

## LOK SABHA

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

Thursday, November 21, 2019/Kartika 30, 1941(Saka)

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

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

Total Number of Questions — 20

#### Financial Assistance to Sportspersons

\*61. SHRI VENKATESH NETHA  
BORLAKUNTA:  
SHRI PASUNOORI  
DAYAKAR:

Will the Minister of YOUTH  
AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is providing financial assistance to sports-persons;

(b) if so, the details of such assistance provided during each of the last five years and the current year, State/UT/Sport-wise;

(c) the steps being taken to increase such financial assistance for national and international level sportspersons; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to attract sportspersons by providing incentives to suit the present conditions?

#### Construction of Dams

\*62. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:  
SHRI RAJMOHAN  
UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal for construction of new dams in the country including Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the decision/action taken/being taken by the Government about building dams, especially in Kerala;

(c) whether the Government has given permission to conduct environment assessment study to construct a new dam in Mullaperiyar in Kerala;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether a joint team of Centre, Kerala and Tamil Nadu recently visited Mullaperiyar dam to assess the strength of the existing dam and if so, the details thereof?

#### Water Scarcity in Major Cities

\*63. SHRI BALUBHAU *ALIAS*  
SURESH NARAYAN  
DHANORKAR:  
SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that 21 major cities will face water scarcity due to ground water depletion in 2020 and if so, the names of such cities, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government is going to take measures to resolve this issue through inter-linking of river waters or desalination of sea water; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### National Highways

†\*64. SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of ROAD  
TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of National Highways (NHs) passing through the State of Chhattisgarh;

(b) whether any four-lane NH has been constructed in the State and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal for construction of new NHs in Chhattisgarh and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the funds allocated for construction of NHs in the State during the last three years?

#### Patna Metro Rail Project

†\*65. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN  
SINGH *ALIAS* LALAN  
SINGH:  
SHRI KAUSHALENDRA  
KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND  
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned Rs. 16,960 crore for the metro rail project in Patna, Bihar;

(b) if so, the present status of this project and the total amount released so far in this regard;

(c) whether any time limit has been fixed for the completion of this project and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the total length (in kilometres) of the said project and the number of phases through which it is likely to be completed?

#### Construction of Ring Roads

\*66. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of ROAD  
TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal for construction of ring roads in the State of Karnataka;

(b) if so, the names of districts included therein for construction of new ring roads;

(c) the total cost likely to be incurred on the construction of these ring roads;

(d) whether the Government has prepared any Detailed Project Report for this purpose; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **New International Airport**

\*67. SHRI M.V.V.  
SATYANARAYANA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION  
नागर विमानन मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had approved construction of a new international airport at Bhogapuram in Vizianagaram district of Andhra Pradesh in February, 2015 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the quantum of funds earmarked, released/to be released for construction of the said airport including rehabilitation works;

(c) the number of bidders who have submitted their bids for the above work;

(d) whether the contract/work has been finalized and awarded and if so, the reasons for delay in commencing the works; and

(e) whether any time-line has been fixed to complete this airport and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Namami Gange Programme**

\*68. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:  
SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI  
जल शक्ति मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of all the initiatives taken under the Namami Gange Programme;

(b) whether the funds allocated for the project were under utilised and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the financial outlay for the project along with the funds sanctioned and utilised under this project, head-wise, since its announcement and the details of all the achievements made so far;

(d) the pollution levels at the river in the most recent times and the details of improvement over its earlier pollution levels; and

(e) the details of waste treatment that has been carried out during the last three years and the current year along with the number of people employed under the different aspects of the programme?

#### **New Airports**

\*69. SHRIMATI SAJDA  
AHMED:  
DR. ALOK KUMAR  
SUMAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL  
AVIATION  
नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new airports proposed for modernization and construction in the States of West Bengal and Bihar, location-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to revive the non-operational Sabeya Airport in Hathua, Bihar and Malda Airport in West Bengal and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Union Government has acceded or proposes to accede to the request of the Government of Bihar for restarting/opening of the Sabeya airport under the UDAN scheme; and

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

#### **Quality Audit of Works**

†\*70. SHRI KANAKMAL  
KATARA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND  
URBAN AFFAIRS  
आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government conducts any quality audit/ check regarding the works being carried out in the Government accommodations by the Central Public Works Department and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the said works are allocated on the basis of open tender by the said department and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the quality of Government works gets affected due to the collusion of the officers of the Department and contractors; and

(d) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any steps to ensure quality control in such cases and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Widening of Highways**

†\*71. SHRI OMPRAKASH  
BHUPALSINH ALIAS  
PAWAN  
RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of ROAD  
TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing a plan of converting the existing State Highways into National Highways to connect major cities for improving traffic in the country;

(b) if so, whether the public representative has requested/asked his Ministry on 4 July, 2019 to complete the widening works of Tembhorni-Latur Highway (Maharashtra);

(c) if so, the details thereof and the manner and details of action taken/being taken thereon;

(d) whether the Director General (Road Development) had been instructed on 12 July, 2019 in respect of the said request and if so, the action taken in this regard; and

(e) whether instances of road accidents on the existing Tembhorni -Latur Highway (Maharashtra) are rising due to increase in the number of vehicles and if so, the time by which the work of widening of said road is likely to be completed?

