

## RAJYA SABHA

### List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on*

*Monday, the August 5, 2002/Sravana 14, 1924 (Saka)*

**(Ministries : 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—155**

#### **Schemes affected by terrorism in NER**

†1916. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all the projects being undertaken in North-Eastern States have become victim of terrorism;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Ministry of Power has warned about the threat of security of the personnel engaged in these projects;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is also a fact that incidents of gruesome killings of a number of employees/officers of Indian Oil Corporation have taken place recently; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Implementation of PM's Special Packages for NER**

1917. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the Ministries which have not

complied with national commitment through various PM's Special Packages for NER indicating actual percentage of budgetary provisions made, utilized and amount transferred to Non-lapsable Pool of Resources during last three financial years; and

(b) the action taken against departments for not complying with this national commitment?

#### **Economic packages announced by PM for NER**

1918. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMA: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government for development of North Eastern Region under the various economic packages announced by the Prime Minister from time to time; and

(b) the details of funds released, so far, and the demand made by each State of NER?

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### **Bunglings in hotels of ITDC**

† 1919. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Intelligence Bureau (IB) has revealed certain instances of bunglings in various hotels of ITDC on the request of his Ministry;

(b) if so, the full details of the bunglings;

(c) the officials found responsible for this; and

(d) the action Government propose to take against the culprits?

### **Valuation of fixed assets of PSUs**

1920. SHRI SUNIL SHASTRI: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to direct all Public Sector Undertakings to get their yearly valuation of fixed assets done so as to help determine their values on demand; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Asset value of disinvested ITDC hotels**

1921. SHRI GAYA SINGH:

SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:

Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the asset value of various ITDC hotels which were disinvested and sold; and

(b) the criteria on which the asset values were fixed?

### **Disinvestment of BPCL and HPCL**

1922. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD:  
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has decided for disinvestment of BPCL and HPCL;

(b) if so, whether any modalities for their disinvestment has been decided upon;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by when disinvestment process is likely to be started and completed?

### **Disinvestment of SCI**

1923. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the national flag carrier Shipping Corporation of India is to be privatised;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that many foreign firms, who had shown some interest in SCI, have pulled out;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether Government have considered all pros and cons of country's security, infiltration, smuggling etc. at the time of embroiled political situation?

### **Disinvestment proposal of ITDC Hotel Kanishka**

1924. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have shelved the disinvestment proposal of ITDC-owned Kanishka Hotel due to difficulties in

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unbundling the utilities and real estate aspects it shares with the adjoining Ashok Yatri Niwas hotel;

(b) if so, by when the issues are likely to be sorted out;

(c) whether Hotel Ashok, New Delhi and Hotel Janpath have been taken out of disinvestment basket; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

#### **Employees' participation in bidding for companies**

1925. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether honouring the special rights of workers over the stakes of their companies, Government propose to offer incentives to employees' associations bidding for the stakes of their own company;

(b) whether this concept will be put into practice in any of the forthcoming investment bids; and

(c) whether Government had earlier rejected the bid of Pilots Guild for Air India stakes but are now considering favourably the bid of employees of Engineers India Ltd. which is to be taken up for disinvestment soon?

#### **Assessment of equity of PSUs to be disinvested**

† 1926. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the basis on which Government assess the equity of Public Sector Undertakings meant for disinvestment while taking decision on their disinvestment;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government

are assessing the equity of an undertaking meant for disinvestment on the basis of the dividend earned by it, whereas the assessment should be made on the basis of assessment made by market;

(c) if so, whether there is resentment among the officers of Public Sector Undertakings due to improper assessment of the PSUs; and

(d) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

#### **Disinvestment of oil companies**

† 1927. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to disinvest oil companies;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of Government-owned profit earning companies?

#### **Allocations for Communicable Disease Control Programmes**

1928. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) Government's allocation for various Communicable Disease Control Programmes in the country;

(b) the details of programmes for which India sought external assistance for the last three years along with the names of the agencies and the programmes funded, year-wise;

(c) the amount sanctioned for these programmes, programme-wise;

(d) how much amount out of this has been actually spent;

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(e) whether any evaluation has been done on any such externally funded programme; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

#### **14th International Congress on AIDS**

1929. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India participated in the recently held 14th International Congress on AIDS held at Barcelona;

(b) if so, the details of the deliberations conducted;

(c) whether Brazil and Thailand have made tremendous progress in AIDS control/management by establishing legal rights for free medicare and treatment for AIDS victims; and

(d) what insights India has gained from the Barcelona conclave and how it proposes to adapt the same in Indian context?

#### **Blood donation camps**

1930. DR. ABRAR AHMED:

SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

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

(a) whether only those organisations should be allowed to hold blood donation camps that can facilitate to get the blood tested of HIV/AIDS and other serious diseases so as to minimize the level of risk at the Donation centre;

(b) if so, whether such organisations could be instructed to do the same;

(c) whether there is any plan to provide

operational and implementation assistance to such organisations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Recognition of Medical College in Delhi**

1931. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that MCI has refused to recommend a college in Delhi for recognition after a year of its inception, as appeared in the Indian Express, dated 3rd July, 2002;

(b) if so, the reasons for such a decision by MCI;

(c) what will happen to the students of this medical college;

(d) the problems being faced by this medical college and students; and

(e) the criteria fixed by MCI to recommend a medical college for recognition?

#### **Upgradation of PHCs in AP**

1932. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:

SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:

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

(a) whether any proposal from the Government of Andhra Pradesh has been received in his Ministry for its approval to seek financial and technical assistance from Germany for upgrading Primary Health Care in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, when such a proposal was received in his Ministry; and

(c) the action contemplated in this regard?

### Study on blood quality

1933. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to news-item captioned, "Your blood won't do: Rotary tells rickshaw pullers", which appeared in the Indian Express, dated 15th June, 2002;

(b) if so, the factual position in this regard;

(c) whether any study on blood quality has been conducted by Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, on what basis poor people are branded as risk group?

### Herbal contraceptive cream

†1934. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to include the herbal contraceptive cream, produced by the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, Lucknow into Family Welfare Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when a decision is likely to be taken in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Anaemia among children

1935. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a recent survey has revealed that majority of children upto

the age of five are underweight and suffering from anaemia;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the position of Andhra Pradesh in this regard; and

(d) the steps taken to improve the nutritional status of children in the country and particularly in Andhra Pradesh?

