

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
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(Ministries : Commerce and Industry; Culture; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Home Affairs; Labour and Employment; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Steel; Tourism; Tribal Affairs)

Total number of questions — 160

Financial support to Startups

1921. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:
SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH
YADAV:

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

(a) the achievements made under 'Startup India' programme being implemented in the country;

(b) whether Government proposes to introduce certain schemes including Credit Guarantee Fund to enable Startups to get collateral free loans for their operations in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the terms and conditions of the schemes; and

(d) the details of other financial support and incentives being extended to the Startups in the country?

Cartelisation of cement companies

1922. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that prices of cement are spiralling up day-by-day;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that cartelisation of cement companies is the main reason for this abnormal increase in the prices of cement, the details thereof;

(d) whether any investigation has been carried out against this cartelisation by cement companies, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by Government to curtail the rising prices of cement?

Separate institution for online purchases

1923. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR
BALMUCHU:
SHRI DHARMAPURI
SRINIVAS:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to establish a separate institution to look after the online purchases of Central Government Departments, Ministries, independent bodies, etc.; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Adulteration in food articles imported from China

†1924. SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:
CH. SUKHRAM SINGH
YADAV:

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

(a) whether food articles like rice, salt, sugar and Chinese manjha are being imported from China;

(b) if so, whether the Ministry is aware of adulteration of plastic in rice, salt and sugar imported from China which is very harmful for human consumption; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Notice to State Government on Navi Mumbai SEZ

1925. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI
REDDY:

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

(a) whether the Central Government has issued notice to Government of Maharashtra advising to sort out operational and regulatory issues with Navi Mumbai Special Economic Zone;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) how many SEZs are pending and the reasons therefor; and

(d) the efforts made by the Ministry to resolve the issues by having meeting with the stakeholders concerned, the details thereof?

Scrapping of SEZ projects

1926. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is stated in an english daily dated 27th June, 2017 that 62 Special Economic Zone (SEZ) projects may be scrapped;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether SEZs have helped the stakeholders to improve exports;

(d) how many SEZs have been set up during the last three years; and

(e) how many SEZs are located in Kerala?

Promotion of export of mangoes

1927. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some new markets abroad have come up for Indian mangoes particularly from Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(c) what action Government proposes to take to promote the export of Indian mangoes to new markets abroad?

Setting up of Border Haats

1928. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to set up more Border Haats;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that this is being done because of the encouragement it got at the India-Myanmar border; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Slow down of exports

1929. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's exports slowed down to a four month low in June, 2017;

(b) whether it is a fact that buying of gold has resulted in a sharp hike in trade deficit;

(c) what are the reasons for the low growth of exports by only 4.39 per cent during June, 2017; and

(d) the steps proposed to reduce the trade deficit for the next quarter?

Assistance to Andhra Pradesh for industrialisation

1930. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the criteria that Government uses to classify a particular State as industrially backward State;

(b) whether it is a fact that after bifurcation, Andhra Pradesh has become industrially backward in the country and needs urgent help from the Central Government;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the State has been demanding and requesting the Central Government for helping it industrially so as to create a level-playing field; and

(d) if so, how the Ministry is helping the State through various schemes/incentives to promote industrialisation?

Decline in exports

1931. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of items that India exported to other countries during last three years and the current year, year-wise and item-wise and how much foreign exchange the country is earning through above exports;

(b) whether the country has lost global market share in more than 60 export items in last three years;

(c) if so, the details of export items on which country has lost its share/control and reasons therefor; and

(d) the reasons for India losing its edge to China, Bangladesh and even to Cambodia in spite of the country being highest producer of cotton in the world?

Scrapping of procurement wing of DGS & D

1932. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has scrapped the procurement wing of DGS & D;

(b) what *modus operandi* does Government propose to procure Government stock especially in Government offices;

(c) whether such procurement will be decentralized office-wise or department-wise; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of slaughter ban

1933. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether stakeholders in the leather industry have raised issues regarding State-level ban on slaughter of various types of cattle and increasing restriction on slaughter houses, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether stakeholders in the leather industry have anticipated shortage of raw leather due to various types of ban related to slaughter of cattle, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has taken any initiative to counter increasing formal and informal restrictions on cattle slaughter to ensure the growth of leather industry, the details thereof?

Overseas food retailers with 100 per cent FDI

1934. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) how many overseas food retailers are enjoying 100 per cent FDI in India;

(b) the names of such companies with amount of FDI inflow;

(c) whether any decision has been taken by Government to allow overseas food retailers to sell personal care and household items made in the country; and

(d) if so, the names of such companies?

Irregularities in functioning of e-commerce

1935. SHRIMATI THOTA SEETHARAMA LAKSHMI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the market for e-commerce is gradually growing in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether instances of irregularities in the functioning of e-commerce have come to the notice of Government; and

(c) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of complaints received in this regard during the last three years and the current year along with the action taken thereon?

Increase in leather exports

1936. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the leather export has increased in recent years;

(b) if so, the details of exports in terms of rupees during last three years;

(c) whether Government has any plan to increase leather exports to the level of 10 billion dollars in the next three years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Special Packages for development of States

1937. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government sanctions Special Packages to various States for industrial development in these States;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the achievements made so far through such Special Packages?

Measures to enhance 'Ease of Doing Business'

1938. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what measures were taken by Government to enhance the 'Ease of Doing Business' during the last three years between 2014 and 2017;

(b) whether Government has undertaken any impact assessment of these measures, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has outlined its expectations from the State Governments with regard to further promoting 'Ease of Doing Business' in States, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) which are the States that have already implemented measures for 'Ease of Doing Business' and achieved demonstrable success?

Setting up of Spice Park in Telangana

1939. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to set up a Spice Park in Telangana;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to help chilli and turmeric farmers by integrating operations for cultivation, post harvest processing for value addition, packaging, storage and export of spices and spice products by meeting the quality specifications of the consuming countries?

