

## RAJYA SABHA

---

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
Wednesday, the April 27, 2005/Vaisakha 7, 1927 (Saka)*

---

**(Ministries : Commerce and Industry; Defence; Home Affairs; Non-  
Conventional Energy Sources; Power; Rural Development; Textiles)**

**Total number of questions — 20**

#### **Cases of violence against girl-child**

\*461. SHRI JANARDHANA  
POOJARY : Will the Minister of HOME  
AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cases of  
violence against girl-child are on the  
increase;

(b) whether such violence is perpetrated  
even by their teachers;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with  
the cases booked during the last three  
years, year-wise and State-wise;

(d) whether Government propose to  
establish special courts to try cases of abuse  
of girl-child and to make such offence  
punishable with death penalty;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Amendment to Article 356**

\*462. SHRI MANOJ BHATTA-  
CHARYA:  
SHRI N. K. PREMA-  
CHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court in the  
famous S.R. Bommai case made several  
suggestions to be incorporated in Article  
356 of the Constitution, if so, the details  
thereof;

(b) whether the Sarkaria Commission  
also made similar suggestions and if so, the  
details thereof;

(c) whether these suggestions are being  
put in place by a suitable amendment of  
Article 356; and

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

#### **Atrocities against women in Delhi and metros**

\*463. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will  
the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be  
pleased to state:

(a) whether atrocities against women  
have increased in National Capital Territory  
of Delhi (NCT) and other metropolitan  
cities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what action plan has been formulated

by the Government to check atrocities against women?

**Integrated Barren Land Development Programme in M.P.**

†\*464. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of proposals received from Madhya Pradesh under Integrated Barren Land Development Programme;

(b) the number of proposals approved out of these proposals and the amount provided so far for the same, year-wise; and

(c) the number of proposals yet to be approved and by when these are likely to be approved?

**Meeting of Inter-State Council Standing Committee**

\*465. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:  
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Inter-State Council Standing Committee adopted a draft action plan on good governance, land reforms, targeting of subsidies and need for user charges;

(b) if so, whether this is the first meeting of the Standing Committee of Inter-State Council after the installation of the present Government;

(c) if so, how many State Ministers attended the meeting and the Central Ministers who were representing the Central Government in this meeting; and

(d) what was the outcome of the discussions held?

**Dowry related atrocities on women**

\*466. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of atrocities on women during the years 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05; State-wise break-up;

(b) how many culprits involved in the torture of women during these years have been arrested and punished;

(c) the number of dowry related cases during the last three years; State-wise;

(d) the State-wise number of deaths in dowry related cases in the in-laws houses during the last three years; and

(e) how Government propose to proceed for curbing these menaces?

**Amount collected for Gujarat earthquake victims**

\*467. SHRI JAYANTILAL BAROT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Kerala has collected huge amount to help the victims of Gujarat Earthquake;

(b) if so, what is the total amount so collected;

(c) whether the total amount so collected was transferred to PM's National Relief Fund;

(d) if not, why the State Government has not done it so far; and

(e) whether the Central Government would like to frame any policy in this regard?

---

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**Multi-tier fencing along LoC in Jammu and Kashmir**

\*468. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering for 580 Kms., multi-tier fencing out of the volatile, 778 Kms. long LoC in Jammu and Kashmir in order to put a break on infiltration;

(b) if so, when the fencing is expected to be completed; and

(c) what will be the financial involvement thereon?

**Steps to improve textile industry**

\*469. SHRI R. KAMARAJ: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in order to capitalise on the emerging business opportunities the Indian textile industry needs to invest massively and build large capacities to improve productivity and reduce costs;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard;

(c) whether it is also true that Indian textile industry needs to invest in export infrastructure, brand creation and education for those working in the apparel industry; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard?

**Report of Task Force on Project Exports**

\*470. SHRI SUDARSHAN AKARAPU: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Task Force on Project Exports had submitted its Report;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have accepted the recommendations of the Task Force; and

(d) if so, the current status of its implementation?

