

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

Thursday, July 22, 2021/Ashadha 31, 1943 (Saka)

(Ministries of Civil Aviation; Housing and Urban Affairs; Jal Shakti; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Minority Affairs; New and Renewable Energy; Ports, Shipping and Waterways; Power; Road Transport and Highways; Youth Affairs and Sports)

(नागर विमानन; आवासन और शहरी कार्य; जल शक्ति; सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम; अल्पसंख्यक कार्य; नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा; पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग; विद्युत; सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग; युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 20

Power Production from Srisaillam Reservoir

*41. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested the Union Government to instruct the Government of Telangana to stop the power production from Srisaillam Reservoir which is being undertaken against the decision of the Krishna River Management Board (KRMB);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action has been taken on the request of the Government of Andhra Pradesh; and

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

Drinking Water Connections in Odisha

†*42. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of households in Odisha which have been provided with drinking water connection under Jal Jeevan Mission alongwith the number of people benefited therefrom, district-wise; and

(b) the details of funds allocated to Odisha under the said mission, district-wise?

Budget Air Service

†*43. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether aviation companies suffer losses on fuel to the tune of crores of rupees due to hovering of their planes above the international airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to launch “budget air service” during the lean hours; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Airports in Telangana

*44. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY
NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of airports that are currently operational in the State of Telangana;

(b) the details of airports that are used for scheduled airlines and those used only for chartered aircraft;

(c) whether the Government is considering any plans to open new airports in Telangana, especially in Warangal, Siddipet, Kothagudem or Kagaznagar and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any proposals from the Government of Telangana to open new airports in the State are pending and if so, the details thereof?

Impact of Pandemic on MSME Sector

*45. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to overcome the distress caused to the people engaged in MSME sector by the second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic;

(b) the details of MSME organisations that had to be shut down due to the pandemic, State-wise; and

(c) the quantum of loss suffered by the MSME sector due to the pandemic?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Illegal Weighing Bridges and Petrol Pumps on NH-6

*46. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of alleged existence of illegal weighing bridges and petrol pumps along the National Highway No-6 (NH-6) passing through the States of Assam and Meghalaya;

(b) the number of weighing bridges which have been granted permission for setting up between Jorabadi and Silchar on NH-6;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the illegal weighing bridges on NH-6 are creating a lot of obstruction in the flow of traffic; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to order a CBI inquiry to find out the officials, if any, involved in grant of such permission against the prescribed guidelines of the Ministry?

National Highway Projects

*47. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH: SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the pace of National Highways (NHs) construction in the country has reached at 37 kms per day during 2020-21, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the length of each NH in kilometres where construction has been undertaken from 2014 till date along with the funds sanctioned and the constraints posed due to Covid-19 pandemic as well as loss estimated as a result thereof so far;

(c) whether the cumulative cost of ongoing projects has increased, if so, the details thereof as on date, State and project-wise and the total budgetary outlay increased for each project including revised budgetary estimates for the said period, year-wise;

(d) the details of annual average award of NHs in length during the said period and average annual construction of NH length; and

(e) the details of stalled projects entailing an investment as on date along with the reasons therefor and likely date of completion of each such stalled project?

Funds Released under JJM

*48. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has released funds to all the States/UTs in the country including North-Eastern States under 'Jal Jeevan Mission';

(b) if so, the details of the funds sanctioned/released and utilized during each of the last three years and the current year so far, State/UT-wise ; and

(c) the steps taken to achieve the goal of 'Har Ghar Jal' Yojana?

Award for Overall Performance of Smart Cities

*49. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has given awards to States for the overall performance of the Smart Cities and for their proactive roles, if so, the details thereof and the objective behind the move;

(b) the smart city that has been awarded best award for the overall performance in the year 2020;

(c) the details of total projects under the Smart City Mission (SCM) and the amount for which work orders have been issued alongwith the details of the projects that have been fully completed and made operational;

(d) the smart cities which have developed and operationalized their integrated command and control centres; and

(e) whether the Government has also launched the report on climate smart cities assessment framework and if so, the details thereof alongwith performance of cities in this regard?

Guidelines for Drinking Water Quality Check

*50. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the framework and guidelines issued by the Government for testing, monitoring and surveillance of drinking water quality;

(b) whether the Government has started a Water Quality Information Management System (WQMIS) to help in providing information on laboratories for water testing at the State, district, block/tehsil and village levels;

(c) the manner in which the Government proposes to build capacity at these levels to ensure uniformity and efficacy;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Jal Jeevan Mission benefits the rural areas only and deprives the dwellers of urban and semi urban areas of the country; and

(e) whether the Government has any plans for expanding the scheme to urban and semi urban areas to benefit the people living in these areas from this mission?

Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen)

*51. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:
SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently approved the Annual Implementation Plan of Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) [SBM (G)] for States and UTs;

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

(c) whether SBM(G) (Phase 2) has a target to support over two lakh villages to achieve Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) systems through an investment of over Rs.40,700 crores during the present financial year 2021-22; and

(d) if so, the details of mobilisation of the above amount and the share of the Centre *vis-a-vis* the States therein?

Four-laning of Sonapur-Areraj NH

*52. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:
SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has finalised the alignment of Sonapur-Areraj four-lane National Highway (NH) which is connecting Patna (Bihar) to Nepal border under Bharatmala Pariyojana and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government of Bihar has submitted a proposal to make it through east side of Gandak river to connect Buddhist Circuit in Vaishali and Kesaria and if so, the action taken by the Government thereon; and

(c) the time schedule fixed for completion of this project?

Electricity Act

*53. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:
SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Section 145 of the Electricity Act barred the jurisdiction of all civil courts over disputes relating to distribution and billing;

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

(c) whether in the absence of judicial forum relating to supply, billing and penalties levied by distributing companies, rural population face a lot of difficulties especially after electrifying nearly six lakh villages; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to mitigate the problems faced by rural people as well as urban people in case of disputes?

National Level Sports Stadiums

†*54. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:
SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a plan to construct national level sports stadiums to encourage international level sports in the tribal dominated areas of Rajasthan including Banswara and Dungarpur districts and in Prayagraj district in Uttar Pradesh which is known for education;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said plan is likely to be started and completed;

(c) the amount of funds earmarked and released to promote sports in both Banswara and Dungarpur districts during the last five years including the details thereof; and

(d) the provision of funds made during the years 2019-20 and 2020-21 for the local centre of Sports Authority of India (SAI) situated in Prayagraj?

Work on NH Projects

*55. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been providing financial assistance for improvement and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) in various States;

(b) if so, the quantum of funds allocated, released and utilised during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the details of the criteria fixed for allocation of funds to various States;

(d) whether the progress of work of several stretches of NHs in various States which have been entrusted to National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for upgradation to four-lane under National Highways Development Programme (NHDP) Phase-III has been very slow and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor, State-wise;

(e) the cost escalation due to such slow progress of work on the said stretches, State-wise; and

(f) the details of corrective steps taken by the Government for timely completion of work?

Central Vista Project

*56. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the elaborate way in which the Central Vista project has been parcelled into a range of different projects, amidst tweaking of regulatory institutions, has meant that most of the constituent projects have avoided any form of environmental clearance, or any form of public scrutiny;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Funds Allocation under SBM (Grameen)

*57. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated under Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) [SBM (G)] during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has timely released funds to the States for this purpose;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the funds are expected to be released; and

(d) the details of the current progress of SBM (G)?

NH Projects in North-Eastern States

†*58. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and present status of National Highways (NHs) under construction in North-Eastern States including Assam;

(b) whether the construction of the said NHs is progressing as per scheduled time limit and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps being taken to repair several NHs in Assam which are in dilapidated condition; and

(d) the details of NHs which connect North-Eastern States?

Peak Power Demand

*59. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:
SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether peak power demand in the country during financial year 2021 was 1.31 percent lower than in the previous financial year even though the country has come out of the shadows of the COVID induced slowdown which indicates that robust growth is missing with demand towards the end of the financial year rebounding to just mid-2019 levels;

(b) if so, the comparative details thereof during the last five years and the current year till date, State, category and sector-wise;

(c) whether monthly demand has shown a considerable improvement over peak lockdown months mostly on the back of thermal power; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the demand and supply to each State from Central grid and State grids during the said period, State-wise?

Increasing River Pollution

†*60. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the main reasons for increased pollution in rivers along with the steps taken by the Government to check it during the last two years;

(b) whether the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has submitted any report to the Government regarding pollution in the rivers and if so, the details thereof along with the steps/action taken thereon;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to keep the rivers clean and for supply of safe and clean drinking water to each person; and

(d) the guidelines issued by the Government to the States where pollution in rivers is dangerously high and the progress made by the States in this regard?

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UTPAL KUMAR SINGH

Secretary General

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Total Number of Questions — 230

Losses to Farmers due to Loose High-Tension Wires

461. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:
DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers of the country are facing huge losses every year due to fire in the fields because of loose high-tension wires and if so, the details of incidents reported during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes some compensation to the farmers for loss due to electric fire and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the mechanism for calculation of loss and the amount of compensation paid so far during the said period, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to formulate any policy to review the mechanism for calculation of loss to give adequate compensation to the farmers; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Opening of Agro Industry

†462. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to open/start Agro Industry in the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan keeping in mind the number of agriculture graduates passing out every year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government intends to set up any agro industry in Rajasthan as the large number of population is engaged in agriculture and spices and other agro products; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said industry is likely to be set up in Rajasthan and if not, the reasons therefor?

Projects under Smart City Mission

†463. SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of projects sanctioned for Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan under Smart City Mission;

(b) the names of projects which have been completed in Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan out of these projects;

(c) the details of expenditure incurred thereon;

(d) the number of pending projects in Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan under Smart City Mission so far; and

(e) the time limit fixed/needed for their completion?

Green Tariff Policy

464. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate a green tariff policy that will help electricity distribution companies (DISCOMs) to supply electricity generated from clean energy sources at a cheaper rate as compared to power from conventional fuel sources such as coal and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government also proposes to formulate a set of rules and guidelines to enable such a mechanism and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the green tariff will be slightly lower than the conventional fuel sources and if so, the steps taken by the Government to further bring down the green tariff so that use of clean energy could be enhanced;

(d) whether India is running the world's largest clean energy programme to achieve 175 gigawatt (GW) of renewable capacity, including 100 GW of solar power by 2022 and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken to achieve the target; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to attract large green electricity consumers for setting up of their own captive green energy plants?

Non Conventional Solar Energy

465. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the States are not naturally endowed with natural resources to generate non-conventional solar energy and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made any study to identify natural resource potential for generation of non-conventional energy of various States and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has asked all the States to abide by a naturally determined uniform and sub categorized Renewal Purchase Obligation (RPO);

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the States thereto;

(e) whether States with low potential of non-conventional energy has been demanding to exclude them for compliance of RPO targets; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereto?

