RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on Wednesday, the July 31, 2002/Sravana 9, 1924 (Saka)

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

Total number of questions-20

Setting up Captive power Plant for power supply to Delhi in Korba-Chhattisgarh

- *241. DR. AKHILESH DAS: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether a captive coal based 1000 MW power plant for power supply to the capital is proposed to be set up in Korba-Chhattisgarh coal pit heads;
- (b) if so, the details and cost thereof indicating the estimated distribution losses to be incurred thereby; and
- (c) the economic justifications for the captive plant for Delhi being located at Korba-Chhattisgarh?

Execution of HAL projects

- *242. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. is looking for private sector to execute its major projects such as the Sukhoi 30 MKI and Advanced Light Helicopter;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. has identified specific areas of cooperation with private sector; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Terrorist activities on the borders of Jammu and Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh

- *243. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a number of violent incidents by the terrorists on the borders of Jammu and Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh and some areas of Punjab have increased during the last six months;
- (b) if so, the total number of violent incidents occurred in these States during the above period;
- (c) the number of security personnel, terrorists and citizens killed in these incidents; and
- (d) the steps Government propose to take to prevent such incidents in future?

Indo-US Defence Policy Group meet

- *244. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Indio-US Defence Policy Group met from 20-23 May, 2002 in Washington DC;

- (b) if so, the details of progress made in the areas of cooperation on defence and security matters in this meeting; and
- (c) the details of decisions jointly taken by the Indo-US Defence Policy Group in December 2001, matured so far?

Construction of road in Balmiki Basti village, Bulandshahar District, Uttar Pradesh

- †*245. SHRI R.N. ARYA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to connect Balmiki Basti village in Bulandshahar, UP with Pucca Road under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana or under any other scheme funded by the Central Government;
 - (b) if so, by when; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

RDX consignments recovered in Rajasthan

- *246. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government of Rajasthan has recovered a number of Pakistani detonators, time devices, wireless equipments and RDX consignments from the border areas:
- (b) if so, whether it is a fact that these consignments were sent to India to create large scale disturbance in the country; and
- (c) if so, the action taken by Government to curb such activities in the country particularly at the Indo-Pak Border?

Withdrawal of National Programme on Improved Chullhas

- *247. SHRI MANOJ BHATTA-CHARYA: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the National Programme on Improved Chullhas (NPIC) is being withdrawn;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) how many poor rural women are going to be adversely affected due to such a decision?

Edibles provided to Jawans

- †*248. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the news-item captioned, "Jawano ko khilaya ja raha hai mrit pashuon ka maans", which appeared in 'Nav Bharat Times', New Delhi, dated the 29th May 2002;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

Jaish-e-Mohammad activities in Uttaranchal

- †*249. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the Jaish-e-Mohammad and a few other terrorist outfits have started spreading its tentacles to Uttaranchal also;
- (b) if so, whether Government in consultation with the State Government have worked out a scheme to nab them immediately;

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- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the assistance provided/proposed to be provided to the State Government?

Training to rural youth of Assam

- *250. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the rural youth trained under various rural development schemes in Assam during the last three years;
- (b) the rural youth in the State to be trained under the schemes during the next three years; and
- (c) the details of steps being taken by Government to achieve the targets in this regard?

Phase III power reforms

- *251. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have initiated Phase III of reforms in power sector;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the achievements made under Phase I and Phase II of Power Sector Reforms were negligible; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Private Sector participation in defence production

- *252. SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's decision to open the defence sector for private investment has got a poor response;

- (b) if so, whether Government was expecting good players in the private sector to come forward for investment in defence:
- (c) if so, what are the factors that are responsible for the poor response; and
- (d) the steps being taken to encourage private investment in defence units?

Growth of illegal madarsas

*253. SHRI SUNIL SHASTRI: SHRI ABANI ROY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any security agency has recommended tough law to tackle the menace of illegal madarsas in the country as reported in The Hindustan Times, dated the 6th June, 2002;
- (b) if so, whether Government propose to bring out a legislation to check the growth of unregistered and illegal madarsas in the country;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether steps would also be taken to check the flow of foreign funds for illegal madarsas in the country; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Power projects generating less than installed capacity

†*254. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Power Projects being run by Central Government are generating less power than installed capacity due to some technical defects;

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- (b) if so, how much less power than installed capacity was generated by each project in the year 2001-2002;
- (c) the steps Government propose to take to generate power as per the installed capacity; and
- (d) the amount required to rectify the technical defects?

Upgradation of MIG-27

- *255. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that India is planning to upgrade MIG-27 fighter jets in co-operation with Israel;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) by when they are going to be inducted into the Indian Air Force?

Fake visa racket unearthed by Delhi Police

- *256. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Delhi Police has recently busted racket that used to arrange fake visas to European countries as reported in the Pioneer dated 9th July, 2002;
- (b) if so, the *modus operandi* of the racket;
- (c) whether the officials of the Ministry of External Affairs are also involved in granting forged visas;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and action Government have taken in this regard; and
- (e) the steps taken by Government to ensure that such incidents do not recur in future?

Clearance of pending proposals for setting up power projects in NE States

*257. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: SHRI RAJU PARMAR:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of proposals for setting up power projects received from North Eastern States pending with the Central Government;
- (b) if so, the details of each proposal;
- (c) by when Government propose to give clearance to these proposals?

New scheme developed by MCD

- *258. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Municipal Corporation of Delhi has developed a "decentralized water and sewage treatment system" to solve the twin problems of water shortage and drainage system; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Power generation through Solar Photo Voltaics (SPVs)

- *259. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:
- (a) the total power generated during the last three years under Solar Photo Voltaics (SPVs), the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) the target fixed during the financial year 2002-2003;
- (c) whether Government have drawn up any plan to popularise SPVs in Urban and Rural areas of the country;

- (d) the number of Projects sanctioned during the year 2001-2002 and total expected power capacity of these projects; and
- (e) the subsidy given to consumers/ entrepreneurs who have set up the SPVs plants?

Removal of Jan Chetna Manch Jhuggi cluster in Laxmi Bai Nagar, New Delhi

†*260. CHAUDHARY HARMOHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Jhuggies located near Laxmi Bai Nagar, Barat Ghar have been removed by NDMC recently, but the Jhuggies cluster named Jan Chetna Manch adjoining Laxmi Narayan Temple have not been removed;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps being taken by Government to remove these Jhuggies immediately?

New Delhi; *The* 25th July, 2002 *Sravana* 3, 1924 (*Saka*) R.C. TRIPATHI, Secretary-General.

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