

# LOK SABHA

## List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Corporate Affairs; Culture; Education; Finance; Labour and Employment; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Steel; Tourism; Tribal Affairs)

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### Production of Ethanol

1151. DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE  
PATIL:

DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:  
SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:  
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO  
MANE:  
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of production of ethanol in the country during each of the last three years and the estimated production in the current year;

(b) whether the Government targets on production of ethanol blended fuel are being met, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the ethanol produced from molasses instead of sugarcane is more useful and beneficial and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the production of ethanol directly from sugarcane is permitted in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the name of major mills which are producing ethanol directly from sugarcane; and

(e) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to increase the production of ethanol and promote its usage in the country?

### Suicides by Migrant Workers

1152. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been increased cases of migrant labourers' suicides, if so, the number and details of such cases and the steps taken to reduce the same?

(b) the measures to curb suicides due to increased urban unemployment; and

(c) the steps being taken to alleviate the number of suicides specifically among the low income group people of the society?

### Central Assistance Scheme for ST

†1153. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the grants-in-aid being provided under Special Central Assistance Scheme to Tribal Sub-Scheme (SCA-TSS) to Scheduled Tribes by the Government in the country including Rajasthan;

(b) the details of the amount provided to Rajasthan under this Scheme during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase this grants-in-aid, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Union Government has received proposals from the Rajasthan Government in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

### Payment of GST Compensation

1154. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government is drawn to the matter of comments made by the Attorney General stating that it is not mandatory for the Government to pay shortfall in Goods and Services Tax (GST) compensation of the States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any plan of stopping the payment of GST compensation to the states taking the above statement; and

(d) if so, the stand of the Government in this regard?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**Violation of FRBM Act**

1155. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ministries which have violated the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) act compliance;

(b) the amount so reported excessive over voted grants and appropriation; and

(c) the corrective steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Accidents in Mines**

1156. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has drawn any plan to make mines safe for the miners;

(b) the details of the number of accidents in mines over the last five years and current year;

(c) the details of number of deaths and injured persons in those accidents, State-wise; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to prevent such accidents?

**Relief Schemes**

1157. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes implemented/being implemented by the Government to provide relief to various sectors during the period of lockdown due to Pandemic COVID-19 in the country, Scheme-wise and Sector-wise;

(b) the funds allocated under the said schemes along with its utilisation so far, Scheme-wise;

(c) the number of beneficiaries of the said schemes across the country so far, Scheme-wise and Sector-wise;

(d) the details of the irregularities reported in implementation of the said schemes across the country along with action taken thereon so far; and

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

**Relief to Hotel Industry and Tourism Sector**

1158. SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is taking any steps to revive the hotel and restaurant industry which have been one of the worst hit because of the COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme or provide relief for the hotel, restaurants and tourism based sectors due to COVID-19 pandemic; and

(c) whether the Government will be considering provision of subsidies in the form of bearing a percentage of diner bills, an example of which can be obtained from the United Kingdom's recent decision to bear 50 per cent of diner bills so as to encourage people to eat out, and if not whether the government has any similar progressive steps to help the F&B industry and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Extension of Period for GST Reimbursement**

1159. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any demands have been received from the State Governments for the extension of reimbursement of Goods and Services Tax (GST) compensation period;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of States and the decision taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

**Scholarship to Students**

1160. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India have any scholarship/grant schemes for Indian Students travelling abroad for higher studies;

(b) if so, the list of all such scholarship/grant programs in the country;

(c) the number of students who have benefited from the above mentioned scholarship/grant schemes in the country, year-wise and State-wise, during the past five years; and

(d) whether the Government is willing to consider or is considering for expanding the existing pool of Government sponsored scholarship schemes for Indian Students applying for high studies, particularly in areas like Public policy, Public administration, Development studies and International Relations etc?

### Social Security Scheme for Adivasis

1161. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to make any social security scheme specifically for Adivasis;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Package for Workers

1162. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to offer a specific social security package for such workers who are dependent at the mercy of their private employers and mostly have been rendered jobless owing to Corona Virus impact; and

(b) if so, the modalities of such a package and blueprint for roll out thereof as the number of beneficiaries is likely to be a very sizeable part of our population?

### Skill Development Centres

†1163. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:  
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:  
SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:  
SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to establish Skill Development Centres (SDCs) in Darbhanga, Bihar and if so, the number of such centres being established along with the funds allocated, centre-wise and the time line fixed to implement the said project;

(b) the State/UT-wise details of SDC/institutes set up to provide skill training to the youth of the country along with assessment made by the Government on the number of trained youth who have been provided employment/placements according to their skill expertise through such centres, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether any State-wise targets have been fixed for the scheme/programme by the Government and if so, the details thereof along with achievements made under the scheme and any new proposal to set up new SDC in the country;

(d) whether the Government proposes to establish SDC in every district of the country and if so, the details thereof along with the measures being taken by the

Government to keep the local public representatives aware of such programme that are being organised in each district of the country; and

(e) whether the Government has sanctioned any funds for Karnataka under Skill Development Programme during the last three years, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the number of youth trained under Skill Development Programme in Karnataka?

### Unemployment

†1164. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:  
SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:  
SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:  
SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase in the rate of unemployment due to the COVID-19 as compared to previous year and if so, State-wise details thereof;

(b) the State-wise details of unemployment rate on the basis of age group, rural/urban and gender;

(c) the detailed plan of steps/initiatives taken by the Government to generate jobs for youth and increase the employment in rural and urban areas during the continuance of the pandemic;

(d) the sector-wise and gender-wise details of total number of persons unemployed in Assam during the last six months;

(e) the total number of people who lost their jobs in the country due to the COVID-19 and the details thereof, sector-wise and enterprise/State-wise; and

(f) whether the Government has taken any measures to address the situation of jobless people to ensure livelihood to them and if so, the details thereof?

### Measures to Fight against Covid-19

†1165. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken by the Ministry of Skill Development and Enterprises to support fight against COVID-19, if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any database has been prepared with regard to labourers who returned back to their homes from different States of the country and the Indian citizens who returned back in the country under Vande Bharat Mission who have filled their skilled cards and if so, the details thereof; and

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(d) whether there is any proposed to use this data base for their employment and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Proposal to Bring Labour Reforms**

1166. SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the Annual Survey of Industries data for 2008-09, the provisions of Chapter V-B of Industrial Disputes Act apply to 15.63 per cent of total factories which employs 72.31 per cent of workers, whereas the Chapter stipulates the condition that any industrial establishment employing not less than 100 workmen during the preceding months should take permission from the Government for closure or retrenchment of workers;

(b) if so, whether the Government has received any representation from the chambers for relaxation or abolition of Chapter V-B;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is having any proposal to bring labour reforms with the consent of all stakeholders and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Women Training Centre under PMKVY**

1167. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any specific measures are being adopted under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana to increase the number of women in the training centres on the basis of criteria fixed in this regard to ensure their active participation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Drinking Water and Sanitation Facilities in Schools**

1168. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of schools in the country that do not have adequate drinking water and sanitation facilities as on August 2020;

(b) whether the Government has set any time bound targets to provide drinking water and sanitation facilities in all the schools ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof including the funds earmarked for the purpose and the target of completion?

#### **Syllabus for Madrassa**

1169. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bihar State on developmental parameters, has shown a commendable initiative in adopting a modern and mainstream syllabus for its Madrasas run by the Bihar Madrassa Education Board and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Bihar Madrassa Board that has over 4000 Madrasas affiliated to it, including 1942 Government aided ones, with more than 15 lakhs students on roll, proposes to equip the students to choose from Science, Arts and Commerce after class 10 to compete with the world and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Board has adopted SCERT and NCERT textbooks and more than 10,000 teachers given online training during Covid-19 Lockdown and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Research under JRF/SRF Scheme**

1170. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government intends to raise the fellowships for students pursuing research under JRF/SRF scheme in research institutions and universities; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Curriculum on Astronomy**

1171. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to promote education relating to Astronomy in schools across the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government proposes to develop Astronomy curriculum books for schools under the New Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Fields of Studies**

1172. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to introduce new fields of studies such as Women's Studies or Gender Studies, Cultural Studies, Media Studies, Dalit Studies,

Studies of Discrimination and Exclusion, Environmental Studies and Development Studies as per New Educational Policy, 2020;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the details therefor?

#### **Inclusion of Bidi under Demerit Goods**

1173. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:  
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO  
MANE:  
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE  
PATIL:  
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:  
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to include bidi under the list of demerit goods;

(b) if not, the reasons for not including bidi under the list of demerit goods, when it is equally harmful as other tobacco products;

(c) the total amount of tax collected from all types of tobacco products in the last financial year;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to impose additional cess on tobacco products to decrease their consumption; and

(e) the details of the GST due to various states of the country particularly Maharashtra?

#### **Cartelisation in Market**

†1174. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether keeping in mind the statement of Deputy Chairman of NITI Aayog of 2019, the CII has to undertake monitoring to prevent cartelisation in the market;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the achievement made in this regard so far; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **CSR Fund for COVID Crisis**

1175. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase in the expenditure from Public Sector and Private Sector companies from their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) towards the mitigation of the Covid-19 crisis in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the activities carried out from the CSR funds during the last 5 months;

(c) whether the Government has taken any special steps to incentivise the companies to increase the utilisation of the CSR funds for the Covid-19 crisis; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **NIT Calicut**

1176. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the growth in academics and research of NIT Calicut;

(b) whether Government plans to provide any impetus in accelerating the potential of NIT Calicut;

(c) the current staff strength of the faculty and other staff at NIT Calicut;

(d) whether the Government foresees any enhancement in staff pattern for ensuring quality and campus placement at NIT Calicut;

(e) the current staff pattern and student strength of IIM Calicut and whether the Government plans any more collaboration with international institutions of repute for accelerating growth IIM Calicut;

(f) the current position of much needed and much represented infrastructure project of KV I Kozhikode after demolishing decades old unsafe buildings; and

(g) the present status of KV III at Ulliyeri in Kozhikode?

#### **Dekho Apna Desh Scheme**

†1177. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to launch 'Dekho Apna Desh' scheme across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the details of the amount proposed for this along with the details of targets fixed for this purpose;

(c) the States/areas proposed to be included in the scheme;

(d) whether the Government has included the places of Rajasthan also in the scheme;

(e) if so, the details thereof, district-wise and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the time by when these are likely to be included in the scheme?

**Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan Scheme**

1178. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:  
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:  
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of labour and workers in the unorganized sector who have benefitted from Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan scheme (PM-SYM) since its inception along with the amount allocated for the scheme till date;

(b) whether the Government is also depositing equal matching share in the pension account of the workers every month under the scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is steep decline in the average monthly enrollment of PM-SYM and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether unorganized workers are not keen on old-age pension scheme and if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government to increase monthly enrollment of PM-SYM and make the scheme popular among unorganized workers; and

(e) the estimated number of salaried employees who have lost their jobs due to COVID-19 pandemic?

**Permanent Building for Kendriya Vidyalayas**

1179. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any measures to construct permanent building for Kendriya Vidyalayas in Telangana State and particularly in Jharasangam area;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time likely to be taken for the construction of the said building?

