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List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS Monday, September 28, 2020/Asvina 6, 1942 (Saka)

(Ministries of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Earth Sciences; Environment, Forest and Climate Change; Health and Family Welfare; Information and Broadcasting; Science and Technology; Textiles; Women and Child Development)

(आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष); पृथ्वी विज्ञान; पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन; स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण; सूचना और प्रसारण; विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी; वस्त्र; महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय)

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Provisional Ban on News Channels

3221. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether two leading Malayalam news channels were taken off air for 48 hours from 06-03-2020 and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has examined the requirement and legitimacy of banning these channels, if so, the details thereof and the factors which led to lifting of the ban by curtailing the penalty; and

(c) the guidelines/advisories that are taken into consideration for taking a channel off-air for a particular time period?

Anti-Journalist Harassment

3222. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the rising trend of egregious cases of anti-journalist harassment in the country which has led to India's position on 142nd spot in the Press Freedom Index;

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

(c) whether the Government considers such cases as violation of freedom of expression as provided under Article-19 of the Constitution of India;

(d) if so, whether the Government has intervened/proposes to intervene in any such case with a view to protecting the freedom of the Press; and

(e) if so, whether the Government proposes to use the existing legislation or bring a new legislation to curb such incidents and if so, the details thereof?

Plight of HIV/AIDS Patients

3223. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:
SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the sections afflicted with health issues such as HIV/AIDS, etc. are being ignored by the Government and multilateral agencies in COVID-19 related emergency relief efforts;

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

(c) the steps being taken to help such persons?

Territorial Origin of COVID-19

†3224. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has ascertained the location/territorial origin of COVID-19 virus that affected the whole world, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the said territory is part of a sovereign nation;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to take up the matter at international fora and claim compensation for the same from the said nation for the COVID-19 virus affliction; and

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

National Institute for Tribal Health

3225. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to establish National Institute for Tribal health with field stations at different locations in tribal areas, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the measures being taken by the Government to integrate tribal health affairs with schemes such as ICDS; and

(c) whether the Government is planning to train young tribal youth volunteers, Arogya Mitras for performing activities of ASHAs and to be community influencers with the help of Gram Sabhas, if so, the details thereof?

Healthcare in Aspirational Districts

3226. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified any backward districts for development of Healthcare infrastructure facilities under Aspirational Districts Programme across the country including Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of districts selected and the quantum of funds sanctioned and released so far; and

(d) the works undertaken in these districts and progress thereof as on date?

Violence Against Women

3227. SHRIMATI NAVNEET RAVI RANA:
SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether violence against women is a social, economic, developmental, legal, educational, human rights and health (physical and mental) issue and a preventable cause of morbidity and mortality in women;

(b) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to explore the relationship between violence against women and mental illness;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to check the exploitation and gender discrimination against women and empower them;

(d) whether cases of domestic violence have seen an increase during the period of lockdown and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is planning to conduct any study to understand the reasons behind the rise, if so, the details thereof?

Reservation in Medical Colleges

3228. SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to bring reservations in medical colleges for tribal people willing to serve in tribal areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to set up medical colleges in tribal districts, exclusively for tribal students and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to attract specialist doctors and other health functionaries to tribal areas and ensure their stay for longer duration; and

(e) whether there has been any increase in the salary of doctors working in tribal areas in the last three years and if so, the details thereof?

Revival of Yarn Manufacturing Industries

†3229. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that yarn manufacturing company located in Butibori area of Nagpur is lying closed for the last two years;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to address the hardships being faced by the workers employed in the said company and now rendered unemployed;

(c) whether the Government is considering to provide any package for the livelihood of the said workers; and

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

Measures to Tackle Malnutrition

3230. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is taking some exclusive actions during the 'Poshan Maah' (National Nutrition Month) of September to identify Severely Acute Malnourished children across villages in the country and address their nutritional requirements, and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government is undertaking programmes to spread awareness on the issues related to malnutrition in children, pregnant women and lactating mothers, and if so, the details thereof?

Farmer's Science Congress

3231. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Farmer's Science Congress was conducted recently along with the Indian Science Congress at Bengaluru; and

(b) if so, the theme of the event and the decisions/recommendations made/conclusions drawn therein?

Herbal Farms

3232. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage share of the Rs. 4,000 crores announced by the Government for the cultivation of herbal farms that has been disbursed State/UT-wise district-wise including Rajasthan;

(b) the total area involved in the cultivation of medicinal plants under the National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), State/UT-wise and district-wise including Rajasthan;

(c) the details of the criteria used by the NMPB to identify further areas wherein investment will be made by the Government for the cultivation of herbs and medicinal plants; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government or proposals put forth to facilitate easier sale of herbs grown by regional farmers by way of mandis, creation of e-platforms, etc?