Logistics Cost of Transportation

466. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:
SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the impact of rising fuel prices on the logistics cost of transportation in the country during the last year;

(b) whether this cost is being passed on to the consumers by transport companies;

(c) the data of per kilometer freight cost along with the details of the additional cost incurred due to rise in fuel prices during the last year, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government aims to reduce the taxes levied on petroleum products to ensure decrease in costs of transportation; and

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

Assessment of Available Land for Solar Power Projects

- †467. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:
SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:
SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made assessment of available land to set up solar power generation projects/ units in various parts of the country;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to use barren land for the said purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Amendments in Guidelines for PMAY

- †468. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the guidelines of housing scheme for urban affairs under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana have been amended and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether rationale behind this amendment is to increase the coverage of the scheme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Status of Water Availability in Rajasthan

- †469. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of water availability in the dams for the purpose of drinking and irrigation in southern region of Rajasthan;

(b) the efforts made by the Government for better and maximum use of water available in dams;

(c) whether the Government has any scheme to improve its quality; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Preservation of Step Wells

470. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for the preservation of step-wells in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Stadiums in Rural Areas

471. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has any schemes or projects to build stadiums in rural areas in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the stadiums in both the urban and rural sectors of the country, State-wise;

(c) whether the Union Government has allotted funds for building new stadiums during the renovating existing stadiums during the last three years and if so, the details of such allotments; and

(d) the current schemes and projects to boost the sports activities in rural sectors in the country?

Quality of Electricity to Household

472. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the quality of electricity available to household is very poor in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the number of hours of availability of electricity to the household is also very inadequate;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to take measures to ensure better quality and adequate electricity to energy household in the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

Development of MSME Sector

473. SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:

DR. HEENA GAVIT:

DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given special attention for the development of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the exemptions and SOPs being given to MSMEs for speedy development;

(c) whether the measures initiated by the Government in strengthening the MSME sector have gradually started yielding positive results in the development of MSMEs in the country, which are the backbone of the country's economy and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the objectives and the achievements made so far by the MSME sector?

Policy on Traffic Management

474. SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to make a comprehensive national policy on traffic management of vehicles belonging to critical emergency services like ambulances, fire brigades, etc;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government also intends to decongest prime areas along the National Highways (NHs) in the country for easy accessibility of emergency response vehicles; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Features and Objectives of Jal Jeevan Mission

475. SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:

SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:

SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

SHRI SELVAM G:

SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:

SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether tap water supply has increased fourfold in Aspirational districts with households getting tap connection in just 22 months with the implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM);

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of such districts covered;

(c) whether the Government has asked States to provide tap water on priority to all households in these districts and SC/ST majority villages;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the States thereto;

(e) the salient features and objectives of JJM along with its present status of implementation and achievement since its inception; and

(f) the details of the measures taken/ being taken by the Government to provide financial and technical assistance to States under JJM?

Wind Mill Power Projects

†476. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:
SHRI MOHAN MANDAVI:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from the States to establish wind mill power projects in various backward areas of the country;

(b) if so, the total number of such proposals;

(c) the details of the action taken thereon till date;

(d) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the matter; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Ban on International Flights

477. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has imposed ban on international flights during the second wave of COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has extended the ban on international commercial flights till the end of July 2021 and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government's decision to waive off the tourist visa fee to five lakh tourists or till March end, whichever is earlier, has lost its significance in view of ban on international flights and if so, the Governments' reaction thereto; and

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

Use of ethanol in gasoline as Automotive fuels

478. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued a draft notification for facilitating use of a blend of 12 percent and 15 percent ethanol in gasoline as automotive fuels and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the target date for achieving 20 percent ethanol blending with petrol has been advanced by five years to 2025 to minimise pollution and reduce dependence on import;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken in this regard;

(d) whether the Government is considering to make use of flex-fuel engines mandatory for the automobile industry and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other initiatives being taken by the Government for transformation of the fossil fuel ecosystem in the country?

Schemes for the welfare of the minorities

479. SHRIMATI NUSRAT JAHAN RUHI:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the various schemes under implementation for the welfare of the minorities in the country during the last two years;

(b) the funds allocated/utilised under the said schemes and the number of families/ persons benefited by these schemes during each of the last two years and the current year; scheme and State/UT-wise;

(c) whether a number of States have failed to pass on the benefits of welfare schemes to the minorities particularly to the muslims in the country;

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

(e) the effective measures taken by the Government to ensure that the benefits of the schemes implemented for minorities actually reach the intended beneficiaries?

Impact of COVID-19 and Lockdown on Street Vendors

480. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted studies to assess the impact of COVID-19 and lockdown on street vendors;

(b) if so, the details thereof including observations pertaining to economic losses suffered by them due to the same;

(c) the details of data regarding the total number of street vendors in Odisha and Rajasthan;

(d) whether the Government maintains records of the socio-economic conditions of these street vendors to ensure that they are provided with sufficient financial support and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of any credit facilities, loans or grants that have been put in place by the Government to assist them during COVID-19; and

(f) the details of the number of beneficiaries likely to be benefitted by the above-mentioned schemes in respect of above mentioned States?

Housing for Homeless Persons

481. SHRI M. SELVARAJ:
DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the convergence between the National Urban Livelihoods Mission - Scheme of Shelters for the Urban Homeless and Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), especially with regard to moving towards permanent housing options for homeless persons, beyond shelters;

(b) the number of dwelling units which have been handed over to beneficiaries, as of date, under PMAY-Urban and PMAY-Gramin, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the manner in which PMAY is being linked with the proposed affordable Rental Housing Complexes Scheme?

Ropex and Water Taxi Services

482. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any plan to introduce ROPEX and Water Taxi Services in all the coastal States;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government for harnessing waterways and integrating them with economic development of the country?

Aims/Objectives of PMAY-Urban

483. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the Pradhan Mantri Awas yojana (PMAY)-Urban and its aims and objectives along with the total number of houses constructed by Government under the yojana during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(b) the funds sanctioned by Government under the said initiative during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the details of Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme provided to beneficiaries including Economically Weaker Sections and Low Income Groups, during the last three years?

Road Projects in Haryana

†484. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether NHAI has started construction of city bypass at Bhiwani city in Haryana at NH-709E and Dadri at NH-334B and conversion of Mandaula to Narnaul NH-148B to four-lane road;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide a cut between village Marora-Khanpur of Nuh district at Delhi-Mumbai expressway and if so, the time by which it is likely to be done and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to convert NH-334B from Jhajjar to Dadri into four-lane; and

(e) if so, the time by which it is likely to be completed?

MAITREE

†485. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN
VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Market Integration and Transformation Programme for Energy Efficiency (MAITREE) is bringing a positive change in cooling of houses and buildings;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether MAITREE has been proven cost effective and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it has been proven helpful in reducing energy consumption; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Status of Smart Meter Installation

486. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of smart meter installation during each of the last two years along with the cost of the said programme, state-wise;

(b) whether the installation of smart meters has positively impacted the financial performance of DISCOMs and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the benefits of smart prepaid metering;

(d) whether the Government has taken measures to create awareness about it among the general public and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of privacy related provisions made by the Government to ensure protection of private data of citizens using the smart meters?

Modernisation of Haldia Port

487. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND
WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to allocate additional funds for ensuring world class facilities at Haldia port;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes for foreign trade with Chattogram port, Bangladesh through Haldia port; and

(d) if so, the details of the necessary restructuring projects and modernisation of Haldia port thereof?

Training to Sportspersons

†488. DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether sports schools for providing training to sportspersons are operational in the country and if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof;

(b) the State/UT-wise details and the names of the various sports for which training is being provided;

(c) whether any action has been taken to open schools in those States/UTs where there are no sports training schools at present;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the district-wise details of the funds allocated to Madhya Pradesh during the last three years for promoting sports under Khelo India and other schemes?

Honey Industry

†489. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM
ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to give special concession to the small traders for honey production and its sale while making available the market for it;

(b) whether honey industry can easily provide employment to more and more people belonging to economically backward and remote areas;

(c) whether the Government has made any assessment in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of beneficiaries to be benefitted by honey industry in Bundelkhand?

Closure of MSMEs

490. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM
ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the contribution of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the total production of the manufacturing sector during the last three years, percentage-wise;

(b) whether some units of MSMEs have also been closed down during the said period and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the details of the number of the units closed during the said period, year-wise along with the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of operational MSMEs in Maharashtra during the last two years?

Green Power

491. SHRIMATI MAHUA MOITRA:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) is issuing tenders for Round-the-Clock (RTC) green power of coal combined renewable energy rather than natural gas combined renewable energy;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes any holistic green transition strategy to focus on green power; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Pre Matric Scholarships

492. MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of applicants and beneficiaries for the pre matric scholarships during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the total number of applicants and beneficiaries for the post matric scholarships during the said period;

(c) the funds allocated and spent for Pre matric and post matric minority scholarship schemes during the last three years; and

(d) whether the Government is planning to introduce scholarships for minorities in post-graduation, research and overseas programmes?

Catch the Rain Project

493. DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched much awaited Catch the Rain Project which aims to catch it where and when it rains and to repair rainwater harvesting systems;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds earmarked and allotted under this project to each State particularly in Tamilnadu; and

(d) the present status of the project?

Sagarmala Seaplane Services

†494. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to kick off ambitious project of Sagarmala Seaplane Services with potential airline operators within the country and if so, the details thereof along with the time frame fixed for the implementation of the project;

(b) the names of the States where the Government proposes to introduce sea-plane services under the Sagarmala project;

(c) the details of the airline operators who have expressed their interests in this project so far;

(d) whether the Government has issued any guidelines for the sea-plane operators to implement this project; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Training to Sportspersons

495. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has selected newly young sportsperson during this year to impart training in various sports to compete in various sports events including International sports events;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government proposes to set up more sports University across the country particularly in Tamil Nadu to fulfill the above purpose/motive;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Conversion of SHs into NHs

496. DR. HEENA GAVIT:

DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

SHRI UNMESH BHAIIYASAHEB PATIL:

SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:

SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO

MANE:

DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from the State Governments of Maharashtra and Karnataka for declaration of State Highways (SHs) as National Highways (NHs) during the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof, year-wise;

(b) the details of new NHs declared during the said period in both the States;

(c) the length of SHs approved "In-Principle" for conversion into NHs subject to outcome of their DPRs in both the States during the said period, year-wise;

(d) whether the Government/NHAI has any plans for asset monetization and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether any new schemes are being introduced to create a network of highways and expressways and if so, the details thereof?

Closed Power Projects

497. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:
SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether various power projects in the country are lying closed at present and many of the power plants are also not generating power as per their capacity;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor, State-wise including Maharashtra; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to bring the closed power projects back into the state of operation and enhance the capacity of the plants engaged in generation of power along with the outcome thereof, state-wise including Maharashtra?

Construction of NHs in Jharkhand

†498. SHRI PASHUPATI NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether construction work on National Highways (NHs) in Dhanbad and Bokaro districts of Jharkhand is progressing as per schedule and if so, the details and present status thereof;

(b) if not, the time by which the said construction work is likely to be completed;

(c) the total number of bridges/culverts completed on the said NHs;

(d) whether the Government proposes to install solar panels along the six-lane and wider highways in

the country and utilize that energy and if so, the details thereof, NH-wise; and

(e) whether any work has so far been undertaken in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Symposium on Safer Roads

499. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a symposium on "safer roads/black spots and discussion on plan for rectification of black spots during next one year" was organized recently and if so, the details and outcome thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made any assessment to find out the percentage of road accidents occurred due to faulty designing and construction of National Highways (NHs) in the country;

(c) if so, the details and outcome thereof;

(d) whether there is any provision in the law to compound planner, designer and manufacturer of such faulty NHs and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to make such provisions in the law to check/prevent such incidents in future?