**Tax Burden of Tobacco Products**

1180. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total tax burden for all the tobacco products, combined with the GST rates and compensation cess;

(b) whether the Government is planning to levy any additional cess on tobacco products, including cigarettes and bidis to generate additional revenue for the Government;

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

(d) whether this will provide the much needed tax revenue for COVID-19 stimulus packages; and

(e) if so, the details of revenue likely to be increased as a result therefrom?

**Relaxation to Foreign Tourists**

1181. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have relaxed restriction on foreign tourists under the protected area permit regime;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government for the development of wellness tourism in India; and

(d) the trend of tourist flow to India during the year 2019-2020?

**Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana**

†1182. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of unemployed citizens benefitted under “Pradhan Mantri Rojgaar Protsahan Yojana” in Maharashtra during the last four years;

(b) the district-wise details thereof along with the special reference to Ratnagiri-Sindhudurg district; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Schemes under DBT**

1183. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS  
LALAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and number of schemes which are under the Direct Benefits Transfer (DBT) system through the Central Government;

(b) the details of amount which has been released in last six years under DBT on yearly basis, Scheme-wise and State-wise; and

(c) the numbers of beneficiaries in each scheme, State-wise?

**GST Evasion**

1184. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the tax evasion has increased after the implementation of Goods and Service Tax (GST);

(b) if so, the details of evasion detected and the amount involved since 1st July, 2017;

(c) the details of FIR registered and arrest initiated in this regard, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government is also aware about the involvement of tax officials in the evasion cases;

(e) if so, the details of such officers along with the action taken against them, State-wise; and

(f) the details of measures taken by the Government to prevent/reduce GST evasion cases?

#### Hostels for Eklavya Model Residential School

†1185. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM  
SHRANGARE:  
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:  
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:  
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK  
NIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the setting up/construction of buildings/hostels for Eklavya Model Residential Schools in the country including Maharashtra and Rajasthan along with the funds allocated for this purpose during the said period, year-wise, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government is considering to set up Eklavya Residential School in all the tribal tehsils of Maharashtra and Rajasthan including Madha Lok Sabha constituency of Maharashtra and Dhod and Ahore tehsils of Sikar and Jalore districts respectively in Rajasthan in view of educational backwardness of these districts; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Wage Ceiling

1186. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that lakhs of workers and employees are ousted from the purview of ESI due to the wage ceiling and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the increase in wage tariff is due to the increase in price index, if so, the action taken to increase the wage ceiling corresponding to the rise in living index;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide the benefit of ESI to all deserving classes of the workers, if so, the action taken thereon; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to formulate a committee to conduct a study to raise wage ceiling for ESI benefits and if so, the details thereof?

#### Unorganised Workers

†1187. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:  
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to benefit the workers of unorganized sector in order to tackle the situation arising due to the pandemic at present;

(b) whether the Government proposes to provide relief package to the workers of unorganized sector in north-eastern states including Assam;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide relief package to the workers of unorganized sector in all the States including Haryana; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Beneficiaries of AtmaNirbhar Bharat Relief Package and PM Garib Kalyan Yojana

1188. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the list of number of beneficiaries who have availed assistance under the AtmaNirbhar Bharat relief package, State-wise;

(b) the total amount of assistance provided by the Government (sanctioned and availed) under various headings of the said scheme, State-wise along with the overall total assistance provided under AtmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyan;

(c) the list of number of beneficiaries who have availed assistance under the PM Garib Kalyan Yojana and PM Garib Kalyan Ann Yojana, State-wise; and

(d) the total amount of assistance provided by the Government (sanctioned and availed) under various headings of the same and the overall assistance provided?

#### Launching of SPICE Portal

1189. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:  
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:  
SHRIMATISANGEETA KUMARI SINGH  
DEO:  
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:  
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:  
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Corporate Affairs has introduced Simplified Proforma for Incorporating Company Electronically (SPICE) Plus 10 in 1 form to start companies faster; If so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the number of processes and time needed to start up business in India takes longer in comparison to other countries; If so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is an urgent need for reforms in reducing the time and cost for doing business in the country ; and

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

#### Use of Artificial Intelligence

1190. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government is currently using or plans to use artificial intelligence to scrutinize the accounts of registered companies to facilitate identification of inactive or non compliant companies; and

(b) If so, the details thereof?

#### Quality Control of Steel Products

1191. SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:

SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:

SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:

SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:

SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV:

SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted a Technical Committee for examination and analysis of the applications received for issuance of clarifications, whether the products are covered under the purview of the Steel and Steel Products (Quality Control) Order 2020;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total number of such applications received and scrutinized from the State of Andhra Pradesh and a State-wise break-up thereof?

#### Policy to Raise Employment Level

†1192. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any policies to raise the level of employment in cities after the start of unlock procedure;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated policy to support or provide employment to the workers of unorganized urban sectors; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Privatisation of BPCL

1193. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the privatisation of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL);

(b) whether the Government has fixed any timeline for completing the process of privatization and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of financial result of the company in the 1st quarter of the current financial year;

(d) whether the Government has considered the objection of the trade unions against privatization and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the cooking gas subsidy will continue after the privatisation of BPCL and if so, the details thereof?

#### Skill India Programme by 2022

1194. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to tackle the rapidly increasing unemployment rate keeping in view that presently, only 2 per cent of the total workforce in India have undergone skill training;

(b) whether it true that three-fourths of the youth in the country have never enrolled for a Skill Development Programme and if so, the remedial measures proposed to be taken by the Government to rectify the situation;

(c) whether the Government propose to skill 40 crores people by 2022 through its 'Skill India' programme and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to enable and mobilise a large number of youth to take up outcome-based skill training to become employable and earn their livelihood; and



(e) the measures taken by the Government to build entrepreneurship in the country in this direction?

#### **e-Class Facility in Schools**

1195. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any time limit has been set for providing e-class facility in Government and private schools running in small cities, villages and towns;

(b) whether these schools are likely to be made smart by giving them economic support; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Moratorium on EMIs**

1196. SHRI P.K. KUNHALIKUTTY:  
SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH  
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has announced moratorium on EMIs on account of financial constraints due to pandemic covid19;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to consider waiver of interest on EMIs for the period of moratorium and if so, the details thereof including the instructions given to the banks in this regard along with the number of persons benefitted therefrom;

(c) the status of the changes in the loan schemes provided by the banks now since the moratorium period on EMIs has exhausted; and

(d) whether the Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) also have changes in their loan schemes and if so, the details thereof?

#### **UGC**

1197. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:  
DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:  
SHRIMATICHINTA ANURADHA:  
SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grant Commission(UGC) has directed the Universities to complete all the examinations which were delayed due to COVID by September 30th 2020;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Supreme Court has issued a directive that any state decides that it is not possible to conduct

the examinations by September 30, 2020 may approach the UGC for an extension of this deadline;

(d) whether any State Government have approached the UGC under this directive; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Restructuring of Cadre**

†1198. SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of physiotherapists, ESI hospitals, associate offices and autonomous organizations in the country;

(b) the details of their prevalent hierarchy;

(c) the details of setting up and restructuring of the cadre;

(d) whether Physiotherapists are included with similar opportunities in the event of restructuring of the cadre; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Benefits of Provident Fund**

†1199. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken action against those companies that do not provide the benefit of provident fund to their employees; and

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such companies against whom action has been taken during the last three years in all the States including Rajasthan?

#### **Request for Rescheduling of Loans by State Governments**

1200. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA  
KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from any State Governments requesting for rescheduling of loans taken from the Union Government and from other financial institutions and also to provide fresh loans on low interest rates;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the response of the Union Government in this regard?

### Guidelines for Online Classes

1201. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of guidelines finalized by the Government for digital education in schools;

(b) whether the Government is of the view that just 2 hours in a week class will help the students to learn things and teachers to complete the syllabus;

(c) whether it is a fact that excess exposure to digital screens will harm mental and physical health of students;

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to address the issue; and

(e) the innovative and different strategies that the Government is planning to include in the learning process, particularly for Secondary and Senior Secondary as they are the important segments of schooling?

### Results of Financial Package

1202. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the financial package of 20 lakh crore announced by the Government to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on our economy;

(b) whether the Government has achieved the desired results of announcing the said package in the country;

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

(d) the details of the loans disbursed to various industries/individuals after announcement of the said package, bank-wise; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure that financial support actually reaches to intended beneficiaries?

### Unemployed Youth under PMKVY in Odisha

1203. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of unemployed youth in Odisha, specifically Bhubaneswar, who were provided skill development training every year under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) since its inception;

(b) the percentage of candidates across districts in Odisha who were offered placement after training;

(c) the percentage of candidates offered placements who were from aspirational districts of Odisha;

(d) the percentage of female candidates offered placements; and

(e) whether the Government has set any targets to provide employment to unemployed youth under various schemes and if so, details thereof?

### Protection of PVTG from COVID-19 of Odisha

1204. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken for the protection of the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG) from the COVID-19 Pandemic;

(b) the details of the steps taken after some members of PVTG from Odisha and Andaman and Nicobar were found COVID-19 positive; and

(c) whether the Government has taken measures to inform the PVTG about the COVID-19 pandemic in their local language and if so, the details thereof?

### Green Stimulus Measures

1205. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of any environmental-friendly or green stimulus measures in the Atma-Nirbhar Bharat package;

(b) whether the Government would consider fiscal measures to boost investment in sustainable green technology, infrastructure and products as part of the COVID-19 stimulus package; and

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

### Housing Finance Companies

1206. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to protect the ordinary customers from this injustice and illogical procedure of charging high rate of interest for existing loan by housing finance companies in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government also proposes to rescue ordinary customers of housing loan companies from paying thousands of rupees as service charges plus GST @ 18 per cent for exercising option for availing the benefits of reduced rate of interest; and

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

#### **Retrenchment of Employees**

†1207. MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints regarding retrenchment of employees by companies due to global pandemic, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has taken any action against such companies, if so, the details thereof; if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government is contemplating to prepare any work plan to provide new opportunity of employment for the people who became jobless due to global pandemic; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Comparison of Major Tourism Sectors**

1208. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of TOURISM  
पर्यटन मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has compared the various major tourism sectors all over the world during COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any idea that how the informal sector of employment and income sources related to the Tourism sector faced the impact of pandemic in our country and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the schemes and projects that the Government proposes to bring to boost the tourism sector along with its details?

#### **Allocation of Funds to Chhattisgarh**

†1209. SHRI SANTOSH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated under various items and schemes by the Union Government to Chhattisgarh State for the financial years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021;

(b) whether the loan facility is provided to the State Government by the Union Government; and

(c) if so, the details of loan taken by the Chhattisgarh Government during the financial years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021?

#### **Unorganised Workers Social Security Act**

1210. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the number of workers registered under Unorganised Workers Social Security Act, 2008 and the number of identity cards issued thereof during the past year;

(b) the state-wise details of number of workers registered and the number of workers who availed the social security benefit under the scheme during the past year; and

(c) the steps/measures taken by Government to ensure more registration of workers to avail the benefit of the scheme?