Auction of FM Radio Channels

3233. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified certain cities for auction of FM Radio channels;

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

(c) whether the Government also proposes the auction of FM Radio Channels for Latur district of Maharashtra; and

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

Role of Plants in Improving Ecosystem

†3234. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:
SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:
SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has resolved on World Environment Day to plant a large number of trees in the country, if so, the details of the scheme formulated in this regard including the total number of trees proposed to be planted along with the financial assistance provided during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the fact that plants play an important role in improving water ecosystem of any region and ensuring environmental balance, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has adopted large scale plantation policy across the country especially in Bundelkhand region and such lands which are untillable/untilled;

(d) whether Government proposes to plant medicinal and fruit bearing trees at various locations in the country; and

(e) whether suitable sites for tree plantation have been identified and if so, details thereof?

Public Utility Infrastructure on Forest Lands

3235. SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prescribed simplified procedures to seek approval for public utility infrastructure involving small forest lands;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of outcome achieved in providing public utility infrastructure for the tribal dominated areas near designated Reserves and Sanctuaries, till date, area-wise?

Draft EIA Notification, 2020

†3236. SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR:
SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:
MS. S. JOTHIMANI:
SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ:
SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:
SHRI K. NAVASKANI:
SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:
DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:
SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:
SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether officials within the Ministry proposed that the deadline for receiving public comments on the draft Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2020 be set at August 10 prior to the Delhi High Court decision to extend the deadline;

(b) if so, whether the Government did not heed this proposal by setting the deadline at June 30 and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Ministry proposes to publish the Draft EIA notification, 2020 in various regional languages;

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

(e) the details regarding the number of suggestions, comments received by the Government from various State Governments;

(f) whether the Government proposes to publish all the comments received, if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government to mitigate environmental impact from strategic projects that are exempted from EIA and to ensure transparency of projects exempted from EIA?

Display of Anti-tobacco Messages

3237. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to include on-demand streaming platforms under the 2012 Rules [G.S.R. 786 (E)];

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

(c) whether any steps have been taken to ensure that on-demand streaming platforms are complying with 2012 Rules [G.S.R. 786 (E)] regarding display of anti-tobacco messages; and

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

Budget Allocation for Government Hospitals in Delhi

†3238. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the total budget allocation made for central hospitals situated in Delhi during the Financial Year 2019-20, hospital-wise;

(b) the details of allocations made separately for salary/administrative expenditure and for improvement in health related supply and for capital building;

(c) the number of patients treated during the Financial Year 2019-20 in these hospitals, hospital-wise; and

(d) the manner in which best international facilities of health sectors are being adopted in these hospitals?

Beds dedicated for COVID patients

3239. SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of beds dedicated for COVID-19 patients, oxygen masks and ICU beds available item-wise and State/UT-wise;

(b) whether reports or instances of non-availability of beds have been reported from different States/UTs and if so, details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has carried out any assessment on the impact of repurposing beds in hospitals and shutting down of OPDs for patients other than that of COVID-19 and if so, the details thereof?

Merger of Film Entities

3240. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering any proposal to merge National Film Development Corporation, Children's Film Society of India, Directorate of Film Festivals and Films Division of India into a single entity to restructure resources; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Drug Resistance

3241. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the list of bacteria/viruses found in the country that have shown signs of drug resistance in various studies carried out by ICMR or other agencies during the last three years along with the reasons for said resistance;

(b) the action taken by the Government in consultation with State/UTs and other entities to contain this rising trend; and

(c) whether Government intends to send advisory to MCI, IMA, State Governments to curb the tendency of advising antibiotics unnecessarily to patients thereby making them drug resistant, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

National Cancer Registry Programme Report, 2020

3242. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:
SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Council of Medical Research in its Report has estimated 13.9 lakhs cancer cases in the country by the end of 2020, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(b) whether tobacco related cancers are estimated to contribute 27.1 percent of the total cases in the current year, if so, the details thereof and the preventive measures being taken in this regard;

(c) whether according to National Cancer Registry Programme Report, 2020, the cancer cases in the country are likely to be increased to 15.6 lakhs by 2025, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is aware that the cost of treatment for cancer is not affordable for common man, if so the reaction of the Government thereto and the manner in which the Government proposes to address this issue?

AYUSH Facilities in Rural Areas

†3243. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether adequate AYUSH facilities are available in the country particularly in rural areas and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has any specific plan to open AYUSH hospitals/centres in the country particularly in rural areas;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and stream-wise;

(d) the number of proposals received for opening AYUSH hospitals/centres, State/UT-wise from various States including Bihar; and

(e) the details of the progress made in action taken so far in this regard?

