States; and

(d) whether any separate arrangement has been made to increase the female literacy in the State?

Archaeological sites in Tamil Nadu

*432. SHRI R. KAMARAJ: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Archaeological Survey of India had located the habitational site of the iron age people who were buried in big urns at Adidhanallur in Tamil Nadu ;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the ASI is conducting many more excavations in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Representation of Government cases

*433. SHRI R. SHUNMUGA-SUNDARAM: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken for the prompt and effective representation of the Central Government cases before the High Courts and the Supreme Court;

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(b) the existing number of vacancies of Law Officers and standing counsels in the courts and the steps taken to fill them; and

(c) whether there is any agency to monitor performance of the Law Officers and standing counsels of the Central Government and if so, how frequently their performances are assessed?

Suicides by students due to exam stress

*434. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA:
SHRIMATI SUKHBUNS KAUR:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the tendency of committing suicide due to failure in examinations or poor results and tension is on the rise among the students;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have ever given serious consideration to the matter;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the year-wise details of the students committing suicide; and

(f) the steps taken so far by Government to check it?

SCs/STs/OBCs Judges

*435. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are applying the principle of social justice in appointment of constitutional posts such as judges of High Courts and Supreme Court of India; and

(b) if so, the ratio of representations given to SCs, STs, OBCs, women and minorities in the existing strength of the High Courts/Supreme Court?

Claim over Taj Mahal

*436. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRI AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had received any demand from the Government of UP for handing over the charge of Taj Mahal to Wakf Board;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

Objectives of the ICDS

*437. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that despite full utilisation of funds allocated under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS), a large number of children under the age of five die every month due to malnutrition while the main aim of ICDS is to lower the infant mortality;

(b) if so, whether Government have looked into the working of ICDS and if so, the outcome thereof; and

(c) whether Government have identified the factors responsible for failure of the ICDS and the details of the steps taken/proposed to be taken to improve ICDS and to bring down infant mortality rate?

Investment in automobile sector

*438. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
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 invest Rs. 1700 crores in the automobile sector for upgradation/testing facilities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the places where such facilities are proposed to be set up especially those falling in Orissa and the time-frame within which these would be operational?

Infrastructure development in cities

*439. DR. AKHILESH DAS:
SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to show case, not only Mumbai as Shanghai of the country, but to show case India as a modern and fast developing country

offering infrastructure facilities comparable to those created in China;

(b) if so, the broad features and details of the plan, indicating phase-wise details and targets conceived thereunder; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken in that direction?

Sengupta Panel Report

*440. SHRI MOOLCHAND
MEENA:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI
REDDY:

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

(a) whether Sengupta Panel Report on greater autonomy for PSEs has submitted its report to Government;

(b) if so, the recommendations made by this panel in its report;

(c) whether Government have examined all its recommendations; and

(d) if so, what are the steps being taken to implement them?

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