Median Cut on NH-27

†500. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no median cut on the main road leading to Abu road industrial area from National Highway (NH)-27 in Gujarat resulting in frequent cases of accidents in that area;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the total number of the accidents occurred on NH-27 especially in Rajasthan during the last three years and the current year;

(d) whether the Government proposes to construct median cut at that location to prevent road accidents;

(e) if so, the details thereof along with budgetary allocation made and time frame set for the purpose;

(f) if not, the other steps being taken by the Government to prevent accidents at the said location?

Staff Strength

501. SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ):

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided adequate job opportunities for the persons belonging to SC/ST/OBC in various departments, autonomous Offices, subsidiary and attached offices under the Ministry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the SC/ST/OBC staff strength is far less than the required strength in a number of instances particularly in Group A, B, C and D; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Non Conventional Energy Capacity Target

502. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set an ambitious target of 175 GW of non-conventional energy capacity by 2022 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is true that as of January, 2021, only 90 GW of installed capacity has been achieved and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the efforts being made to achieve the target before 2022;

(d) whether there is any impact of COVID on the target; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of AMRUT Scheme

503. SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:
SHRI TAPIR GAO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the parameters specified for the successful implementation of Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme;

(b) the number of States and cities which have adopted the said scheme, so far;

(c) the quantum of funds allocated/spent by the Government thereunder so far;

(d) whether there is any prescribed time line for the implementation of the said scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the names of the cities in which water, sewage connection and other schemes are being run under AMRUT Scheme; and

(f) whether the targets fixed for various cities under this scheme have been achieved and if so, the details thereof?

Pure Drinking Water for All

†504. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:
SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the target achieved so far to provide safe and clean drinking water to every citizen of the country as on date, State-wise;

(b) whether water conservation awareness programmes are organised; and

(c) if so, the details of the programmes organised in Jammu & Kashmir and Bihar, district-wise?

Upgradation of NHs

†505. SHRI BALAK NATH:
SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:
SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria adopted for upgradation of State Highways (SHs) as National Highways (NHs) in the country;

(b) the names of NHs which were upgraded from SHs in various States including Gujarat and North-Eastern States during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government proposes to upgrade the SH-37B from Kotputli along NH-8 to Nagaur via Sikar as the National Highway under Engineering Procurement Construction (EPC) system and National Highway Development Programme (NHDP) and if so, the time by which the said upgradation work is likely to be completed;

(d) whether the Government proposes to upgrade the 67 km stretch of SH-7E and 101 from Kishangarh in Ajmer district to Malpura in Tonk district as NH by widening it to two-lane road with paved track under EPC system and NHDP; and

(e) if so, the time by which the said upgradation work is likely to be completed?

Swachh Bharat Mission

506. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cities that have been certified as Open Defecation Free (ODF), ODF + , ODF ++, State-Wise;

(b) the number of household toilets and community/public toilets constructed or under construction under Swachh Bharat Mission during the last five years, State/year-wise; and

(c) whether the Government has launched any scheme for elimination of Single Use Plastic, air pollution and soil pollution and if so, the details thereof?

Loan Schemes for MSME Sector

507. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government extends the various loan schemes for the MSME sector and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of applications for loan received from Odisha during the last five years, district-wise; and

(c) the details of number of applications granted loan along with the total amount?

Tonnage Capacity of Indian Shipping Industry

508. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the tonnage capacity of Indian shipping industry;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the tonnage capacity of the shipping industry in the country during the last three years, year-wise?

Airports in Uttar Pradesh

†509. SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of airports developed in Uttar Pradesh along with the present status thereof;

(b) whether the Government has selected the airports for development under UDAN Scheme in Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

MSME Adversely Affected during Covid

†510. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the startups, small and medium industries are adversely affected by the second wave of corona in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether many startups as well as small industries have closed down or they are at the verge of closing down;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has formulated a scheme for providing assistance to these industries; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Projects under Smart Cities Mission

511. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:
SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:
SHRI D.K.SURESH:
ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:
SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:
DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:
SHRI M. SELVARAJ:
SHRI ANTO ANTONY:
DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI
THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of projects under the Smart Cities Mission which have been completed as on June, 2021 and the details of targets set and achievements/progress made under the Mission so far;

(b) the total number of projects for which work orders have been issued as on June, 2021 and the number of cities converted into smart cities so far;

(c) the quantum of funds allocated, released and spent as of June, 2021 out of the total commitment made by the Centre to spend Rs 48000 crore over a period of five years;

(d) whether the Government intends to meet its stated deadline of completion of projects for the first round of cities selected under the Smart Cities Mission in 2021 and if so, the details thereof and if not, the proposed altered deadline;

(e) the impact of COVID-19 on the mission and the efforts being made by Government to deal with the same; and

(f) the number of projects expected to benefit the most marginalized and low-income groups and the total number of beneficiaries from these groups, city-wise?

State Maritime Board

512. SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the setting up of the Odisha State Maritime Board;

(b) whether the Draft Indian Ports Bill, 2021 does not contain any provision to include a State Maritime Board constituted at a later date by a State enactment and if so, the reasons for such omission; and

(c) whether the draft Indian Ports Bill amplifies 2021 the powers of the Maritime States Development Council (MSDC); if so, the details and the reasons therefor?

Housing for Homeless

†513. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has given direction to the Government to assess the availability of housing for homeless and to take steps to provide them temporary houses;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Court was not satisfied with the implementation of National Urban Livelihood Mission and had issued appropriate direction in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the number of Below Poverty Line (BPL) card holders allotted permanent/temporary houses after direction of court; and

(f) the details of various facilities provided by States/ UTs to the BPL card holders?

Schemes of Khadi Gramodyog

†514. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes being run by Khadi Gramodyog in Chhattisgarh during the last three years;

(b) the quantum of allocated funds for the said schemes; and

(c) the details of number of beneficiaries including especially that of Durg Parliamentary Constituency along with the state of the scheme expansion at present, district-wise?

Relief for Air India Employees Affected by Corona Virus

515. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a substantial number of airlines personnel of Air India have been affected by the corona virus pandemic;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any representation from the Air India employees for grant of due compensation and other benefits to the corona virus affected employees and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes a comprehensive policy to provide relief to these airlines personnel who have been badly affected by the corona virus pandemic; and

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

Waste to Energy Plants

516. SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:

SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI

KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up waste to energy plants in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of waste to energy plants operating in Gujarat, district-wise;

(d) whether the said plants are functioning to meet the desired objectives of their installation; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Floods in Bihar

517. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the floods are natural calamity which can not be controlled permanently despite technological advancement;

(b) if so, the details thereof, especially in Bihar including Gopalganj district;

(c) whether it is fact that the main reason for floods in the State of Bihar is increased discharge in rivers of North Bihar like Gandak, Burhi Gandak, Bagmati, Kamla, Kosi and Mahananda due to heavy rainfall in the upper catchment areas mainly lying in Nepal;

(d) if so, the steps taken to control floods in North Bihar including Gopalganj district; and

(e) the details of total number of representations received and the action taken for flood control in Bihar including district Gopalganj?

Solar Disconnect Photovoltaic Power Projects

518. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the scheme of solar disconnect photovoltaic (PV) power projects for the islands of Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep is still being operated;

(b) if so, the details of developments made so far and the expected deadline for the scheme thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any solar related schemes are under consideration for the North East; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Audit of National Sports Federations

519. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funding share of the National Sports Federations in the Union Government's overall sports budget since 2018 (year-wise and federation-wise);

(b) whether the Government has undertaken an audit of all the National Sports Federations on an annual basis and has uncovered any case of financial irregularities and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has granted recognition to 54 national federations till September, 2020 and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the usual recognition to National Sports Federations (NSFs) is not done annually; and

(e) if so, the reasons for the Government to offer it only till September, 2020?

Permission for operation of wide body aircraft

520. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that the Directorate General of civil Aviation is yet to give permission to operate wide body aircrafts from Calicut Airport;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the expert committee submitted any report regarding the Calicut airport for the operation of wide body aircraft; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Maulana Azad National Fellowship

521. SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:
SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of fellowships sanctioned during the last two years for the Maulana Azad National Fellowship (MANF), State-wise; and

(b) the total funds sanctioned during the last two years for the State of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu for the purpose?

CSR Projects under Namami Gange Programme

522. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of CSR projects being offered under Namami Gange Programme; and

(b) the promised financial outlay and the expenditure plan for the same?

Setting up New Greenfield Airports in the Country

523. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received new proposals for setting up of new greenfield airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details of such proposals received and the NOC given by the Government during the last three years and the current year, year and State-wise;

(c) whether there is a proposal from the State of Kerala for setting up a greenfield airport in Pathanamthitta district; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Awareness about Urban Poverty Alleviation Schemes

†524. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a lack of awareness amongst the urban poor about the advantages and efficacies of the urban poverty alleviation schemes;

(b) if so, the reasons for not comprehensively publicising these schemes; and

(c) the details of various steps taken to create awareness amongst the urban poor in this regard?

Aero Sport Activity

525. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Aero Sport activity is growing in India and the world if so, the details thereof;

(b) the detail of the number of Aero Sports regulated by the Government of India and the regulatory body thereto along with the list of Aero Sports not regulated by DGCA;

(c) whether the Government recognizes that Aero Sports have a huge potential to boost tourism and if so, the details of Aero Sports in the country, category and State-wise;

(d) the details of the number of accidents and fatalities due to Aero Sports in India, sport-wise during the last three years and the current year; and

(e) whether the Aero Club of India is responsible for growth of Aero Sports in India and if so, the details thereof?

Promotion of Employees

†526. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether promotion of employees particularly the employees of OBC category is pending with Directorate of Printing; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor including the date from which these pending promotions are likely to be effected?

Construction of New NH

527. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received a proposal dated 11th March 2020 from public representative regarding construction of a new National Highway (NH) connecting Goroimari in Barpeta district with Kabaitari in Bongaigaon district;

(b) if so, the details and the present status thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes conversion of State Highway No. 2 from Barpeta to North Salmara via Jania and Lengtisinga into National Highway; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Cities Selected under AMRUT Scheme

528. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the cities of Maharashtra selected under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) Scheme;

(b) the funds allocated, sanctioned and released under this Scheme to the State of Maharashtra during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) the details of authority assigned with the responsibility to monitor the utilization of these funds; and

(d) the details of the completion status of works under the schemes, city-wise?