COVID-19 Patients with Co-morbidities

3244. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY
NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that deaths of many COVID-19 patients are being recorded as caused by other pre-existing conditions co-morbidities;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including daily number of such cases and causes of death stated, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the details of daily testing rates in the country and reasons due to which they are much lower than other countries with high number of infections like USA, Brazil, etc.?

Low Fatality Rate for COVID-19

3245. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:
SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has maintained a low Fatality Rate and higher recovery rate than the global average for COVID-19 cases, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the measures taken to ensure that COVID healthcare facilities are not under pressure and stretched;

(c) whether the COVID-19 containment plan in the country is on the right track and successful, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Russia has requested for India's help in manufacturing vaccine and conducting Phase-III studies in India, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether there is an exponential increase in the Tests Per Million Population and a number of States are performing more test per million than the National Average, if so, the details thereof?

National Commission for Women

†3246. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is lack of adequate powers vested in National Commission for Women to look into the complaints of women;

(b) if so, whether more powers are needed to tackle the present problems faced by women and if so, the action taken thereon;

(c) whether any Committee has been constituted to empower women so as to acknowledge their problems and redress them adequately;

(d) whether the said Committee instituted to empower women has given any report to the Government, if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and

(e) the main recommendation of the said Committee?

Funds Allocated under Various Schemes

3247. SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated under various schemes of the Ministry, State/UT-wise, including Uttar Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the details of funds granted/released under various schemes, during said period, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the details of funds utilized/unutilized during these years, State-wise?

Increase in COVID Tests

†3248. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken measures to increase the testing of Corona;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has launched new projects for diagnosis/treatment of COVID-19 and other serious incurable diseases in various laboratories of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and in other autonomous institutions of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the amount of funds spent thereon till date?

Crackdown on Illegal/Counterfeit AYUSH Products

3249. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any instructions/note to AYUSH manufacturers against flooding the markets with products claiming to have anti-Covid-19 properties;

(b) if so, the details thereof the measures taken by the Government to crackdown on those manufacturers indulging in such malpractices; and

(c) the total number of cases registered against erring manufactures for such misleading COVID-19 related claims including name of the Ministry on the labels and containers of AYUSH products?

Capacity of Bed in Government Hospitals in Delhi

3250. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government intends to increase the capacity of beds in the Government hospitals in

New Delhi such as AIIMS, Safdarjung Hospital, RML Hospital, etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any law which creates an obligation upon the hospital to admit the patients in cases of emergency; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Classification of Earthquake Zones

†3251. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has classified any areas/regions/zones where earthquakes are most likely to occur in future; and

(b) if so, the details of these areas/regions/zones and the criteria adopted for such classification?

Irregularities by Private Hospitals under AB-PMJAY

†3252. SHRI DULAL CHAND GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued specific guidelines/directions to private hospitals for treatment of beneficiaries of Ayushman Bharat Yojana and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is aware of/has received complaints of private hospitals charging money illegitimately from the card holders of Ayushman Bharat Yojana;

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the necessary steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard;

(d) whether there is any monitoring mechanism under Ayushman Bharat Yojana to oversee these hospitals and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of patients benefitted from Ayushman Bharat Yojana in the country including in Katihar district of Bihar?

Growth of Print Media

3253. SHRI DEVUSINH JESINGHBHAI CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian print media including regional newspapers have shown healthy growth in recent years;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of newspapers published, State/UT-wise including Gujarat;

(c) whether cases of alleged malpractices by certain regional newspapers have been reported; and

(d) if so, the details of such cases reported and action taken thereon, State/UT-wise including in Gujarat during each of the last three years and the current year?

Medium of Communication during Virtual Seminars

3254. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken notice of the representation made by several public representatives from Tamil Nadu before the Ministry regarding certain comments made by a senior official of the Ministry during a virtual seminar;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken on the said representation;

(c) the medium of communication in which conference, seminars, virtual meeting should be conducted by the Ministries to the Non-Hindi speaking States; and

(d) whether senior officials like secretaries can be appointed via lateral entry without being fluent in English and if so, the details thereof?

Environmental Clearance for Projects

3255. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that many projects such as irrigation/water projects, mines projects, airport etc. are pending due to environmental clearance in Chandrapur district of Maharashtra;

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

(c) the steps taken by Government to provide speedy clearances to these projects?

Marriageable Age of Girls

3256. SHRI CHIRAG KUMAR PASWAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to change marriageable age of girls; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the key points of the said proposal and if not, the reasons therefor?