#### **Programme for International Students Assessment**

1211. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO  
MANDLIK:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION  
शिक्षा मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has decided to participate in Programme for International Students Assessment (PISA), 2021 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any field trial for the same and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of schools across the country from which are likely to represent the country in the PISA, 2021;

(d) whether the Government has conducted tests like the programme for PISA which evaluates school students scholastic performance in Math, science and reading and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has also sent a team to Paris to understand the whole examination process of PISA and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Fire at OIL Oilfield**

1212. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:  
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:  
SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:  
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL  
GAS  
पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was any violation of norms while drilling close to forest areas considering an occurrence

at Oil India Limited's (OIL) oilfield in Baghjan, Assam, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of estimated loss of oil/gas in terms of volume and value;

(c) the data of the accidents/mishap incidents at oil and gas fields during the last three years as of today;

(d) whether any assessment was carried out to assess the damage to natural flora and fauna due to accidental leakages and other such accidents, if so, the details thereof for the last three years and the current year;

(e) whether the Government has plans to review the rules and regulation set for safety and security of people employed in oil-gas fields; and

(f) whether the Government has accepted the recommendations of the Standing Committee's report on 'Safety, Security and Environmental Aspects in Petroleum Sector' to minimize such hazards and form a Unified Safety Board, if so, the steps taken in this regard?

#### **Jobs Under Gareeb Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan**

1213. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total numbers of jobs provided in Rajasthan under the Gareeb Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan; and

(b) the measures taken by the Government since COVID-19 to provide employment opportunities in rural areas?

#### **Bank Frauds**

1214. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:  
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:  
SHRI P.C. GADDIGOUDAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a gradual increase in the number of fraudulent loans from public sector banks during each of the last three years and current year especially during lock down due to COVID-19;

(b) if so, the details of all such cases including the loss of amount to customers and banks due to such frauds, bank-wise;

(c) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to regulate the process of grant of loan to prevent such malpractices; and

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

#### **Employment Crisis**

†1215. SHRI ARUN SAO:  
SHRI NISITH PRAMANIK:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to provide employment to youths and workers in view of employment crisis due to impact of Corona pandemic in the country;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to provide employment to migrant workers who have come back to their home states including Cooch Behar Constituency of West Bengal;

(c) the details of status of programmes like Aatm Nirbhar Bharat and Make in India;

(d) whether needy people are getting employment under the above programmes; and

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

#### **Bank Charges**

1216. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:  
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the banks charge a fee for every transaction due to which bank deposits are declining and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether banks charge fee for both Automated Teller Machine and cheque transactions due to which small saving account holders are closing their bank accounts; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the number of account holders in the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) during the period from the year 2015 to 31 August, 2020, Year-wise?

#### **Taxpayers**

†1217. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of taxpayers and tax paying companies in the country so far and the tax revenue being received by the Government annually;

(b) whether the Government proposes to give relaxation or other benefits in free of cost education, medical education, treatment and housing facility for the families of taxpayers;

(c) if so, the manner in which it is likely to be implemented; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Tribal Languages**

1218. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Tribal languages in the country;
- (b) the steps are taken by the Government to promote Tribal languages and also to save them from extinction;
- (c) if so, the details of the various schemes/initiatives undertaken, State-wise.
- (d) whether the Government has digitized any of the tribal languages and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is using Digital technologies to safeguard them and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of the budget allocated or proposed and expenditure incurred for the above mentioned purpose?

### **Financial Assistance to Organise Fairs and Festivals**

1219. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to the States for organising fairs, festivals and tourism related events in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of proposals received from the States in this regard particularly from Bihar along with the funds sanctioned and released there under during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (d) the details of utilisation of funds reported thereunder from the States during the said period along with the monitoring mechanism put in place for optimum utilisation of the funds; and
- (e) the further steps taken/being taken by the Government for organising such tourism related events in the country particularly in the State of Bihar for organising trade fairs?

### **Welfare Measures for Unorganised Workers**

1220. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated and implemented a number of welfare measures for the unorganized workers particularly for the rural and agricultural labourers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of funds allocated and utilized under the schemes during the last three years and the current year, State/scheme-wise particularly for the State of Tamil Nadu; and

(d) the estimated number of labourers/workers benefited by these schemes during the said period and other steps taken by the Government exclusively for their welfare?

### **Compliance of CAR**

1221. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of companies that filed the voluntary Companies Affirmation of Readiness to COVID -19 (CAR) form;
- (b) whether the Government has data of the above companies that failed to adhere to the safety standards; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

### **Steps to Reduce Prices of Petrol/Diesel**

1222. SHRIMATI MALA ROY:

SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of monthly price of crude oil and selling price of petrol during the last three years;
- (b) whether the countries like Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bhutan and Pakistan are maintaining low rates of petrol/diesel, if so, the analysis thereof including the reasons for high price of petrol/diesel in India despite their price being cheap in international market;
- (c) the details of quantum of profit earned by Oil Marketing Company due to cheap price of petrol/diesel in international market;
- (d) ) whether the Government has taken any steps to reduce the price of petrol and diesel by reducing taxes/excise duty or by other means, if so, the details thereof during the last three years and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the details of profits generated from selling petrol and diesel to dealers monthly during the last three years including the amount received by the Government through taxes on petroleum products during the last three years and current year along with the details of usage of funds from the profit generated during the last three years; and
- (f) whether the Government has discontinued the LPG subsidy scheme, if so, the details thereof along with

the steps taken/being taken for giving subsidy on diesel for agriculture purpose?

#### Endangered Indian Languages

1223. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian languages or dialects which have gone extinct during the last three years;

(b) the number of endangered Indian languages or dialects, originating in the North Eastern and Southern States; and

(c) the steps being taken to preserve the endangered languages and dialects?

#### Poor Condition of Monuments

1224. DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many monuments in the country are in poor condition due to the lack of proper survey and supervision; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Review of Mid Day Meal Scheme

†1225. SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:

SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the Mid Day Meal Scheme (MDMS) in the country recently and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the number of the schools and children in the country included in MDMS during the last three years, State-wise/UT-wise/district-wise including Uttar Pradesh;

(c) the details of funds allocated and used under MDMS during the said period State-wise/district-wise;

(d) whether the enrollment rate in schools increased after the launching of the said scheme;

(e) if so, the details of the increased rate registered in Uttar Pradesh during said period, gender-wise;

(e) whether any alleged irregularities including misuse of foodgrains, poor quality food served have been received;

(f) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action taken against the people responsible for the same; and

(g) the other corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Swadesh Darshan Scheme

1226. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the achievements of the Swadesh Darshan Scheme as of date;

(b) whether there are plans to expand the Scheme to include more theme based tourist circuits;

(c) whether there are plans to extend the ongoing/planned theme based circuits to Jharkhand; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Proposals Received from States for Development and Promotion of Tourism

1227. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from various States including Andhra Pradesh for the development and promotion of tourism and if so, the details thereof along with the allocation of funds; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to promote tourism in the country?

#### Corporate Governance in Banking Sector

†1228. SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:

SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the alleged new cases with respect to the violation of corporate governance norms in the banking sector and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to strengthen the corporate governance norms and to improve transparency in the banking sector?

#### Debit Cards

1229. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:

DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:

DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of money transacted or paid through debit cards in the country during the last three years and the current year, bank-wise;

(b) whether there is heavy demand for new debit cards during peak months of the lockdown due to COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the number of new debit cards issued by Public Sector Banks and Private Sector banks;

(c) whether the Government is encouraging the use of debit cards among bank customers to boost digital mode of payment and if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof;

(d) whether the Government has received any complaints against banks for selling their debit cards by making false lucrative offers and charging exorbitant fee, and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to laid down guidelines in this regard and to curb such lucrative offers by banks?

#### Bank Guarantors

1230. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Government has asked the banks to moot action against personal guarantors of corporate debtors that have defaulted on loans;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the banks have been asked to set up IT system to collate data regarding personal guarantors to corporate debtors in all such cases for the requisite follow-up and consequential action; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Tax Evasion

†1231. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only one per cent of population in India is direct tax payer;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that tax evasion is still at large level in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government to prevent tax evasion?

#### Assessment of Online Classes

1232. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the transition to online mode of teaching of school students has raised concerns over the technical and economic support from the parents at home;

(b) if so, the give details;

(c) whether the Government has made any assessment to study the impact of online teaching on students and parents; and

(d) if so, the details of findings of the assessments?

#### Decline in Steel Demand

1233. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the steel industry has seen a decline in the demand for steel in the ongoing financial year and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the decline in demand has led to a surplus of steel and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is exploring options to increase the export of steel to countries in Southeast Asia or Middle East; and

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

#### CSR Projects in Madhya Pradesh

†1234. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the amount spent by companies under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) head in various districts of Madhya Pradesh during each of the last two year till the date, district-wise; and

(b) the total amount spent by companies under CSR head for environment protection and sustainable development during said period in the State of Madhya Pradesh?

#### Vocational Education

1235. SHRI P. RAVEENDRANATH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students of 18-23 age group, as on 31-3-2020, who acquired adequate skills through vocational education, under Centrally Sponsored Scheme;

(b) whether there is any Proposal for expansion and re-designing of vocational education and improvement of its quality;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to impart sound vocational training as recommended by National Knowledge Commission and Yashpal Committee for developing the skill of youth across the country?

#### **Distribution of Electronic Gadgets for Students to Study Online**

1236. SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to distribute electronic gadgets to students for studying online; and

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the measures taken by the Government to address on the serious concerns related to online education in this difficult times;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has made any attempts to resolve the issues of the students especially related to their physical and mental health during this pandemic and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Accidents in SAIL**

†1237. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken to check the industrial accidents in steel plants run by SAIL during the last five years;

(b) whether any detailed annual or periodical report is made of these industrial accidents after listing these accidents in the steel plants run by SAIL;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of the industrial accidents that took place in the Bhilai Steel plant during the last five years; and

(e) the details of the compensation and other facilities given to the injured workers and employees of Bhilai Steel Plant during the last five years?

#### **Lack of Motivation amongst Girls Students**

1238. DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a lack of motivation amongst many girl students and their families in ensuring any form of education and considering the fact that the importance of education is not perceived as a priority by many families and if so the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide free and safe educational and boarding facility to the underprivileged girls throughout the country?

#### **Classification Disputes**

1239. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is not true that there are various disputes relating to classification of various products, such as Marico's parachute is a hair oil or just coconut oil, fryums is a papad or not KitKat is a biscuit or chocolate, Dabur's dant manjan is tooth powder or medicinal drug;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of reasons that in spite of shifting to GST regime the classification disputes are still going on; and

(d) the manner in which the Ministry is going to clearly classify products by giving rationale justification for imposing higher taxes, such as recent paratha dispute?

#### **Centrally Funded Projects in Assam**

1240. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of utilisation of Central fund for various schemes in the State of Assam;

(b) the total amount of unutilised fund which was allocated to Assam in the last five years; and

(c) the allocation for central funded projects in Assam in the current fiscal?