Productivity of Irrigated Agriculture

529. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has sanctioned a loan amount of Rs.3300 crores for Tamil Nadu to increase the productivity of irrigated agriculture for sub-basin stakeholders in a sustainable water resource management framework and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the disbursement of loan as on date for the said project;

(c) whether it is a fact that the State component for the said project would be around Rs.1000 crores and if so, the details of the amount disbursed and spent till 31 March 2021; and

(d) whether any amount has been sanctioned by the Government in this regard, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Construction of Multistoried Flats

530. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:
SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a large number of multistoried flats have been constructed/are under construction by various private builders in the country especially in Uttar Pradesh, NCT of Delhi and metro cities many of which have been constructed in a very hapazard manner without any proper planning/provision of faulty infrastructure inside these flats or in violation of building norms of the Government and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether these flats are being built with proper sanction and by following all building norms as stipulated by Government and if so, the details thereof along with the entire procedure and the agencies involved in the process of construction/authorization of these flats; and

(c) whether the Government is taking any measures to ensure that all necessary building norms are followed and necessary sanctions and approvals are properly taken and implemented by the concerned private builders to promote transparency and ensure proper planned development in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Awareness about Road Safety

531. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of road accidents that took place in the country during each of the last three years; and

(b) the measures being taken by the Government to increase awareness about road safety?

Promotion of Khadi and Village Industries

532. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the steps have been taken by the Government to promote Khadi and Village Industries in different States;

(b) if so, the details of centrally sponsored schemes implemented in States;

(c) the funds earmarked for the purpose; and

(d) the extent of employment generated by such schemes in the Khadi and Village Industries?

Scheme for Auto Industry

533. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to launch a new scheme for auto industry in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any proposal in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be implemented along with the estimated funds likely to be allocated?

Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme

534. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme (CLCSS)- Technology Upgradation Scheme;

(b) the manner in which the scheme has become successful for MSME sector;

(c) the funds released to MSMEs during 2019-20 and the number of MSMEs benefitted;

(d) whether the total outlay to all the Technology upgradation and quality certification schemes has been slashed from Rs. 683.91 crore to Rs. 330.31 crore in 2021-22 ;

(e) if so, the manner in which the Government is planning to manage the scheme with depleted allocation; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to expand CLCSS to benefit more small businesses and if so, the details thereof?

Repairing Work on Borigumma-Jeypore NH

535. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the repair work on dilapidated stretch from Borigumma to Jeypore on NH-26 has been completed;

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

(c) the details and the present status of land acquisition for Koraput bypass on NH-26;

(d) whether the Government proposes to realign the said project in case of problem in land acquisition and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the Koraput bypass project is likely to be completed?

Removal of Physical Toll Booths

†536. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to remove all physical toll booths in the country within a period of one year and also complete the implementation of FASTag system during this period;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of work undertaken in this regard so far and the time by which it is likely to be completed; and

(d) the other changes likely to be made on the vehicles besides compulsory airbags for the front seats of the cars?

Funds for Welfare of Minority Communities

537. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:
SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of expenditure incurred on schemes meant for welfare of minority communities along with the funds allocated and released for these schemes during the last three years, scheme-wise;

(b) the details of ratio of benefit obtained by the various communities;

(c) whether percentage of increase in funds for minority welfare is very low as compared with other Ministries;

(d) if so, whether this Ministry ever approach with request of increase in funds; and

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

Shipping Channels

538. PROF. SAUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up new shipping channels for transportation of goods on cost efficient manner across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any State Government has sent new proposal in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Proposals for Construction of Houses under PMAY-U

539. SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:
SHRI N. REDDEPPA:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:
DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:
SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:
SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:
SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:
SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently approved 708 proposals for construction of 3.61 lakh houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of Houses approved in the country including for the State of Tamil Nadu, State/UT-wise and district-wise;

(d) the total budget allocated for PMAY-U during the last three years; and

(e) the total number of houses constructed under PMAY-U during the last three years in the country including Andhra Pradesh, State/UT-wise and year-wise?

Road funded under CRIF

540. SHRI N. REDDEPPA:
SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:
SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:
SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the roads in each district of Andhra Pradesh that are being covered for financial assistance under the Central Road and Infrastructure Fund (CRIF) at present;

(b) whether the funds have been released for the said roads and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Water Logging along the Highways

541. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any system in place to conduct annual survey and audit of the problem of water logging along the highways maintained by NHAI during the monsoon season;

(b) if so, the details of such spots identified along the highways in Satara district of Maharashtra; and

(c) if not, the steps taken by the Government to set up grievance redressal mechanism for farmers/landowners living along these highways who are adversely affected every year?

Construction of airports in Tamil Nadu

542. SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to expand airports and upgrade aviation infrastructure in Tamil Nadu and if so the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any assessment of setbacks faced by different airports in Tamil Nadu due to COVID pandemic;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken to address these issues; and

(d) the details of projects currently underway in Tamil Nadu along with the details of completion stage, funds allocated and funds spent for these projects?

Multi-Modal Logistics Parks

543. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of land acquired for the fifteen multi-modal logistics parks that are proposed to be set up under Phase-I of the Logistics Efficiency Enhancement Programme;

(b) whether the detailed technical assessment has been completed for all the recognised nodes under Phase-I of the said programme;

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

(d) whether private companies are involved in developing these parks; and

(e) if so, the details of the companies involved and the criteria adopted to select the companies for building these parks?

Construction of National Highways

544. SHRIMATI GOMATI SAI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the scheme of the Government for construction of National Highways (NHs) in the country presently;

(b) the details of the proposals received for construction of NHs in the country particularly in Chhattisgarh; and

(c) the names of the NHs which have been completed during the last three years in Chhattisgarh?

Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan

545. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) is one of the largest youth organizations in the world and if so, the salient features thereof;

(b) the details of NYKS clubs in the country with a particular reference to Andhra Pradesh;

(c) whether it is true that out of nine posts of District Youth Coordinators in District Nehru Yuva Kendras in Telangana, five are lying vacant and five Multi Tasking Staff are also lying vacant;

(d) the details of challenges that NYKS is facing including posts lying vacant;

(e) the efforts being made to address these challenges and the steps taken to fill up the vacancies; and

(f) whether there is no District Nehru Yuva Kendra in Ranga Reddy district of Telangana and if so, the steps taken to set up one there?

Kannur International Airport

546. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is of the opinion that Kannur International Airport (KIAL) is an interior point;

(b) whether the Government is aware that KIAL is situated in a Municipal Town within the city limits of Kannur Corporation and its catchment area extends across North Malabar region including Coorg, Mysore and Mangalore, with 30 percent of non-resident Keralites;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is aware that without 'point of call' status, the airport is finding it difficult to recover its investment; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the decision of the Government on the matter?

Revival of Water Bodies

†547. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the problem of underground water level has turned into a very serious problem in the country due to encroachment on the land of lakes, ponds, wells, reservoirs, small ponds (johad) and other water bodies and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the measures being taken to improve the underground water level along with the efforts made for the revival of said water bodies;

(c) whether anti social elements have encroached upon such water bodies in different parts of the country and if so, the details thereof particularly in Rajasthan; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government so far to revive such water bodies and to free them from encroachment?

Programmes to Promote Rural Entrepreneurship

548. SHRI RAHUL GANDHI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated programmes to promote rural entrepreneurship, especially among the rural poor adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is implementing programmes for skilling rural youth and women to establish agricultural enterprises, particularly micro food enterprises and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has initiated measures to enhance access to credit for micro enterprises in aspirational districts and credit deficit districts; and

(d) if so, the details thereof particularly for Wayanad district?

Rating System for MSMEs

549. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to implement a Rating System for MSMEs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government plans to channel foreign private sector investments in the MSME sector with the help of such a rating system;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether this rating system will ease flow of credit to the MSMEs and if so, the details thereof?

Renewable Energy Generation Projects

550. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to enhance renewable energy generation from sources like green hydrogen;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government also proposes to come up with renewable energy generation projects in Delhi, and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Mega Survey of Self Employed, Small and Micro Companies

551. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether in the recent mega survey, involving 81000 self employed, small and micro companies as respondents, it was revealed as per the claim of Consortium of Indian Associations, that Government's three stimulus packages during the last thirteen months have not reached eighty eight percent of the self employed, small and micro companies;

(b) if so, whether the Government has done any study on the efficacy of the said three stimulus packages; and

(c) if so, the findings thereof?

Power System Islanding for Major Cities

552. SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has recommended every State to prepare a mechanism for power system islanding for major cities to avoid a situation like the grid collapse in Mumbai in October, 2020;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the State Governments thereon;

(c) whether the Union Government has drawn out an appropriate plan for crisis management;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Union Government has directed designing islanding schemes for all major cities and also asked them to submit proposals if there is a need for installation of power plants in or around the cities; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the response of the State Governments thereon?

Funds Allocated under NRDWP

†553. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:
SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:
SHRI BALAK NATH:
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allocation of funds made under National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) in the country during the last three years, year and State-wise;

(b) the details of allocation of funds made in Sikar, Jhunjhunu, Churu, Jiapur, Ajmer and Alwar districts of Rajasthan, Satara, Solapur and Latur districts of Maharashtra, Araria district in Bihar and in Gujarat under NRDWP along with the works done in this regard and the number of people benefitted therefrom during the said period, year/district/village-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to sanction any special package under the said programme during the financial year 2021-22 with a view to prevent Kyphosis (hunchback) disease in the states of Bihar, Gujarat, Maharashtra and Rajasthan caused due to weak bones and teeth affected by drinking water containing fluoride, nitrate and brackish water;

(d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done along with the details in this regard; and

(e) the present status along with details of funds allocation for construction of canal proposed twenty

years ago for taking water of Bhima Kore dam situated in Madha Parliamentary Constituency to the rural areas of Satara and Solapur districts?

Criteria for Construction of Overbridges

554. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:
SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria prescribed for the construction of overbridge/small bridges/culverts in public interest on National Highways (NHs) in the country;

(b) the number of such new bridges/culverts etc. constructed in public interest on NHs in the country during the last three years, State and highway-wise including Gujarat;

(c) whether it is a fact that local public representatives, villagers and students have been demanding for construction of a new 'aariwal' culvert/overbridge at village Bandar Sindri in Kishangarh Tehsil on National Highway No-8 in view of increasing number of accidents;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to construct a new 'aariwal' culvert/overbridge at the said location in view of the long pending demand and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be constructed?

Scarcity of Water

555. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of any instances of scarcity of water in the State of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that the State of Rajasthan has been facing instances of scarcity of water during summer prompting locals to walk long distances to access water;

(d) if so, the details thereof including the places where the issue is prevalent and the actions taken thereon;

(e) whether the Government has taken any steps to ensure that pipelines are constructed to increase access to water; and

(f) if so, the details thereof including the number of such pipelines constructed each year during the last three years including the location of the same and if not, the reasons therefor?

Integration of Renewable Energy

556. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure variable renewable energy integration in the national interconnected grid;

(b) the steps being taken to ensure that the DISCOM clear their dues to power generation companies;

(c) whether the Government has issued any advisory to States to ensure that they do not renege from already negotiated power purchase agreements;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the steps being taken by the Government to ensure that power generation business, especially when it comes to renewable energy is economically viable?

NH Projects in Tamil Nadu

557. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and present status of construction of the proposed 3500 km of National Highway (NH) in Tamil Nadu;

(b) the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized for this propose so far;

(c) whether the Government has fixed any target in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government for timely completion of this project?

Flights from Hindon

558. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to start domestic flights from Hindon to Ayodhya, Varanasi and Gorakhpur in near future;

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

(c) the future proposals of the Government for other flights from this airport along with the time-line fixed in this regard?