### Sale of kidneys in Kerala

1936. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a racket of Sale of Kidneys has been detected in Idukki District of Kerala, as reported in the Hindustan Times of 11th June, 2002;

(b) if so, what has been forcing the poor tribals to take to this step of selling away their kidneys and who is behind this inhuman deal;

(c) the names of hospitals found involved in this racket and since when this racket has been going on; and

(d) the action taken by Government against the accused?

### Suicide by AIDS affected people in Bihar

†1937. SHRI JHUMUK LAL BHENDIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that AIDS affected people in Bihar are forced to commit suicide;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the scheme formulated by Government to provide sufficient treatment to the AIDS patients and to protect them from social stigma?

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**Integrated Primary Health Care  
System**

1938. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some State Governments have submitted proposals for establishing an Integrated Primary Health Care System in their respective States for improving the quality and effectiveness of the Primary Health Care and Health promotive services through community participation; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the cost of the project in respect of each State and the time by when the proposal is likely to materialise?

**Increase in cancer and AIDS**

1939. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the incidence of cancer and AIDS is on the increase in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the steps initiated to contain spread of these diseases;

(c) the allocations made during the last five years to various programmes and research agencies engaged in prevention/minimisation of cancer and AIDS;

(d) whether it is also a fact that treatment for these diseases is very costly;

(e) whether Government propose to subsidise medicines/tests for the treatment/diagnosis of these diseases for poor patients; and

(f) if so, the details in this regard?

**Adult morbidity rate**

1940. SHRI JIBON ROY: 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 "Adult morbidity high in slums", which appeared in the Hindustan Times, dated the 17th June, 2002;

(b) if so, the steps Government are taking to reverse the trend;

(c) the parameters maintained in this regard amongst slum dwellers in four metropolis; and

(d) the adult morbidity rates in slum area of other developing countries?

**Medical check up camps in Jhuggi  
clusters in Delhi**

1941. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:  
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that people living in Jhuggi clusters in the vicinity of the garbage dumping area on the outskirts of Delhi are facing health threat;

(b) whether medical check up camps have been organized recently in the adjoining areas of the garbage dumping grounds;

(c) if so, the details of such camps that were organized in the past one year; and

(d) the details of diseases detected from these areas and the action taken to protect the people from any serious epidemic or health hazard?

**Setting-up of hospital and medical college at Bhuj**

1942. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ:  
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister on his visit to Bhuj in Gujarat after the devastating earthquake in the State had announced Rs. 100 crore grant for setting-up of a world class hospital and medical college at Bhuj to be completed by 26th January, 2003;

(b) if so, the progress made in this respect, so far;

(c) whether Government have any proposal for mobile hospitals in Kutch district of Gujarat, particularly in the remote areas of the district; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, together with financial allocation made by Government?

**Vaccine for AIDS**

1943. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:  
SHRI BHAGATRAM  
MANHAR:

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

(a) whether the National Chemical Laboratory at Pune has developed an effective vaccine for AIDS;

(b) if so, the complete details thereof;

(c) whether Government have obtained Indian and International patent for the vaccine; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Treatment for poor patients in Indraprastha Apollo Hospital**

1944. SHRI BHAGATRAM  
MANHAR:  
SHRI RAJU PARMAR:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that poor patients are entitled to have treatment in the Indraprastha Apollo Hospital at par with those who pay for their medical expenses;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are considering the formation of a Commission to ensure that poor patients are provided medical facilities as per the guidelines of the Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Fourteenth International HIV-AIDS Conference**

1945. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:  
SHRI BHAGATRAM  
MANHAR:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that a high power delegation of Government attended the 14th International HIV-AIDS Conference held in Spain recently;

(b) if so, the details of members of the delegation; and

(c) what was the country's proposal to fight AIDS in the Conference and to what extent the country benefited from the deliberations of the Conference?

**Rise in injecting drug users**

1946. SHRI M.A. KADAR:  
SHRI C.P. THIRUNA-  
VUKKARASU:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that according to a rapid assessment survey in the cities across the country, Delhi and Chennai are

witnessing rapid rise in injecting drug users getting infected by AIDS;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures to be adopted by Government for reducing such incidents?

#### **Setting-up of PGI in Dr. RML Hospital**

1947. SHRI SUDARSHAN  
AKARAPU:  
SHRI P. PRABHAKAR  
REDDY:

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

(a) whether a Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research is proposed to be set-up at Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the proposed institute, besides providing facilities for medical research, would also provide arrangements for advanced patient care; and

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

#### **Scheme for free medical check up for senior citizens**

1948. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:  
DR. ABRAR AHMED:

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

(a) whether there is any scheme for free medical check up for senior citizens in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of such a scheme in the State of Rajasthan; and

(d) the implementation of such scheme at various levels in Rajasthan?

#### **Recognition to EHRC, Faridabad**

1949. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 4087 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 6th May, 2002 and state:

(a) the details of the team which visited EHRC, Faridabad recently for the purpose of recognizing it under CGHS for the benefit of Central Government Employees residing/working in Faridabad;

(b) the details of the report submitted by the above team;

(c) by when recognition will be given to EHRC; and

(d) the details of terms and conditions for grant of recognition?

#### **Release of funds under Family Welfare Programme to Andhra Pradesh**

1950. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under Family Welfare Programme for the year 2000-01, Government have yet to release the amount to the tune of Rs. 10633.89 lakhs to the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether any request in this connection has been received for early release of balance amount; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by his Ministry to release the amount?

#### **Increase in smokers and tobacco users**

1951. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite anti-smoking legislation in several States the



number of smokers and tobacco users in the country is steadily increasing;

(b) whether it is also a fact that it is due to the gross insensitivity and casual approach of the enforcement agencies; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken to curb it?

**Proposals submitted by Government of Tripura**

1952. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Tripura has submitted proposals in the form of projects for sanction of funds relating to strengthening of District Hospitals in Tripura, establishment of Modern Psychiatric Hospital at Agartala and strengthening of paramedical institute;

(b) where do these proposals stand now; and

(c) whether the required funds have been sanctioned as per projects?

**Capacity of RIMS, Manipur**

1953. SHRI RISHANG KEISHING: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the capacity of the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Manipur in terms of bed and students Course-wise;

(b) the modern equipment and accommodation provided during the past five years; and

(c) the major development programmes in terms of equipment and buildings during the Tenth Five Year Plan?

**Increase in P.G. Medical Colleges in Andhra Pradesh**

1954. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of

HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh for recognition of P.G. Courses and increase in P.G. Medical Colleges in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal;

(c) whether M.C.I. has carried out any inspection in this connection; and

(d) if so, the details of the inspection?