Boosting trade ties with Africa

1940. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India aims to boost trade ties with African nations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that India took necessary steps in this regard during the annual meeting of the African Development Bank in Gujarat recently; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Investments made under 'Startup India' programme

1941. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the 'Startup India' programme launched by the Prime Minister on January 16, 2016;

(b) the details of investment which Government expected along with the details of policy document when the programme was announced by the Prime Minister; and

(c) the details of investments which have come into this programme till February 28, 2017?

Export of spices

1942. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the export of spices has not shown considerable improvement in the country despite having good demand abroad;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government is proposing to constitute additional Boards for the promotion of spices; and

(c) what is the total earning of the country from exports and what is the percentage of earnings from export of spices?

Impact of H1B visa restrictions on services' exports

1943. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any adverse effect on services' exports due to imposition of restrictions on H1B visa by the US and similar other avenues;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) which sectors have been most adversely affected by these visa restrictions; and

(d) the details regarding estimates of losses suffered by different sectors due to such restrictions?

Export rejections due to non-tariff barriers

1944. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the export rejections due to non-tariff barriers for Indian food products are increasing;

(b) if so, the details of the last three years thereof;

(c) what is the volume of such export opportunities lost due to non-tariff barriers during the last three years; and

(d) whether Government is taking any measure to regulate exports or empower farmers/food processors/food industry, in order to overcome such non-tariff barriers?

Coimbatore-Kochi industrial corridor project

1945. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering the Coimbatore-Kochi industrial corridor project; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Setting up of NIMZs

1946. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to set up the National Investment and Manufacturing Zones (NIMZs) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the area to be developed for the project, State/Union Territory-wise; and

(c) the details of the industries proposed to be set up under NIMZs and the number of employment likely to be generated thereof in the country, State/Union Territory-wise?

Task force to upgrade various museums in the country

1947. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated any task force or expert team to upgrade various museums across the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that many museums, which were established several years ago, have lost their glaze and various antique items that are kept there for display, have been damaged due to lack of maintenance;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by Government in this regard?

Financial assistance for museums and heritage monuments in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Punjab

1948. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of financial assistance provided by Government for archaeological sites, museums and heritage monuments in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Punjab during the last three years;

(b) whether any proposals for the above purpose have been received from the States and the level at which these are lying pending with the Central Government at present; and

(c) whether Government intends to provide more assistance for the

conservation and development of these sites in these States, the details thereof?

Introduction of cultural talent discovery scheme

†1949. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has recently introduced cultural talent discovery scheme under which a cultural data bank is being prepared by registering artists;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the objective of this scheme is to applaud new talent and protect old arts and artists; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Undivided Bengal inmates in Cellular Jail

1950. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that people from undivided Bengal were inmates in the two phases of the Andaman Cellular Jail;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if so, whether records of all of them are displayed in the Andaman Cellular Jail; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Tagore National Fellowship for Cultural Research

1951. PROF. M. V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the Universities covered under the

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Tagore National Fellowship for Cultural Research and the regions/States in which they are situated; and

(b) the number of students being funded under the Tagore National Fellowship for Cultural Research for financial year 2016-17?

Museum in Keeladi

1952. SHRI T. K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received the judgement of the Madras High Court ordering for establishment of a site museum in Keeladi, in Tamil Nadu;

(b) how Government proposes to deal with the judgement; and

(c) what are the steps taken by Government to preserve the structural remains as the Wheeler Committee has suggested for preserving the impressive structural remains for establishing a site museum?

Care and upkeep of precious articles kept in various Museums

1953. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that proper care and upkeep of precious articles kept in various museums is not as per international standards;

(b) if so, whether it is due to lack of funds or lack of technical manpower; and

(c) whether Government has any plan to overcome the situation?

Problems faced by ASI in protecting monuments and sites

1954. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) faces lot of problems to protect monuments and heritage sites due to financial and administrative problems besides encroachment, negligence, etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to empower ASI so that respect for our historical and cultural heritage is restored?

Funds for promoting cultural activities in Kerala

1955. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds released to Kerala State for promoting cultural activities during the last three years;

(b) the names of cultural institutions which received the above funds and amount given to each institution; and

(c) whether any financial aid or fund has been sanctioned to Sree Ayyankali Memorial Monument at Venganoor, Thiruvananthapuram under cultural promotion scheme?

Monuments protected by ASI in North-East States

1956. SHRI K. BHABANANDA SINGH: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of monuments being

protected by the ASI in the North-East States, State-wise;

(b) the details of staff entrusted for each of the monuments above; and

(c) whether Government would set up any regional office of ASI at Imphal to oversee the protection of those monuments?

Polythene free zones near protected monuments

1957. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is impressing upon States to ensure that an area upto 500 metres from protected monuments is kept polythene free;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that at present upto 300 metres from the boundary of a protected monument is marked as a polythene free zone; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

E-guide for historical monuments in the country

1958. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has arranged for e-guide in historical monuments across the country;

(b) whether this would mean that those who earlier paid for an audio guide during their visits to monuments will now be able to take guided tours for free;

(c) whether visitors can use a mobile application to gather information about the artefacts they come across;

(d) whether since many historical monuments have poor telecom reception, the audio visual app will not work on internet but only on intranet; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Monuments under Adarsh Smarak Scheme

1959. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified any monument in Rajasthan under the Adarsh Smarak Scheme;

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

(c) how much amount has been spent to implement the said scheme and the details of financial allocations that have been made for this purpose in the last three years, especially in Rajasthan; and

(d) the details regarding physical outcomes achieved during the last three years, especially in Rajasthan?

Proposals for strengthening ASI office at Bhubaneswar

1960. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal for strengthening the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) office at Bhubaneswar with required laboratory facilities and technical manpower for issue of non-antiquity certificate in time in order to boost expert oriented handicraft industries of Odisha;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Automobile sector's contribution to GDP

1961. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry expects the automobile sector's contribution to GDP to increase from present 7.1 per cent to around 12 per cent during the next decade;

(b) the details of the road-map by the Ministry through which such huge leap is possible;

(c) the year-wise details of the growth in contribution of the automobile industry to India's GDP during last three years; and

(d) the details of the steps taken to increase the contribution of the automobile industry to India's GDP, post-2014?