#### **Academic Year as Zero Year**

1241. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to adjust the academic year which is almost washed out due to COVID and if so, the details thereof;

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(b) whether the Government had any plans to declare this academic year as zero year;

(c) if not, the steps taken by the Government to cover the minimum days of study requirement for students;

(d) whether there are any plans to reduce syllabus, particularly to X and XII class; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ILO Report on India's Workforce**

1242. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोज़गार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether COVID-19 crisis has pushed about 90% of India's workforce of 500 million in the informal sector out of jobs as per a report by ILO;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry has identified the worst affected sectors and regions and outlined policies to mitigate the crisis as the eventual increase in unemployment will substantially depend on policy measures;

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

(e) whether the Government has noticed that a report of ILO that 40 crores of Indian people are being pushed to below poverty line; and

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

#### **Standard of Education in Government Schools**

†1243. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the standard of school education in Government schools has been deteriorating day by day;

(b) if so, the effective steps taken/to be taken by the Government to improve the education standard in Government schools and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to work out any plan to impart compulsory school education to the children of all officers/MLAs/MPs and ministers in Government schools and if so, the details thereof ;

(d) if not, whether the Government proposes to take any concrete steps to improve the standard of school education and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of posts of teachers that are vacant across the country and the time by which these are likely to be filled up, State-wise with particular reference to Haryana?

#### **Guarantee to LIC Policies**

†1244. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to give Sovereign Guarantee on Life Insurance Policies given by the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government also proposes to give Sovereign Guarantee on Life Insurance Policies even after the reported disinvestment of LIC and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is assessing the functioning of LIC regularly and the manner in which it is assessing the same; and

(d) the steps taken/likely to be taken by the Government to secure the money of LIC policy holders?

#### **Promotion of Tourism in Bihar**

†1245. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the special steps taken by the Government to promote tourism in Bihar and the outcome thereof;

(b) whether the Government has constituted National Tourist Advisory Council (NTAC);

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the structure of the said Council;

(d) the terms and reference of the said Council; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government for developing India as a global tourist attraction?

#### **Development of Protected Monuments in Delhi**

1246. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of monuments which are declared to be of national importance in Delhi;

(b) whether the Government has drawn any short-term, mid-term and long-term plans for the conservation, restoration and overall development of the protected monuments in Delhi for posterity and to make them as popular tourist destinations and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred on conservation, restoration, scientific preservation and environmental development on each protected monument in Delhi during the last three years, including the current financial year?

### Decline in International Tourism Sector

†1247. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO) has estimated 60 percent to 80 percent decline in the international tourism sector due to COVID-19;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the above organisation has estimated more decline in the Asia-Pacific region;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has conducted any study to know the impact on tourism sector of our country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

### Monitoring of Banking Mechanism

†1248. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the condition of banks got further worsen due to interference in the working of banks during the time of United Progressive Alliance Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to strengthen the monitoring of banking mechanism?

### Participation of Women in Workforce

†1249. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the disappointing aspects which are being faced regarding participation of women in working population;

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

(c) whether the participation of women in working sections is merely one third despite their number being half in the population;

(d) whether the Government proposes to emphasize promotional programmes for creation of employment to change this situation or increase the deteriorating number of women in working population;

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to provide favourable atmosphere to working women; and

(f) the steps being taken by the Government to change the attitude of society about working women?

### Provision of Masks at Monuments

1250. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA

VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken for provision of masks, e-tickets at Centrally Protected monuments protected by Archaeological Survey of India;

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

(c) the implementation status/response received in this regard?

### Stamp Duty Exemption for MICE

1251. SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considered to extend the loan moratorium for at least another six months on all working capital, principal, interest payments, loans and overdrafts and of all statutory dues which is urgently required w.r.t. license fees, property tax and excise fees as suggested by Industry associations FICCI and the Federation of Associations in Indian Tourism & Hospitality (FAITH);

(b) whether the Government is planning to extend stamp duty exemption for integrated Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Exhibitions (MICE); and

(c) the manner in which the Government envisages boosting domestic tourism covering weekend, rural and heritage tourism?

### Development of Buddhist Corridor

1252. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken for developing important "Buddhist Corridor" from Telangana to Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether the State Government of Telangana has recommended for Buddhist corridor and the same is pending with the Central Government for the last three years;

(c) whether the Government is considering for early implementation of the Buddhist corridor proposed by the State of Telangana;

(d) whether any budget/funds been allocated for the above project and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it will be developed as "Buddhist Tourism Spot" in Telangana; and

(f) the employment likely to be generated by this important tourism project?

**Welfare of Unskilled and Skilled Migrant Labourers**

1253. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes/programmes started/implemented by the Government for welfare of unskilled and skilled migrant labourers in the country;

(b) the State/UT-wise details of the funds sanctioned/released and utilised in the current year;

(c) whether the Government has conducted or proposes to conduct any study/survey regarding the condition of workers at work places in the wake of COVID-19;

(d) if so, the details and the findings thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/ being taken by the Government to improve the overall conditions of the workers including their safety and health from COVID-19 at their work places?

**Regular Saving Accounts**

1254. SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to bring guidelines for banks to follow regarding conversion of Basic Saving Banking Deposit Accounts and Jan Dhan accounts into regular savings accounts;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any Basic Saving Banking Deposit accounts and Jan dhan accounts were converted into the regular saving accounts since the launch of Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Workers for Construction Industries**

†1255. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether some foreign countries have shown interest in calling workers from India for their construction industries;

(b) if so, the details of such countries and steps proposed to be taken to send skilled/unskilled labourers from our country;

(c) the details of the existing policy of the Government in this regard and current system of sending workers to the international market;

(d) the state-wise number of registered agencies which send workers abroad;

(e) the state-wise number of people sent abroad annually by such agencies during the last three years along with the details of trades/skills in demand in international market; and

(f) the details of cases, where these agencies have exploited such workers?

**Techno-savvy Teacher**

1256. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION  
शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a large number of teachers are not techno-savvy to deal with the online mode of teaching;

(b) if so, give details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is taking any steps to facilitate the faculty about their capability to deal with existing technology; and

(d) if so, give details thereof?

**Merger of Banks**

1257. SHRI P.C. GADDIGODAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of state run banks which have been amalgamated so far;

(b) whether the Government has any fresh proposal to amalgamate more state run banks;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the above proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(d) its impact on the work force and the efficacy of banking sector in the country?

**Funds to Eklavya Model Residential Schools**

1258. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated for the Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) during the current year, State-wise;

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(b) whether the Government has undertaken any survey to ascertain the extent of fund utilisation;

(c) whether it is a fact that the quantum of funds required for the development and promotion of education in tribal dominated areas could not be allocated under this scheme and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government would provide the required funds for implementation of this scheme and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Funds For Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan**

1259. MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to continue midday meals in schools either as meals or as dry ration and if so the details thereof and if not the reasons, thereof;

(b) whether the Government has estimated the number of dropouts from schools in the current academic year in the light of the COVID-19 Pandemic and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has estimated any rise in the number of admissions in Government schools; and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering increasing funding via Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan or other schemes to improve the Government school infrastructure and fill teacher vacancies to meet the rise in enrollments and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of projects approved and funds allocated to schools in Karur District in 2019-20 through Samagra Shiksha or other schemes?

#### **AtmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyan**

1260. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:  
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of features of the AtmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyan along with the sectors likely to be covered under this Abhiyan

(b) the details of funds estimated for the said Abhiyan along with the details of target set thereunder;

(c) the reasons as to why the Government has not covered the poor and the middle class since they are suffering due to unemployment and poverty and also the migrant labours who returned to their native home despite the existing challenges;

(d) whether the Government has announced any relief package under AtmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyan for citizens and entrepreneurs of the country; and

(e) if so, the number of citizens and entrepreneurs who have been given assistance under this package, district-wise?

#### **Losses Suffered by Small Businessmen**

†1261. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any policy to compensate the losses borne by the Small businessmen and shopkeepers due to coronavirus pandemic in the same ratio they pay taxes such as income tax, GST and all other taxes as long as their businesses are back on track;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of businessmen benefitted by this so far?

#### **Decline in Per Capita Income**

†1262. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that per capita income in the country has declined over the years;

(b) if so, the details of per capita income during the last five years, year-wise and the likely per capita income in the current year after its decline;

(c) whether it is a fact that the per capita income is constantly decreasing since demonetization in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Empowerment of Tribal Women**

1263. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:  
SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is working on the empowerment of Tribal women who are engaged in traditional work;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry of Tribal Affairs in coordination with the Ministry of Empowerment of Women is working on the self-sustained life of tribal women;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the total amount for empowerment of tribal women spent by Government during the last three years and the schemes launched or likely to be launched in this regard in the near future?

#### **Bhartiya Sanskriti Web Portal**

†1264. SHRI NAYAB SINGH:  
SHRIMATIRATHVA GITABEN  
VAJESINGBHAI:

SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:  
SHRI JOHN BARLA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the manner in which the Indian culture is being promoted and protected through the first authorized portal by the Government namely 'Bhartiya Sanskriti Web Portal';

(b) the items which are available to the people through this portal;

(c) whether any place of Haryana has been included in it and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of the other areas pertaining to culture included in this portal; and

(e) the medium and languages in which this facility is available?

#### Use of CNG/PNG

†1265. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote the use of CNG/PNG in order to control pollution and if so, the names of the cities in Maharashtra provided with the facility of CNG/PNG till date;

(b) the names of cities proposed to be provided with CNG/PNG facility; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to open CNG/PNG centre in Vardha and Amaravati of Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof?

#### PMKVY in Jharkhand

†1266. SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the numbers of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras in the State of Jharkhand, district-wise;

(b) the details of such Kendras functioning at present in the districts of Kodarma and Giridih; and

(c) the details of the number of trained students who have been provided employment?

#### Review of the Principles Established by Indology and Linguistics Faculty as per Indian Philosophy

†1267. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed to constitute an expert committee to review the principles established by Indology and Linguistics faculty as per Indian philosophy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has also proposed to review the principle of telling the Indian History not older than 4000 B.C;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of proposals for review of principles related to ancient India before Indian Council of History and Research?

#### SBI Branches

†1268. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALLAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the branches of State Bank of India (SBI) in Usmanabad area of Maharashtra;

(b) whether all the SBI branches are operational at present;

(c) whether it is fact that these branches have accounts of many debtors and farmers;

(d) if so, whether the Government is considering to open regional office of the SBI in Usmanabad for smooth running of all these bank branches; and

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

#### Digital Education

1269. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposed National Education Policy 2020 aims to create a robust digital infrastructure in the education sector that ensures uninterrupted learning even during unprecedented circumstances;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that legal complexities surrounding the applicability of two operative policies namely, the Right to Education Act, 2009 and the New Education Policy, 2020 have not been solved yet;

(c) whether it is also a fact that omitting compulsory second language and/or English language in the foundational learning pattern may effect the middle and or higher levels as still State-wise Hindi and/or English from class six is one of the major reason of school dropout therefor; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Assistance Provided to Stranded Migrant Workers**

1270. SHRI RAHUL GANDHI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the assistance provided to stranded migrant workers during the COVID-19 pandemic, including provision for shelter and food;

(b) the State-wise details of distress calls received from workers, especially migrant workers regarding non-payment of wages, termination of employment and request for shelter and food and measures taken to redress the same.