**Irregularities in Patna Medical College**

1955. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lot of irregularities in Patna Medical College have come to the notice of Government;

(b) whether it is also a fact that apart from financial irregularities, the students have been harassed and victimized to the extent that some have tried to commit suicide;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken against the erring officials and faculty and the steps taken to run the college according to the prescribed rules and regulations?

**Financial assistance to voluntary organisations for setting-up of hospitals/dispensaries**

1956. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of voluntary organisations that were given financial assistance during the year 2001-2002 for encouraging setting-up of new hospitals/dispensaries in rural areas and improving existing hospital facilities; and

(b) the number of organisations which

furnished utilization certificates and were sanctioned further assistance and the number of organisations which did not furnish utilization certificates and were denied assistance?

#### **Erosion in professional standards of doctors**

1957. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an erosion in professional standards of doctors working in Government hospitals;

(b) if not, the number of deaths due to medical negligence in the country during last three years, State-wise; and

(c) the details of measures taken to avoid/curb such incidents?

#### **Safe injection practice**

1958. SHRI C. P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to formulate policy for safe injection practice keeping in mind Joint Statement by WHO-UNICEF-UNFPA in 1997 urging all countries to switch to auto-disable syringes by 2003;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have issued guidelines for use of auto-disable syringe in Hepatitis-B vaccination campaign;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether Government propose to do so now?

#### **Two-child norm**

1959. SHRI N. K. PREMA-CHANDRAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring any change in the Population Policy by introducing the two-child norm;

(b) the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) the number of States which have introduced their own Population Policy in violation of the Central Policy and the details of incentives, disincentives and coercive measures adopted by those States;

(d) whether the Government of Kerala has adopted two-child norm as part of its Population Control Programme;

(e) whether Government propose to unify the Population Control Programme applicable to all States; and

(f) the reaction of Government thereto?

#### **HIV-free certificates for foreigners**

1960. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether with a view to checking the spread of HIV virus Government propose to insist on HIV-free certificates from foreigners visiting India;

(b) whether the Ministry of Tourism and the Ministry of External Affairs have been consulted in this regard;

(c) if so, what is their reaction; and

(d) by when a final decision is expected to be taken?

#### **Reduction of seats in Medical Colleges**

1961. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reduced the number of seats in Medical Colleges in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the total number of seats in Medical Colleges and Dental Colleges in the country?

**Universal Immunisation Programme for Hepatitis-B**

1962. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently introduced a Universal Immunisation Programme for Hepatitis-B Vaccine for liver ailments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have implemented this programme in all States/UTs; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Immunisation programme for children**

1963. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 51 per cent of the child population are not fully immunised and 74 per cent suffer from anaemia;

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to address this problem;

(c) whether State Governments have any special plan in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details of the same for the last three years?

**Pilot project on Hepatitis Immunisation**

† 1964. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently introduced any pilot project on Hepatitis immunisation;

(b) if so, the details of the districts of Orissa included in this; and

(c) the fresh steps taken or the strategy formulated to implement the scheme in the backward districts of the country?

**Trials of Yoga and Herbal medicines at higher altitudes**

1965. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Yoga and Herbal medicines have been found to be helpful in staying fit at higher altitudes;

(b) whether defence authorities have conducted trials of these medicines; and

(c) if so, their reaction in this regard?

**Transfer policy for doctors of ISM&H Department**

1966. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the transfer and posting policy is applicable to the doctors who are posted in the Department of ISM&H;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of doctors who have completed four years service in the Department of ISM&H;

(d) by when these doctors would be transferred from the Department; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Telephone facility to ISM & H Doctors**

1967. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 3511 given in the Rajya Sabha on 29th April, 2002 and state:

(a) the date on which Department of

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ISM & H has mooted proposal for providing residential telephone facility to the ISM & H physicians;

(b) whether the D.G. Health Services approved the proposal for providing the residential telephone facility to these doctors in the month of October, 2001 and the same has been delayed; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when this facility is likely to be provided to the ISM & H doctors?

#### **Herbs Park at NIH**

1968. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Herbs Park attached to the National Institute of Homoeopathy is being maintained properly;

(b) if so, how many species of useful medicinal herbs are there in the Park at Kalyani, West Bengal;

(c) whether these herbs and plants of geographical identity are well recorded and documented to suit the new patent regime; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Appraisal of NMES in Andhra Pradesh**

1969. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any appraisal of the Centrally-sponsored National Malaria Eradication Scheme has been made in the State of Andhra Pradesh to assess the achievements of the scheme;

(b) if so, the findings thereof including the shortcomings noticed, if any; and

(c) the remedial measures initiated to

remove the constraints and to achieve the objectives of the scheme in the State?

#### **Traditional food items in Departmental Canteens**

1970. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has drawn up a plan to replace the items of fast food and aerated drinks in departmental canteens and various hospitals with hygienically-prepared traditional and nutritious items;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any canteen offering the traditional food items and fruit drinks has actually started operating;

(d) if so, the response from the public;

(e) whether the scheme is proposed to be extended to various departments of Government including the public sector undertakings; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Policy for self-financing of medical colleges**

1971. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the policy of self-financing of medical colleges has worked successfully;

(b) if so, the number of such colleges Government intend to open State-wise; and

(c) the number of applications lying pending with his Ministry for openings of new colleges from the State of Gujarat?

**Proposal for construction of hospital at Rajouri**

1972. MIRZA ABDUL RASHID: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Rajouri District Headquarter which is the Central point of more than ten lakh population of Rajouri and Poonch Border Areas lacks medical facilities;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a proposal for construction of two hundred bed hospital at Rajouri is included in the Tenth Five Year Plan, funded by the Centre; and

(c) if so, by when it will be implemented?

**Electropathy System of Medicine**

† 1973. SHRIMATI JAMANA DEVI BARUPAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce Electropathy System of Medicine in the same way as the Allopathy, Ayurvedic, Unani and Homoeopathy Systems of Medicine;

(b) if so, the action taken against such institutes which are charging hefty amount from the youth in the name of Medical course and spoiling their future; and

(c) the complete details thereof?

**Regularization of *ad-hoc* doctors**

1974. SHRI SHYAM LAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the cases of regularization of only few doctors appointed on *ad-hoc*/monthly wage basis were referred to DOPT and Law Ministry since the date

of initial appointment, whereas the claims/representations of other doctors similarly appointed were ignored;

(b) whether it is also a fact that despite the policy decision of 1978 of not appointing doctors on *ad-hoc* and daily wage basis, a few doctors were appointed on *ad-hoc* and daily wage basis;

(c) if so, the number of doctors appointed on *ad-hoc* and daily wage basis since 1978; and

(d) the reasons for this discrimination?