#### **Swachh Survekshan Grameen, 2019**

\*72. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
DR. AMOL RAMSING  
KOLHE:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI  
जल शक्ति मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted survey of Gram Panchayats in

rural areas under Swachh Survekshan Grameen, 2019 (SSG) recently and if so, the details thereof along with the objectives and salient features of SSG-2019;

(b) the number of villages proposed to be covered under SSG-2019, State/UT-wise along with the number of days in which the survey will be conducted;

(c) whether the Government has fixed parameters for such evaluation under SSG and if so, the details thereof along with the details of expenditure likely to be incurred on SSG-2019;

(d) the details of the achievement made out of Swachh Survekshan Grameen survey conducted earlier; and

(e) whether any award/cash incentives will be provided to villages which come first in the survey and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Electrification of Villages**

\*73. SHRI RAVINDRA  
KUSHWAHA:  
SHRI VISHNU DAYAL  
RAM:

Will the Minister of POWER  
विद्युत मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages or households connected and yet to be connected to electricity, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether every household in electrified villages has electricity facility and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the average

electricity consumption per household in villages, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of villages electrified along with the allocation made during the last two years to provide electricity to households across the country, State/UT-wise;

(d) the average hours for which electricity is provided in villages per day, State/UT-wise; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to take steps to electrify the remaining villages and tolas of the country through solar and other sources of energy and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to ensure uninterrupted power supply in the villages during the above said period along with the number of villages to be electrified during the next two years?

#### **Inter-linking of Rivers**

\*74. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:  
SHRI SANGAM LAL  
GUPTA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI  
जल शक्ति मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposals regarding inter-linking of rivers in Karnataka, Rajasthan, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh are pending with the Government;

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

(c) the details of work done so far to inter-link the waters of rivers and dams in the said States; and

(d) whether any hindrances are being faced in completion of the said projects and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana**

\*75. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA  
BARNE:  
DR. HEENA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND  
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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

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

(c) the details of credit linked subsidy provided to beneficiaries including Economically Weaker Sections and Low Income Groups since 2016;

(d) the number of houses occupied by the beneficiaries till now under PMAY and the houses which are under construction along with the time by which the remaining houses will be fully constructed and handed over to the beneficiaries; and

(e) the problems being faced by the Government for effective implementation of PMAY along with the steps taken by the Government to mitigate the housing requirement of the poor?

#### **Hybrid Annuity Model for National Highways**

\*76. SHRI KOTHA  
PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of ROAD  
TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved the Hybrid Annuity Model (HAM) for building National Highways (NHs) worth more than Rs. 36,000 crore this fiscal year and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this move is likely to speed up the construction of NHs in the country by renewing the interest of private developers in highway projects and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government will invest 40 per cent of the construction cost for building highways in five instalments and the balance will come from the private developer under the PPP model and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the private developer will recover his investment from the Government by receiving annuity payments over a period of 15 years and the highway toll tax will be collected by the Government under this model, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether this model will bring in long-term infrastructure funds like pension funds into the sector and double the speed of highway construction in the country due to utilisation of resources and expertise of the private sector and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Implementation of PMAY**

\*77. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND  
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) has been successful and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to increase the interest subsidy for the first time home buyers in urban areas and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the current status of the Rajiv Awas Yojana?

**Multiple E-challans on Delhi-Meerut Expressway**

\*78. SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of multiple e-challans have been/are being generated against the same vehicle on Delhi-Meerut Expressway (DME) and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether these e-challans are generated 30-35 days after committing of offence due to improper communication and as a result, offenders remain uninformed and suddenly are flooded with multiple challans and get scared;

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) the number of e-challans generated on DME in Delhi since its inception, month-wise; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to increase the speed limit of light motor

vehicles from the existing 70 km/hr. to 100 km/hr. on the said expressway and if so, the details thereof?

**Capacity of National Highways**

†\*79. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to extend and increase the capacity of National Highways in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the quota of J&K under the Central Road and Infrastructure Fund Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Motor Vehicles Act**

\*80. SHRI M. SELVARAJ: SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of States have not implemented the recently amended Motor Vehicles Act which imposes heavy fines and penalties for violation of traffic rules, if so, the details thereof including the names of such States and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether some State Governments have demanded changes in the quantum of fines and penalties under the Act and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the objectives of implementing the new Motor Vehicles Act in the country;

(d) whether the amended Motor Vehicles Act has been able to achieve its

objective of reducing the number of road accidents and if so, the details thereof and if not, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government has any plan to bring more amendments to the Motor Vehicles Act and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

NEW DELHI;

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SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA

*Secretary General*

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**LOK SABHA**  
**CORRIGENDUM**

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78	<b>Name of Member:</b> <u>insert second name</u> "SHRI BHOLA SINGH"

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**SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA**  
*Secretary General*