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up a national database of inter-State migrant workers and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up a separate welfare fund for inter-State migrant workers not covered under any other welfare funds; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Tribal Population**

1271. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of total tribal population in the country at present, State-wise and tribe-wise;

(b) the details of welfare schemes/programmes under implementation for the development of tribals and the number of beneficiaries availing benefits thereunder, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the implementation of these schemes/programmes and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the budgetary allocations made and funds utilised during each of the last three years, scheme/programme-wise and State-wise?

**Development of Worship Places as Tourist Spots**

†1272. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of worship places developed as tourist spots in the States specially in Maharashtra during the last three years;

(b) the details of the funds allocated during the last two years, State-wise; and

(c) the name of worship places which are proposed to be developed as tourist spots in the States especially in Maharashtra during current year?

**Pre-School Education**

1273. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposed schemes/ programmes/ measures to improve early childhood care and education; and

(b) whether the Ministry of Education has collaborated with the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for holistic delivery of early childhood care and education and if so, the details thereof?

**Taxes on Petrol/Diesel**

1274. PROF. SAUGATA RAY:

SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantitative details of consumption of various petroleum products in the country and revenue generated in the last one year, month-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether the pandemic caused decrease in consumption of petroleum products in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India stocked enough petroleum products during the low priced time, if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details regarding the tax and cess imposed on petrol and diesel (per litre) by the Union Government and State Government, if any and whether the Government has any details of profit making Oil Marketing Companies in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(e) the total amount of crude oil imported along with its rates from various countries for the last 12 months, month-wise and country-wise along with the total amount spent by the Government for imports; and

(f) whether the Government has any proposal to include oil in GST in near future, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

**GST Shortfall**

1275. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI

THANGAPANDIAN:

SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has indicated to the States to borrow the entire projected GST shortfall of Rs. 2.35 lakh crore under a special borrowing window facilitated by the RBI and if so, the details thereof concerning GST Shortfall;

(b) whether the State Governments have objected to the proposal of the Government indicating that to make a distinction in the revenue shortfall on account of GST implementation and the pandemic is violative of existing rules governing GST mandate and if so, the details thereof along with the response of the Government thereto;

(c) Whether the Government is lagging behind in paying the States their share of GST compensation and if so, the details of the period of default;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Government has a GST dues of around 1.4 lakh crores to be paid to the States for the months between April 2020 to till date and if so, the details thereof along with the GST dues to be paid, State-wise;

(e) whether it is true that many State Governments are likely to face a GST revenue gap of Rs. 3 lakh crore this year and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether it is also a fact that out of Rs. 2.35 lakh crore, only Rs. 97,000 crore was due to GST implementation which the Government intends to provide to States at a reasonable rate of interest and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Job Loss in Manufacturing/Construction Sector**

1276. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of jobs lost in the manufacturing sector and construction sector between January 2020 and August 2020, state-wise, gender-wise, and month-wise;

(b) whether the Government is taking steps to increase employment in these sectors; and

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

#### **Assessment of Level of Unemployment**

1277. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:  
SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the level of year-wise unemployment in the country during the last five years ending on 31st March 2020;

(b) whether the Government has made an assessment of the level of unemployment in the country during the period from 1st April 2020 to 31st August 2020 and if so, the month-wise details thereof;

(c) the measures/steps taken by the Government for the generation of more employment to overcome the slowdown caused by COVID-19 pandemic;

(d) whether it is a fact that the unemployment rate has gone up in August, 2020 as rural jobs dipped, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether it is also true that there has been loss of over 12 crores jobs in the country, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Setting up of Bio-refinery**

†1278. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a bio refinery for production of bio-ethanol in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of work done in this regard; and

(c) the name of the place where the refinery is proposed to be set up?

#### **Pradhan Mantri Innovative Learning Programmes**

†1279. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN  
VAJESINGBHAI:  
SHRI JOHN BARLA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the sectors in which the talents of children are being enriched under the Pradhan Mantri innovative Learning Programme;

(b) the number of children selected under the said programme so far;

(c) the class upto which the said programme is beneficial for the children and whether the Government proposes to include more sectors under this programme and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the criteria for selection of the children, under the programme, and

(e) the details of the term of such programme and the activities covered under the said programme?

#### **Financial Assistance for Various Tourism Projects**

1280. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides Central Financial Assistance for various tourism projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated along with the names of the schemes under which

allocation has been made for the development of the same during the last three years;

(c) whether Ramayana Circuit is one of thematic circuits for development under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme;

(d) whether any proposal or request of local M.P. of Satna has so far been received for inclusion of Chitrakoot Dham in the Ramayana Circuit; and

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

#### **Culture Conservation of Tribal Population**

1281. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of expenditure incurred by the Government for the development of tribal areas in the country during the last three years;

(b) whether special attention has been given to the cultural conservation of tribal population during that period; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the expenditure incurred during the said period and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Yoga**

1282. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Yoga is to be a part of Liberal Arts education in the National Education Policy, 2020;

(b) whether educational institutions and students were given opportunity to pick other practices similar to Yoga in their curriculum; and

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

#### **Fee in Private Schools**

1283. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the constraints being faced by parents from private schools which are demanding fee and other charges in spite of Government direction that except tuition fee no other fee should be collected from students;

(b) the steps taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure that the directions of the Government are followed in its true spirit;

(c) whether there is any plan to declare 2020-21 academic year as zero year;

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

(e) whether the Government proposes to arrange online practicals for students and if so, the details thereof?

#### **GST Compensation**

1284. SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has failed to pay the promised compensation at a guaranteed rate of revenue of 14 per cent to States for losses associated with GST implementation risks;

(b) if so, the amount due to be paid by the Government to various State Governments;

(c) whether it is a fact that most of the State Governments have not agreed for the Centre's proposal to borrow to adjust the amount due; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto?

#### **Two Language Policy for Tamil Nadu**

1285. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any request from Tamil Nadu State Government to implement the two language policy in the State; and

(b) if so the details thereof and the Government's reaction in this regard?

#### **LTCG on Sale of Residential Property**

1286. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to exempt Long Term Capital Gain (LTCG) on sale of Residential property to be used gross proceedings for commercial activities or start-ups, to boost the post covid commercial activity in country;

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

(c) the details of LTCG collected during the last five years, State-wise; and

(d) the details of LTCG collected on residential property during the said period, State-wise?



**Students Forced into Employment Due to COVID-19**

1287. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many children are at risk of not returning to school next year due to the economic fallout of COVID-19 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also true that the economic impact of COVID-19 could push more children into employment and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to prevent children drop out of school on account of the above reason; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Plantation Workers**

1288. SHRI RAJU BISTA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Ministry to ensure that Tea and Cinchona Plantation workers are paid their dues during the COVID lockdown period;

(b) whether the Ministry is taking any action on plantation owners who do not pay their share of Provident Fund; and

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

**Training Programme under NIESBUD**1289. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH  
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is organizing any training programmes under 'Initiatives of National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development' (NIESBUD) for migrants workers;

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

(c) the numbers of beneficiaries who have availed training through NIESBUD, State-wise?

**Skill and Recognition of Prior Learning Certificate**

1290. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND  
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of centers that have been established for the procurement of Skill Certifications, and Recognition of Prior Learning certificates (SC&RPLC) in rural areas under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), State wise and district wise number of centers established in Rajasthan;

(b) the number of people, and separately women, from rural areas that have received SC&RPLC, for each State and each district in the State of Rajasthan;

(c) the number of Special Projects instituted for providing Skill Development services under the PMKVY in rural areas along with the number of people who have been upskilled at such special projects, and specifically the number of women who have been upskilled, State-wise and district-wise details for Rajasthan; and

(d) the other initiatives that have been introduced for the reskilling of rural youth and women in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details of thereof?

**Placement Agencies Exporting Money from Unemployed**

†1291. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether in the country, especially in metropolitan cities, various agencies are functioning which extort money from unemployed people in the name of registration or by promising them to provide employment;

(b) if so, the details thereof as on date;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take action against such agencies and to formulate some legislation for their monitoring, if so, details thereof; and

(d) if not, reasons therefor?

**Demand and Supply of Skilled Worker**

†1292. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND  
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme for bridging the gap between demand and supply of skilled workers in various fields is being implemented;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of persons trained as Yoga teachers and trainers under the Skill India Mission;

(d) the State-wise details in this regard;

(e) whether the Ministry has taken any step to fight against COVID-19 and has applied for any patent in its fight against the pandemic; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

### Informal and Unorganised Sector

1293. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains a distinction between 'informal' and 'unorganised' sector;

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

(c) the total number of unorganised and informal workforce and its proportion to the total workforce and the percentage of working females employed in the unorganised or informal sector; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to promote formalisation of workforce?

### Bank Deposits

1294. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the real returns on deposit accounts of the bank account holders have turned negative with the rise in inflation numbers and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made any likely projections or assessment on the likely rise or further fall in the returns on deposit accounts for the future and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether any steps are being taken in the Government to ensure good deposit rates to the depositors and encourage financial savings which is vital for the financial health of the Banks and revival of the economy and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Model colleges

1295. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION  
शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up Model Colleges in various parts of the country;

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

(c) the number of such Model Colleges opened in Dumka, Godda and Deoghar districts of Jharkhand during each of the last four years; and

(d) the number of Model Colleges proposed to be opened in the coming years, State-wise?

### Implementation of PMKVY

1296. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJBHAI  
SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND  
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) scheme and the current status of its implementation in the country;

(b) the total number of students that have received skill training under the program since its inception, State/UT wise;

(c) the total number of Trainer and Assessor academies that have been set up under the program, State/UT wise; and

(d) the details of the sectors and areas in which training is imparted to students and whether there are opportunities for placement after the training process?

### Eco-Tourism Projects

1297. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY  
NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM  
पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of eco-tourism projects being carried out in and around the Amrabad Tiger Reserve;

(b) the funds allocated by the Government for the development of these projects;

(c) the number of jobs that will be created by these projects;

(d) whether there is any reservation in these jobs for the local tribal population and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether any steps have been taken to prevent any harm to the environment due to these projects and if so, the details thereof?

### GDP Growth Rate

1298. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of reasons as to why there has been a secular decline in the GDP growth rate of the economy for eight consecutive quarters preceding the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic;

(b) whether a contraction of 23.9 per cent in the GDP in the first quarter of fiscal 2020-2021 indicate that Indian economy is in a recession and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Minister/Ministry was consulted before the decision to impose the national lockdown was taken on the 23rd of March 2020 and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Ministry outlined the deleterious impact that the national lockdown would have on an already sluggish economy and if so, the details thereof and the time when and the manner in which those concerns were articulated by the Ministry;

(e) the number of years it would possibly take for the economy to recover from the setback of the national lockdown as per the estimation of the Ministry; and

(f) whether any assessment was done by the Ministry in terms of lives qua livelihoods before tendering advise, if any and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Inclusion of Koli Community in ST List**

1299. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Karnataka for inclusion of Koli communities from Karnataka into the Scheduled Tribe category;

(b) if so, the present status of the proposal;

(c) whether any complaints have been received by the Government regarding problems being faced in receiving Scheduled Tribes (STs) certificate from State Governments;

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard with respect to the State of Karnataka;

(e) whether a number of recommendations are still awaiting approval of the Government for inclusion of various tribes in the STs list; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Cases under SFIO**

1300. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the top 50 cases of fraudulent companies in terms of the amount involved that is being investigated by the Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO)

(b) whether these companies maintain their books of account as per prescribed standards; if so the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the bank and the amount of money that has been borrowed from them by these top 50 companies;

(d) whether the SFIO has been working along with National Financial Reporting Authority to design audit norms for auditors of corporates, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the number of cases that have been registered with SFIO and the rate of conviction along with the details of the time taken to resolve the cases?