Proposals received under Innovation Action Plan

1962. PROF. M. V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals received under the Innovation Action Plan of the Ministry;

(b) the number of approved proposals under the Innovation Action Plan of the Ministry and the amount of funding provided to each of the approved proposals; and

(c) the timeline of disbursement of funds for approved Innovation Action Plan?

Steps to increase electric cars in the country

1963. SHRI T. K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has initiated steps to increase the number of electric cars in the country;

(b) if so, what are the incentives the Ministry proposes to increase the usage of such cars; and

(c) whether it will reduce import of crude oil and if so, what is the estimate in this regard?

Functioning CPSEs

1964. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) functioning in the country including Jharkhand and Gujarat under different Ministries/Departments of Government at present;

(b) the total investment made therein, State/UT-wise especially in Jharkhand and Gujarat;

(c) the details of the losses incurred by CPSEs during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(d) the details of the efforts made by Government for the revival of loss making CPSEs?

Establishment of heavy industries in Maharashtra

1965. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has established heavy industries and public enterprises in Maharashtra for their industrial development during the last three years;

(b) if so, the number of enterprises established during the said period;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

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

Thrust to manufacturing of electric cars

1966. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to give thrust to manufacturing of electric cars in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of initiatives taken and financial assistance extended to electric car manufacturing companies in the country?

Initiatives for production of electric vehicles

1967. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has drawn any phased programme to reduce dependence on fossil fuel essential for road transport

to lower import bills and control pollution;

(b) the details of the initiatives already taken by Government for production of electricity run vehicles and establishment of charging stations; and

(c) the major auto manufacturers in India and abroad which have shown interest in production of electric vehicles in India?

Assessment of growth of capital goods

1968. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state whether Government has made any assessment for development and growth of the capital goods, auto and electrical equipments sectors in the country during the last three years and if so, the details thereof?

Posts reserved for SCs in PSUs lying vacant

1969. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of vacant posts under various reserved categories for Scheduled Castes in various Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) as on date; and

(b) whether Government proposes to fill the above vacant posts through special recruitment drive?

Launch of country's first multi-modal electric vehicle project

1970. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether electric vehicles used for commercial purposes such as taxis, auto-rickshaws and buses do not require permits;

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

(c) whether Government has launched country's first multi-modal electric vehicle project to push electric vehicles for ferrying passengers;

(d) if so, details thereof;

(e) whether Government is exploring options to get loan at cheaper interest rate including from agencies like Japan's Soft Bank Group for introducing two lakh electric buses, if so, details thereof; and

(f) other steps taken by Government to give thrust to vehicles plying on electricity and other alternate fuels?

Losses of PSUs

†1971. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) which are running into losses;

(b) whether Government has analysed the reasons for losses being incurred by those undertakings so as to bail them out of it;

(c) the names of the PSUs which Government has decided to shut down;

(d) the steps being taken by Government to protect the workers working in these undertakings against unemployment; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Crimes against women in Delhi

†1972. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that incidents of crimes against women in Delhi have increased on a large scale;

(b) the details of various crimes perpetrated against women in the last three years;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there has been laxity in many cases as far as steps for the security of women are concerned; and

(d) the details thereof?

Narcotic drugs business in Gujarat

1973. SHRI SHANKARBHAI N. VEGAD:
MAHANT SHAMBHUPRASADJI TUNDIYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received complaints about the narcotic drugs business in Gujarat in the last two years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and action taken against the same?

Anti-national activities along Kutch border with Pakistan

1974. SHRI SHANKARBHAI N.VEGAD:
MAHANT SHAMBHUPRASADJI TUNDIYA:

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has found any anti-national activities along Kutch border with Pakistan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Traffic jam in Delhi

†1975. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH
YADAV:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to slow speed of vehicles in peak and off peak hours on the roads of Delhi, people get stuck in jam for most of the time;

(b) the steps taken by Government to make roads of Delhi jam-free and to maintain the prescribed speed limits of vehicles on the roads; and

(c) the reasons for long jams on the roads of Delhi?

Security lapses noticed in attack on Amarnath pilgrims

†1976. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH
YADAV:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA
VERMA:
SHRI VISHAMBHAR
PRASAD NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any security lapses have been noticed during investigation into the incident of attack on the bus carrying Amarnath pilgrims in Anantnag;

(b) whether allowing the bus of Amarnath pilgrims to ply without any security cover even after getting intelligence inputs indicates a serious breach of security; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Recruitment of children in insurgent groups

1977. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any report on recruitment of children in different insurgent groups in the country;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that National Human Rights Commission has issued notices to some States on forcible recruitment of children of remote areas thereof;

(c) if so, the State-wise abduction report of such children therein; and

(d) the action taken by Government to trace out, rehabilitate and return back children to their families thereof?

Terrorist attacks in Kashmir

1978. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of terrorist attacks in Kashmir sponsored from Pakistan during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether the number of terrorist attacks has increased during recent months;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there is some support to the terrorists from Azadi activists; and

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(e) the steps taken by Government to deal with the situation?

ISIS engaging unemployed youth

1979. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ISIS is engraving their roots at the deepest parts of rural areas and engaging poor-unemployed youth by lucrative offers;

(b) if so, what corrective and preventive measures Government is implementing;

(c) whether the easy access of social media is facilitating these kinds of terror organizations; and

(d) if so, how Government is planning to control it?

Crime against women

†1980. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decline has been recorded in the crime against women during last three years;

(b) the data in respect of State of Haryana in this regard; and

(c) whether any preventive step is being taken to reduce the crime against women especially in more unsafe States?

Traffic jam in Okhla, Delhi

†1981. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the

fact that traffic jams continues throughout the day near Holy Family Hospital in Okhla and Abul Fazal Enclave, Kalindi Kunj ahead of Jamia Milia Islamia University, the details thereof;

(b) the arrangements made by Delhi Police to check the problems being faced by public daily due to the traffic jams in the above areas, the details thereof; and

(c) whether detailed instructions have been issued to Delhi Traffic Police and Delhi Police for the systematic running of traffic in the above area so that public can get relief from traffic jams?