**Upgradation of Government hospitals in Assam**

1975. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to upgrade the Government hospitals functioning at present in the State of Assam during the current financial year; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Transfusion of untested blood**

† 1976. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the blood collecting units and doctors who are transfusing blood are not testing it prior to its use;

(b) if so, the action being taken against such units and doctors;

(c) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, 'Bahar se Kharida Rakt Sankramit Nikla, Mareez ko Jaan ke Lale', which appeared in

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The Rashtriya Sahara' dated the 6th June, 2002; and

(d) the number of such cases which came to the notice of Government from January, 2001 to till date and the action taken by Government in each case?

#### **Shortage of Dental Professors/Readers**

† 1977. SHRI HARENDRA SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating a plan to ban opening of new dental colleges during next five years keeping in view shortage of Professors and Readers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for this shortage; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by Government to redress the shortage of Professors and Readers in the country?

#### **Shortage of hospitals in Delhi**

1978. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is shortage of hospitals in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether some of the hospitals have not been adhering to the percentage fixed for free treatment of people living Below Poverty Line in each hospital;

(c) whether a large number of people have to go to private hospitals due to shortage of beds in Government hospitals;

(d) whether people from outside are finding it more difficult to get the treatment in Government hospitals; and

(e) the steps Government propose to take to meet the situation?

#### **Posting of doctors in villages**

† 1979. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that villages are in dire need of doctors;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to formulate any special scheme to depute doctors in villages; and

(c) if so, the details of the said scheme and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Malnutrition among children**

† 1980. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that children in the country are not being properly reared;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering to take concrete steps to save children from malnutrition; and

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

#### **PHCs and CHCs functioning in the Country**

1981. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of primary health centres, sub-centres and community health centres functioning at present in the country alongwith availability of doctors, nurses and hospital beds, particularly in the Metropolitan cities, State-wise/Metropolitan city-wise; and

(b) the details of expenditure incurred on health by Government during the last five years and till date, State-wise/Union Territory-wise?

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**Association of ISM & H with TKDL project**

1982. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy is associated with the Traditional Knowledge Digital Library Project;

(b) if so, the details of other organisations associated with the project including the specific work assigned to and undertaken by the other organisations;

(c) the total grant allocated to the project and the duration thereof;

(d) the details of staff appointed alongwith qualifications and consolidated salary fixed, staff-wise and category-wise; and

(e) the details of the work completed till July, 2002?

**Allocation of funds for NFWP**

1983. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of amount allocated, sanctioned and utilized for National Family Welfare Programme during the last five years, State-wise;

(b) the details of achievements made by Government during this period; and

(c) whether Government are satisfied with the achievements?

**Website on TKDL**

1984. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the website launched on

Traditional Knowledge Digital Library is also highlighting the role of Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy in developing the TKDL;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the contributions made in TKDL by various agencies associated with the project;

(c) whether the above website is still available;

(d) if not, the reasons for the above and the duration in which the website was available; and

(e) the amount of fund utilised for the website?

**Monitoring system for laboratories and blood banks**

1985. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the Blood Banks are infrastructurally Competent and/or developed so as to undertake proper tests to isolate HIV, Hepatitis B virus and bacterias causing STD;

(b) if so, whether there is any monitoring system to bring the negligent laboratories or Blood Banks to book; and

(c) if so, how many such blood banks have been brought to book or the situations arising thereof could be corrected in the interest of the common people?

**Recognition of Jaipur Golden Hospital, Delhi under CGHS**

1986. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Jaipur

Golden Hospital, Delhi which was recognized for general purpose treatment and diagnostic procedures for the CGHS beneficiaries in terms of Government of India's Order dated the 18th September, 1996 has been excluded from the revised list as notified as per Government of India's Order dated the 7th September, 2001;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether there is any move to restore the aforesaid hospital in the revised list and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **24-hour delivery services at PHCs and CHCs**

1987. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the scheme for 24-hour delivery services at selected Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and Community Health Centres (CHCs) is one of the components of Reproductive and Child Health Programme launched by Government; and

(b) if so, the number of PHCs and CHCs in Andhra Pradesh which are providing 24-hour delivery services to the expecting mothers in the State, District-wise?

#### **Japanese Encephalitis in Andhra Pradesh**

1988. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the Status of Japanese Encephalitis this year in the State of Andhra Pradesh which is quite prone to this dreaded disease;

(b) whether endemic districts of this disease have been identified in the State;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures taken by Government in these districts in particular and the State as a whole?

#### **Complaints against CGHS regarding medical reimbursement**

1989. SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints against CGHS that cases of medical reimbursement, particularly of pensioners belonging to non-VIP category are being inordinately delayed on flimsy objections for weeks and months;

(b) whether Government are aware that a network of touts is operating in CGHS and cases which are followed by them are cleared promptly as a result other cases are delayed;

(c) whether any inquiry in such complaints has been conducted;

(d) if so, the result thereof and the action taken in the matter; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Dues of employees with PSEs**

†1990. SHRI HARENDRA SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of employees' dues with public enterprises as on 30th June, 2002, enterprise-wise;

(b) the reasons for non-payment of the dues; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to pay the dues to the employees and the success achieved by Government through these steps?

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### Revival of BOGL

1991. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether an Expert Committee constituted by Government had recommended revival of BOGL, Durgapur in 1999;

(b) if so, whether Government have approved any revival package as per the recommendations and forwarded the same to BIFR;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the agencies responsible for the delay in implementing the revival scheme for BOGL?

### Guidelines for Film Certification

1992. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have studied the censorship guidelines followed by various countries in order to update and amend the existing rules and guidelines for Film Certification;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the updated rules and guidelines are likely to be implemented?

### Advertisements of liquor and tobacco on TV

1993. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI:  
SHRI K. B. KRISHNA MURTHY:  
SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA:

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

(a) whether Government are aware that many liquor/cigarette companies are airing advertisements of their major brands in leading TV Channels as Soda, Mineral Water or ash trays/cigarette lighters;

(b) whether under the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, advertisements promoting directly or by remote suggestion relating to liquor and tobacco have been banned;

(c) whether Government will initiate proceedings against regular brand advertisers like Charms, Kingfisher, Smirnoff, Royal Challenge and Royal Stag;

(d) whether Government would formulate a comprehensive Advertisement Policy for private channels and newspapers; and

(e) if so, by when?

