

## RAJYA SABHA

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
Monday, the November 25, 2002/Agrahayana 4, 1924 (Saka)*

**(Ministries: Commerce and Industry; Development of North Eastern Region;  
Disinvestment; Health and Family Welfare; Heavy Industries and Public  
Enterprises; Information and Broadcasting; Law and Justice; Shipping;  
Social Justice and Empowerment; Tribal Affairs; Urban  
Development and Poverty Alleviation)**

**Total number of questions—20**

#### **Non-use of cancer equipments**

\*81. SHRI C. RAMACHAND-  
RAIAH:  
SHRI BHAGATRAM  
MANHAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the Delhi  
Cancer Registry (DCR) maintained by the  
Indian Council of Medical Research  
(ICMR), the rate of breast cancer has  
increased manifold;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware that  
the expensive equipments imported by  
various hospitals in Delhi for treatment of  
cancer patients are lying idle and not in use  
for the last few years; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor with the  
names of the hospitals that are not using the  
equipments imported from abroad?

#### **Rain harvesting projects**

\*82. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN:  
SHRI SANTOSH  
BAGRODIA:

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

(a) whether Government have any  
proposal to develop more rain harvesting  
projects in Delhi and other metros;

(b) if so, the details of such  
proposals;

(c) the funds proposed to be allocated  
towards the same; and

(d) whether Government realise the  
seriousness of harvesting rain water and  
how Government propose to educate the  
various municipal corporations in this  
regard?

### **DDA's Rohini Scheme 1980-81**

\*83. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DDA's Rohini Scheme 1980-81 envisaged allotment of HIG and MIG plots to all applicants in five years;

(b) if so, what is the total number of plots for which applications have been received for these categories, the allotments of plots made upto the year 1990 and every year thereafter and the rate at which these plots were sold;

(c) the reasons for inordinate delay in allotment of plots; and

(d) the steps being taken to clear the waiting list on priority or by offering alternative sites?

### **Waiting list for Government accommodation in Delhi**

\*84. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the various types of Government residential accommodation available in the Capital for allotment to various categories of Central Government functionaries;

(b) whether it is a fact that inspite of putting in more than 20 years of service, there are innumerable Central Government functionaries at various levels still waiting for allotment;

(c) if so, the number and categories of Central Government functionaries who are awaiting their turn for over 10 years in each type of accommodation; and

(d) the details of the steps taken to mitigate housing problem and hasten allotment of accommodation?

### **Kidney case**

\*85. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: 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, "Cop says doctors removed kidney and didn't tell", which appeared in the Hindustan Times, dated the 23rd September, 2002;

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

(c) whether any inquiry has been/is being instituted to investigate into the incident;

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

(e) whether any action is being contemplated against the concerned doctor(s) for such professional misconduct?

### **Welfare fund for journalists**

\*86. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: DR. ABRAR AHMED:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Journalists' Welfare Fund for providing *ex-gratia* relief to the journalists exists;

(b) if so, the total amount in this fund, as on date; and

(c) the number of journalists/families of journalists benefited, so far?

### **Quality of drinking water in Delhi**

\*87. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that an independent survey conducted by a prominent national daily, recently throws up several disturbing facts about the quality of drinking water supplied to various parts of the Capital;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the sample of Delhi Jal Board has failed in the test conducted by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences also leading to an outbreak of typhoid amongst its doctors; and

(d) if so, the preventive and remedial steps proposed in this regard?

### **Increase in JJ clusters**

†\*88. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that jhuggi-jhonpri clusters have increased in metropolitan cities during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof in metro cities;

(c) whether State Governments have sought any financial assistance for rehabilitation of these JJ clusters; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

### **Control of health hazard environment**

\*89. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a disgusting mixture of smoke and fog (smog) is keeping pollutants, especially suspended particulate matter and pollen at breathing level, causing widespread viral infection, asthma etc. in most parts of North and some parts of Western India; and

(b) if so, the measures, so far, taken or are being contemplated by Government so that this health hazard environment could be controlled and adequate medical care in the shape of prevention and treatment is taken?

### **Disinvestment of Ashoka Hotel**

\*90. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken a final decision to disinvest the Ashoka Hotel, New Delhi;

(b) if so, whether a road map has been drawn in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that the hotel is showing signs of turn around; and

(d) if so, whether Government propose to have a second look on the move to privatise the hotel?

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†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

### **Targetted industrial output**

\*91. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the industrial output during the months of April to August, 2002 was 4.9 per cent;

(b) if so, the overall target fixed for the current year; and

(c) what will be the likely achievements against the target?

### **Outstanding dues of Prasar Bharati**

\*92. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the revenue earned by Prasar Bharati through advertisements during 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002;

(b) the dues outstanding from various advertisers during the above mentioned years;

(c) the details of top ten defaulters out of them; and

(d) the steps taken against the defaulters?

### **Disinvestment of PSUs**

\*93. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Government undertakings already put to disinvestment;

(b) which of these undertakings were

losing concerns and which were gaining concerns; and

(c) the names of the undertakings which are now under consideration of Government for disinvestment?

### **Disinvestment of National Fertilizers Limited**

\*94. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Fertilizers Limited (NFL) is one of the profit generating PSUs and playing a crucial role in providing nutrients to the agricultural sector all over the country;

(b) if so, the details of the performance of the NFL;

(c) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry is slating to disinvest NFL despite the serious objection from the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

### **Deteriorating situation in cities and villages**

†\*95. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that inspite of completion of integrated development schemes of cities and villages under Five Year Plans, the situation of most of the cities and villages in the country is deteriorating, barring a few exceptions; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

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†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

### **Monitoring of ship traffic**

\*96. SHRI B.J. PANDA:  
SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) the proposed state-of-the-art system to monitor ship traffic and the names of ports where it is proposed to be installed;

(b) the manner in which the safety of ships in navigation would be monitored, besides control of incoming and outgoing ships from the ports; and

(c) the ultra-modern systems that have been developed for the purpose?

### **Disinvestment of Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.**

\*97. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to sell off Hindustan Antibiotics Limited;

(b) the value of assets of the company; and

(c) the details of the offer of the highest bidder?

### **HIV test before marriage**

\*98. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR:  
SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT  
RAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether keeping in view the increasing number of AIDS cases in the

country, Government are planning to bring forward a legislation making it mandatory for would-be bridegrooms and brides to undergo HIV testing, as is being done in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether any ground work has been done in this regard; and

(c) by when the proposal is likely to be finalised?

### **Performance of PSUs**

\*99. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:  
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that production of the 49 public sector enterprises under his Ministry was down by 11 per cent in the first half of the current fiscal year; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the poor performance of these units, unit-wise?

### **Report of Law Commission on judicial arrears**

\*100. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Law Commission headed by Justice M. Jagannadha Rao has submitted its report on judicial arrears;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by Government to reduce the backlog of cases?

NEW DELHI;  
The 18th November, 2002  
*Kartika 27, 1924 (Saka)*

YOGENDRA NARAIN,  
*Secretary-General.*

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