Flood situation in Assam

1982. SHRI D.P. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the present flood situation in Assam has been an agenda to be taken care of by Government;

(b) if so, the details of facility provided thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Non-functional CCTVs in National Capital

1983. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the CCTVs installed by Government in the National Capital and other important places are non-functional which hampers police investigation into crimes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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(c) what remedial measures Government proposes to take in this regard?

Curtailling money supply to anti-India activists

1984. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been no effect of demonetisation on stone pelters of Kashmir and naxalites;

(b) if so, how they are managing to push Indian currency for terrorists and naxal activists now;

(c) whether Government has any fresh plan to curtail supply line of money to anti-India activists;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Measures for safety of women

1985. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the crimes against women, Government has recently reviewed the overall security of women in the country to prevent atrocities/crimes against them;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the remedial measures taken/proposed to be taken by Government for safety of women in the country?

Constitutional safeguards under Assam Accord

1986. SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of clause 6 and 7 of Assam Accord;

(b) the policy and programme being taken up to provide Constitutional and economic safeguard for Assamese people under Assam Accord; and

(c) the reasons for delay in implementation of Clause 6 and 7 of the Assam Accord?

Construction of roads and floodlights along Indo-Bangladesh border

1987. SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the sanctioned amount for construction of roads and floodlights along the Indo-Bangladesh border during 2017-18;

(b) the amount spent against the road construction and floodlighting during 2017-18;

(c) the number of border outposts along the Indo-Bangladesh border; and

(d) the total kilometres of Indo-Bangladesh border covered by physical barriers and non-physical barriers?

Crimes against foreign women

1988. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that foreign women are victims of rape, loot and cheating in India and media has reported several cases during last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of cases occurred during last two years in various parts of the country;

(c) what steps Government is taking to ensure Atithi Devo Bhava concept; and

(d) whether tourism has been affected by these incidents and if so, the details thereof?

Terrorist incidents in Kashmir valley

†1989. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the terrorist incidents in Kashmir valley have gone up by 50 times as compared to earlier;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, the year-wise details of the terrorist incidents in the valley during the last three years?

Naxalite attacks

†1990. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite all assurances Government has failed to stop naxalite attacks;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) if not, the details of loss of lives and properties due to naxalite attacks in last three years; and

(d) by when Government would formulate any effective strategy to deal with naxalites and execute it?

Yoga for police/paramilitary forces

1991. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is contemplating upon including 'Yoga' as daily exercise of police/paramilitary forces in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a number of security personnel are not provided daily exercise schedule in the country; and

(d) if so, the corrective action to enforce daily exercise for all security/police personnel?

Porous border between India and Myanmar

1992. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that border between India and Myanmar is extremely porous due to which there is free movement of militants, illegal arms and drugs;

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

(c) whether Government undertook any survey to identify such porous borders with its neighbouring countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Security personnel died on duty

1993. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) year-wise details of total number of security personnel who died in the line of duty in past three years;

(b) details of compensation given to

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family of security personnel who died in the line of duty;

(c) year-wise details of number of cases where family of security personnel who died in the line of duty have not yet received compensation from Government in past three years; and

(d) out of total number of security personnel who died in the line of duty in last three years, number of cases where someone from their family got a Government job, details thereof?

Sedition cases

†1994. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise total number of cases registered across the country under Section 124 (a) (sedition) of Indian Penal Code in the years 2011, 2012 and 2013;

(b) the current status of the said cases registered under the above section; and

(c) the number and names of the accused in the above cases?

Excesses by Assam Rifles in Manipur

1995. SHRI K. BHABANANDA SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of excesses by Assam Rifles is rampant in Manipur;

(b) the details of cases registered against Assam Rifles personnel in Manipur during last three years and this year with a summary of each case, year-wise;

(c) whether recently a court in the State has instructed the registration of an FIR

against Commanding Officer of 34 Assam Rifles for custodial torture of an insurgent, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of requests pending with Government for prosecution of Assam Rifles personnel, requests granted and requests pending till date in relation to cases in the State?

Rape cases in Delhi

1996. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of rape cases reported each year in Delhi has more than tripled over the last three years;

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

(c) whether despite regular patrolling by Delhi Police, cases pertaining to assault on women with intent to outrage their modesty have increased during the last three years; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government to check such offences?

Maoist attacks on CRPF

1997. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the incidents of Maoist attacks on CRPF in different States during the last six months;

(b) the details of casualties in these attacks;

(c) whether Government has reworked its strategy to tackle Maoist terror in these States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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Flood situation in North-Eastern States

1998. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government in view of the flood situation in Assam, Tripura and other North-Eastern States at present;

(b) the preparation of Government to deal with emergency situation like floods; and

(c) the details of assistance provided to the flood affected States and people at present?

NHRC notice to Madhya Pradesh Government over death of patients

1999. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Human Rights Commission has issued notice to the Madhya Pradesh Government over reports of the death of 11 patients, including two children, in State-run Maharaja Yeshwantrao hospital in Indore due to alleged negligence of the hospital authorities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has taken any step to address the issue?

Safety of Amarnath pilgrims

2000. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of Amarnath pilgrims have been recently killed and injured in South Kashmir's Anantnag district on Srinagar-Jammu

National Highway despite advance intelligence input for terrorist attack;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is Government's reaction in regard to this attack on the innocent pilgrims by militants and the steps Government proposes to take to ensure the safety of pilgrims?

Including more countries in Visa-on-Arrival list

2001. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has issued new visa guidelines to include more countries in Visa-on-Arrival list to promote tourism in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with list of such countries thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and steps taken in respect of (a) above; and

(d) the details of the criteria and procedures followed to give such relaxations?

Pending transfer cases of CRPF Jawans

2002. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the name-wise and battalion-wise details of pending transfer cases of CRPF Jawans posted in Chhattisgarh on the ground of their family members' critical illness like cancer (in last stages), heart-diseases;

(b) whether Government has any transfer policy on such ground, the details thereof;

(c) by when they would be transferred to their respective home State;

(d) whether it is a fact that even the recommendation of elected representative is not being considered for this purpose; and

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

Establishment of forensic laboratory in Andhra Pradesh

2003. SHRI T. G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as a promise made in the 10th Schedule of Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 Government has proposed to establish forensic laboratory in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any proposal from Government of Andhra Pradesh has also been received to this effect, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of actual execution of this work?

