

RAJYA SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

*to be asked at a sitting of the Rajya Sabha to be held on
Wednesday, February 7, 2018/Magha 18, 1939 (Saka)*

**(Ministries : Commerce and Industry; Culture; Home Affairs; Labour and
Employment; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Petroleum and
Natural Gas; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Steel;
Tourism; Youth Affairs and Sports)**

Total number of questions — 15

Demand for supply of piped gas

*46. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a long standing demand for supplying gas through pipeline, particularly in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, Government's response thereto and the reasons for delay in its approval;

(c) whether as per the reports from Platts, the share of domestic gas usage would rise to 24 per cent in 2021 from the 20 per cent consumption in 2016, if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that natural gas accounts for only 6.5 per cent of India's mix as compared to global average of 24 per cent, if so, the reasons therefor?

Assessment of enemy properties

*47. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made any assessment of enemy properties existing in the country;

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

(c) the details regarding enemy properties belonging to enemy aliens from Pakistan and China; and

(d) the details regarding enemy properties existing in the State of Rajasthan?

Mechanism to rescue child labourers

*48. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any robust

mechanism to rescue child labourers from work places;;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has put in place any mechanism to ensure that rescued/withdrawn children are linked to formal education system; and

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

Infiltration of terrorists

*49. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether infiltration of terrorists has been reported from border States including Punjab during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by Government to check infiltration of terrorists into Indian territory from the border areas along with the outcome thereof; and

(d) the details of the concrete arrangements proposed to be made by Government to check infiltration from across all the borders?

Applicants left out in first draft of NRC

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

(a) whether out of 3.29 crore applicants, only 1.90 crore applicants have been listed in the first draft of the National Register of Citizens (NRC) in Assam, published on 31st December, 2017;

(b) if so, the reasons behind part publication of said draft and why 1.39 crore applicants have been left out therefrom;

(c) whether most of the left-out applicants belong to linguistic and religious minority communities therein;

(d) the reasons behind such discrimination thereof;

(e) the proposal of Government to include names of the left-out applicants expeditiously; and

(f) the deadline of the second draft of NRC in Assam?

Amount allocated for police reforms

*51. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal for police reforms in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what is the initial amount allocated and that released so far for the purpose;

(d) what has been the contribution of States; and

(e) what is the time-period fixed for this, if any?

Incidents of suicide in police stations

†*52. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of people committing suicides inside the police stations are taking place;

(b) if so, the State-wise number of such incidents during the last three years;

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(c) whether Government has ascertained as to whether the above mentioned suicides are custodial deaths after they are taken into remand by police; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Allowing 100 per cent FDI in Single Brand Retail Trade

*53. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has recently allowed 100 per cent Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Single Brand Retail Trade through automatic route;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons for allowing 100 per cent FDI in Single Brand Retail?

Achievements of National Manufacturing Policy

*54. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has failed in achieving the noble objectives of enhancing the share of manufacturing in GDP and creating 100 million jobs, envisaged in the National Manufacturing Policy; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

Training police personnel on IPRs

*55. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to introduce a special course and impart training to the police personnel on Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) as the violation of IPRs are turning into a prime cause for criminal acts and diversion of funds for criminal and terrorist activities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Archive of Indian literature

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

(a) whether the Sahitya Akademi had rolled out in 1997 a project of archive of Indian literature with an objective of compiling and preserving the important material on writers and literature;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the important material on writers and literature concerning Maithili language have also been compiled and preserved/proposed to be compiled and preserved under the Indian Literary Archive Project;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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Studies on impact of industrial and vocational training

*57. DR. V. MAITREYAN : Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had conducted studies on positive impact of industrial and vocational training given through various ITIs and Vocational Training Institutes in the country;

(b) if so, details thereof and list of courses conducted and persons trained during last three years, year-wise, State-wise;

(c) the list of ITI courses conducted during last three years by various Central/ State Government and private ITIs/ institutes to produce skilled workers to suite industry needs;

(d) whether Government has given approval for such new innovative, job oriented courses to make ITIs job oriented and suit industry needs; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Regrouping of Maoists beyond Bastar district

*58. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to intelligence inputs, Maoists are regrouping away from Bastar district to the tri-junction of Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken adequate steps to avert this regrouping;

(c) whether it is also a fact that due to lack of proper road connectivity, Rayagada, Kandhamal and Kalahandi districts in Odisha are gradually emerging as a den of Naxal activities; and

(d) if so, the details of preparedness of Government to counter such activities?

Weather gear for ITBP personnel

*59. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the ITBP personnel deployed at posts higher than 9000 feet will now get the same weather gear that is available to army jawans posted on the Siachen glacier;

(b) whether it is also a fact that such clothing and equipment were available only to ITBP personnel deployed at posts higher than 11000 feet;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the announcement would practically cover about 80 per cent of the force as most ITBP deployment are at an altitude of more than 9000 feet; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Suicide by unemployed youths

†*60. SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of suicides among youths of the country on account of

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unemployment have gone up as suggested by latest data of National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action plan formulated by the Ministry to prevent the cases of suicides among unemployed youths?

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DESH DEEPAK VERMA,
Secretary-General.

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