Treatment Packages under PMJAY

3257. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA: DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of treatment packages being covered under PMJAY Scheme;

(b) whether the Government is planning to include more treatment packages under this Scheme and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the Government has received any proposals from the States including Tamil Nadu in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the time by which these are likely to be included?

Conversion of Forest Lands into Reserve Lands

3258. SHRI P. RAVEENDRANATH KUMAR: SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated the process of conversion of Forest villages into revenue villages across the country under "The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006";

(b) if so, the details along with the present status thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) the issues faced by the Government in this regard especially in the State of Maharashtra; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken to ensure accurate wild animal census-mechanism and to improve reliability?

Forecasting and Prevention of Floods

3259. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI ARUN SAO: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:

SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL: DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL: SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL: SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the technology adopted by the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) for forecasting and prevention of floods;

(b) the technology being used in the country in comparison to the international standards;

(c) whether the Government proposes to forecast and avert the widespread devastation due to floods through the existing forecasting technology;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the proposal received by the Government during the last three years in this regard?

Medical Colleges at District level

3260. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to set up at least one medical college in each district in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the status of implementation of the said decision as on date;

(c) the details of new medical colleges sanctioned/ under construction/functional under the said decision along with the districts which have not been covered so far, State/UT-wise, particularly in Telangana and Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) the funds allocated for each such college and the status of actual utilization thereof?

Plastic Waste Management

3261. SHRI RAJU BISTA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that 'The Himalayan Cleanup' programme organized annually across twelve Himalayan states (including Darjeeling region) since 2018 has identified plastic as being responsible for 97 percent of garbage collected, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that the one-way flow of plastics into the mountains is reversed;

(c) the reasons for phasing out 'Extended Producers Responsibility' in 2018 from the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016;

(d) whether the Government is considering to develop a uniform Extended Producers Responsibility in the country, with special attention to mountainous regions as there are no proper solid waste management facilities; and

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

Cruelty against Animals

‡3262. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of rise in incidence of cruelty against animals across the country during the period under lockdown;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken against culprits involved in these acts;

(c) whether the Government proposes to enact any stringent law to take action against the culprits involved in such heinous acts against animals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Elimination of Lymphatic Filariasis

‡3263. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government under 'Call to action to Eliminate Lymphatic Filariasis by 2021' has initiated steps/ measures to prevent the tropical disease of Lymphatic Filariasis;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether special provisions have been made for the people of tropical and sub tropical zones, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the further steps taken by the Government to eradicate the disease?

AYUSH Hospitals and Panchakarma Clinics

3264. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of AYUSH Hospitals and Panchakarma clinics currently functional/proposed to be established

‡Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

in the country, State/UT-wise and district-wise including tribal areas in Maharashtra;

(b) whether the Government has assessed the performance of these hospitals/clinics;

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

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Empowerment of Women and Development of Children

‡3265. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes and programmes implemented by the Government for the empowerment of women and development of children in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, scheme-wise, State-wise and district-wise;

(b) the details of the monitoring mechanism set up by the Government to ensure effective implementation of the said schemes; and

(c) the amount spent thereon during the last three years?

Measures to Reduce Child Mortality Rate

3266. MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:
SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data with regard to the new born/child mortality rate in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last five years, State/UT-wise;

(c) the various steps taken by the Government to reduce new born or child mortality rate in the country; and

(d) whether the Government has taken any special steps to reduce the new born/child mortality rate in the North East India, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan, Tripura and other States in North East India?

Make-in-India Programme

3267. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA
KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Make-in-India programme has been introduced by the Government in weaving sector;

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

(c) the sops and concessions being given to weaving community to help them sustain their livelihoods and if so, the details thereof?

Nagar Van Scheme

3268. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement Nagar Van scheme to develop 200 Urban Forests across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the purpose and objectives of this scheme;

(d) the time by which the scheme is likely to be implemented; and

(e) the total budget allocation and source of funds for implementation of the scheme?

Impact of COVID-19 on Child Marriages

3269. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of domestic violence and child marriage complaints registered between April-September 2020, compared with the number of such complaints registered in the same time period during the last year, State/UT-wise/lockdown zone wise;

(b) whether the Government has formulated a specific policy to address the impact of COVID-19 on instances of domestic violence and child marriage, and if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of functional One Stop Centres (Sakhi Centres), State/UT-wise;

(d) the number of women who have availed the services of the One Stop Centre and the Universalisation of Women Helpline scheme between April-September 2020, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the current budgetary allocation of the aforementioned schemes and the utilisation thereof?

Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan

‡3270. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether many private medical practitioners have provided free check up and free treatment to the pregnant women in their clinics/nursing homes once in a month under Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA);

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

(c) the number of women benefitted so far from the said scheme particularly in Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to honour and encourage private medical practitioners for extending such essential ante-natal care?

Healthcare Facilities for Poor

†3271. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal to recognise and permit the Medical College in Parbhani of Maharashtra to provide Medical facilities/services to cater to the healthcare requirement of poor patients who cannot afford treatment in premium hospitals;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up affordable hospitals/healthcare centres in rural areas/districts/towns/villages for serving to the healthcare need of poor people; and

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

Insurance premium for AB-PMJAY

3272. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is paying huge amount of premiums to the insurance companies for Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Jan Arogya Yojna (AB-PMJAY);

(b) if so, details of the premium paid to the insurance companies in last two years;

(c) whether very few COVID patients are getting the benefit of AB-PMJAY in the country, especially in Mumbai and Thane district, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) the number of card holders and COVID patient benefitted from AB-PMJAY scheme till date in Mumbai and Thane?

Strategy to Fight COVID-19 Pandemic

3273. SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:
SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared any special strategy to fight COVID-19 pandemic in States like Karnataka and Delhi;

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

(c) whether there is acute shortage of COVID-19 hospitals in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether there is any statistics available on the COVID-19 hospitals in rural and remote districts across the country and if so, the details thereof?

Workers on Contractual Basis in AIR/DD

3274. SHRI SELVAM G.:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria fixed by Prasar Bharati to engage workers on contract basis;

(b) the number of workers engaged on contract basis for various posts by All India Radio and Doordarshan during each of the last three years and the current year along with terms and conditions of their engagement, category-wise;

(c) whether many of these contract workers have given long years of their service in AIR and DD but have been denied regular employment and basic facilities and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to regularize them and if so, the details thereof including the time-frame fixed in this regard; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor along with the other steps taken by the Government to extend all facilities to deserving contract workers?

Government Advertisements

3275. SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide all advertisements of Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) and Ministries to small and medium scale newspapers, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the major details of policy/criteria adopted by Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) regarding Government advertisements, publications and other publicity material during each of the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the expenditure incurred by DAVP on advertisements in newspapers, magazines and electronic media has declined drastically and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the corrective steps taken in this regard;

(d) whether DAVP has reviewed or proposes to review the media/publicity strategy of the Government and its Departments particularly in the light of the technological advancements and the latest trends in the media and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Union Government proposes to conduct an independent study to gauge the impact of Government advertisements on people and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to rationalize expenditure on account of advertisements by the DAVP and if so, the measures taken and the success achieved so far in this regard?

Domestic Violence Against Women

3276. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Commission for Women has recorded spike in domestic violence against women amid lockdown and the violence has become more severe if so, the details thereof and reaction of the Government thereto; and

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

Prediction of Natural Calamities

3277. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated any specific project to predict well in advance the cyclones, earthquakes and tsunami occurring in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the project and the manner in which the project will be beneficial during cyclones, earthquakes and tsunami;

(c) whether the Indian Meteorological Department is set to launch an end-to end prediction system for predicting thunderstorms/lightning;

(d) if so, the details and the salient features thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for strengthening its observational network to reduce the human losses during the natural calamities in the country?

Forest Cover on Private Property

3278. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for private individuals to grow forest on their large estates in order to increase forest cover;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any study has been conducted to check feasibility and outcome of such practices;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the total forest area on private property across the country?

Quality and Safety Standards of Vaccines

3279. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures adopted by the Government to uphold quality and safety standards of the vaccine and ensure affordability at every stage of the fast-track procedure to combat the COVID-19 virus;

(b) whether such flexibility be limited to companies that have already concluded an agreement with the Government or the efforts will be made to find the best vaccine, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the manner in which the Government is likely to ensure fair distribution of vaccine based on population figures?

Ban on Fast Food

3280. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:
SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fast food habits in school children are rapidly rising;

(b) if so, whether FSSAI has urged the Government to ban fast food outlets in schools immediately;

(c) whether the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) has issued any instructions to State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR) regarding inspection of schools on the direction of FSSAI;

(d) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of schools inspected by NCPCR and SCPCR and the ground realities observed thereof; and

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

Increase in Urban Forest Area

‡3281. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:
SHRI MOHAN MANDAVI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and names of the schemes to increase urban forest area during the last two years;

(b) whether the Government is striving to promote plantation across the country; and

(c) if so, the outcome thereof, State/UT-wise?

Schemes relating to Empowerment of Women

‡3282. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating a scheme for the skill development of women and children;

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

(c) the number of women beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(d) the details of schemes proposed for the empowerment of women; and

(e) the details of the improvement in literacy level of young girls/women across the country under 'Beti Bachao-Beti Padhao' Scheme, State/UT-wise?