**Sectors attracting FDI**

\*471. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Drugs and Pharmaceuticals figure among top five sectors which attracted in inflow of foreign direct investments (FDI) between April, 2002 and December 2004;

(b) if so, whether other four sectors are electrical equipment, transportation industry, services sector and telecommunications;

(c) if so, whether Government have also recently allowed 100 per cent FDI under automatic route for development of townships, housing, built-up infrastructure and construction development projects;

(d) if so, whether Government is proposing to open up other sectors for FDI;

(e) if so, what are the sectors which are under consideration of Government; and

(f) by what time final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

**National Rural Road Scheme**

†\*472. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of villages having

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

been linked up with the roads under the National Rural Road Scheme during the last three years;

(b) the total length of roads constructed in the State of Chhattisgarh during this period; and

(c) the expenditure incurred thereon?

#### **Kelkar Committee Report**

\*473. DR. KARAN SINGH:  
SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received the Kelkar report on defence;

(b) if so, whether the Kelkar Committee has also recommended changes in the defence acquisition and procurement process;

(c) if so, whether Government have considered the recommendations of the Kelkar Committee of Defence; and

(d) how many of its recommendations have been accepted and what are the steps being considered to implement them?

#### **Employment Guarantee Scheme**

†\*474. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to constitute a National Fund under the "Employment Guarantee Scheme";

(b) the initial amount required for the said fund;

(c) in what manner the financial

resources would be mobilised for the said National Fund;

(d) who would be the Controlling authority for the fund; and

(e) whether CAG and Parliamentary Committee (Financial Affairs) would be empowered to scrutinizing to the said Fund?

#### **Safety of women tourists**

\*475. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether single Women tourists, foreign or local, while travelling face difficulties and undesirable behaviour from citizens; and

(b) what steps Government are taking in projecting India as a safe and women friendly-destination?

#### **Review of Indian Penal Code**

\*476. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:  
SHRI B. J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chairperson of National Commission for Women (NCW) has called for a review of Indian Penal Code to secure betterment of lot of women;

(b) whether it is also a fact that NCW had suggestions for amendment of the code and propose to submit their recommendations to Government;

(c) if so, whether they have since submitted their recommendations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

---

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**Release of compensation to farmers of Jammu and Kashmir**

\*477. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 203 given in the Rajya Sabha on 2nd February, 2005 and to state:

(a) whether the released amount of compensation has since been distributed to the affected persons; and

(b) by when the total compensation sanctioned is likely to be released?

**Sale of obsolete armaments and equipments as scrap**

\*478. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Army has proposed to put up for sale, as scrap, a massive inventory of its obsolete armaments and equipments, including the 800 Vijayanta tanks, hundreds of guns and artillery pieces; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the modalities proposed for disposal of the scrap and machinery set up to over-see the mutilation or smelting of the barrels etc. before scrapping the weapons?

**Fire safety norms in multi-storey buildings**

\*479. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: SHRI R.K. ANAND:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 2500 multi-storey buildings in the capital are not adhering to the fire safety norms; and

(b) what action has been taken/is being taken against them?

**Target for providing electricity to every household**

†\*480. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have fixed a target to provide electricity to every house in the country in the next four years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the preparations made by Government so far to achieve this target;

(d) the number of houses in Uttar Pradesh targeted to be provided with electricity under this target in the years 2005-06 and 2006-07; and

(e) the steps taken /proposed to be taken by Government to achieve this target within the scheduled time (four years)?

NEW DELHI;  
The 21st April, 2005  
Vaisakha 1, 1927 (Saka)

YOGENDRA NARAIN,  
Secretary-General.

---

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**I N D E X**  
**(Ministry-wise)**

<b>Commerce and Industry</b>	: 470, 471,
<b>Defence</b>	: 468, 473, 477, 478,
<b>Home Affairs</b>	: 461, 462, 463, 465, 466, 467, 475, 476, 479,
<b>Non-Conventional Energy Sources</b>	: —
<b>Power</b>	: 480,
<b>Rural Development</b>	: 464, 472, 474,
<b>Textiles</b>	: 469.