#### **Reduction in GST**

1301. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:  
SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any request from the Industry sector to substantially reduce the GST for 6 months to boost demand in the aftermath of the COVID pandemic across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action being taken or proposed to be taken by the Government on this request?

#### **CSR Fund for NHD**

1302. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed special incentives for the companies to invest CSR Funds in National Heritage development;

(b) the amount of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds on National Heritage development during the financial years 2017-18 to 2019-20 especially in Bhandara and Gondiya districts of the State of Maharashtra;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Cooperative Banks**

†1303. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of India is contemplating any plan to bring cooperative banks under the Reserve Bank of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to work out any plan to bring comprehensive changes in cooperative banks; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Bonded Labour**

†1304. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the state-wise estimated number of bonded labourers, especially in backward and rural areas of Maharashtra state;

(b) whether any scheme has been prepared or proposed to be prepared for their release and rehabilitation, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the State-wise number of bonded labourers released/rehabilitated so far;

(d) whether any assistance has been provided for the purpose especially in the backward and rural blocks during the last three years as on date; and

(e) whether any committee has been constituted to identify the bonded labourers and take steps for their release and rehabilitation and if so, the details thereof?

#### Creating New Jobs for Youths

1305. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made by the Government in creating new jobs for the unemployed youths in the country;

(b) the details of number of jobs created through the various programmes and schemes in the country during last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether it is true that job growth in the current year is at the lowest level in a decade; and

(d) if so, the details of the response of the Government in this regard?

#### Central Taxes

†1306. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government allocates the share of central taxes for Central Budget schemes to all the States;

(b) if so, the details of share of central taxes allocated to the State Governments during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the names of heads and the quantum of fund allocated to Rajasthan during this financial year; and

(d) the details of fund allocated for this purpose, plan-wise?

#### Inclusion of Jhodia Community in ST List

1307. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is proposing to include Jhodia community in the list of Scheduled Tribes and;

(b) if so, the details thereof on the current status and;

(c) if not, the reason for non-inclusion and the process by which Jhodia community will be included in the list of Scheduled Tribes;

(d) whether the Government is planning to consider including communities recommended by Odisha Government in the list of Scheduled Tribes; and

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

#### Redraw norms for deemed to be Universities

1308. SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:

SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:  
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to redraw norms for deemed to be universities;

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when the norms are likely to be put in place;

(c) the total number of such universities in the country and the number of applications pending for grant of deemed to be University status;

(d) whether the Government has consulted/ proposes to consult all the stakeholders for making entry norms more stringent; and

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

#### Employment Exchanges

1309. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:

DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:  
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employment exchanges functioning in the country at present, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether a decrease has been noticed in the registration of the job seekers in employment exchanges, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of jobs provided to the registered unemployed persons through employment exchanges during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and State/UT-wise; and

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to review the functioning of employment exchanges, in view of their performance in ensuring employment to the registered job seekers and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Biofuel Policy, 2018**

1310. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:  
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO  
MANE:  
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE  
PATIL:  
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced the new Biofuel Policy in 2018;

(b) the details of the Letters of Intent obtained in furtherance of the Policy to manufacture biofuels, categorised by type of biofuel;

(c) whether the Government is on track to achieve target of ethanol blended petrol as mentioned in the Biofuel Policy, 2018, and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of the budget allocated for implementing the Biofuel Policy 2018, and the amount expended till now, State-wise; and

(e) whether the rules to be formulated under the Policy are in the final stages of drafting, and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Oil and Gas Projects**

1311. SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:  
SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:  
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:  
SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:  
SHRIMATIKIRRON KHER:  
SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:  
SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV:  
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:  
SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated 8,363 projects, with an anticipated cost of Rs 5.88 lakh crore, in the Oil and Gas sector since 20th April 2020, if so,

the details thereof along with the State-wise break-up as well as offshore and international ventures in this sector;

(b) the total employment likely to be created for man-days by these projects;

(c) the cost of projects initiated in the State of Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh since April 2020 and the status of ongoing projects in Maharashtra State;

(d) whether the work has been resumed in the Oil and Natural Gas projects across the country and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Ministry in the past few months to revive such projects; and

(e) whether this will significantly boost the economy and provide employment opportunities, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Disinvestment Target**

1312. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:  
SHRI VELUSAMY P.:  
SHRI P.K. KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it was reported that the Government will recommend loss making PSUs identified for strategic stake sale for closure and will not wait endlessly and won't make repeated attempts to get a bidder and if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard;

(b) the details of steps being taken regarding the assets of the PSUs and the fate of the employees if the PSUs were closed abruptly without any bidder to revive;

(c) the number and details of companies or PSUs that were identified/proposed/cleared for disinvestment along with the reasons therefor and the estimated revenue therefrom and the period of pending disinvestment;

(d) the details of disinvestment target of companies/PSUs set by the Government along with the manner in which the Government will achieve the target of disinvestment; and

(e) whether it is a fact that Government is planning FDI in Defence Productions and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Skill Voucher/Wallets**

1313. SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:  
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:  
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently introduced skill vouchers/skill wallets to incentivize aspirants to undertake skill programme of their own choice and if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives behind introducing such vouchers along with the details of the benefits that are likely to be attained;

(b) whether the Government plans to shift from subsidy-based system to incentive based Skill India Mission if so, whether the Government has been able to achieve the objectives and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the amount of fund allocated for the said project and the other steps taken by the Government to boost Skill India throughout the country?

(d) whether issuing skill vouchers to youths has helped in undertaking various skilling programmes and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has received any complaint from youths regarding redemption of skill vouchers/skill wallets and if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken in this regard?

#### Production of Oil and Natural Gas

1314. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:  
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:  
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the actual annual production of crude oil and natural gas by the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Maharashtra;

(b) whether the share of the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) in country's total crude oil output and natural gas has fallen during the last three years and the current year, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government has chalked out a scheme to achieve targets of production of crude oil and natural gas by ONGC from their existing oil fields, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to increase the production by public sector oil companies to cut down the import bill and foreign exchange expenditure?

#### Set up of National Culture Fund

1315. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:  
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:

SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the objective of setting up of National Cultural Fund to facilitate public-private partnership (PPP) in the field of heritage conservation and promotion has been achieved;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) the details of projects undertaken and funds sanctioned and utilized since the inception of NCF;

(d) whether the Government has constituted a Council of NCF for its effective management and administration, and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether many of the NCF financed PPP conservation projects are reported to be sub-standard and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether the Government has taken steps to review the functioning of NCF for its effective implementation, and if so, the details thereof?

#### GST Collection

1316. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:  
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:  
SHRIMATIKIRRON KHER:  
SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:  
SHRI P.C. GADDIGODAR:  
PROF. SAUGATA RAY:  
SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:  
SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of assessee covered by the Goods and Services Tax (GST) has increased since its inception and if so, the details thereof along with the details of GST revenue collection in the country since its introduction, State-wise and month and year-wise;

(b) whether there is a decline in GST revenue collection due to recent pandemic in the current year and if so, the details thereof, month-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that revenue from all sources of the Government such as import of goods etc dropped at all time high during this period and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of target fixed and achieved for GST collection since its implementation, year-wise including the details of shortfall, if any, in GST collection and whether any steps have been taken to attain the fixed target and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether it is true that some State Governments have demanded more assistance from the

Union Government to adjust the huge decline in GST collection and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken to assist them; and

(h) whether there is any proposal to impose GST cess on some goods and services and if so, the details thereof?

#### DIKSHA

1317. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:  
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM  
SHRANGARE:  
MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:  
SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any plan to reduce the loss of students' education in the recent lock down period and relaxed norms to allow more institutes to offer open and distance learning courses to make-up for the loss due to lock down period;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of new institutes that were allowed to offer to open and distance learning courses across the country during the last 6 months, State-wise;

(d) the details of courses available on online platform DIKSHA; and

(e) the fresh steps taken by the Government to avoid loss of education to the students due to lock down?

#### Financial Package to NER for Development of Historical Heritage

1318. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:  
SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts being made by the Government towards encouraging tourism along with the revival of Historical monuments;

(b) whether the Government proposes to extend some financial package to the North-Eastern States along with Assam and all other States in order to develop the historical heritage in the wake of Corona pandemic; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Tribal Diaries Mobile App

1319. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:  
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:  
SHRIMATISANGEETA KUMARI SINGH  
DEO:  
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:  
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched a Tribal Diaries Mobile App to reach out the grievances of the tribal people and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of grievances of tribals that have been received/uploaded through the said mobile app and the number of grievances that have been sorted out of them;

(c) whether the Government has considered this Mobile App as a way to check the functioning of the systems at the grass-root level;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) Other steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Paperless office work

1320. SHRIMATISANGEETA KUMARI SINGH  
DEO:  
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:  
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:  
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:  
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:  
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any policy for promoting paperless office work in Central Educational Institutions (CEIs) to avoid spread of COVID-19, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is implementing E-office programme in its subordinate autonomous offices including KVS, if so, the details thereof?

(c) whether the students and staff of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan have been consuming huge amount of papers for different activities like office work, different applications forms, exams etc;

(d) the details thereof including funds utilised during the last three years;

(e) whether there is an urgent need for introduction of e-office having various modules like leave application for employees of the KVS and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps being taken by the Government to encourage paperless work culture in the KVS to save operational cost, reduces carbon footprint in the wake of COVID-19?

#### Oil Industry Safety Directorate

1321. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:  
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:  
SHRIMATISANGEETA KUMARI SINGH  
DEO:  
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:  
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL  
GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has set up the Oil Industry Safety Directorate (OISD) which has been entrusted with the responsibility of formulating standards, overseeing its implementation through safety audits in petroleum industry to enhance safety levels and reduce risk inherent with this industry and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether OISD also carries out pre-commissioning safety audits of Greenfield projects across the Oil & Gas Industry, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether OISD carries out periodic safety audits of all types of Oil & Gas installations to monitor their compliance with the OISD standards in the Country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of Standards of Oil Industry developed by OISD during the last three years; and

(e) the other major achievements of OISD during the last three years?

#### Insurance Companies

1322. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO  
MANDLIK:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has laid down guidelines for Insurance Companies regarding unfair business practices at the point of sale indulged by them and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken cognizance of increasing complaints against the public and private sector Insurance Companies under the category of unfair business practices;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken/being taken by the Government on each complaints during each of the last three years and the current year;

(d) whether the Government has fixed any time frame to resolve such complaints and if so, the details thereof including the complaints that have not been resolved within the fixed time frame during the said period; and

(e) The further corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Rate of Interest of EPFO

1323. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO  
MANDLIK:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the rate of interest paid to the Employees' Provident Fund subscribers during each of the last three years;

(b) whether the Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) has proposed further reduced interest rate on Employees' Provident Fund for the Financial Year, 2020;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the interest rate being provided on Employees' Provident Fund at present;

(d) the number of employees likely to suffer loss as a result thereof; and

(e) the total number of such employees contributing regularly to this Fund, State/UT-wise?