Acquisition of Forest Land

‡3283. SHRI AJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of families in Uttarakhand displaced due to calamities who could not be rehabilitated because of non-availability of land;

(b) whether Uttarakhand Government has sent any proposal to the Union Government regarding acquisition of forest land, if so, the details of the action taken thereon; and

(c) if not, whether the Government has sought/proposes to seek any proposal in this regard from the State and if so, the details thereof?

Development/Promotion of Science & Technology

‡3284. SHRI SANTOSH PANDEY:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO
MANE:
SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any schemes/projects for development/promotion of Science and Technology (S&T) in various States of the country including Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether such schemes/projects will help in generation of employment opportunities and also promote self-employment among unemployed youth in this field and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds allocated and released for these schemes/projects, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether Non-Governmental Organisations/Voluntary Organisations are also engaged in the implementation of these schemes; and

(e) if so, the details of such organisations and the details of funds granted to them during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra?

Implementation of Mission Parivar Vikas Programme

3285. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing Mission Parivar Vikas programme in 145 high focussed districts with the highest Total Fertility Rate (TFR);

(b) the status of implementation of the said programme along with the results derived thereunder so far;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to address high TFR in the selected districts including those of Jharkhand; and

(d) the challenges being faced by the Government in providing family planning services and access to quality contraceptives?

Biodiversity Parks

†3286. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the biodiversity parks in Rajasthan, location-wise;

(b) the details of the benefits availed by the local people on account of the said parks; and

(c) the details of the proposals of new biodiversity parks in Rajasthan lying pending with the Government?

Data on COVID-19 Deaths

†3287. SHRI ARUN SAO:
SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the fact that the fear of Corona virus is increasing in the public due to broadcast of daily statistics of the infected people by media, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is collecting any data regarding deaths due to Corona and deaths due to co-morbidities aggravated by Corona;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is making any comparative assessment of the data of death reported prior to COVID-19 period and those caused during the pandemic, if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

Kidnapping and Theft of Children

†3288. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken efforts to check kidnapping and theft of children;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of missing children and those rescued during the last three years?

Measures to Address Malnutrition

3289. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that malnutrition is responsible for two-third of child deaths in India;

(b) if so, whether there is an urgent need to focus on National Nutrition Mission to address the situation effectively along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has taken up the matter with the States to pay special attention towards effective implementation of the Poshan Abhiyaan, a programme launched with the aim of reducing levels of stunting, under nutrition, anemia and low birth weight in children;

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

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to address the malnutrition problems in the country?

New Broadcasting Kendras

3290. SHRI B.B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to set up new broadcasting kendras for the purpose of providing broadcasting facilities in far-flung and remote areas of the country including Telangana;

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

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Sterlite Copper Plant

3291. SHRI P.K. KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Madras High Court has ordered the closure of Sterlite Copper Plant in Thoothukudi district of Tamil Nadu and the

State Government was directed to initiate action against officers of State Pollution Control Board;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State Pollution Control Board is considering to close/shut down the Red Category Industries currently operational in Thoothukudi district in view of the aforementioned directions and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the names and details of Red Category Industries operational in Thoothukudi along with the nature of pollutants discharged/emitted by them, industry-wise?

Stem Cell Research

3292. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of stem cell research undertaken in the country during each of the last three years and the current year along with the achievement made thereunder;

(b) whether the Government is extending the desired support and encouragement to stem cell treatment/therapy which is effective for treatment of cancer and life threatening diseases and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and the corrective steps taken in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has not issued adequate financial allocation for stem cell research which is drastically affecting stem cell research in the country and if so, the quantum of funds released during each of the last three years and the current year for the purpose;

(d) whether the Government has issued any guidelines to regulate stem cell research in the country and if so, the details thereof and the cases of violation of the guidelines reported and the action taken thereon;

(e) the details of the hospitals/institutions/research organizations where stem cell research and therapy are available in the country; and

(f) the measures being taken by the Government to encourage stem cell research and therapy for the benefit of critically ill patients?

Anganwadi Workers in Tamil Nadu

3293. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Anganwadi Centres currently operational in the backward areas of Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the role of the number of Anganwadi workers who have been roped in to track COVID-19 patients in view of the rising number of Corona virus cases in Tamil Nadu;

(c) whether the Government is also aware that these workers are hardly being provided with any personal protective equipment such as masks and sanitisers; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Tex Fund

3294. SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:
SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:
SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has announced a Tex-Fund, a venture capital fund by Ministry of Textiles and SIDBI and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether any investments under this fund have been made to textile enterprises in the country including Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and if not, the reasons therefor?

