

## LOK SABHA

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Food Processing Industries; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Home Affairs; Housing and Urban Affairs; Parliamentary Affairs; Social Justice and Empowerment)

(कृषि और किसान कल्याण; रसायन और उर्वरक; उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण; खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग; भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम; गृह; आवासन और शहरी कार्य; संसदीय कार्य; सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय)

### Total Number of Questions — 20

#### Rights of Consumers

\*281. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the rights of consumers as per the warranty given by the manufacturers and dealers are not protected/honoured in time;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon;

(c) whether it has also come to the notice of the Government that the distributors and sellers do not take the responsibility of rectifying/resolving the complaints on the products sold by them;

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government to make the dealers and sellers liable for rectifying the complaints on goods purchased; and

(e) whether it has further come to the notice of the Government that the toll free

system maintained by companies for registering the complaints on the goods purchased does not give receipt and fails to attend to the complaints in time and if so, the action taken by the Government to address the issue?

#### e-NAM Platform

\*282. DR. RATNA DE (NAG):  
SHRI DUSHYANT  
CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are 73 lakh farmers who have been registered on the electronic National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) platform from 14 States;

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

(c) whether the Government has any proposal for compulsory registration of all the farmers on e-NAM platform to sell their produce without any middleman and

to increase the number of regulated mandis under e-NAM platform in various States of the country including West Bengal;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the approximate number of farmers expected to be benefited by expansion of the programme and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the details of the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Fire and Emergency Services in Lakshadweep

\*283. MOHAMMED FAIZAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to ensure the smooth functioning of the fire and emergency services or to create a separate Department for the same in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any representation in this regard; and

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

#### Small and Modern Cold Storages

†\*284. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD  
MISHRA:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has implemented new incentive scheme to promote setting up of small and modern cold storages for preserving food items;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the achievements made thereunder?

#### Requirement of Police Personnel

\*285. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently conducted any study on the requirement of police personnel, police stations and improvement in the working of police personnel in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the recommendations made on the basis of such study; and

(c) the follow up action taken/being taken by the Government thereon?

#### Production/Import of Urea

\*286. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:  
SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of urea in the country and the quantum of urea imported during the last three years;

(b) whether the import of urea has declined and if so, the details thereof including the quantity of urea declined along with the amount of revenue saved as a result thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to reduce the consumption of urea in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase urea production including revival of closed urea manufacturing plants in the country?

**Utilisation of Foreign Contributions**

†\*287. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:  
SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUHDARY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any information regarding utilization of foreign contributions received by Non Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for child welfare and education;

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

(c) the existing rules/guidelines regarding utilization of foreign contributions received by NGOs for the purpose;

(d) the number of NGOs found guilty of not utilizing the said contributions as per the rules along with the names of the organizations against whom action has been taken during the last three years; and

(e) the outcome of the said action?

**Restructured National Bamboo Mission**

\*288. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the objectives and salient features of the restructured National Bamboo Mission (NBM);

(b) whether the Government has any record regarding the area under bamboo plantation in the country;

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

(d) whether the Government has any record regarding the number of applications received, approved and the amount distributed for various projects under NBM during each of the last three years and the current year; and

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

**Rehabilitation of Beggars**

\*289. DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data on the number of physically fit, disabled and drug addicted beggars in the country and if so, the details thereof, as on date;

(b) whether the Government has initiated any action to ascertain the reasons for the increasing number of women and child beggars in the country and check this tendency and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any policy to bring physically fit beggars into the mainstream, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government is planning to bring all the beggars under the ambit of various policies including financial inclusion, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to eradicate the practice of beggary and for rehabilitation of beggars and creation of employment opportunities for them in the country?

**Income of Farmers**

†\*290. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:  
SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the year in which the last survey on farmer's income was conducted by the Government;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any assessment of the rise in income of the farmers during the last four years and the current year, if so, the details and the outcome thereof, State-wise including Gujarat, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh and if not, the reasons therefor along with the data on which the Government is relying for achieving the goal of doubling the farmer's income by 2022;

(c) whether the Government is exploring the possibilities of doubling the farmer's income by resorting to better and new technological solutions to increase the farm production and realise the noble objective of doubling the income of the farmers, if so, the details thereof and the initiatives taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether the Government has allocated any additional funds to the States for the said purposes and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) whether the Government has reviewed the progress achieved so far in attaining the goal of doubling the farmer's income and if so, the details thereof?

**Migration of Agricultural Labourers**

†\*291. DR. ARUN KUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the migration of agricultural labourers is taking place due to the support prices for the agricultural produce not being fixed by the Government in a proper manner and if so, the facts thereof;

(b) whether the farmers are unable to pay proper wages to the agricultural labourers as they are not getting remunerative support prices for their agricultural produce and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is likely to provide remunerative support price to the farmers for their agricultural produce; and

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

**World Food India, 2017**

\*292. SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G. FATEPARA:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether large scale investments have been received in Food Processing Industries (FPIs) during the recent World Food India, 2017;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the investments received, State-wise, especially in Gujarat;

(c) whether the said investments could help the Government to achieve its target of doubling the income of the farmers and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken to promote FPIs and explore new avenues for their development and growth?