Unsafe residential/commercial buildings in Delhi

2004. SHRI RAJ BABBAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified unsafe and dangerous residential/commercial buildings in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise;

(c) the steps taken by Government to demolish these buildings;

(d) whether Government proposes to carry out any fresh survey to identify

unsafe/dangerous buildings including fixing the responsibility of officers of MCD and Delhi Police; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Atrocities against students from North-Eastern States

2005. SHRI RAJ BABBAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether atrocities against people particularly students from North-Eastern States have been reported from various parts of the country particularly in Delhi and NCR region; and

(b) if so, the details of such incidents reported during the last three years and current year, year-wise and action taken in the matter?

Reconstitution of NDMA

2006. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) has been reconstituted, if so, the names of the members along with their profile;

(b) will the newly constituted NDMA be more effective than the earlier one, if so, how; and

(c) what were the circumstances that necessitated the lowering of the status of the members of NDMA?

Agreement with NSCN (IM)

2007. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an agreement

was made between Government and NSCN (IM) of Nagaland in August, 2015;

(b) if so, the detailed framework of Government therein;

(c) whether the State Governments of the North-Eastern States were consulted before the agreement therefor;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the NSCN (IM) has demanded Greater Nagalim by including some areas of the States namely Assam, Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh thereof; and

(e) the proposal details with areas demanded by NSCN (IM) for Greater Nagalim?

Rape victim compensation scheme

2008. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are uniform National plan/guidelines in place issued by the Central Government to all States regarding the allocation of compensation under the rape victim compensation scheme under Section 357-A of Criminal Procedure Code;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken to ensure its effective implementation?

Scanners at LoC trade facilitation centres

2009. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is delay on crucial acquisition of scanners at LoC trade facilitation centres in Kashmir;

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay; and

(c) the measures taken by Government to check for weapons and other illegal items being bartered along the border?

Hindi Advisory Committee

†2010. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the person-wise introduction details of 'Who is Who' of the non-official members of the Hindi Advisory Committee reconstituted on 23 June, 2017; and

(b) the dates of constitution of Hindi Advisory Committee during last three years and details of the tenure of each of Committees including person-wise introduction details of non-official member of the Committee?

Vacancies in NDMA

2011. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are large scale vacancies in the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA); and

(b) the details regarding the vacancies in NDMA and steps taken for filling up these vacancies?

Withdrawal of AFSPA from North-Eastern States

2012. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to withdraw Armed Forces Special Powers

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Act (AFSPA) from the North-Eastern States; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

People lynched on allegations of child abduction

2013. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on the basis of reports in social media, four people were lynched in Jharkhand recently on allegations of child abduction;

(b) whether the matter has been investigated by Government; and

(c) what steps are being put in place to deter recurrence of such incidents based on social media reports?

Killing of tribals in course of anti-naxal operations

2014. SHRI SANJIV KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there have been cases of killing of innocent tribals by security forces in course of anti-naxal operations in village Dholkatta in Giridih district of Jharkhand;

(b) whether Government is aware of the occurrence of such incidents in Jharkhand; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken against the erring officers/officials in the matter?

Solution of Kashmir problem

†2015. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is seriously considering upon a permanent solution of Kashmir problem;

(b) if so, whether Government is considering upon taking steps in this regard; and

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

Details of projects under NCLP in Rajasthan

2016. SHRI HARSHVARDHAN SINGH DUNGARPUR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of projects under the National Child Labour Project (NCLP) under the Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986 for various districts of Rajasthan from 2014 to 2016;

(b) the details thereof, of the facilities and support provided to child labourers thereunder and the number of children covered in Rajasthan under the scheme;

(c) whether Government of Rajasthan has proposed some more districts in the State to be covered under the National Child Labour Project; and

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

Irregularities in purchase of ESI hospital equipments

2017. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU:
SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

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(a) whether Government is aware that large number of irregularities are taking place in the purchase of ESI hospital equipments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any investigation has been conducted to evaluate the facts, the details thereof; and

(d) the action being taken against erring persons?

Creation of new jobs vis-a-vis GDP growth

†2018. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of unemployed youth in the country along with the details of the new jobs created during the last three years and current year;

(b) whether employment has increased in the same proportion as the rise in the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth figures along with the details thereof including the rate of Employment Relativity; and

(c) the details of the effective measures taken by Government to increase employment along with the outcomes thereof?

Agreements with banks for easy deposit and withdrawals of EPF contributions

2019. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made agreements with banks for easy deposit and withdrawals of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) contributions;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of banks which have entered into agreements with Government for such transactions; and

(d) whether such agreements will reduce the administrative expenses of Government?

Universal Account Number to persons employed in unorganized sector

2020. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government was able to provide Universal Account Number (UAN) to all those who are employed in unorganised sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof and modalities adopted by Government to ascertain the number of persons engaged in unorganized sector; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Welfare of migrant labourers

2021. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any scheme for the welfare of migrant labourers;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the amount of money sanctioned/released and utilized during the last two years and this year;

(c) whether Government maintains any separate registry for such migrant labourers;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

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(e) whether Government has conducted any study to assess the standard of living of migrant labourers; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Compensation cases pending in Labour Courts

2022. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of compensation cases pending with the Labour Courts;

(b) the year-wise details of the pendency of cases increased or decreased in the last three years;

(c) the State-wise number of compensation cases pending with the Labour Courts which are more than five years old; and

(d) the details of the steps taken in the last three years to clear this backlog?

Minimum Wages Bill

2023. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is contemplating legislation of Minimum Wages Bill; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Maternity benefits for women working in unorganized sector

2024. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of construction workers

who have received maternity benefits since 2012, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) the number of domestic workers who have received maternity benefits since 2012, year-wise and State-wise;

(c) the number of women working in unorganized sector who have received maternity benefits since 2012, year-wise and State-wise;

(d) whether the amended Maternity Benefit Entitlement Act is likely to cover the women in unorganized sector; and

(e) if so, how and if not, what benefits will be extended to such women?