Issuance of Municipal Bonds

559. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is promoting Cities/Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) to mobilize resources by issuing Municipal Bonds and if so, the details thereof including the consents to be obtained by Cities/Urban Local Bodies from various Governmental bodies in this regard;

(b) the steps to be completed by Cities/Urban Local Bodies before raising funds by issuing Municipal Bonds which are listed at stock exchanges in the country as well as abroad;

(c) the details of Municipal Corporations which have issued such bonds till date and the funds generated through such listings, State/UT-wise and ULB-wise;

(d) whether the Government has got any information/application/proposal to issue the Municipal Bonds for Cities/Urban Local Bodies of Kerala and if so, the details including the application/proposal from Cochin Municipal Corporation?

Employment Generation under PMEGP

560. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of micro enterprises set up and the employment generated by them under the Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the employment generation has taken a hit due to the Corona pandemic during the last two years;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to generate employment and finance the small enterprises?

Setting up of Container Yard

561. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representation for setting up of empty containers yard and servicing centre (Not ICD/CFS) at Morbi by private players;

(b) if so, the details of the criteria laid down for setting up of such empty containers yard and servicing centre (Not ICD/CFS) at Morbi;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether any action has been taken by the Government in this regards and if so, the details thereof?

Rural Areas Covered under Jal Jeevan Mission

562. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of rural population covered under Jal Jeevan Mission so far, state-wise;

(b) whether the Government has set any target for achieving the goals under Jal Jeevan Mission;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the progress achieved by each State; and

(d) the details of the funds released to the States including Kerala and the amount utilized so far?

Growth of Electric Vehicles

563. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether electric vehicles sector in the country has been growing rapidly;

(b) if so, whether the Government is planning to set up an institution to finance businesses with a focus on electric vehicles and lending to the public transportation and commercial vehicle segment and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard;

(d) whether the Government is also planning to give incentives for construction of equipment for vehicles to encourage their conversion into electric mode; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

2028 Olympics

564. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to strengthen the sports ecosystems to bring the rural sports talent in

the mainstream of sports to fulfill the aim to bring India in top 10 by the 2028 Olympics;

(b) if so, the manner in which it is proposed to be propelled; and

(c) the detailed road map prepared and the steps being taken by the Government to move towards the target of achievement for the 2028 Olympics?

Homeless Persons

565. SHRIMATI RITA BAHUGUNA JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any official definition of homeless and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the official definition of homeless differs from its definition of houseless persons and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is working on including a separate column for homeless in the Census 2021 and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has any mechanism whatsoever to count homeless deaths in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

E-Commerce Portal

566. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:
MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Union Government is planning to launch Bharat Craft, an e-commerce portal, on the lines of Amazon, etc. and if so, the details thereof and objective behind the move;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this e-commerce portal will provide a platform for MSMEs to market and sell their products and boost sector, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details regarding potential of this portal in terms of revenue generation in coming years; and

(d) the number of days likely to be cut down after usage of portal for orders to be delivered?

Development of Waterways in Assam

567. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to boost waterways within Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the details of the funds estimated and the target likely to set for this; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be realised?

Model Tenancy Act

568. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAH BELLANA:
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:
SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY
BHATT:
SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:
SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:
SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:
SHRI A. RAJA:
SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:
SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to bring in a model tenancy act for circulation to all States/UTs and for all future rent agreements for premises between the landlords and tenants or proposes to enact fresh legislation on tenancy of property or amending existing rental laws suitably and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has held any discussions with the State Governments and Union Territories in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether many States have expressed apprehensions that the proposed model tenancy act would pave the way for increase in rentals and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has been implementing Affordable Rental Housing Scheme and is so, the details of physical and financial progress made so far, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether the Government has not been able to implement Delhi Rent Act and if so, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether the proposed legislation would help overhaul the legal framework with respect to rental housing across the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the other steps being taken by the Government for development of rental housing in the country?

Status of JJM

569. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:
SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in rural communities across the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh and Tripura;

(b) the details of the funds allotted under this mission, State-wise particularly for Uttar Pradesh and Tripura; and

(c) the number of rural households in different districts of Uttar Pradesh who had been facilitated under JJM?

Delhi-Nanded Flights

- †570. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to start the operation of flights from Delhi to Nanded; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be started?

Route Dispersal Guidelines

571. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has laid down 'Route Dispersal Guidelines' to achieve better air connectivity;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of names of airports connected under the said guidelines?

Use of Alternative Sand for Construction Works

572. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that the construction industry articulates guidelines to inspire use of alternative sand in projects and create a market mandate;

(b) whether the Government is aware that an association of builders in consultation with experts and scientists can start work to promote the usage of alternative sand and contractors and builders can endorse the sands in their client buildings;

(c) if so, the efforts made by the Government in this direction;

(d) whether the Government is aware that research and academic institutions can play a vital role in the development of evaluation methods and specifications for use of alternative sands in construction; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Fund Allocation under PMAY

573. SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of funds allocated under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) - Urban to the Government of Telangana during the last three years;

(b) the number of houses sanctioned and built during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) whether the Union Government proposes to take any action for not complying with the guidelines of the yojana in building the houses as per schedule and if so, the details thereof?

Beneficiaries under PMAY

574. SHRI RAJU BISTA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been multiple complaints by people regarding the selection of beneficiaries and allocation of both Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) - Gramin and Urban in Darjeeling Lok Sabha constituency region and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has initiated any audit or investigations into the alleged irregularities in the implementation of PMAY projects; and

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

Hydrogen Powered Modes of Transportation

575. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote development of hydrogen powered modes of transportation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated a plan for development of hydrogen powered vehicle;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes any budgetary allocation for the same; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Toilets Constructed under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin)

†576. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of toilets constructed so far under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) in the country;

(b) whether the Government has fixed any target for the current year; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, State/District-wise?

Sea Plane Services in India

577. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:
SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:
SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:
MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:
SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:
SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:
SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:
SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has recently signed an MoU with the Shipping Ministry for development of Sea Plane Services in India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this MoU will help in expediting the development of new water aerodromes and also operationalization of new sea plane routes in India;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the MoU will improve seamless connectivity across the nation by promoting eco-friendly transportation through sea planes and give a boost to the tourism sector and if so, the details thereof?

Protection of Thermal Power Plants

578. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA
KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken a decision to protect the thermal power plants in the country and embarking on bringing out a turn-around policy for the said purpose;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government for survival of the power projects and other power using industries to withstand and compete in the international markets?

RCS Fees

579. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether RCS fee needs to be paid by passengers or Airline operators and if so, whether it is mandatory for passenger to pay RCS fees;

(b) the details of the trust deed of Regional Air Connectivity Fund Trust (RACFT); and

(c) whether Regional Connectivity Fund (RCF) levy per departure is collected from passenger or Airline operator other than category II/ category IIA routes and if so, the details thereof?

Welfare Measures for the Minority People

580. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been conducted/ proposed to be conducted to find out the improvement in socio economic condition of minorities in Bihar after implementation of the Prime Minister's 15 Point programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the basis/criteria adopted by the Government for introducing welfare measures for the Minority people in Bihar?

Chemical Contamination of Drinking Water

581. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated under the National Rural Drinking Water programme during each of the last three years; State-wise;

(b) whether 40 per cent of villages of the country are affected by chemical contamination of water;

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

(d) the action taken by the Government in this regard so as to supply safe drinking water to each household?

Cities Covered under PMAY

582. DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cities covered under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U) in Odisha and West Bengal under various phases of this scheme;

(b) the details of the houses sanctioned and constructed and also the amount of grant given in this regard in each district of the said two States, phase-wise;

(c) the details of beneficiaries in the States who have been provided houses in various phases under the yojana so far;

(d) whether the targets fixed under the yojana for above two States have been achieved so far; and

(e) if so, the other steps being taken by the Government to provide housing for all in these States?

Houses for Urban Poor

583. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has asked the States to submit details as to the number of houses for poor in urban areas required by 2022 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether 12 lakh houses for urban poor are required in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) if so, the details thereof, district-wise, with a particular reference to East Godavari district; and

(d) the manner in which the Union Government is going to ensure that 12 lakh houses are allotted to Andhra Pradesh and the goal of Housing for All by 2022 would be achieved in Andhra Pradesh?

MSME Severely Affected in Covid

584. SHRI SELVAM G:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether setting up of new units of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) has been severely affected due to second wave of COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures taken in this regard;

(b) whether the Government is planning to simplify the process for registration of MSMEs and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the funds allocated/released by the Government for setting up of new units of MSMEs after the spread of COVID-19 pandemic and the number of jobs generated therefrom including in backward and rural areas of the country;

(d) whether the Government has received proposals for setting up new MSMEs from the State of Karnataka, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu after the spread of COVID-19 pandemic;

(e) if so, the details and status thereof along with the time by which the said proposals are likely to be approved; and

(f) the other steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for setting up of MSMEs for rural women of SC/ST living below the poverty line in the country?

Airport at Sriperumbudur

585. SHRI P RAVINDHRANATH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the Government to set up an airport at Sriperumbudur in Tamil Nadu under the National Infrastructure Pipeline (NIP);

(b) if so, the status of the proposed project along with the details of allied plan to have an Aero City for aviation infrastructure and training; and

(c) the tentative details including proposed allocation of resources and period of completion of the said project?

Insurance Cover for Drone

586. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to bring comprehensive insurance cover for drones under aviation liability instead of following Motor Vehicles Act;

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

(c) whether the drone operators are having a minimum third-party liability at present which is insufficient to meet the claims in case of major accident to people and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government also proposes to increase the third-party liability at par with aviation or aircraft liability; and

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

Completion of Housing Projects

587. SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY VASANTH:
SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a large number of housing projects launched years back in various metros were unfinished leaving home buyers empty handed;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of projects/houses pending for completion, Government/private, sector-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to assist the housing developers, home buyers for the early completion of all the pending projects;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

MSME's Declared Sick

588. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of small and medium industries declared sick in the country during the last three years, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to revive them in the states including Rajasthan?

Maintenance and Infrastructure Development of Roads

589. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the maintenance and infrastructure development of roads in the country has slowed down in last one year due to Covid pandemic;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that NHA awarded 26 projects of 744 km length at a cost of over Rs. 31,000 crore during April to August 2020 as compared to 676 km in FY 2019-20, 368 km in FY 2018-19 and 504 km in FY 2017-18 and if so, the present status thereof till June 2021; and

(d) the action taken by the Government towards maintenance of roads and highways in the country since 2019?

Solar Pumps to Farmers

590. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme to provide solar pumps to farmers in the country, if so, the details and salient features thereof;

(b) the number of solar pumps installed under various schemes in this regard, State/UT-wise including Bihar;

(c) the details of the amount received by farmers who have installed these solar pumps, State-wise;

(d) the distribution of the amount of surplus electricity that has been sold by farmers to DISCOMS under these schemes, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the details of the 'dark zones' identified under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan (PM-KUSUM); and

(f) the criteria used to determine them along with the number of solar pumps installed in these 'dark zones' for revenue earned by farmers in these zones?