SARS COV-2

3295. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:
MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to a medical study, neurons located in the nose may be entry points of SARS-COV2 to brain, if so, the details thereof along with number of patients found with such symptoms;

(b) whether the Government has initiated an exercise to document data on post-COVID-19 complications, if so, the details thereof along with questionnaire prepared for such survey; and

(c) whether AIIMS has highlighted the need to have post-COVID clinics at all tertiary care hospitals to cater to the recovered patients facing health issues, if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

Trafficking of New Born Babies

‡3296. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether several cases of trafficking of new born babies to Nepal and their subsequent sale have been reported from various parts of the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes any concrete or strict steps to check the illegal trafficking of new born babies;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these steps are likely to be taken; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Solid Waste Management

3297. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated new Rules for effective implementation of Solid Waste Management (SWM);

(b) if so, the details and major highlights of the new rules; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to launch a massive awareness campaign in association with communities to push for better implementation of SWM Rules and if so, the details thereof?

Community Health Centres

3298. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA
KRISHNA RAJU:
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up Health and Wellness Centres in all rural areas of the Country by 2022 with an objective to develop healthcare facilities for rural population and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the present status of Community Health Centres (CHCs) in the country, State/UT-wise especially in Santhal Pargana in Jharkhand;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to upgrade these health centres; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Measures to Promote Powerlooms in Andhra Pradesh

3299. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:
SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA
KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of powerlooms in the country including Andhra Pradesh, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of schemes/programmes implemented by the Government for assistance of powerlooms in the country, State/UT-wise and scheme-wise;

(c) whether the amount of funding released to powerlooms in Andhra Pradesh has decreased since 2006-07, if so, the reasons therefor and the status of funds provided during the last five years and the current year, year-wise and district-wise; and

(d) whether the Government is contemplating on development of powerloom sector in the country by setting up a Venture Capital Fund under the administration of Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), if so, the details thereof and the aims and objectives of the proposed Venture Capital Fund?

Training of Forest Officers

†3300. SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has framed any comprehensive policy to train forest officers about the latest scientific and technological development in the field of forestry, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received proposals from the States regarding setting up of a forest academy for the said purpose;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the names of such States which have forwarded their proposals;

(d) whether the funds have been allocated to these States in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Illegal/Unlawful detention of children

3301. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any children have been detained illegally in jails or otherwise or have been abused by the law enforcement agencies for protesting against CAA etc.;

(b) if so, the total number and details of such students, detained, abused, tortured State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the students have been denied right to protest on any issues across the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps been taken to ensure their safety and right to protest?

Forest Area in Chhattisgarh

†3302. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total forest area in Chhattisgarh in hectares;

(b) the details of the increase/decrease in the said forest area from the year 2015 as on date; and

(c) the details of the funds released by the Union Government to Chhattisgarh for increasing forest area during the years 2017-18 and 2018-19?

Cultivation of Medicinal Plants

†3303. SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified any land/part to cultivate conventional and herbal medicinal plants that contribute to preparing herbal and other medicines across the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Urban Forest Scheme

3304. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has announced new Urban Forest Scheme in recent past;

(b) if so, the details and the features of the said scheme;

(c) the quantum of funds allocated for this purpose;

(d) the details of the States likely to be covered under this scheme; and

(e) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Construction of Hostels for Working Women

3305. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria set for sanction of financial assistance for the construction of hostels for working women;

(b) whether the Government has formulated any action plan for construction of such hostels to meet the rising demand and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any proposal from State of Karnataka in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the present status of the said proposal?

Multidrug Resistant TB

†3306. SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as of 2019, India has the largest number of individuals suffering from drug-resistant versions of tuberculosis, like multidrug resistant tuberculosis, extensively-drug resistant tuberculosis and the totally drug-resistant tuberculosis, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that delay in treatment is another major factor for deaths due to tuberculosis in India;

(c) if so, the action proposed by the Government to overcome this social stigma and lack of access to sound and affordable medical care; and

(d) other steps taken/being taken by the Government to prevent drug resistant TB through timely intervention and awareness generation in this regard?

Research Institutions in Rural and Naxalite Affected Areas

†3307. SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed/proposes to set up research institutions in the field of science and technology in rural and naxalite affected areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which such a proposal is likely to be materialised; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

'Black Wheat'

3308. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Agri Food Biotechnology Institute, Mohali has the patent of nutritious 'Black Wheat' and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the said crop is already being cultivated by some States on trial basis;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the response thereto; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to issue notification under Seed Act to start commercial farming of nutritious 'Black Wheat' in the country and if so, the time by which it is likely to be notified along with the areas where Government proposes to cultivate the said crop, State/UT-wise?

