

## RAJYA SABHA

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on  
Tuesday, March 21, 2017/Phalgun 30, 1938 (Saka)*

(Ministries: Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy  
(AYUSH); Civil Aviation; Corporate Affairs; Defence; Finance; Health and  
Family Welfare; Minority Affairs; Youth Affairs and Sports)

Total number of questions — 15

#### Certification programme of ASHAs

\*196. SHRI SHANKARBHAI N. VEGAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has tasked the certification programme of Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) to the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS); and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### Remedial steps to curb MMR and IMR

\*197. SHRID. RAJA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that though the number of Institutional deliveries has increased by 15 per cent over a decade ending 2014, it has not resulted in proportionate decrease in the Maternal Mortality Rate and Infant Mortality Rate

as has been revealed by a report based on NSSO data;

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

(c) whether the lack of public health infrastructure at Community Health Centres (CHCs) is one of the reasons for this; and

(d) if so, the remedial steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

#### Disclosing of reports on black money

\*198. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated account of unaccounted money circulating inside the country and abroad;

(b) whether Government proposes to disclose the details of the reports on black money conducted by National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP), National Council of Applied Economic

Research (NCAER) and National Institute of Financial Management (NIFM) five years ago;

(c) if so, by when those details are going to be disclosed; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Paper leak in Army Recruitment Examination**

\*199. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several students were put to hardship due to leakage of question papers of the Army Recruitment Examination and consequential cancellation of the examination, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the paper was leaked throughout the country or it was limited to a particular zone; and

(c) the corrective action taken by Government in this regard and the steps taken to avoid such incidents in future?

#### **Rolling out of GST**

\*200. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the progress of work relating to implementation of Goods and Services Tax (GST);

(b) by what time GST would be rolled out, after completing all preparatory work; and

(c) whether consensus was arrived at in the meeting of GST Council for fitment of items under various percentage structure and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Transactions in Zero Balance Accounts**

†\*201. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of such "Zero Balance" Accounts wherein the deposit amount was zero or negligible as on 8th November, 2016;

(b) the number of such "Zero Balance" Accounts wherein an amount of ₹ 10 lakhs or more than that was deposited from 8th November to 30th December, 2016 and the total amount deposited therein; and

(c) the amount of money withdrawn out of the amount deposited in "Zero Balance" Accounts till date and the basis of this withdrawal?

#### **Decline in purchase orders placed with DPSUs**

\*202. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the purchase orders from Defence sector to Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSUs) are decreasing, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government is considering to grant more licenses to the private sector for manufacturing and supplying various defence related equipments and if so, the details thereof?

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**Upgradation of medical colleges under PMSSY Phase-III**

\*203. SHRI DILIPBHAI PANDYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) how many medical colleges/institutions have been identified for upgradation under Phase-III of the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) for development of super speciality services;

(b) which institute of Gujarat has been identified under this programme;

(c) what would be the ratio of financial assistance to be given by Centre and State;

(d) which are the areas on which expenditure would be incurred under this programme; and

(e) whether Government has awarded contract to any agency and if so, what is the present status of the work?

**Misleading advertisements about herbal medicines**

†\*204. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received against misleading claims made about any herbal medicine in advertisements given in electronic/print media in the last three years;

(b) whether complaints have been received against sale of these herbal

medicines/products in the market without any authentic clinical trial and the subsequent death of persons by consumption of these medicines; and

(c) if so, the extent to which Government has succeeded in checking these misleading advertisements and the details thereof?

**Enhancing retirement age of civilian doctors of OFB**

\*205. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the competent authority has still not given effect to the policy of enhancement of retirement age from 60 years to 65 years in respect of Central Government civilian doctors of Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) as has been done by other Ministries of Central Government in pursuance of the Gazette Notification by Central Government which raised the age of retirement of all Central Government doctors from 60 years to 65 years; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Convictions for adulterating food items**

†\*206. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of adulteration in food products occurred in last three years in the country along with the number of people sentenced and fined;

(b) whether it is a fact that nobody was sentenced in the State of Chhattisgarh in

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the last three years in case of adulteration in food products;

(c) whether apprehensions are being expressed by the experts that accused get away due to negligence and connivance of Departments concerned with investigation of adulteration in food products; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Additional seats in medical colleges of Rajasthan**

\*207. SHRI HARSHVARDHAN SINGH DUNGARPUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has given in-principle approval for increase of 350 seats in Udaipur, Kota and Ajmer Medical Colleges;

(b) what are the criteria for releasing the funds to each seat of a medical college;

(c) whether any funds have been released in the last two years for the above medical colleges; and

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

**Treatment of obesity cases in children**

\*208. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of children reported to be suffering from obesity in the country in last two years;

(b) whether it has come to the notice of Government that their number is increasing every year;

(c) whether it is a fact that unless properly cared for and treated at a young age, their health may confront with complications when they grow up; and

(d) whether Government has chalked out any plan to cater to their health needs at the school stage itself, if so, the details thereof?

**Air travel facility for Haj pilgrims through Jeddah**

†\*209. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken or proposes to take any steps to provide the facility of travel to Jeddah for Haj pilgrims from Mumbai or Delhi at the same air fare which is generally between ₹ thirteen to ₹ eighteen thousand, by adopting global tender process as per the directions of the Supreme Court; and

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

**Mortality rate on account of anaemia**

†\*210. SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the country

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is lagging much behind in achieving the targets set for Maternal Mortality Rate (MMR);

(b) whether it is also a fact that despite food and iron pills being provided under various schemes to bring down the mortality rate among women on account of

anaemia, the success remains elusive at ground level; and

(c) if so, the details of anaemic women and men and the reasons why women are more prone to anaemia than men together with the details of difficulties being faced to eradicate the same?

NEW DELHI;  
*The 15th March, 2017*  
*Phalgun 24, 1938 (Saka)*

SHUMSHER K. SHERIFF,  
*Secretary-General.*

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

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