#### Asset Monetisation of MTNL

1324. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:  
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO  
MANDLIK:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the MTNL has submitted any plans to the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management to monetise assets in prime locations of Mumbai and Delhi;

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

(c) the details of amount likely to be accrued by the company from the sale of prime properties in different parts of the country; and

(d) the other measures taken/being taken by Ministry to revive the MTNL?

#### Change in Labour Laws

1325. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:  
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:  
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:  
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:



(a) whether any long-term change in labour laws is planned to provide incentive for economic activity in the Country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any measure to ensure social security to workers, especially migrant workers, transient specialists in light of changes in labour laws in different States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof;

#### **M. Phil degrees in the National Education Policy 2020**

1326. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:  
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:  
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:  
SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:  
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the rationale behind ending the M. Phil degrees in the National Education Policy 2020;

(b) whether this cessation will apply for M. Phil, in all courses and subjects;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether some other course structure is to be instituted as a bridge course between post graduate and PhD courses; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Cultural Institutions**

†1327. SHRI SHANTANU THAKUR:  
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:  
SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:  
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cultural institutions and higher training institutes functioning in various States of the country;

(b) whether there is any action plan of the Ministry to improve the quality of innovative and research related training being imparted by the said institutes;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **India's Share in World Tourism**

†1328. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:  
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:  
SHRI SHANTANU THAKUR:  
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the share of India in total global tourist footfall is 0.6 per cent;

(b) whether the Government proposes to increase India's share of the global tourist footfall to 1 per cent by the end of 2020 and 2 per cent by 2035; and

(c) if so, the manner in which the Government proposes to set up required infrastructure and develop tourism friendly culture among people?

#### **Labour Courts/Tribunals**

†1329. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:  
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:  
SHRI SHANTANU THAKUR:  
SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of labour courts/tribunals set up across the country especially in Gujarat and West Bengal; and

(b) the total number of cases of industrial disputes filed, disposed and lying pending in the labour courts/tribunals in the country in general and especially in Gujarat during the last three years?

#### **Sankalp Parva**

1330. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:  
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:  
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:  
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to celebrate 'Sankalp Parva' and if so, the details thereof and the objective behind the move;

(b) whether the Government has identified the trees which represent the herbal heritage of the country and if so, the details thereof

(c) the steps taken by the Government to facilitate the availability of saplings of these trees to people for plantation;

(d) the funds allocated by the Government for this purpose;

(e) whether the Government has created awareness programme for Sankalp Parva and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the target fixed by the government for tree plantation under Sankalp Parva?

**Sabbatical Leave by SAIL**

1331. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:  
SHRIMATISUPRIYA SULE:  
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:  
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:  
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:  
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has introduced a scheme for sabbatical leave for all its regular employees who have completed 10 years in the company;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the objective behind the move along with the number of SAIL employees who have opted for this scheme;

(c) the nature of benefit that the SAIL employee are likely to get during the course of the sabbatical leave;

(d) whether the present move aims to prune the number of employees as SAIL has three to four times more regular employees than its peers in private sector; and

(e) if so, whether SAIL has been able to bring down the number of employees by introducing this scheme and by way of voluntary retirement and if so, the details thereof and the success achieved?

**Development of Cruise Tourism**

1332. DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:  
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:  
SHRIMATISUPRIYA SULE:  
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:  
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:  
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of States in the country which have huge potential for cruise tourism and the manner in which these are to be developed;

(b) the extant status of cruise tourism in the country as on date;

(c) the reasons for the less development of cruise tourism in the country despite having huge potential;

(d) the quantum of funds allocated for the development of cruise tourism in the country during each of the last three years;

(e) whether the Government has prepared action plan for cruise tourism in the country and if so, the quantum of employment likely to be generated; and

(f) the problems being faced by the Government in the promotion of cruise tourism in the country?

**Profit/Loss of GAIL**

1333. DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:  
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:  
SHRIMATISUPRIYA SULE:  
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:  
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:  
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to push to raise the share of natural gas in India's energy basket to 15 per cent by 2030 from the current 6.2 per cent and if so, the steps taken by the Government to achieve this goal;

(b) the details of profit earned/loss incurred by GAIL (India) Ltd. during the last three years and the steps taken to enhance the profit;

(c) whether the GAIL (India) Ltd. plans to invest large amount of money over the next five years to expand the National Gas Pipeline Grid and City Gas Distribution Network to help push for greater use of environment friendly fuel and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the projects being operated by GAIL (India) Ltd. in different parts of the country along with the present status/ progress of the said projects, particularly in Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra along with the projects which are at planning stage?

**Manodarpan**

1334. SHRIMATIVANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:  
SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government rolled out a mental health initiative named Manodarpan keeping in mind the stress faced by students and their families especially during the COVID-19 pandemic with the platform including a national toll free helpline for students of schools, universities and colleges, manned by a pool of experienced Counsellors, Psychologists and mental Health professionals for help during the COVID crisis and beyond;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reason therefor?

**Investment of EPFO**

1335. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:  
SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAIISI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Employees Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) is investing its corpus in different entities to earn interest;

(b) if so, this investment is made with the approval of Central or concerned State Governments;

(c) whether investment of EPFO was made recently in some loss making or infrastructure projects have come to the notice of the Government especially from Uttar Pradesh, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether EPFO has to bear a huge loss from these investments, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether investment has been made with connivance of Regional provident Fund Commissioners and some officials of the State Governments and if so, the number of persons held responsible, arrested and action initiated against them; and

(f) whether Government has not learnt lessons from earlier such scams, if so, the steps taken or being taken by Government in this regard?

#### Survey of Folk Artists

†1336. SHRIMATIMALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:  
SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH  
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bundel Khandi, Uttarakhandi folk culture is fast disappearing and such folk artists have to struggle for their livelihood;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any survey regarding folk artists leaving their art and adopting other means of their livelihood;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of number of artists who have left folk singing/dance form during the last five years?

#### Students Suicides during Lockdown

1337. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the suicides of student have increased during the lockdown, due to lack of access to digital means;

(b) the number of student suicides in the SC, ST, OBC and EWS categories;

(c) the number of students suicides in the age of 18-30 years after the imposition of lockdown;

(d) If so, the reasons thereof; and

(d) the number of students suicides, who were to appear for the NEET and JEE exams?

#### Dispute between India and Nepal

1338. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any dispute between India and Nepal regarding the birth and life of Gauthama Budha

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the claim made by the Nepal Government regarding the birth place of Lord Ram;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to prevent such cultural aggression by neighbouring countries?

#### Production of SAIL

1339. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that steel plants of SAIL, are being expanded to increase their production capacity;

(b) if so, whether this work has been completed and the increase in the production capacity of these steel plants is recorded thereafter in comparison to their previous production; and

(c) if not, the time by when the work is likely to be completed and the details of plant-wise increase expected in steel production in the country after its completion?

#### Financial Packages

1340. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has announced a slew of packages in the past one year and if so, the details of these packages;

(b) whether these packages are basically for opening of economy to foreign capital and encouraging greater privatisation in the fields of coal, defence, space among others and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the manner in which these packages are actually beneficial to the country and the people and the amount actually spent by Government on welfare measures; and

(d) the details of thrust of stimulus package reaching the small business?

#### Establishment of Indian Heritage and Conservation Institutions

†1341. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the establishment of Indian Heritage and Conservation institutions Scheme throughout the country and the reasons for the same;

(b) the details of the estimated funds for the same;

(c) the details of the targets set under this scheme; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be established?

#### EPF Pension

1342. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a case is pending before the Hon. Supreme Court on the issue of enhancing the rates of EPF pensions and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government for the speedy disposal of the said case;

(c) whether the Government proposes to implement the order of the High Court of Kerala regarding the option on higher pension based on salary and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has obtained stay for the operation of the order of High Court of Kerala from the apex Court and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has issued direction to the subordinate offices to implement the order of the High Court of Kerala in this regard and if so, the reasons therefor and if not, the reasons for non-implementation of the order of the High Court of Kerala; and

(f) whether the EPFO is bound by the order of the Kerala High Court and if so, the reasons for delay in implementation and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Instructions for Schools from National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)

1343. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:  
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:  
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) has formulated guidelines for schools which envisages fire prevention and fire safety measures and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas which are adhering to the guidelines issued by NDMA;

(c) whether it is a fact that most of the Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas do not have adequate fire safety measures in their buildings and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has issued any guidelines to State Governments to take immediate steps to provide adequate fire safety measures in all schools/ colleges/ Universities in the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to prevent fire accidents and ensure safety of students?

#### JEE, NEET exam

1344. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of students who appeared for the JEE, NEET exam from different States including Telangana and the number of exam centers that were allotted for them;

(b) whether it is a fact that in spite of increase in the number of exam centers there was still a shortage of exam centers and other facilities which were necessary for the students safety due to COVID-19 in the country and many students were allotted centers in neighbouring States;

(c) if so, whether the Government has any proposal to increase the number of exam centers in the ensuing year to reduce the hardships of students; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Printing of Rs. 2000 Notes

1345. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether printing of Rs.2000 denomination notes has been discontinued by the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of Rs. 2000 denomination notes in circulation in the country during 2019-20 as compared to previous year;

(d) whether the process of printing of various denomination notes has been delayed due to disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and certain other developments in the country;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the details of corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**Policy on Construction around Centrally Protected Monuments**

1346. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM  
SHRANGARE:  
MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is in the process of revisiting the policy on construction around centrally protected monuments and classify them based on their historical significance;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to formulate a law that balanced preservation of monuments of historical significance and development of infrastructure around them keeping in mind the needs of tourists as well as those who live around them?

**Challenges in Online Education**

1347. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government initiated action on the huge demand for graphical ppt and media resources for online classes, if so the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to arrange short term classes for the teacher for updating skills, if so, the details of action taken there on;

(c) whether the Government proposes to use online radio, community radio, audio video studio for the purpose of overcoming the challenges in online education, if so the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to revise the syllabus and mode of examination considering the COVID-19, if so, the details thereof?

**Upkeep of Historical Monuments by Corporates and Local Citizens**

1348. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan of approaching corporate organisations in order to seek their contribution in the upkeep of popular historical monuments, if so, what has been the response to these efforts; and

(b) the measures taken by the Government to meet the increasing expenditure for the same and whether the Government is considering any policy of involving local

citizens by inculcating a sense of ownership among them towards such monuments?