The Unorganised Workers' Social Security Act, 2008

2025. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the status of implementation of the Unorganised Workers' Social Security Act, 2008, the State-wise details thereof;

(b) the details of funds that have been allocated for the implementation of this act and under what heads, the State-wise and year-wise details during the last three years; and

(c) what is the status of utilization of these funds during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise?

Social security benefits to workers through labour code

2026. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to introduce a labour code

which will provide social security cover to the entire workforce in the country, including self-employed and agricultural workers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government intends to provide social security benefits to 45 crore workers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Stagnant growth in urban employment

†2027. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether growth in urban employment has stopped from last many quarters due to decrease in investment in e-commerce and internet-based startups and decline in demand for Indian IT services while on other hand, only 61 per cent of workforce had jobs during entire year and 34 per cent of people could find employment for 6 to 11 months only while being available for whole year;

(b) if so, whether Government has identified sectors providing fast employment; and

(c) whether Government proposes to give tax exemption to sectors and companies providing employment for more than one year, if so, details thereof?

Calculation of average pensionable salary by EPFO

2028. SHRID. RAJA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has noticed discrimination in Circular No. pension-1/12/

33/EPS amendment 96/Vol-II/34007 dated 23rd March, 2017 whereby Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has exempted Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) members who are drawing pensionable salary exceeding ₹ 15000 on or after September, 1994 from getting benefit of higher option;

(b) if so, whether Government will take steps to remove this discrimination;

(c) whether EPFO has taken decision to calculate average pensionable salary by applying 60 months' salary for employees retired/retiring after September, 2014 instead of 12 months' salary prescribed for employees who have retired before September, 1994; and

(d) if so, whether Government will take steps to rectify this discrimination?

Casual workers losing their jobs due to demonetisation

2029. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per Labour Bureau's recent report, 1.52 lakh casual workers have lost their job due to demonetisation;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether at least 6 lakh employed people are going to lose their job during current year and the next two years in IT sector only due to laying off;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reasons for horrible situation of unemployment in the country and failure of Government to provide 2 crore annual jobs as promised by Prime Minister?

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Investment of EPFO funds in ETFs

2030. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) proposes to raise investment limit in Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) to 15 per cent;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to have an exit policy for liquidating investments in ETFs, securities and State loans to maximize returns before raising the proportion of equity linked investments?

Increase of unemployment rate

2031. SHRI DEREK O'BRIEN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that unemployment rate has steadily increased from 2014 to 2016;

(b) the month-wise unemployment rate from January 2017 to June 2017 and the corresponding figures from 2014-15 and 2015-16;

(c) the amount disbursed under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana in the last three years; and

(d) the number of people who have benefited under the scheme in the last three years?

Schemes for welfare of labourers/ workers

2032. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many welfare measures have been adopted for labourers during the last two years;

(b) how many workers got benefited in agriculture, industry and trade thereon;

(c) in what manner the measures adopted during these years affected the workers; and

(d) what has been the increase in labour force in the country since 2014-15?

New mechanism to collect data of Government jobs

‡2033. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to evolve a new mechanism to collect data of Government jobs;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken any step in this regard so far; and

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

Empowering MSMEs to create more employment

2034. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL: SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note that Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), play a pivotal role in the overall industrial development of the country;

(b) whether Government has also taken note that the MSMEs continue to face

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several problems in production and marketing of their products;

(c) if so, whether Government is taking up/has taken up any study to find out concrete solutions for these problems and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government has any proposal to empower the MSMEs sector to create more employment opportunities in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Loans to youth under PMEGP

2035. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:
SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:
SHRI DARSHAN SINGH
YADAV:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether loans under the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) are being disbursed to the youths in various States including Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last two years, State/UT-wise;

(c) the quantum of loans given to youths in Maharashtra under the said scheme and the targets fixed/achieved during the said period; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to achieve the said targets?

Use of modern technology in small and medium enterprises

†2036. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts being made by Government to promote small and medium enterprises in the country in order to create employment for youths;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the efforts being made by Government to use modern technology in small and medium enterprises; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Increasing beneficiaries under CLCSS

2037. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether under the National Manufacturing Competitiveness Programme, performance of Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme (CLCSS) has been going down every year, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) the year-wise details of the number of beneficiaries and amount of subsidy released during the last three years; and

(c) what initiatives are being taken by Government to increase the number of beneficiaries under the scheme, the details thereof?

Approval of DPRs to help rural artisans

2038. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) have been approved to help traditional rural artisans;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

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(c) how many DPRs have been approved so far and amounts released so far; and

(d) whether these programmes are concentrating on creation of additional opportunities for the employment of youth in rural areas?

Shortfall in Margin Money for sanctioned loans

2039. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a huge gap between sanctioned Margin Money and its actual dispersal during the last two years;

(b) how Government proposes to meet the shortfall in Margin Money for sanctioned loans; and

(c) the number of projects, State-wise and district-wise achieved during 2015-16 and 2016-17?

Schemes for development of MSMEs

†2040. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes being run for development of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises in the country;

(b) the State-wise number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises covered under the schemes implemented in the country during last three years and the current financial year including Madhya Pradesh; and

(c) whether Government is satisfied with the implementation of various schemes for development of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

TREAD women entrepreneurship programme

2041. SHRI K. C. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of NGOs part of TREAD women entrepreneurship programme through which lending institutions can provide financial assistance to women to encourage them to take up non-farming activities;

(b) the details of banks associated with this programme;

(c) the details of the non-farming activities taken up by women with this programme;

(d) whether there has been any visible improvement in rate of employment as a result of this programme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Schemes to finance raw material purchases by MSMEs

2042. SHRI K. C. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes that help MSMEs to finance their raw material purchases;

(b) the details of MSMEs benefited as a result of such schemes; and

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(c) whether the Ministry plans to introduce any other programme for such firms to enable them to finance their purchases and focus on the quality of manufacturing?

Expansion of gas grid network

2043. SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the existing and on going gas pipeline network in the country, State-wise;

(b) the expansion programme of gas grid network in the country; and

(c) whether the necessary land has been acquired and the compensation given to land owners accordingly, State-wise?

