

## RAJYA SABHA

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
Thursday, March 16, 2017/Phalguna 25, 1938 (Saka)*

(Ministries: Prime Minister; Atomic Energy; Development of North Eastern Region; Earth Sciences; External Affairs; Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation; Human Resource Development; Information and Broadcasting; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Science and Technology; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Social Justice and Empowerment; Space; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Urban Development; Women and Child Development)

Total number of questions — 15

#### Minister's visit to Sri Lanka

\*151. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:  
Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minister has made an  
official visit to Sri Lanka in the recent past;

(b) if so, whether the projects undertaken  
by India in that country were also taken up  
for discussion during the visit;

(c) if so, which were the projects  
discussed; and

(d) the details of all the projects that  
India has taken up in that country?

#### Kendriya Vidyalayas in Andhra Pradesh

\*152. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the  
Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE  
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Kendriya Vidyalayas  
(KVs) in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether 315 vacancies of teaching  
staff are there in KVs, if so, the details  
thereof, school-wise;

(c) since how long they are lying  
vacant and the reasons therefor and the  
steps taken to fill those vacancies and  
by when all the posts are likely to be  
filled;

(d) whether the proposals for opening  
of new KVs in that State are also lying  
pending in the Ministry for clearance;  
and

(e) if so, the details thereof and by  
when those proposals are likely to be  
cleared?

**Cases of manual scavenging**

\*153. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of manual scavenging are still being reported across the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of initiatives taken by Government to rehabilitate those involved in this work and funds allocated therefor during the last three years;

(c) whether Government has conducted any survey to identify the same and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of deaths reported during that period due to manual scavenging, State-wise?

**Promotion of clean urban transport in cities**

\*154. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to promote clean urban transport by building footpath, non-motorized transport, bus rapid transit (BRT), etc. in cities;

(b) whether Government also proposes to promote the use of clean fuel, electric, hybrid buses and intelligent traffic system in cities; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the categories of cities likely to be covered under the plan?

**Schools for physically challenged**

\*155. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government runs schools

for physically challenged and if so, the details thereof, State-wise as on date;

(b) the details of funds allocated, sanctioned and utilized for such schools during the last three years; and

(c) whether Government has any proposal to establish some more such schools in the country and if so, the details thereof?

**Establishment of Skills University**

\*156. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the report submitted by the Working Group for establishment of Skills University is under consideration of Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken by Government in this regard;

(c) whether site selection, modalities, etc. for the functioning of the University have also been finalised; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and the details of progress made, so far, in this regard?

**Projects under NLCPR and NEC**

\*157. SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the allocations made under the Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) and the North Eastern Council (NEC) during 2016-17;

(b) the amount spent during that period; and

(c) the number of projects implemented

and completed thereunder during the said period?

**Cycling zones and parks under AMRUT**

\*158. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new cycling zones and parks created during the last two years under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT); and

(b) the details of funds spent during that period to create new cycling zones and parks, year-wise?

**Brucella-free Villages**

\*159. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Biotechnology has launched Brucella-free Villages in certain States;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to develop novel diagnostics and vaccination to tackle Brucellosis affecting cattle as well as humans?

**Implementation of 6th Pay Commission in Maharashtra**

160. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Maharashtra is awaiting reimbursement from the Central Government for expenditure incurred on 6th Central Pay Commission for teachers and subsequent cadres;

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's response for the delay in payment; and

(c) by when the remaining arrears would be provided to the State Government?

**Allotment of land for residential accommodations**

\*161. SHRI BISHNU CHARAN DAS: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of the Departmental Pools/Institutions which have been provided land in Delhi for construction of residential accommodations for officials and staff by Land and Development Office during the last three years;

(b) whether the land is occupied by jhuggies and not free of encroachment; and

(c) by when the land provided in R.K. Puram area to different institutions would be made encroachment free by the Ministry and Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board?

**Regional language news bulletins**

\*162. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the various steps taken by Government to strengthen and improve the broadcasting/telecasting of regional language news bulletins from the national level in Doordarshan and All India Radio;

(b) whether Government is planning to encourage broadcasting of such bulletins in order to give more importance to various regional languages of our country; and

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

details of provisions to make legal measures more stringent?

**Security and rehabilitation of women**

\*163. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of physical exploitation and rape against girls and women are rising continuously;

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported during the last two years, State-wise and metropolitan city-wise;

(c) whether any scheme/strategy has been formulated to provide security and rehabilitation of women who are victims of such kind of social atrocities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the

**Implementation of e-municipality project in Odisha**

\*164. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether the Ministry is considering to provide financial assistance of ₹ 11.43 crore to Odisha Government for implementing the e-municipality project?

**Institutions for educational planning**

\*165. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether there is anything in Government policy to have institutional approach to face the challenges of change?

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SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF,  
*Secretary-General.*

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(Ministry-wise)

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