### Financing of film industry

1994. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:  
SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA:

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

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India has decided to finance 50 per cent of the total production cost of a film to curb the mounting clout of the underworld in the Mumbai film industry;

(b) if so, the conditions put forward by the Reserve Bank of India in this regard;

(c) whether it was a long-pending demand of the film industry to free it from the hands of underworld; and

(d) if so, the other steps being considered to check this?

**Committee to check surrogate advertisements**

1995. SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA:  
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:  
PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM:

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

(a) whether Government have set-up a Committee to monitor surrogate advertisements which are an offence and invite severe punishment;

(b) if so, the main functions of this Committee;

(c) whether four channels have been told to stop liquor advertisements;

(d) if so, the details of the decision taken by the Committee; and

(e) to what extent her Ministry has acted against the surrogate advertisements?

**Guidelines on objectionable advertisements and publications**

†1996. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':  
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

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

(a) whether Government have evolved any system to stop the broadcasting of objectionable advertisements and publications in the country;

(b) if so, whether any guidelines have also been issued to identify such objectionable advertisements, publications and broadcasts; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and since when these guidelines are in effect?

**FDI in Print Media**

†1997. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:  
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:  
SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI:

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

(a) whether Government have laid down necessary guidelines after giving the approval for foreign investment in Print Media;

(b) if so, the details of the guidelines;

(c) by when these are likely to be implemented;

(d) whether Government have received any objection relating to FDI in Print Media; and

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

**Films Division films**

†1998. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:  
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN'

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

(a) whether it is a fact that permission for making commercial films has been granted to the Films Division so as to increase its earnings;

(b) if so, when this permission was granted;

(c) whether exhibition of the films made by Films Division has been started; and

(d) if so, the names of the films and the details of the income earned by screening of films?

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**Panel for stopping objectionable advertisements**

† 1999. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:  
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have constituted a Panel to give suggestions for stopping objectionable advertisements;

(b) if so, when this panel was constituted;

(c) the names of members of this panel; and

(d) the details of advertisements which were found objectionable and communicated to Government by the Panel?

**Viewership of DD-I and DD Metro Programmes**

2000. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that viewership of DD-I, DD Metro and other channels of Doordarshan has gone down drastically and their popularity is on the wane during the recent years due to poor quality and transmission of programmes;

(b) if so, the steps taken to restructure and re-orient these channels and also to refurbish the image of DD so as to regain the market share;

(c) whether Government have any plan to lease their broadcast time to private companies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Demands of Cable TV Operators**

2001. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Cable T.V. Operators United Front/Associations are planning to go on strike from 24 July, 2002, as reported in the 'Hindustan Times', dated 19th July, 2002;

(b) if so, the main demands/grouse of the operators; and

(c) the remedial measures Government propose to take to meet the situation while ensuring that the middle class people who are over-burdened financially are not asked to pay more by introducing the proposed CAS (Conditional Access System) being demanded by operators?

**Dues against different agencies and producers**

2002. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a huge amount of more than Rs. 33445 lakhs is outstanding from different agencies by Doordarshan during the period 1997-1998 to 2000-2001; and

(b) if so, the names of the agencies and amount outstanding against each of them as on 31st March, 2002?

**Popularisation of DD**

† 2003. DR. ABRAR AHMED : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the steps Government are taking to popularise Doordarshan and develop competition with private channels; and

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(b) whether Government would consider to increase the number of news bulletins on Doordarshan and also telecast news at every hour like news telecast by Star News and Aaj Tak?

**Encouraging nudity, obscenity and violence on cinema and TV**

† 2004. SHRI JHUMUK LAL BHENDIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that major media of publicity like cinema and television, have been encouraging nudity, obscenity and violence as a result of which children and youth are being spoiled; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to strictly control/restrict obscenity being shown through foreign films, channels, advertisements and other media?

**Low conviction rate in Criminal Courts**

2005. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the conviction rate in Criminal Courts is low in the country;

(b) if so, the main reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to improve the conviction rate in the interest of the general public; and

(d) if so, the details of the measures taken in this regard?

**Success and failure of Fast Track Courts**

2006. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM : Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that with the exception of Pune, out of 1,713 Fast Track Courts (FTCs) in the country, Government have set-up only 1,080 courts;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have analysed the success of Pune and failure of FTCs in other parts of the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Supreme Court to go hi-tech**

2007. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Supreme Court has plans to go hi-tech online, as reported recently in the Press;

(b) the name of the agency which would help SC to go hi-tech to make litigation much quicker and cheaper;

(c) whether his Ministry has studied the Singapore Model in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Co-ordination between Government and Judicial authorities**

2008. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government in co-ordination with judicial authorities has taken certain steps to ensure that cases pending in courts are disposed of speedily;

(b) whether it has been experienced that Fast Track Courts have yielded good results and brought down the number of pending cases;

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(c) whether in order to introduce accountability, Government propose to introduce a column in service report of Judges showing the number of cases disposed of by a particular Judge in the reported year; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

**Out of court settling of pending litigations against Government**

2009. SHRI B.S. GNANADESIKAN: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry would constitute a Review Committee to explore the possibility of settling out-of-court all pending litigations against Government in order to reduce the workload of the Supreme Court and the High Courts; and

(b) if so, whether Government would take steps to advise the State Governments to constitute such Committees to reduce workload in the High Courts by settling out-of-court all possible cases pending against the State Governments?

**In-camera trial of rape victims**

2010. SHRIMATI SHABANA AZMI: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring a comprehensive legislation for taking depositions of rape victims in-camera by women Judges;

(b) if so, the time-frame thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Fast Track Courts in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh**

2011. SHRI KAILASH JOSHI: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Fast Track Courts functioning in the States of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh;

(b) the details of such courts though established but not functional due to non-availability of staff and infrastructure;

(c) the details where only Presiding Officers (Judges) have been appointed; and

(d) the steps contemplated to make such courts functional?

**Target date for Photo Identity Cards**

2012. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRA-IAH: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have fixed any date by which the entire population will be having Photo Identity Cards;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the names of States which have covered the entire population as on 30th June, 2002;

(d) the States which Lag behind in issuing cards; and

(e) the steps being taken to ensure that all citizens of the country have identity cards?

**Setting up of Family Courts**

2013. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that even after seventeen years of enactment of the Family Court Act, Family Courts are yet to be set-up in 12 States and 6 UTs;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the fresh steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government to persuade remaining States/UTs to set-up Family Courts?