Tampering of electronic dispensing machines

2044. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that electronic dispensing machines were introduced basically to check under-delivery of fuel;

(b) if so, the reasons for recent instances of tampering of these machines; and

(c) how major oil consuming countries are tackling this problem?

Per barrel cost of petrol and diesel

2045. SHRI HARSHVARDHAN SINGH DUNGARPUR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the cost Government is bearing on per barrel petrol and diesel, at present;

(b) at what price it has been sold excluding other taxes; and

(c) what is the sale price of petrol and diesel per litre in metro cities including taxes?

Introduction of new oil and gas block licensing policy

2046. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has introduced a new oil and gas block licensing policy that is expected to open up 2.8 million square kilometres of sedimentary basins to exploration and production activities;

(b) whether the lack of seismic sedimentary basin data had been hampering the oil and gas exploration and production sector;

(c) whether 52 per cent of India's sedimentary basins had not been appraised as yet;

(d) whether the National Data Repository was expected to improve this situation; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Cashless transactions at petrol pumps

2047. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cashless transactions at petrol pumps have nearly trebled from ₹ 150 crore per day to ₹ 400 crore per day;

(b) whether this was achieved through a three pronged strategy adopted to

promote cashless transactions after demonetisation;

(c) whether altogether 86 per cent of the petrol pumps in the country now have infrastructure for digital payments;

(d) whether more than 35,000 consumer awareness camps have been held in all major regional languages across the country for the promotion of cashless transactions at petrol pumps; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Linking of Aadhaar for LPG subsidy

‡2048. SHRI MEGHRAJ JAIN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether linking of Aadhaar number has been made mandatory for availing subsidy on LPG for all LPG consumers under Direct Benefit Transfer of LPG (DBTL) Scheme, if so, details thereof and reasons therefor;

(b) State-wise total number of LPG consumers in the country and number of consumers whose Aadhaar number has been linked under DBTL;

(c) whether any separate provision has been made for those who still do not have Aadhaar cards and for rural population for providing subsidy without Aadhaar card, if so, details thereof; and

(d) State-wise number of LPG consumers provided LPG subsidy without Aadhaar card so far?

LPG connections under PMUY

2049. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) as compared to the financial year 2016-17, what is proportion of LPG connections provided under PMUY within the total number of LPG connections provided till date during the financial year 2017-18;

(b) of the 2,49,52,523 LPG connections, as on 10th July, 2017, provided under PMUY, how many beneficiaries have been come back to the gas agencies for refilling their LPG cylinders and how many have not, State-wise and district-wise details thereof; and

(c) the data regarding the number of BPL beneficiaries under PMUY compared with the increase in consumption of LPG during 2017-18, the State-wise details thereof?

Fitting of anti-pilferage devices on LPG cylinders

2050. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to have anti-pilferage devices fitted with the LPG cylinders;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of instances of pilferage of LPG cylinders in the country, State-wise, during the last three years; and

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

Preparations for introduction of BS-VI grade fuel by 2020

2051. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

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(a) what plans Government is contemplating upon for introduction of BS-VI grade fuel in the country by 2020 to bring down the sulphur content substantially;

(b) whether it is a fact that the oil refineries would need huge investment to upgrade them to produce BS-VI grade fuel; and

(c) if so, what arrangements Government has made to make the required funds available to the refineries to adhere to the time-schedule for introduction of upgraded fuel by 2020?

Shares of GSPC bought by ONGC

†2052. SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ONGC has bought shares of Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation (GSPC);

(b) whether any due diligence was done by ONGC before this decision, if so, which was the agency which did the due diligence;

(c) what were the liabilities taken over by ONGC; and

(d) at what rate were the shares transferred to ONGC and during that period at what rates GSPC shares were trading?

Regulation of pricing of petroleum products

2053. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether pricing of petroleum products are determined by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government is considering to regulate pricing of petroleum products in public interest;

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

(e) the details of profit/loss of Public Sector oil companies during the last three years and the current year?

Closure of petrol bunks on Sundays

2054. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note of closure of petrol bunks on Sundays on a call given by petrol bunk owners;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the oil companies are supporting this act of bunk owners which is posing problems to the general public; and

(d) whether the Ministry has taken any decision on the matter in the interest of the general public, the details thereof?

Land subsidence due to indiscriminate exploration in KG Basin

2055. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the scientists of Geological Survey of India have submitted a report to Government that indiscriminate exploration of gas and oil in the Krishna-Godavari Basin is resulting in land subsidence in these areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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(c) whether Government has taken any action on the report, if so, the details thereof?

Expansion of energy outreach with Mauritius gas project

2056. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India proposes to expand energy outreach with Mauritius gas project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India's largest liquid gas importer, Petro Net LNG will send a team for working out future course of action with authorities and stakeholders in Mauritius;

(d) whether India is considering to join the Mauritius Government's Vision 2030 to develop that nation as a regional hydrocarbon trading hub; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Training centres to promote Ujjwala Scheme

†2057. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is providing training through a number of training centres to promote the Ujjwala Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of such training centres opened along with the number of people trained so far in the country, the State-wise details thereof?

Monitoring of multiple LPG connections

2058. SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are over 74,000 LPG customers linked to 37, 000 Aadhaar numbers indicating the existence of multiple connections;

(b) whether in 2014-15, the cap of 12 subsidised cylinders per annum had been violated and over 15 lakhs active domestic consumers had received more than 12 subsidised cylinders; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Ministry to prevent the existence of multiple connections and monitor any violations?

Funds spent by GAIL for welfare of locals in Auraiya, U.P.

2059. SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that GAIL (India) Ltd. situated in Auraiya district in Uttar Pradesh spends two per cent of its annual income on the welfare of local people living in and around Pata village of Auraiya district; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with details of the funds spent by GAIL on the welfare of local people during financial year 2016-17 and 2017-18 till date, also the details of the annual income of GAIL (India) Ltd. during the said period?

