

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, the February 26, 2003/Phalguna 7, 1924 (Saka)*

(Ministries: Coal; Defence; Home Affairs; Mines; Non-Conventional Energy
Sources; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Power;
Rural Development; Textiles)

Total number of questions — 20

Deportation of illegal Bangladeshis

*121. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has started any
serious attempt to send the illegal
Bangladeshi migrants back to their country;

(b) if so, the details of the attempts and
the number of migrants sent back to
Bangladesh in last six months; and

(c) how many have been deported in the
above said period from Mumbai?

Keeping of endangered animals in farm-houses

*122. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:
SHRI BHAGATRAM
MANHAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has
been drawn to the news-item captioned
"Python catch at hotelier's farm-house"
which appeared in the Hindustan Times,
New Delhi on the 10th January, 2003;

(b) if so, what are the complete details
thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware
that a large number of owners of farm-
house are keeping endangered animals;
and

(d) if so, what steps Government
propose to identify farm-houses and
capture the animals and punish the
guilty under the Wild Life Protection
Act, 1972?

Use of Aircrafts reserved for PM and Home Minister

*123. SHRI SANTOSH
BAGRODIA:
SHRI R.K. ANAND:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
be pleased to state:

(a) how many and what type of aircrafts
have been kept reserved for the use of Prime
Minister and Home Minister; and

(b) to whom these aircrafts belong to
and how are there aircrafts utilised when
Prime Minister and Home Minister does
not require it?

Completion of universal metering

*124. SHRI K. KALAVENKATA
RAO:
SHRI C. RAMACHAND-
RAIAH:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the 11 Kv. and above metering in the first phase was to have been completed by the end of 2001;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the universal metering is also lagging behind throughout the country;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when Government propose to complete universal metering?

Target for employment under SGRY and SJGSY

†*125. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN
SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set an annual target for providing new job opportunities in each State of the country under Sampurna Gramin Rojgar Yojana and Swarn Jayanti Gram Swarajgar Yojana;

(b) if so, the targetted number for each State; and

(c) by when unemployment will be eradicated completely in each State through these schemes?

IAF aircraft crash

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

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of IAF aircrafts which crashed during the last two years;

(b) how many Air Force officials and citizens lost their lives in such incidents and loss suffered by IAF as a result thereof; and

(c) the reasons for these crashes and the remedial steps Government have taken in this regard?

Potable and ground water crisis in Rajasthan

*127. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from the Government of Rajasthan regarding the potable and ground water crisis faced by the State last year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount of grant extended to the State Government against the said proposals; and

(d) whether Government are willing to extend concessions granted under Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme in drought hit areas of the State?

Intermediate Jet Trainer developed by HAL

*128. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(a) whether the Intermediate Jet Trainer developed by the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited has been tested;

(b) if so, will it fill IAF's technical gap in the training of pilots; and

(c) by when will they be inducted into IAF?

Schemes for the welfare of handloom weavers in Uttar Pradesh

†*129. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes being implemented for the welfare of handloom weavers in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the details of the financial aid provided for implementation of the above schemes in the State during the last three years; and

(c) the district-wise number of the weavers benefited by these schemes?

Insurgency on India's eastern border

*130. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Security Agencies in India have submitted a highly disturbing report to Government detailing the disruptive activities of the insurgent groups in Bangladesh;

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

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to address the problems of insurgency on the India's eastern border?

Ghatkopar blast case

*131. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Sayyed Yunus Khwaja, one of the accused in Ghatkopar blast case, escaped from police custody;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken against the officials responsible and the present status of the case?

Violation of Indian airspace by Pakistani aircrafts

†*132. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of violations of Indian airspace by Pakistani aircrafts during the last one year alongwith the number of aircrafts captured;

(b) the steps taken by Government to prevent such violation; and

(c) the outcome thereof?

Child labour in silk industry

*133. SHRIMATI BIMBA RAIKAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the London based Human Rights Watch in its latest report on India has observed that India failed to protect the rights and welfare of children engaged in silk industry;

(b) whether the National Human Rights Commission has initiated action on implementing Supreme Court directives on rehabilitation of child labour engaged in silk industry; and

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(c) if so, the details thereof?

Defence Minister's visit to Russia

*134. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:
Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Defence Minister was on official visit to Russia recently;

(b) if so, the objective behind the visit; and

(c) the outcome of his visit?

**Infiltration of terrorists on
Bangladeshi passport**

†*135. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI:
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that ISI, the infamous agency of Pakistan has devised a new way of infiltrating terrorists into India under fake identity after the tightening of security by India on border;

(b) whether it is also a fact that now ISI is infiltrating terrorists on the passports of Bangladesh; and

(c) if replies to (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, the steps taken by Government to keep a check on such activities alongwith the details thereof?

**Facilities for families of soldiers
martyred by the terrorists**

†*136. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the families of soldiers martyred by the terrorists are proposed to be provided with the facilities at par with those martyred in wars;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for treating them differently?

**Alleged crime by army personnel in
moving train**

*137. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item published in the Indian Express dated the 10th December captioned, "Men 'pushed' out of train into river, Army denies hand";

(b) whether any enquiry was conducted;

(c) if so, the findings of the enquiries;

(d) whether it is a fact that army personnel had indeed pushed these men, as claimed by the victim, and whether the culprits have been identified; and

(e) the action proposed to be taken in the matter?

Breach in PM's security

*138. SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been thrice breach in the Prime Minister's security cover;

(b) if so, what were the occasions on which these three breaches have been found;

(c) who were the persons held responsible for the breach in the Prime Minister's security;

(d) what are the steps being taken to check such type of lapses on the Prime Minister's security;

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(e) whether the Prime Minister's security has now been fully reorganized; and

(f) if so, whether Government are now considering to implement all the recommendations made on 30th September, 1993 and 4th September, 1996 and increase the staff strength?

Reduction of ash content in Indian Coal

*139. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Coal India Limited is planning to bring down the average ash content of Indian Coal as reported in Statesman, dated the 3rd February, 2003;

(b) if so, the facts and details in this regard;

(c) to what extent the users would be benefited by this highly improved quality coal;

(d) whether the availability of highly improved quality coal would have any impact on import of coal; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Bofors scandal

†*140. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI LAJPAT RAI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some officers of the administration had extended help to the main accused of Bofors scam Ottovio Quattrochi in fleeing from India;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether Government have identified these officers; and

(d) if so, the names of said officers and the administrative departments where they are posted at present along with their present designations?

NEW DELHI;
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YOGENDRA NARAIN,
Secretary-General.

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