Urban Sports Infrastructure Scheme

†591. SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the projects sanctioned during the last three years under Urban Sports Infrastructure Scheme;

(b) the number of projects out of them completed safer; and

(c) the names of the projects not being completed within their scheduled time out of the above mentioned sanctioned projects?

Usage of Drone for Kochi Metro Rail

592. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether conditional permission for drone usage has been granted by the Government to Kochi Metro Rail Project and if so, the details thereof including the factors that necessitated the decision;

(b) whether granting of such permission is a step in the legalization of drone usage across the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether other infrastructure and development projects may also apply for such permission and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of methods to encourage infrastructure and development projects to use drones in useful ways to enhance the efficiency of plan implementation?

Tap Water to All

593. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) aims to provide tap water to all the households of our country by 2024 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has recently reviewed the performance of JJM in the country including Maharashtra; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Maintenance of Ambulances at Toll Plazas

†594. SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:

SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the condition of ambulances deployed at many toll-plazas in the country is pathetic and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) the details of the complaints received regarding deployment of dysfunctional/unequipped ambulances and the action taken thereon by the Government; and

(c) the number of road-accidents victims benefitted from the 'Golden Hour' Scheme during the last three years, State-wise?

Encroachment of Water Bodies

†595. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of water bodies in many States has decreased due to encroachment, unplanned urbanisation, industrialisation, lack of proper management and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any separate study on the condition, increase/decrease in numbers of water bodies and status of their encroachment;

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

(d) whether a Central database is being maintained on water bodies presently and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it regularly compiles data on total number of water bodies, increase/decrease in their numbers dried up/extinct water bodies changes in land use of catchment areas on water bodies and encroachment etc; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Funds under JJM

596. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds allocated to the State of Maharashtra under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) including the names of works for which the amount has been allocated along with the time by which the work is likely to be completed;

(b) the total number of villages of the said State including the number of houses targeted to get safe drinking water under the mission along with the time limit for the same;

(c) the dates on which the tender for the said works have been invited; and

(d) whether the said work has been started and if so, the details of the works completed and if not, the reasons therefor?

Jal Shakti Abhiyan in Bihar and Gujarat

†597. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:
SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jal Shakti Abhiyan has been implemented in Bihar and Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the targets set under the said Abhiyan in Bihar and Gujarat at present including the present status of the works done thereunder?

Special Body to Implement NRLP

†598. SHRI TAPIR GAO:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to set up any special body to implement National River Linking Project (NRLP);

(b) if so, the details along with the present status thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any suggestion from the States with regard to the said project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Solar Plants

†599. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of electricity in megawatt currently being generated by the solar plants in the country and the targetted production thereof by the year 2024;

(b) the name of the places in Chhattisgarh where solar energy plants are likely to be set up; and

(c) the places at which new solar plants are likely to be set up during the next three years under the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the country?

Schemes for Khadi Promotion

†600. DR. RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the steps are being taken by the Government to encourage the use of Khadi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to incentivise Khadi workers during the last three years?

Facilities at Calicut International Airport

601. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to develop the facilities to ensure safety at the Calicut International Airport in Karipur in the aftermath of the recent plane crash;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to restore the Haj embarkation point at Calicut International Airport for the upcoming Haj Pilgrimage to reduce the difficulties for the pilgrims from the northern districts?

Increase of Air Fare

†602. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is seriously considering to increase the air fare of domestic flights;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any step in this regard; and

(c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done and if not, the reasons therefor?

Roads under CRIF

†603. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any steps to construct roads in backward areas/villages of Mishrikh Parliamentary Constituency in Uttar Pradesh under the Central Roads and Infrastructure Fund (CRIF);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Airports in Small Cities

†604. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up airports in the small cities of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any proposal regarding setting up of airports in Jhansi and Lalitpur have been received in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the construction of the said airports is likely to be completed?

Transportation of Essential Medical cargo

†605. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether aviation community ensured smooth services for the movement of needy people and transportation of essential goods including necessary medical cargo like vaccines, medicines, oxygen concentrators etc. during the rise of Covid-19 cases in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it has proved to be a boon during difficult times in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the steps taken by the Government for better utilisation of these services during emergency situation in the country?

Impact of Covid on MSME Sector

606. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Covid-19 pandemic had a very severe adverse impact on the entire MSME sector in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Covid-19 pandemic placed MSME owners, employers, workers and institutions associated with the MSME sector into a very difficult state where no one had any experience to handle this kind of situation;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the extent to which the Covid-19 pandemic adversely impacted MSMEs' earnings; and

(f) the steps taken or proposed by the Government to revive the MSME sector?

NH Projects in Punjab

607. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and present status of National Highways (NHs) which are under construction in the State of Punjab;

(b) whether all these NHs are likely to be completed within their stipulated time period and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds allocated and released for these NH projects, projects-wise?

Kuttanand Package

608. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is intending to implement a second Kuttanad package as a continuation of first Kuttanad package that was implemented in Kuttanad region for ensuring development of livelihood and agriculture and allied activities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government is aware of proposal for second Kuttanad package that has been conceptualized by the Government of Kerala towards mitigating the crisis faced by the region; and

(d) if so, the details of assistance sought by the Government of Kerala?

Open Defection Status

609. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that 44% of Indian people continue with open defecation; and

(b) the time by which the country will become open defecation free?

Yettinahole Lift Irrigation Project

610. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of Yettinahole lift irrigation project which aims to divert excess water of western ghats to drought prone and erratic rainfall districts of Karnataka namely Chikkaballapur, Kolar, Bangalore Rural, Tumkur, Ramanagar to provide drinking water and fill the tanks in these areas;

(b) the reasons for delay of the said project after being approved by the Government many years ago;

(c) the details of total outlay of the project along with the total expenditure incurred thereon so far; and

(d) the time by which the said project is likely to be completed?

Losses to Power Distribution Companies

†611. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the power distribution companies are regularly incurring losses year after year in various States;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the factors responsible for the same;

(c) the names of those States which are effectively implementing power sector reforms in the country;

(d) the details of transmission and distribution losses in the said States;

(e) whether there has been no decline in the transmission and distribution losses despite the power sector reforms; and

(f) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken/proposed to be taken to reduce the transmission and distribution losses?

Sale of CWG Village Flats

612. SHRIMATI JYOTSNA CHARANDAS
MAHANT:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has sold CWG Village Flats in Akshardham, New Delhi through e-auction, tendering, Registration of Flats to Public Sector Undertaking/Banks and individuals etc.;

(b) if so, the details of flats sold through different schemes; and

(c) whether some CWG Flats have also been sold to Members of Parliament under the scheme of Registration and if so, the details thereof?

Solar Parks Scheme

†613. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has enhanced the capacity target under the Solar Parks Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up more number of solar parks in Maharashtra to achieve the target; and

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

Privatisation of Air India

614. MS. MIMI CHAKRABORTY:
Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is committed to the privatisation of Air India by this Fiscal 2021-22; and

(b) if so, the present status and strategic transaction therein including the assets of Air India and sell process towards revival proposal, if any?

Water Quality in Delhi

615. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government or BIS has conducted any study of the water quality of Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with its major findings including the level of Uranium in water?

Disinvestment of Air India

616. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of disinvestment of Air India;

(b) whether the disinvestment-bound Air India proposes to raise Rs. 200 to Rs. 300 crore by selling commercial and residential real estate assets in different parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a special purpose vehicle- Air India Assets Holding Limited (AIAHL) has been set up to sell the non-core assets of Air India and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has lowered the reserve price of some of these properties after previous attempt was failed to attract bidders even at base price and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether for some properties the reserve prices have been cut by around 10 percent from the last attempt and if so, the details thereof?

Privatisation of Airports

617. DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the total number of airports in the country along with the percentage stake owned by Airports Authority of India (AAI) in each of them, State-wise;

(b) the details of the profits made by each airport during the last three years;

(c) the details of the number of airports privatised during the said period;

(d) whether the Government proposes to privatise 30-35 airports in the next five years; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the airports which have been chosen for privatisation and the criteria fixed/adopted for privatisation?

Har Ghar Nal Se Jal

†618. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the areas provided with tap water connections as on date under Har Ghar Nal Se Jal yojana;

(b) the number of Gram Panchayats of Rajasthan including the Gram Panchayats of Udaipur Lok Sabha Constituency provided with tap water connection and the time by which the remaining panchayats are likely to be connected; and

(c) whether any responsibility has been given to the Member of Parliament to monitor the same, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Ground Water Table in Bihar

†619. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of ground water table in Bihar during the last three years;

(b) whether the Union Government provides any financial or technological assistance to the State Governments to check the depleting ground water table; and

(c) the various serious conditions likely to arise due to depleting water table in Bihar in future?

Rental Housing Schemes

620. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed rental housing schemes for the low-income group migrants across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has assessed the shortage of housing for migrant labor across the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of houses constructed for the slum dwellers across the country, State-wise; and

(e) whether any provision is in place to select the beneficiaries for housing schemes by Members of Parliament and if so, the details thereof?

Central Vista Project

621. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether construction of Central Vista Project is going ahead in full swing, to be completed in phases;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether heritage buildings like National Archives of India, National Museum are being demolished to make way for construction of new building; and

(d) if so, whether materials in National Archives of India and National Museum would be available for scholars and researchers during the construction of Central Vista Project and if so, the details thereof?

Powers and Jurisdiction of ISRMB

622. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

SHRI N. REDDEPPA:

SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any progress in defining the powers and jurisdictions of Inter-State River Management Boards (ISRMBs) like the Krishna and Godavari; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the prospective timeline for the same?

Road Projects under Bharatmala Pariyojana

623. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to execute projects under Bharatmala Pariyojana in a time bound manner and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of roads in Kerala taken up under this pariyojana;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take up the Thiruvananthapuram - Kottarakara - Angamali road for development and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of alignment fixed for the roads in Kollam district;

(e) whether the Government proposes to develop the roads through green corridor and if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government has taken up development of Kollam - Schenkottai NH under Bharatmala Pariyojana and if so, the details thereof; and

(g) whether the Government has fixed new alignment for the said road through green field and if so, the details thereof?

Works under Saubhagya

†624. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the work undertaken in Rajgarh district of Madhya Pradesh under Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (Saubhagya), location-wise;

(b) the number of Gram Sabhas/Majras identified in Rajgarh district under Saubhagya and the number of locations where work has been completed and the number of locations where work is yet to be completed;

(c) the funds sanctioned and spent for the said purpose during the last three years and the current year along with the names of agencies which have been provided the said work in Rajgarh district, work and village-wise;

(d) whether there is any possibility to cover the remaining Gram Sabhas/Majras under Saubhagya; and

(e) if so, the time by which the said work is likely to be completed?

Regulation for Drone

625. SHRIMATI MALA ROY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has framed rules for regulation and monitoring of drone in India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether a number of instances of unauthorised drone flying have been detected and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to counter unauthorised drone flying from across the border?