Subsidy on petroleum products

2060. SHRI RAMKUMAR VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

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(a) how much subsidy Government is providing on all the petroleum products, at present;

(b) if so, the details thereof, product-wise;

(c) whether Government proposes to extend or again reduce the subsidy on those products for indefinite period;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

LPG coverage to BPL/poor household

2061. SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has achieved the target to provide gas connection to every BPL/poor household particularly in those States/UTs where LPG coverage is less than the national coverage;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with steps taken to increase the LPG coverage and remove the shortfall across the country, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of cases of BPL beneficiaries identified who have been reportedly deprived of availing the benefits of the scheme; and

(d) the number of people who have voluntarily given up the LPG subsidy so far, State/UT-wise, including Uttar Pradesh?

PDS kerosene to fishermen in Kerala

2062. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that in Kerala, kerosene is distributed through

public distribution to fishermen with different fishing permits and to old age homes, etc. under supervision of Civil Supplies and Fisheries Departments;

(b) whether kerosene provided by the Central Government since the year 2016-17 only to ration card holders will be extended to ordinary fishermen and un-electrified houses and allotment will be increased accordingly; and

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

Regulation of petroleum prices on daily basis

2063. SHRIMATI JAYABACHCHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government/Oil Marketing Companies plan to regulate the price of petroleum products on daily basis, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether this will increase the chances of profiteering by petrol pump owners as consumers will not be aware of daily prices, the details thereof?

Supply of piped cooking gas to Rajasthan

†2064 SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of plan formulated by the Central Government for supplying cooking gas through pipelines to various cities of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the amount allocated, so far, under the said plan; and

(c) the details of the action plan formulated for supplying domestic gas

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through pipeline to the capital of Rajasthan, Jaipur?

Air conditioners for Bhilai Steel Plant

†2065. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that air conditioners of more than the required load are being installed in 'Pool Peet' (control room) of Bhilai Steel Plant, Bhilai, which were working without air-conditioners for many years;

(b) the number of such air-conditioners sanctioned to be installed in this plant along with their cost;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the firms run by some retired officers of this plant colluded to sanction installation of above air-conditioners at higher rates than the market rates; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Adding of new steel capacities

2066. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's ambition to add 182 million tonnes of new steel capacities over the next 14 years under the National Steel Policy is unlikely to be achieved;

(b) whether it is also a fact that only 60 million tonnes of capacity has been added in the past decade and stagnant demand in

the past five years had aggravated the debt position of the sector;

(c) whether it is also a fact that several global steel majors have scrapped various Greenfield steel projects, owing to land acquisition and raw material linkage issues; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Crude steel production

2067. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India's crude steel production grew 4-3 per cent to 24-73 million tonnes during the first quarter of the ongoing fiscal;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has set an ambitious target of taking the country's steel output to 300 MT by 2030-31 from 100 MT now and is taking various measures to boost the sector; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

New schemes for development and promotion of tourism in J&K

2068. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH MANHAS: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to introduce new schemes for development and promotion of tourism in J&K State, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Central Government has received any representation from J&K State with regard to development and promotion of the tourism sector, especially in Jammu region; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

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Special package for J&K to attract foreign tourists

2069. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH MANHAS: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has developed any special package for J&K State to attract foreign tourists;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

National tourism package

2070. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minister will consider giving a national tourism package to those participating in the 'Make in India' programme in order to encourage and spread tourism in the country; and

(b) if so, whether the Ministry will take initiative and coordinate to develop infrastructure to suit the standards of those participating in the 'Make in India' projects so that the tourists are not disappointed while availing the tourism package?

Making India a preferred MICE destination

2071. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India's market-share in Global Convention business is quite insignificant;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what is being done for making India a preferred Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Exhibitions (MICE) destination?

Promotion of Ayurveda for international medical tourism

2072. MAHANT SHAMBHU-PRASADJI TUNDIYA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to use Ayurveda for promoting International Medical Tourism in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Development of 1600 km coastal area in Gujarat

2073. MAHANT SHAMBHU-PRASADJI TUNDIYA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any plan for the tourism development of Gujarat's 1600 kilometre coastal area; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Proposal to declare Nrusinghanath and Harishankar in Odisha as tourist centres

2074. SHRI PRASANNA ACHARYA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) how many tourist centres are there in the States of Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and West Bengal and what is the funding pattern to develop these tourist centres;

(b) whether there is any proposal to declare Nrusinghanath and Harishankar situated in the Gandhamardhan Hills bordering Bargarh and Bolangir districts in Odisha as tourist centres by Government; and

(c) if so, what are the steps taken so far for improvement of these two tourist spots?

Tourism industry suffering losses due to burden of taxes

2075. SHRI RAMKUMAR VERMA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the tourism industry of the country is suffering losses due to burden of taxes and other extra charges;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government is formulating any scheme to prevent such a situation keeping in view the above incidents; and

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

Financial assistance to Madhya Pradesh for development of tourism

†2076. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of facilities in place to make tourism an effective tool of employment generation;

(b) the details of financial assistance provided to Madhya Pradesh and achievements made thereof in years 2014, 2015 and 2016 for the development of tourist sites and for providing necessary facilities to the tourists; and

(c) the names of places for which the said assistance was provided?

Schemes for promotion of tourism in Rajasthan

†2077. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of the number of international and domestic tourists visiting various States of the country;

(b) the schemes being run by the Central Government to promote tourism in the State of Rajasthan and to provide basic facilities to international tourists; and

(c) the plans formulated by Central Government to promote rural tourism in Rajasthan?

Identification of fake tribal certificates

2078. SHRI HARIVANSH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many people in the country are in possession of fake tribal certificates;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken to identify such persons; and

(c) what is the punitive action proposed to be taken against those who are found guilty in this regard?

Development of 'Dhangar' community in Maharashtra

2079. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has launched any scheme for the development of 'Dhangar' community in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the number of people in such communities who have been benefited under the centrally sponsored schemes during the last three years; and

(c) the details thereof, year-wise?

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Committees for welfare of tribes

2080. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formed any committees or groups on different issues related to the welfare and development of tribes;

(b) if so, the details of each committee;

(c) whether such committees have submitted their recommendations;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the follow-up action thereon;

(e) whether some committees have not submitted their reports so far; and

(f) if so, the specific reasons therefor and the time by when said committees are likely to submit their reports?

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