**Modernisation of courts to expedite trial**

2014. SHRI B.S. GNANADESIKAN: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry will initiate steps to modernise the courts particularly the subordinate courts by providing videography facilities, computers etc., to expedite the trials, and

(b) if not, the steps taken by his Ministry for speedy disposal of cases, particularly criminal cases?

**Justice to Undertrials**

2015. SHRI SUNIL SHASTRI: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to provide speedy justice to the undertrials in the jails who recently adopted the path of violence in Bihar;

(b) if so, whether Government are planning to restrict the increasing flow of undertrials by bringing certain changes in the laws and legal procedures; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Supreme Court ruling on Fast Track Courts**

2016. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether, after the recent Supreme Court ruling reinforcing the Constitutional and legal sanctity of Fast Track Courts, Government are working vigorously to ensure that all 1743 Fast Track Courts become functional;

(b) if so, whether the FTCs adopted by the 11th Finance Commission with the idea

of ridding huge pendency of cases, got a legal sanction by a recent Supreme Court ruling dated the 6th May, 2002;

(c) if so, whether any programme of action has been considered by Government to make Fast Track Courts functional soon; and

(d) if so, by when these Courts will be functional?

**Proposal to set-up Singapore Style e-court**

2017. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a proposal has been formulated to establish the Singapore style e-court set-up at the apex court level where all proceedings can be conducted electronically;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the specialised training facilities launched and infrastructure created/proposed to be created in the various States;

(c) whether and to what extent amendments to relevant Rules/Acts would be necessary to leverage the benefits offered by the Information Technology backed by the IT Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time-frame fixed to make the e-court project operational at the earliest?

**Cutting down port expenditure**

2018. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether he had announced that he would cut down operations cost of port trusts by 10 per cent annually;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this cutting down of expenditure will assist the ports to improve their business; and

(d) if so, the projected figures for the next five years?

#### **Economy in Port's Costs**

2019. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently some fresh initiatives have been taken at 12 major ports in the country to cut costs in their operations so that they can run like independent profit centres; and

(b) if so, the details thereof with specific areas identified for the cost cutting exercise and major economy measures adopted if any, so far?

#### **Expansion plan for JNP in Mumbai**

2020. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMA-CHANDRAIAH:  
SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA  
SEKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of expansion plan for Jawaharlal Nehru Port in Mumbai;

(b) the approximate expenditure expected therefor; and

(c) the details of other ports to be expanded in the near future?

#### **Private sector participation in inland waterways**

2021. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:  
SHRI R.P. GOENKA:  
SHRI MOOLCHAND  
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a proposal has been formulated by the Inland Waterways Authority of India to allow private participation in inland waterways, especially for setting up cargo terminals and running of vessel services on identified waterways;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some major shipping companies have already expressed their intention to participate in such projects and a model agreement for inviting private sector participation has been formalised; and

(d) if so, the details thereof with the present status of the bidding process?

#### **Setting-up of National Maritime University**

2022. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUK-KARASU: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set-up a National Maritime University;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the scope and extent of maritime education and training in the country has been reviewed; and

(d) if so, the details thereof in the context of setting-up Maritime University?

#### **Project for development of T.S. Canal**

2023. SHRI N.K. PREMA-CHANDRAN: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the project submitted by the State Government of Kerala for developing the T.S. Canal from Kollam to Kovalam under National Waterway III has been pending for sanction;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government would consider implementation of the project to develop the T.S. Canal; and

(d) the reaction of Government thereto?

#### **Delay in clearance at ports**

2024. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether rice carrying ships have to wait for clearance from port authorities at ports for 15 to 16 days resulting in demurrage of thousands of dollars; and

(b) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to meet the situation at ports?

#### **Conversion of bulk terminal into container terminal at JNP**

2025. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to convert one of the unutilised bulk terminals into container terminal of J.N.P. with the involvement of private sector using B.O.T. format;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the workers' Union is against Government's move and has threatened to strike;

(d) if so, the views of Workers' Union; and

(e) the reaction of Government thereto?

#### **Welfare schemes for SCs/STs minorities etc. in Himachal Pradesh**

2026. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of welfare schemes and

programmes formulated by Government for upliftment of SCs/STs/Adivasis/Minorities and other weaker sections of the society in Himachal Pradesh during the last five years;

(b) the details of funds allocated and spent for implementation of these schemes during this period; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

#### **Sexual harassment of women employees at work places**

2027. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the women employees in both organised and unorganised sector including PSUs are aware of their rights to protect themselves from sexual harassments at their work places or related places;

(b) if so, how many cases of such harassments have been recorded during the last three years;

(c) whether these reported cases were or are properly investigated by some independent organisation and the culprits are brought to book; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Dalit families rendered homeless in Gujarat**

2028. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of dalit families have been rendered homeless during the recent Gujarat riots; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?



**Rising unemployment due to globalisation**

2029. SHRI SK. KHABIR UDDIN AHMED: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that industrial slow-down and globalisation are responsible for the rising unemployment in the country;

(b) whether Government are also aware that prolonged joblessness had led to frustration and discontentment among the unemployed youth and pose a big problem for the country; and

(c) if so, why Government and the private sector are bent upon to cut jobs?

**Mechanism to look after the interest of Senior Citizens**

2030. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any mechanism in the country to look after the interest of Senior Citizens;

(b) if so, the details of the mechanism; and

(c) if not, whether Government would consider the feasibility of evolving a suitable mechanism?

**Old age benefits to Senior Citizens**

2031. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the old age benefits provided to Senior Citizens in the country since India

has the second largest population of old people in the world; and

(b) what specific benefits are available for those with no regular income so that the aged live with dignity?

**Practice of evil customs**

†2032. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that even now the women have to undergo the phase of evil customs like "Agni-Pariksha", rape of young girls by way of revenge, with craft, shrew, ghost-spirit and sati in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government would launch any well-planned programme to curb such incidents against the women;

(d) if so, by when; and

(e) the details thereof?

**Pilot project for welfare of disabled in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka**

2033. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have proposed a pilot project in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka for the welfare of the disabled in collaboration with the Rehabilitation Council of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the budget allocation made; and

(c) the other steps taken to enable the Society to treat the disabled at par with others?

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### **Achievements of 'Abhaya'**

2034. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether an institution 'Abhaya' a centre for the destitute women, mentally ill, discarded children and drug addicts is working in the State of Kerala;

(b) if so, the achievements made by this social welfare centre;

(c) the authority which is funding the centre;

(d) whether a wide publicity of the good work done by the centre is made to enable social organizations in other areas to set-up similar centres for the unwanted persons, discarded children and destitute women; and

(e) if so, the results thereof?