New Airports

626. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH

NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of new airports sanctioned by the Government during the last three years;

(b) the details of expenditure by the Government in renovating/ building airports during the last three years;

(c) whether it is a fact that despite the huge Government expenditure on airport infrastructure, the Government has awarded the rights of operation to private players, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that prescribed procedures mandatory for leasing out AAI airports through PPP (Public Private Partnership) mode were not adhered to; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Road Projects in Bihar

†627. SHRI MAHABALI SINGH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of National Highway (NH) and other road transport projects being undertaken in Bihar at present;

(b) the details of projects running behind schedule; and

(c) the details of projects which have been sanctioned but the work thereon is yet to be commenced?

Grade Separators in Puducherry

628. SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal for setting up of two grade separators at IG square signal and RG square signal in Puducherry has been approved by the Government;

(b) if so, the present status thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to construct elevated corridor between these two points;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to approve the long pending issue of one grade separator at Marapalam junction in Puducherry in view of heavy traffic congestion and if so, the details thereof?

Pace of Road Construction

629. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government will be able to achieve the ambitious road construction target of 40 km per day set for the current fiscal year in view of the prevailing Covid pandemic and lack of participation from the private sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the average road construction till June 2021, State-wise;

(c) the present status of Yadgiri- Warangal four-laning project in Telangana which was approved in December 2015 with anticipated completion time of November 2018;

(d) the details of the time and cost overrun in this project and reasons for delay in completing the project; and

(e) the revised time by which the project is likely to be completed?

Four-laning Project

†630. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to construct a four-lane road from Narsinghpur to Khandwa via Pipariya, Hoshangabad;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which construction work is likely to start;

(c) if not, the remedial measures being taken by the Government for smooth traffic on the said road and prevent the occurrence of accidents?

Schemes for Toll Roads

631. SHRI THIRUMAAVALAVAN THOL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes like Build Operate Transfer (BOT), Toll Operate Transfer (TOT) etc. under which toll roads are let to the private operators in the country;

(b) the objectives for which different schemes are introduced by the Government;

(c) whether these schemes for different purposes have been successful in achieving their objectives; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Green Highways in Andhra Pradesh

632. SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:
DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to build Green Highways to increase connectivity in the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time frame set for completion of these projects?

Funds Allocation Under JJM

633. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allocation and utilisation of funds under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) during the last three years, state-wise;

(b) the details of the budget allocation proposed for the financial year 2021-22 and the details of the funds released and utilised in 2020-21, state-wise;

(c) whether the Government is considering to provide water supply facilities in institutions like Anganwadi Centers, schools and hospitals under the JJM; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regard in recent years?

Kaleshwaram Irrigation Project

634. SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether instances of corruption has come to fore in the ongoing lift irrigation projects of Telangana namely Kaleshwaram and Palamuru RangaReddy lift irrigation projects and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any plans to order investigation in this matter;

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

(d) whether there has been several instances of leakage from dams of above mentioned irrigation projects; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Ground Water Condition in Tamil Nadu

635. SHRI D.M. KATHIRANAND:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of measures taken/being taken by the Government to improve the ground water condition and check river pollution in the State of Tamil Nadu including Vellore district in particular?

Night Landing Facility in Airports

636. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:
SHRI ANNASAHAB SHANKAR JOLLE:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no night landing facility in many airports in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government is considering to upgrade technology to provide night landing to airports in Karnataka State Tier 2 cities, if so, the time by which it is to be upgraded and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the mechanism employed by AAI to measure visibility in airports without night landing facilities; and

(d) the procedure followed by ground-staff in permitting an aircraft on flight to land at airports without night landing facilities?

Development of Road projects under CRIF

637. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received recommendations from the Government of Kerala for development of road projects on Mannoppally-Poovathilappu Road, Pala- Kozha Road, Pallom-Thottackad Road, Kanjiramkavala- Melukavu-Ilaveezhapoonchira- Chakkillavu- Koovapally Road, Thanneermukkam Bund Road and Kallara Vechoor Road under the Central Road and Infrastructure Fund (CRIF);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which these projects are likely to be completed?

Water Resources Works in West Bengal

638. MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has carried out any water resources work in West Bengal during the last five years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the works carried out by the Government, district-wise; and

(c) whether any new project is coming up in the State of West Bengal and if so, the details thereof?

Production of Energy through Non-Conventional Ways

†639. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in the direction of production of energy through non-conventional ways in view of energy conservation in the country;

(b) whether use of non-conventional sources of energy has been adopted in various Government and non-Government institutes of the country;

(c) whether any target has been fixed by the Government in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof, Institute-wise;

(e) whether there has been decrease in consumption of conventional energy as a result of these efforts; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Suze Canal Crisis

†640. SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian maritime trade got affected as a cargo ship judicially seized by Egypt remain stuck in Suez Canal for a long time in March, 2021; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of Indian ships affected due to the said crisis?

Expansion of Gwalior Airport

†641. SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the land of Potato Research Centre is likely to be acquired for the expansion of the Gwalior Airport and construction of a new terminal building to address the growing passenger traffic by introducing new flights for other routes, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether survey for the expansion of the Gwalior Airport is being conducted by a team of the Department of planning of Airport Authority of India and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has allocated any fund for the expansion of the said Airport and construction of a new terminal building; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Construction of NHs in Jharkhand

642. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National and State Highways in Jharkhand;

(b) the details of State roads that have been declared as National Highways (NHs) in the State during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government has provided funds for development of these new NHs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Jal Shakti Abhiyan in Tamil Nadu

643. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched Jal Shakti Abhiyan;

(b) if so, the details and features thereof along with the status of its implementation in various States in the country particularly for the State of Tamil Nadu and the funds allocated for the same, State and year-wise;

(c) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to promote rain water harvesting and to minimize wastage of water in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Pollution in Yamuna River

†644. SHRI RAMSHIROMANI VERMA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures being undertaken by the Government to check increasing level of pollution in river Yamuna; and

(b) the deadline to complete pending projects related to river Yamuna?

Procurement Programme by EESL

645. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) has started a bulk procurement programme to increase uptake of energy efficient air conditioners using government funds and if so, the details thereof along with the key features of the plan, its successes and failures;

(b) whether such a bulk procurement plan is to be repeated in future and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) began standards and labelling programme for air conditioners and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the BEE periodically revises its standards by mandating higher level of energy efficiency from manufacturers who shift cost burden on buyers of these appliances and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of successes and failures of the standards and labelling programme; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to make energy efficient air conditioners GST exempt to encourage uptake and if so, the details thereof?

Port and Shipping Development on Islands

646. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian islands archipelagos are in danger of sinking under seas due to port and shipping development therein;

(b) if so, the details of islands sank during the last five years; and

(c) the details of the action taken by the Government in the regard?

Simplification of Registration Process for MSMEs

647. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:
DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has simplified the mandatory registration process for the MSME sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether only PAN and AADHAR are required for the registration of MSMEs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Offshore Wind Energy

648. SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

a) whether the Government has taken steps to harness potential of coastal regions to generate offshore wind energy and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of upcoming offshore wind projects, if any;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide impetus to Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Construction of ROB/RUB

†649. DR. RAMAPATI RAM TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has undertaken construction of Rail Over Bridge (ROB) and Rail Under Bridge (RUB) in various States including Uttar Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details and the present status thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of such bridge projects which are running behind schedule during the said period along with the reasons therefor;

(d) the action taken/ being taken by the Government to expedite the completion of these projects; and

(e) the time by which these projects are likely to be completed?

Lockdown Impact on MSME Sector

650. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of programmes undertaken to overcome the COVID-19 and lockdowns negative impact on the MSME sector and its reach, State-wise;

(b) the details of moratorium extended to the MSME sector and the details of the beneficiaries, sector-wise;

(c) whether any provisions have been made to address the problems faced by MSMEs against loans and their repayments along with interest rates; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the entrepreneurs would be benefitted from such provisions?

District Facing Water Crisis

†651. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has data regarding the total number of districts facing water crisis in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take any measures to remove water shortage in the districts facing water crisis;

(d) if so, the total number of districts identified for this purpose and the criteria thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to check depleting water table in the country?

Construction of Flyovers

†652. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI
VASAVA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND
HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the construction work of flyovers on the busy junctions in the country including Gujarat is progressing as per schedule;

(b) if so, the details and present status thereof along with the funds allocated and utilised thereon; and

(c) the time limit fixed for completion of these flyovers?

NH Projects in Odisha

653. SHRI. RAMESH CHANDRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND
HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the technical/financial sanction has been granted for construction of National Highway on Motu to Mathili section in Malkangiri district of Odisha in Vijayawada-Ranchi corridor and Raipur to Vishakhapatnam economic corridor in Odisha;

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

(c) the present status of other related works including acquisition of land in this regard; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to expedite the process to complete the projects in a stipulated time frame?

Atal Bhujal Yojana in Rohtak

654. DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of progress made under Atal Bhujal Yojana, in Rohtak Lok Sabha constituency;

(b) the details of ground water data and progress made in arresting the rate of decline of groundwater levels in Rohtak; and

(c) the details of preparation of community-led water security plan and adoption of practices for efficient water use in Rohtak?

Compensation for Damages Caused by Landslides

655. SHRI INDRA HANG SUBBA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND
HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any special provision for compensation for damages caused by landslides beyond reserve line or acquired land during construction of National Highways in mountainous terrain in the country; and

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

Target Fixed under PM-KUSUM

656. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE
ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed any target of renewable energy generation for the State of Odisha under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan (PM-KUSUM);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the target fixed and the time by which it is likely to be achieved; and

(d) the quantum of funds allocated and disbursed to Odisha under PM-KUSUM along with the details of funds that has been released and pending?

Assistance to Minority Communities

†657. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the communities included in the list of Minority Communities;

(b) the community-wise population thereof;

(c) whether the Government provides any assistance for the conservation and development of their culture along with the education of the said communities; and

(d) if so, the amount of assistance provided during the last three years, community-wise?

Fantasy Sports

658. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government recognizes the increasing prevalence of fantasy sports in India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government recognizes the potential and ill-effects of fantasy sports in India and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that fantasy sports have the potential to increase engagement of people, especially youth, with sports activities and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is true that fantasy sports can increase viewership of sports telecasts and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has undertaken a study on the impact of fantasy sports on youth in India and if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether steps have been taken by the Government for uniform national-level regulation or guiding principles for online fantasy sports in India and if so, the details thereof;

(g) whether online fantasy sports have been banned in various States in India and if so, the details thereof; and

(h) whether the Government has engaged with State Governments for the regulation of fantasy sports in India and if so, the details thereof?

Aviation Market in India

†659. SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the fastest growing aviation market in the world;

(b) if so, whether the Government has formulated any special scheme to boost the market move rapidly;

(c) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme such as air taxi;

(d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done;

(e) whether the Government proposes to operationalise all small unserved airports in the country to promote inter-state air travels; and

(f) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done along with the number of airports identified and the number of airports on which work is under progress till date?