### Violation of Consumer Rights

\*293. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has implemented any policy/strategy to educate/make the consumers aware of their rights across the country, particularly in rural areas;

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

(c) whether the Government has sought participation of the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) for effective implementation of the said policy/strategy in rural areas of the country and if so, the details thereof along with the response received by the Government from PRIs in this regard;

(d) whether complaints regarding violation of consumer rights have increased in the country during each of the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the action taken/being taken by the Government on such complaints; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to protect the rights of the consumers, particularly rural consumers?

### Milk Production

\*294. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that milk production in the country increased by 23.69 per cent in 2014-18 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of Gokul Grams sanctioned under the Rashtriya Gokul Mission so far, State-wise;

(c) the details of the National Kamdhenu Breeding Centres being established by the Government in the country and the number of dairy units set up by the Government so far under Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme (DEDS) along with the subsidy provided thereunder;

(d) the number of Embryo Transfer Centres being established by the Government in the country, State-wise and the details of Semen Centres identified for production of Sex Sorted Semen in the country; and

(e) whether the Government has launched Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF), if so, the details including the objectives thereof and the number of Milk Cooperatives likely to be benefited?

### New Farm Technologies

\*295. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:  
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the initiatives taken by the Government for innovation/development of new technologies in the farm sector across the country during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has developed any mechanism to disseminate information about such innovation/

technologies to the farmers during the said period;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the number of farmers who availed benefits from such innovation/technologies during the said period;

(d) whether the Government has launched Kisan Portal for the benefit of farmers in the country and if so, the salient features of such portal and its advantages to the farmers along with the number of farmers benefited from such portal since inception; and

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

### Development of Border Villages

\*296. ADV. M.  
UDHAYAKUMAR:  
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR  
PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to develop border villages along all the international borders in 17 States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has released Rs. 1,100 crore in 2017-18 for the all round development of these villages;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the amount spent for each village, village and State-wise; and

(e) the funds allocated under the Border Area Development Programme (BADP) during the last three years, State-wise?

### Facilities to Women Farmers

†\*297. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:  
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has started any schemes to provide facilities to the women farmers for the development of the agriculture sector in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount of funds allocated and utilized for the said purpose during the last two years;

(c) whether the Government proposes to impart training to women farmers to familiarise them with the latest agricultural techniques and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the share of women farmers in the agriculture sector?

### Relief Packages for Drought Affected Districts

†\*298. SHRI SANJAY KAKA  
PATIL:  
SHRI SADASHIV  
LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Central supervisory team visited the drought affected districts of Maharashtra in August, 2015, if so, the details thereof including the areas visited by the team and the outcome thereof;

(b) whether the Union Government had approved a relief package of Rs. 3,049 crore for the farmers of drought affected districts of Maharashtra on 29th December, 2015 and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a relief package of Rs. 2,000 crore had been approved earlier also, if so, the details of the total allocations made by the Union Government for the State, district-wise including Ahmednagar;

(d) the amount utilized/being utilized under the said packages along with the manner in which it has been utilized; and

(e) whether the Union Government has issued any directions to the State Government of Maharashtra in this regard, and sought the details of district-wise allocations, if so, the details thereof and if not, the efforts of the Union Government for providing a relief package to drought affected areas of western and central Maharashtra?

#### Deaths due to Fake News

\*299. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are reports of increasing events of mishappenings and deaths due to false propaganda and spreading of fake news through digital media;

(b) if so, the number of deaths and mishappenings reported in the country during the last two years due to fake news propaganda through digital media, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of victims out of the above who belong to minority communities;

(d) whether the Government is taking any action to prevent such mishappenings in the future; and

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

#### Crime against Women and Children

\*300. SHRI HARISH MEENA:  
SHRIMATI NEELAM  
SONKER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the recent report of the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), incidents of rapes have risen by 12-15 per cent while other crimes against women have risen by 3-5 per cent;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the total number of such cases reported, guilty arrested, convicted, cases solved/unsolved, conviction rate achieved and the steps taken to solve all the cases and to improve the conviction rate of such cases along with the action taken against the guilty during each of the last three years and the current year, crime and State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to install good quality CCTV cameras in all cities to control such cases in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to create awareness among the people to prevent crime against women and also to rehabilitate the victims of violence;

(d) whether an increase has also been registered in the incidents of crime against children in the country, if so, the details thereof and the corrective action taken thereon during the said period, crime and State-wise; and

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to bring in a stringent law with strict penal provisions to check crime against women and children, if so, the details thereof along with the comprehensive measures being taken by the Government to prevent/check such crimes including organising workshops/sensitisation programmes at the grassroot level and ensuring the safety of women at public places, particularly during night time?

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