**Cheaters Around Tourist Sites**

1349. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) con men around important tourist sites, monuments, religious and spiritual sites, railway stations etc. are a major factor dissuading foreign tourists from travelling to the interiors of the country. Whether the Government is working on any plan such as having a buddy system by employing locals to deal with this issue; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Identification of Less Preferred Tourism Spots**

1350. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government for resumption of the robust tourism industry in India, along with its details;

(b) whether the Government has identified tourism areas and spots which are less preferred by the tourists due to reasons of safety and/or sanitation and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Revival of Sivagiri Tourism Circuit**

1351. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved the revival of Sivagiri Tourism Circuit project in Kerala;

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

(c) the details of the plan prepared for implementation and the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

**Reduction in Import of Oil**

†1352. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:  
DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJBHAI  
SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the annual requirement of petro products in the country along with the percentage of this requirement imported from abroad;

(b) the current status of benefit/loss per litre to the Government;

(c) the details of steps taken by Government to reduce dependency on fossil fuels from abroad;

(d) whether any new oil exploration projects have been started to reduce dependency from abroad, if so, the required details thereof;

(e) whether any steps have been taken to improve consumption of bio-fuels in order to reduce imports from other countries; and

(f) the details of the work plan of the Government for introduction of other alternatives to petroleum oil?

#### Share of GST Dues

1353. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA  
KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has released the States' share of GST dues to the States or any backlog is still there to release and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Government is not in a position to pay the GST share of States as per the current revenue sharing formula;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether this has been expressed by the officials in the Parliamentary Standing Committee meeting and if so, the details thereof?

#### Online Education for Children with Special Needs

1354. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:  
Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of strategies proposed to be adopted by the Government for conducting online classes for children with special needs and primary and upper primary students;

(b) whether it is a fact that providing Mid-Day Meal to above class of students is a big challenge and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are any plans before the Government to supply cooked or packed Mid-Day Meal to children at their home; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Helping Schools/College Dropouts

1355. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains records indicating the number of students who dropped out of schools and colleges during and after the academic year 2019-2020;

(b) if so, the details thereof, with special reference to Odisha;

(c) whether it is true that the students have been dropping out due to financial insecurity to assist their parents generate more income and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is planning on introducing any schemes to extend financial assistance or fee waivers to students whose parents or guardians have lost their jobs after 25 March 2020 and if so, the details thereof?

#### Seva Bhoj Yojana

1356. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the amount of money that was reimbursed under the "Seva Bhoj Yojana" scheme in Delhi during the last two years;

(b) the details of the number of institutions in Delhi that are registered under this scheme; and

(c) whether the Government allows Non-Governmental Organizations distributing food to reimburse their claim under the scheme and if so, the details thereof?

#### Performance of NCLTs

1357. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pending before National Company Law Tribunals (NCLTs), including the cases under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC);

(b) whether the Government has any plans to identify NCLT benches specifically for IBC related matters, and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether all regular staffing positions have been filled, if so, the details thereof including the total sanctioned strength for regular staff in NCLT and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has any plans to increase the strength of NCLT benches to address the impact of COVID-19 economic pressures;

(e) if so, the details thereof including the status of implementation of the e-courts project; and

(f) whether the Government has any plans to expand the e-courts project, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Banking Industry**

1358. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether five days week in the banking industry will be implemented as existing in analogous institutions and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the IBA Chairman was told during the negotiation that enhancement of family pension has been sent to Ministry of Finance for the approval; and

(c) if so, the details and the present status thereof?

#### **Revamp of PMKVY**

1359. MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government is planning to revamp its skill framework, including more targeted PMKVY and setting up of a dedicated National Institute of Skill Development (NIOSD) to centralise skill training and funding, if so the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Government is looking to enhance the role of "Sector Skills Councils" to assess the demand generation in the informal sector; if so the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has identified the States where National Institute of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship will be opened, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the requirement/guidelines of opening of NIOSD?

#### **Economic Crisis**

1360. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware about the warning given by some politicians on the economic crisis coming ahead since and before the COVID-19 crisis;

(b) if so, whether the Government had taken them into consideration and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government had believed that COVID-19 crisis won't affect the economy of the country and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the current scenes of the economy of the country?

#### **ESI Hospital at Vaniyambadi**

1361. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps towards upgrading the ESI hospital at Vaniyambadi in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details of the fund allocated for the same; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Allocation of Funds For Educational Institutions**

1362. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the role of State Government and local authorities in the implementation of the National Education Policy, 2020;

(b) the details of allocation of funds and tentative release for restructure and development of primary institutions, including Early Childhood Care Education (ECCE), State-wise;

(c) the details of allocation of funds for establishment and development of higher education institutions (HIE), specifically for under served regions; and

(d) the detailed plan of steps required to be taken to achieve the targeted Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) in higher education ?

#### **Security Services in Banks**

1363. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO

MANDLIK:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the security in banks and banks lockers are in vulnerable condition and security persons deployed in banks have not been provided sophisticated weapons to safeguard bank theft besides non-provision of CCTV camera in bank lockers;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Public sector Banks (PSBs) are not taking responsibility for theft or looting or tampering of bank lockers though the banks charges heavily as annually locker fees from customers;

(d) if so, whether the Reserve Bank of India has issued any instruction to the banks that the responsibility of safety for the valuable things kept in the bank lockers lies with the customers; and

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

#### **Affordable Rental Housing Complexes**

1364. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:  
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:  
SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:  
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of steps which the Government is going to take in order to make land available for Affordable Rental Housing Complexes;

(b) the manner in which the Government is planning to solve liquidity issues for the cash strapped housing finance market in wake of COVID-19;

(c) the details of incentives which the Government is planning to provide to the PPP scheme partners under Affordable Rental Housing Complexes;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Government has set a very ambitious target of catering to a range interests, from students to labourers and even tourists and the Government will categorize these complexes and the rents accordingly; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Fraudulent University**

1365. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Universities running in various parts of the country have been found to be fake;

(b) if so, the details of all such cases during the last three years; and

(c) the steps that being taken by the Government to prevent the growth of such fraudulent Universities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Number of Universities to Provide Higher Education**

†1366. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Universities to provide higher education in the Country State/UT-wise;

(b) whether these Universities have facilities equivalent to foreign universities; and

(c) the number of students studying in Arts, Science, Commerce, Medical Faculties of Indian Universities for higher education?

#### **Navodaya Vidyalayas in Chhattisgarh**

†1367. SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the main objectives to establish Navodaya Vidyalayas in the country;

(b) the details of the Navodaya Vidyalayas running at present in the country, State/UT/ District-wise including Chhattisgarh ;

(c) the extent to which objectives of establishing Navodaya Vidyalayas has been achieved;

(d) whether the Government is planning to establish more Navodaya Vidyalayas in all the States including the Chattisgarh; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and location-wise including Mungeli in Chhattisgarh and newly formed district Gauraila-Pendra- Marwahi ?

#### **Banking Facilities in Rural Areas**

†1368. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:  
SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware about the number of Gram Panchayats, Panchayat committees and block committees in the country where banking facilities are not available in areas having more than 3000 persons;

(b) if so, whether the Government is contemplating to provide banking facilities in these areas including in the States of Bihar and Haryana;

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

(d) the number of Gram Panchayats and blocks in Bihar and Haryana where there is not a single public or private sector bank;

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



(f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to open bank branches where there is not banking facilities in such areas of the country?

#### **GST on PUC Certificate**

1369. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to charge 18 per cent Goods and Services Tax (GST) on pollution Under Control (PUC) certificate for vehicles; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Cut throat competition in Higher Education**

†1370. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:  
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias  
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is cut-throat competition in higher education due to fewer number of seats in Government institutes and heavy donation and capitation fee charged by the private institutes directly or indirectly;

(b) if so, the details thereof?

(c) steps taken to address the problem of donation and capitation fee in private educational institutes; and

(d) the manner in which the Government proposes to impart higher education to all eligible aspirants?

#### **Impact of Covid-19 on Economy**

1371. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the economy of the country along with the present status of economy;

(b) the extent to which demand depressed in various sectors particularly in unorganised sector and unemployment rise in such sectors in economic slowdown due to Covid-19 pandemic in the country, sector-wise;

(c) the contraction predicted by the Government/RBI in GDP due to the said pandemic during the financial year 2020-21 ; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to mitigate the impact of pandemic on the economy along with the achievements thereof?

#### **Shortage of Teachers in Higher and Technical Education**

1372. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is huge shortage of teachers in various higher and technical education institutions of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government considers that due to shortage of teachers, educational standard of those institution is low; and

(d) if so, the steps Government is going to take to resolve this problems?

#### **GST Fraud**

1373. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently detected Goods and Services Tax (GST) fraud worth Rs. 350 crore against unidentified exporters;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to address the problem of traders in filing their GST returns;

(d) whether the targets fixed for GST collection have been increased; and

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

#### **Unemployment Allowance to ESIC Members**

1374. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the unemployment allowance given to workers who are members of the Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC), State-wise; and

(b) the number of people benefited from the said scheme?

#### **Data Discrepancies under Skill Development Training**

1375. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that discrepancies have been found in data of employment and self-employment of skilled youth being presented under skill development training;

(b) the details of the amount spent on making people skilled under skill

development training during last five years;

(c) the number of courses which are being run to make people skilled;

(d) the names of the institutes against whom action has been taken due to their involvement in irregularities during last five years; and

(e) the number of institutes which have stopped implementing skill development schemes or the ones in which the same have been stopped?

#### **Drives Launched by Tourism Industry**

†1376. SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of all the promotional drives launched in the international and domestic market by tourism industry during the last three years;

(b) the details of the funds granted and released under various heads for promotion and launching of drives in international market;

(c) whether the Government is expecting an increase in the percentage of tourists due to Swadesh Darshan and PRASAD yojana; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Entrepreneurship Among Women**

1377. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of programmes introduced by the Government to encourage entrepreneurship among women;

(b) the total number of female entrepreneurs who have set up small or micro enterprises on completion of skill development courses, over the last five years, district-wise in Jharkhand; and

(c) whether the Government is planning to introduce special incubation hubs for enterprises started by women, and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Transportation of Petroleum Products**

†1378. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Petroleum Company contracts the lorry to transport petroleum products from depot to the retail outlet of the petrol pump owner and if so, the provisions of the company's rules;

(b) whether the transport tender of the petroleum company is approved for a period of five years;

(c) if so, the provision of the company regarding contracts of the tankers, lorries for the transportation of petroleum products to the pumps with regard to those where the pumps are functional following the completion of tender process and those who couldn't participate in the tender process; and

(d) the details of proposals for approval, dealer's applications received by the zonal office for the transportation of diesel, petroleum products to the retail outlets of the pump owners by their own tankers, lorries from the depot, terminal after 2017 falling under the North Central Regional office of HPCL?

#### **Differently-abled Friendly Heritage Sites**

1379. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country has 38 UNESCO World Heritage Sites out of which 30 are cultural sites, 7 are natural sites and 1 is a mixed site which makes India a home of World Heritage sites and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating to make these heritage sites accessible to differently-abled persons which will further strengthen the country's rank in upcoming editions of the Travel Tourism Competitiveness Index (TTCI) and also in establishing the country as a leading model of accessibility planning and implementation in the South Asian Region;

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

(d) whether the Government proposes to improve infrastructure in the present museums and art galleries for differently-abled persons rather than building separate art galleries or sections at museums to meet the needs of such persons with disabilities; and

(e) the efforts made to develop inclusive cultural spaces, technologies and learning programmes to encourage the participation of differently-abled persons?

#### **Employment Centres into Business Development Centres**

†1380. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to convert the Employment centres into business development centres;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to consider the request for financial help from various States including West Bengal for this purpose; and

(d) if so, the details of the action taken in this regard, State-wise?

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