Minority Welfare Committee

660. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to establish a National Committee consisting of Chairpersons of NHRC, NCW, NCBC, NCST, NCSC, NCM, NCMEI, NMDFC, CLM, Central Wakf Council and Maulana Azad Foundation along with nominated experts for monitoring the educational and economic development of the Minorities, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the latest position over Justice Ranganath Mishra Commission's recommendation to "appoint a Minority Welfare Committee consisting of officials and local experts in all districts of the country to act the nodal agencies of NCM, State Minorities Commissions and all other Central and State-level bodies working for the Minorities"; and

(c) whether the Government has any idea to enact a detailed law to enforce the dictates of Article 30 of the Constitution, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Water Resources Projects in Uttar Pradesh

†661. SHRI HAJI FAZLUR REHMAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the water resources projects currently launched across the country, particularly in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the funds allocated to Uttar Pradesh for water resources projects, district-wise;

(c) the current status of the water resources projects in Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) whether the pace of the said work is very slow and if so, the reasons therefor?

Status of Energy Production and Supply

662. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of energy production and supply in the Islands of the country; Island-wise;

(b) the details of demand and supply of energy; Island-wise; and

(c) the details of the proposals of the Government on sustainable electricity generation in the Islands with PPP model?

Expansion of Airports

663. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of airports expanded and modernised by the Government during the last five years;

(b) the number of above-mentioned airports privatised during the last five years;

(c) whether the Government proposes to privatise more airports in coming years;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the steps being taken by the Government to retain the airports?

Upgradation of NHs to Global Standards

†664. SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and present status of National Highways in the country upgraded/proposed to be upgraded to global standards;

(b) the expenditure likely to be incurred on the upgradation of proposed NHs along with the resources for meeting the said expenditure;

(c) whether the State Governments have been consulted in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the State Governments thereto; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to strengthen the road infrastructure in the country?

Olympic Games

665. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government regarding preparation for Olympic Games, 2021; and

(b) the steps taken for financial/medical/human and technical support to athletes participating in the Olympic Games, 2021?

Achievements under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin)

†666. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the main features of Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin);

(b) the details of funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under this Mission in the States/UTs of the country including Rajasthan during the last three years;

(c) the details of target fixed and achievements made by the Union Government under this mission so far;

(d) the district-wise number and details of viallges in the country including Rajasthan made open defecation free under the mission so far;

(e) whether the Government has received complaints under the said mission; and

(f) if so, the details of steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Schemes for Upliftment of Minority Community

†667. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the percentage of people belonging to the minority community getting benefitted by the schemes being implemented by the Government for the upliftment of minority community;

(b) whether the benefits of such schemes meant for minority community are not accruing to them in real sense on the ground level and if so, the steps taken by the Government to bring these schemes on the ground level;

(c) the details of the names of the schemes under which the amount has been spent on various schemes meant for minority communities in the State of Haryana during the last three years and the current year along with the amount spent, scheme-wise; and

(d) whether the Government has a proposal for creating employment in Nuh district of Haryana, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Pollution Under Control Certificate

668. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:

SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:

DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made the Pollution Under Control (PUC) certificate uniform for all vehicles across the country;

(b) if so, the details and the objectives thereof;

(c) whether the Government is also planning to link the PUC database with the National Register and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the existing system to check vehicular pollution in the country is fool proof; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the remedial steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

National Rural Drinking Water Programme

669. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Rural Drinking Water programme is functioning in various States and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has fixed any target for supply of piped drinking water and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of State-wise access to water supply;

(d) the details of funds allocated, released and utilized under National Rural Drinking Water Programme during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(e) the details of physical targets fixed for improvement of access to water supply during these years and the extent to which targets have been achieved during these years?

Regional Ring Road in Telangana

670. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY
NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposal for the development of a regional ring road in Telangana, including the areas

proposed to be connected along with estimated cost of land acquisition and its development;

(b) the details of land proposed to be acquired for this project;

(c) the details of contribution expected from the State Government for financing this project; and

(d) the time by which this ring road is likely to be completed?

Houses under PMAY-U in Andhra Pradesh

671. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses sanctioned under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U) for the State of Andhra Pradesh, year-wise;

(b) the details of the number of houses built along with the start and the end dates of completion of on-going construction projects under this yojana, year-wise;

(c) the area of land that needs to be acquired in order to complete building of houses under this yojana along with the details of the land that has already been acquired by the Government;

(d) whether re-tendering has been done by the State Government for projects under PMAY since 2019-2020; and

(e) if so, the value of the projects delayed by this re-tendering along with the details of the number of houses built under the new tender?

Solar Powered Lighting System

- †672. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:
SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:
SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages covered under Solar Powered Lighting System in Chhattisgarh;

(b) the number of tribal majority and economically backward villages out of the said villages;

(c) the criteria laid down by the Government for the implementation of the said system in villages; and

(d) the amount spent for the said system in Chhattisgarh during the last three years along with the progress/achievements made in this regard?

One Pricing Policy

673. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:
SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the 'one nation, one grid, one frequency, one price' Policy;

(b) the steps taken by the Union Government for receiving the views of State Governments over this policy;

(c) whether the Government has identified the States which are facing acute power crisis and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of mechanism to increase power generation to meet the demand of these States; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to implement one pricing policy?

Hydrometric Observations

674. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hydrometric Observations serve a very important role in the decision-making process with the application of real-time hydro-meteorological monitoring systems and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has used Hydrometric Observations to forestall cloud bursts in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of Demonitization on MSMEs

675. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that there are many small and medium enterprises which have collapsed due to the demonitization and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has the data on the opening and closure of micro, small and medium enterprises since 8th November, 2016 and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has the data of growth in the micro, small and medium enterprises since 8th November, 2016;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government has the data of employment generation happening in this sector; and if

so, the details thereof along with the situation of employment generation since 8th November, 2016?

Hardships due to Covid-19 Pandemic

676. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the areas of port, shipping and waterways that encountered hardship due to Covid-19 pandemic and the steps taken by the Government to overcome the same; and

(b) the details of the assistance provided to people employed in this sector who suffered job loss?

TOP Scheme

677. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of financial assistance provided to athletes under Khelo India and TOP Scheme during the last three years, year and State-wise;

(b) the details of the number of infrastructure development projects taken up under Khelo India Scheme; and

(c) the details and the names of the infrastructure projects that have been sanctioned, completed and are in progress across the country, State-wise?

Encouraging Small Farmers to set up Cottage Industries

678. SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is encouraging small farmers to set up cottage industries to increase their income;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to increase the income of the farmers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

National Service Scheme

679. SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:
SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:
SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that National Service Scheme (NSS) is playing a key role in empowering the youth of the country and if so, the details thereof along with the initiatives taken by the Government to encourage NSS students;

(b) the total number of students who are enrolled under the NSS in the State of Uttar Pradesh, Tripura and Karnatka at present;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of students under NSS and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the amount of funds allocated/spent under NSS during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to encourage all educational institutions to include NSS in their activities/curriculum?

Retail and Wholesale Sector in MSME

680. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has included the retail and wholesale sector into Micro, Small and Medium enterprises (MSMEs) after being excluded from the category four years ago;

(b) whether the new Udyam portal launched by the Government is a self-declaration and cost-free platform for entrepreneurs to get their enterprises registered and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the benefits given by the Government for registered MSMEs;

(d) whether the Government has facilitated the availability of collateral-free credit to all MSMEs and if so, the details thereof including the number of MSMEs availed this facility so far; and

(e) the other steps being taken by the Government for providing requisite support to the MSMEs and upcoming entrepreneurs in strengthening Indian economy and working towards the vision of Aatmanirbhar Bharat?

Tokyo Olympics 2021

681. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:
SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY
VASANTH:
SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is participating in Tokyo Olympics 2021 and if so, the number of athletes/sportspersons selected for the purpose, event-wise;

(b) the total number of officials and accompanying the sportspersons participating in the event;

(c) the amount allocated by the Government for Tokyo Olympics 2021;

(d) whether financial support is being provided to the sportspersons for their training; and

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

Employment Generation by KVIC

682. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:
SHRI SELVAM G:
SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of employment opportunities generated by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) in the rural and urban areas for SC/ST/OBC and economically weaker sections in Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) the quantum of funds spent for the purpose by KVIC during the said period, year-wise;

(c) the contribution of Mahatma Gandhi Institute for Rural Industrialization (MGIRI) in regard to training and capacity building in rural industries;

(d) whether the KVIC is implementing a new scheme for employment generation for various categories of persons including war widows, ex-servicemen and their dependent in rural and backward areas and if so, the details thereof and the achievement made so far; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to provide more employment opportunities to Khadi workers from rural and backward area of the country?

Projects under PMJVK

683. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds allocated during each of the last three years under Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) for education and skill development;

(b) the number of projects approved by the Government under the PMJVK in the education sector;

(c) the details of the number of projects under PMJVK in the education sector specific to the State of Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) the number of schools, colleges, student hostels, Navodayas Vidyalayas, smart classrooms etc. constructed in above States as a part of projects under PMJVK during the last three years?

Demolition of Houses

684. SHRI M. SELVARAJ:
DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken any measures to end forced evictions and demolitions of homes of the urban poor, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic;

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

(c) whether the Government has taken cognizance of reports that State authorities have demolished the homes of thousands of families without resettlement, including those of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribe across the country; and

(d) if so, the remedial measures taken including resettlement and if not, the reasons therefor?

Recovery of Dues from Air India

685. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ:
SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the law suits filed by Cairn Energy and Devas Multimedia seeking to recover their dues from the Indian Government through the seizure of Air India's overseas assets;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the likely impact thereof on the ongoing disinvestment process of Air India;

(d) whether the Government has formulated any strategy to overcome the crisis; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Registered MSMEs

†686. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) registered in the country including Maharashtra, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether any project of Maharashtra is pending for Government's approval;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to introduce any scheme for development of MSME in the States like Maharashtra; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Problems due to Arsenic Contamination of Water

†687. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN
VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to resolve the problem of drinking water in States where Arsenic level is more than the limit set by Bureau of Indian Standard (BIS);

(b) whether these Arsenic elements affect local crops and their quality when it enters the food chain and if so, the manner in which the Government is committed to resolve this problem; and

(c) whether local residents and cattle are afflicted with various kinds of diseases due to consumption of Arsenic water and if so, the measures being taken by the Government to resolve this problem?

Restoration of Water Bodies

688. SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO
MANE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of lakes, ponds, pools, wells and step wells existing in the country at present along with their present condition/status thereof;

(b) the details of the efforts made for the restoration of the said water bodies for ground water management during the last five years, State/UT-wise;

(c) the ground water recharge modalities being adopted in this regard;

(d) whether these water bodies in various parts of the country have been encroached upon by anti-social elements; and

(e) if so, the State/UT-wise details of the action taken against them along with the initiatives taken by the Government to remove the encroachments on the said water bodies and their restoration for the sustenance of ground water for future?

Implementation of NRDWP

689. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the target date for completion of National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) along with the reasons for the slow pace of its implementation specially in drought affected districts of the country particularly in Gujarat;

(b) whether certain States have not framed and submitted water security plans so far and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the new steps taken by the Government for ensuring access to safe drinking water to all rural habitations, Government schools and aanganwadis in the country?

Accident of Wild Animals on NHs

†690. SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of wild animals killed in road accidents on National Highways (NHs) during each of the last three years in the country, State-wise;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to check/prevent the movement of wild animals on NHs in order to avoid such accidents; and

(c) the details of the rescue operations conducted in Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh to protect the wild animals from such accidents, location-wise?

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