### **Utilization of funds for tribal development**

2035. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the funds allocated under different tribal development programmes are not fully utilized;

(b) if not, the funds sanctioned and utilized during the last three years, programme-wise and State-wise; and

(c) the details of measures taken by Government to ensure full utilization of funds provided for the tribal development?

### **More powers to Tribal Gram Panchayats**

2036. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are many Tribal Gram Panchayats in various States after the Gram Sabha Year in 1999-2000;

(b) if so, the number of such Panchayats, State-wise;

(c) whether these Panchayats have any power to enforce their decision on existing officials and administrative system;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, whether more rights for enforcing the decision especially on health, education, agriculture, power and law and order would be granted to these Panchayats through legislation?

### **Grants to Girls Educational Complexes in Madhya Pradesh**

†2037. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the districts in Madhya Pradesh having tribal women literacy where Girls Educational Complexes are running and since when;

(b) the names of the institutions in respect of which grants have not been sanctioned, so far, despite Collector's and State Government's recommendations in the matter;

(c) whether cent per cent grant is given to the said institutions by Government;

(d) if so, the details of norms followed in sanctioning of grants;

(e) whether there is any time limit for sanctioning these grants; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

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### **Development of tribal population**

2038. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the main thrust of the present policy of tribal development is to assimilate the tribals in mainstream culture of the country;

(b) whether it would not destroy the very culture of these tribals which they have been preserving for thousands of years; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to save the tribal culture and at the same time to bring them in the mainstream of the country?

### **Sale of kidneys by tribals**

2039. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that starving tribals of certain districts like Idukki are selling kidneys to make a living;

(b) if so, the number of such cases detected in last one year; and

(c) the action proposed to provide alternate employment to poor tribals for their sustenance?

### **Educational facilities for Buksa and Raji tribal girls in Uttaranchal**

†2040. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 208 given in the Rajya Sabha on 6th August, 2001 and state:

(a) the details of educational facilities to be provided to the girls of the Buksa and Raji tribes; and

(b) whether any school has been started at Udham Singh Nagar for them?

### **Scholarships for higher education in IT to tribals**

†2041. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any publicity was given by his Ministry regarding award of scholarships to tribal students for pursuing higher education in the field of Information Technology in America;

(b) if so, the total number of persons who applied for this;

(c) whether Government received any application from Uttaranchal in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of the persons benefited from this?

### **Setting up of Food Banks**

2042. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether with a view to making the country hunger-free, Government propose to set-up Food Banks for the poor people;

(b) whether a target date for making India hunger-free by 15th August, 2007 has been fixed; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard?

### **Utilization of funds under Special Central Assistance**

†2043. SHRI JHUMUK LAL BHENDIA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the States including Chhattisgarh which have been allocated funds for the programmes to be conducted under the Special Central Assistance for the years 2001 and 2002, togetherwith the amount of funds allocated;

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(b) whether proper utilization of allocated funds has been made within the stipulated period;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor, togetherwith the guidelines issued in this regard, State-wise?

**Funds for development of towns in  
Tamil Nadu**

2044. PROF. M. SANKARA-LINGAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds released by his Ministry for the development of towns in Tamil Nadu during the last five years;

(b) the details of the schemes that are being implemented by his Ministry for the integrated development of States in general and Tamil Nadu, in particular;

(c) whether there is a monitoring mechanism to know its development process, proper utilization of funds, following of time-frame, etc.; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Separate authority for conservation of  
water bodies**

2045. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any separate authority has been constituted for conservation and management of all water bodies;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, how the need to conserve lakhs of ponds etc. would be taken care of?

**Construction of Connaught Place-  
Dwarka Corridor of MRTS**

2046. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1628 given in the Rajya Sabha on 18th March, 2002 and state:

(a) whether the project relating to the construction of metro-rail in the Barakhamba Road-Connaught Place-Dwarka Corridor has since been finalised;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the acquisition of the required land for the project and its estimated cost; and

(c) by when the work on this section is likely to be started and completed?

**Demolition of encroachments  
around Lal Gumbad and Madarsa  
Zeentul**

2047. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the High Court of Delhi has ordered DDA and Archaeological Survey of India to demolish all the encroachments and illegal constructions in and around historic Lal Gumbad and Madarsa Zeentul on the green-belt behind Panchsheel Enclave;

(b) the nature of the illegal constructions and whether these have since been demolished and area cleared of the encroachments; and

(c) if so, the action taken against the concerned persons?

### **Delhi Rent Control Bill**

†2048. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of Delhi Rent Control Bill;

(b) by when Government propose to implement the same; and

(c) the reasons for delay in its implementation?

### **Flooding of rain water in Sector-VII of R.K. Puram, New Delhi**

2049. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of Government quarters in Sector-VII, R.K. Puram, New Delhi were flooded with rain water on 29th May, 2002 due to non-de-silting of storm-water drains and non-laying of new drain pipes in the area;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether de-silting operations of MCD have not been undertaken in the area for many years and the plans to lay new drain-pipes have not been initiated leading to water logging and drain water overflowing throughout the year; and

(d) the action taken in this regard?

### **New guidelines for access to Urban Infrastructure Fund**

2050. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether based on Census 2001

figures, Government are planning to revamp the urban development strategy by framing fresh guidelines for those States that want to access the Urban Infrastructure Fund;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the newly proposed Urban Incentive Fund Scheme will apply only to fast growing small cities with a population between 1-5 million; and

(d) if so, the names of cities identified for Urban Incentive Fund Scheme?

### **Financing of new construction projects by HUDCO**

2051. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of ongoing and new construction projects financed by HUDCO in various States during the past five years; and

(b) the details of achievement made in this regard?

### **Increasing the powers of Local Bodies**

2052. SHRI N.R. DASARI:

SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:

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

(a) the steps taken for increasing the powers and improving the financial position of the Local Bodies after the 73rd and 74th Constitution Amendments were passed;

(b) whether Government intend to take more steps to improve the financial position of the Local Bodies; and

(c) if so, the steps contemplated in this regard?

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**Construction of additional room in Sector-II, R.K. Puram, New Delhi**

2053. SHRI LAJPAT RAI:  
SHRI ANIL SHARMA:

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

(a) whether illegal constructions/encroachments have been done/are being done in Sector-II, R.K. Puram, where additional rooms had been added to almost all the quarters and rented out with the help of the CPWD Service Centre particularly quarters No. 340 to 380 and 720 to 750;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against the allottees and officers responsible therefor; and

(c) the date on which the CPWD informed the Directorate of Estates regarding the illegal construction/encroachment in each quarter and the action taken by the Estates Office thereon?

**Proposal for OPEC assistance from Government of Gujarat**

2054. PROF. ALKA BALRAM  
KSHATRIYA:  
SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ:

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

(a) whether the Government of Gujarat has submitted a proposal for Rs. 223 crore OPEC assistance for bulk transmission of water and distribution network in earthquake-affected areas;

(b) whether this proposal is pending for clearance in his Ministry; and

(c) if so, by when his Ministry would give its clearance?

**Funds to Municipal Corporations for construction and repair of roads**

†2055. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:  
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH  
'LALAN':

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have allocated funds to some Municipal Corporations in the country during 2001-2002 for construction and repair of roads;

(b) if so, the details of amount allocated to the Municipal Corporations together with their names; and

(c) the total amount spent by these Corporations till the end of March, 2002?

**Waiting for allotment of DDA houses**

2056. SHRI SANTOSH BAG-  
RODIA:

DR. ABRAR AHMED:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that people are waiting for more than 25 years for allotment of houses under different schemes of DDA;

(b) if so, the action taken by Government to ensure that all people in the waiting list get houses early;

(c) whether new areas are being developed by DDA to allot houses to people in the waiting list; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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**ACP for clerical grade employees of  
GoIP, Minto Road**

2057. SHRI S.R. BOMMAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that claims of staff of clerical cadre of Government of India Press, Minto Road, New Delhi for grant of ACP have been overlooked by the DPC held during the period from November, 2001 to March, 2002; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Filling up of ponds, lakes etc. for  
construction purpose**

†2058. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that land is being acquired for construction of houses, shops, markets, etc. in the cities and metropolitan cities by filling up old ponds, lakes etc. with waste materials;

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

(c) whether Government would issue any guidelines in this regard in view of the water crisis and the fury of pollution?

**Evaluation of schemes for alleviation of  
urban poverty**

2059. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes under implementation for alleviating urban poverty;

(b) how far these schemes have helped in alleviating urban poverty;

(c) the steps taken to ensure proper implementation of these schemes;

(d) whether any evaluation/study has been conducted to determine effectiveness of these schemes; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Rehabilitation of slum dwellers in  
metropolitan cities**

2060. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people living in slums in metropolitan cities for the last three years, State-wise and Union Territory-wise;

(b) the number of people Government plan to rehabilitate from these slums from the point of view of housing for the year 2002-2003;

(c) whether Government have any plan to offer employment to the youth and women of slums; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Proposal from Chhattisgarh for  
drinking water project in Raipur**

2061. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a proposal for Rs. 58 crores in May-June, 2001 for drinking water project in Raipur (Chhattisgarh);

(b) whether the amount has not been sanctioned, so far, causing lot of hardship to the people of Raipur; and

(c) if so, by when this amount demanded by the State Government will be sanctioned?

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**Link Road Project connecting Dwarka and South Delhi**

2062. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have planned to connect Dwarka with South Delhi through a Link Road Project, as reported in the 'Indian Express' dated the 5th June, 2002;

(b) the length of this road and by when it would be completed alongwith estimated cost of the project; and

(c) the colonies that would be connected en-route leading to South Delhi and the amount of traffic this new road is likely to handle?

**Regularisation of unauthorised colonies in Delhi**

2063. DR.ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government plan to regularise unauthorised colonies in Delhi and a proposal to this effect is lying pending with Government;

(b) whether this new plan proposes to tackle the problem of unauthorised colonies once for all; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**Bangalore Mega-city scheme**

2064. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the amount released by Government during the year 2001-2002 for the project under Bangalore Mega-city scheme;

(b) the details of works taken up during the said period under the said scheme; and

(c) the amount proposed to be released during the year 2002-2003?

**Building Bye-Laws, 1983**

2065. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per building Bye-laws of 1983, Motels in Delhi are treated as residential building/hotel building/ Commercial building;

(b) if so, whether in residential buildings stilt parking is allowed;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) if so, whether in Hotel buildings/ Commercial buildings, two basements are allowed; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Development of integrated township Projects**

2066. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the 100 per cent foreign direct investment scheme designed to attract NRI investment in projects for developing integrated townships announced in January, 2002, has not received any response from the NRIs, so far;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor, including the views expressed by some international property developers and other investors; and

(c) the details of fresh initiatives taken by Government to make the NRI investment in the scheme more attractive to achieve the objectives of the Scheme?



**Water crisis in Central Government  
Housing Complex, Vasant Vihar**

2067. SHRIMATI GURCHARAN KAUR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received letters from MPs and Parliamentary and General Pool Residents' Welfare Association, Vasant Vihar, regarding serious scarcity of water being faced by residents of Central Government Housing Complex, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the response of Government thereto and the action Government have taken to solve the problem;

(c) whether in view of the water problem Government are proposing to stop fresh allotments of houses in the colony; and

(d) whether Government propose to cancel allotments of quarters and offer them accommodation in other colonies so that residents have not to roam for water here and there?

**Addition of extra floor area in Type-I  
quarters of Aram Bagh, New Delhi.**

†2068. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 4078 given in the Rajya Sabha on 23rd April, 2001 and state:

(a) the latest position of feasibility study conducted for adding extra floor area in Type-I Quarters of Blocks 63 to 80 in Aram Bagh, New Delhi;

(b) whether the examination of the above feasibility study has been completed;

(c) if so, the outcome thereof;

(d) whether revised plan has been approved by the local body; and

(e) if so, the reasons for delay in the matter?

**Development of plots in Weavers  
Colony, Ashok Vihar**

2069. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2410 given in the Rajya Sabha on 13th August, 2001 and state the details of progress in the development of plot No. 231 to 282 and 348 to 377 in 'A' Block of Weavers Colony, Ashok Vihar, Phase-IV, Delhi allotted by Delhi Development Authority?

**DDA's Expandable Housing Scheme,  
1996**

2070. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of allottees in Rohini under Expandable Housing Scheme, 1996 who opted for hire purchase and the number of allottees who opted for cash-down payment option, separately;

(b) the period, number and amount of instalments which was fixed by DDA under hire purchase option;

(c) whether the date of instalment/ interest on instalment was extended/relaxed by DDA under hire purchase option; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the details of benefits/relaxations given/proposed to be given to allottees who have already deposited the whole amount under cash-down option in lieu of that ?

NEW DELHI;  
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R.C. TRIPATHI,  
Secretary-General.

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