Improvement in Healthcare Infrastructure for COVID-19

3309. MS. S. JOTHIMANI:
SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:
DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of healthcare infrastructure and services in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to revamp/overhaul the health infrastructure and health security nets in view of the shortcomings in the health services if so, the details thereof and immediate steps taken by the Government for improving the healthcare infrastructure and to effectively deal with COVID-19 pandemic, State/UT-wise;

(c) the funds allocated to Government hospitals for COVID-19 and invested in creating PHCs, Government hospitals and Government medical colleges State/UT-wise especially in Tamil Nadu;

(d) whether the Government has drawn any action plan to expand testing and contact tracing massively, pay infected people to quarantine, protect staff in the hospitals from infection so that these facilities do not become hotspots of transmission, and invest in data, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether Government is aware that public financing of universal health care would substantially free Indians to use their money better, if so, the details thereof and the efforts made/to be made by the Government in this regard?

World Sickle Cell Day

3310. SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI SELVAM G:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has observed World Sickle Cell Day and if so, the details thereof along with the theme of the event and initiatives taken by the Government to make the event successful;

(b) the number of cases of sickle cell disease that have been reported from various parts of the country including Tamil Nadu during each of the last three years and the steps taken to control the disease;

(c) whether the Government has provided any financial assistance for the prevention and elimination of this disease by launching National Sickle Cell Anemia Control Programme and for setting up pre-natal counselling and early intervention centre to prevent the transfer of genetic diseases and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other steps taken by the Government for early diagnosis, prevention and control of sickle cell disease in the country?

Violation of Environmental Norms in Chardham Pariyojana

3311. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has sought responses from the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways and the State Government of Uttarakhand over the reported violations of the Forest Conservation Act during the construction of Chardham Pariyojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Centre has examined the report of Ravi Chopra Committee, appointed by the Supreme Court to assess and determine the extent of the environmental impact of the project on the fragile Himalayan ecosystems; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Data on Treated COVID-19 Patients

3312. SHRIMATI NUSRAT JAHAN RUHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains any data on the number of COVID-19 patients treated in Government and private hospitals till date; and

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

Prevention of Animal Casualties on Railway Tracks/Crossings

3313. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that many wild animals including elephants get killed while crossing railway tracks passing through different reserve sanctuaries in Odisha;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of incidents that have been reported during the last five years including the measures taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government is considering to create special corridors for animal movement across railway tracks by regulating the movement of trains passing through sanctuaries/setting up elevated tracks along the route; and

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

Scheme for Modernisation of Jute Mills

3314. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been implementing/implemented Incentive Scheme for Acquisition of Plant & Machinery (ISAPM) for modernisation of Jute Mills;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the challenges faced by the Government and remedial measures taken thereon including subsidy provided so far, State-wise and mill-wise;

(c) whether CAG has raised several concerns on deficiency in implementation of ISAPM in its audit report, if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether there is need for Government to enable Jute Industry to focus more on diversification product manufacturing to become viable and offer sustainable alternative to plastics and if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether monitoring system under the ISAPM scheme has been less effective in its implementation and if so, the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government for strengthening the institutional monitoring mechanism under the scheme?

Measures to Promote Silk Industry

†3315. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:
SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:
SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the pitiable condition of the workers of silk industry in the country, particularly in Bhagalpur district of Bihar and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken any steps/introduced schemes for the development and promotion of Silk Industry in the country, if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated and utilized under the schemes during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and scheme-wise; and

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps for technical upgradation of export promotion of the silk industry, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with details of the export done by the silk industry during each of the last three years and the current year?

Export of Indian Textile Products

3316. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is one of the largest exporters of textiles and apparel in the world and the textile industry contributes significantly to the country's economy and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the total value of Indian textiles exported and earnings therefrom during the last five years, category-wise and year-wise?

Priority for Distribution of COVID-19 Vaccine

†3317. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any strategy for the fair distribution of COVID-19 vaccine after its development;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the manner in which priority is likely to be given to the poor, deprived and the rural people; and

(d) the details of the policy under which vaccine is to be made available to the States?

Man-Animal Conflicts

†3318. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:
SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:
SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to restrict humans from using areas meant for wildlife for commercial activities to prevent encroachment of the wildlife habitat and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is aware of a rise in incidence of man-animal conflicts resulting in number of human and animal casualties, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is drawing up better compensation schemes for farmers who stand to lose crops to animals in order to curb wildlife killing in view of recent incident involving the death of an elephant in Kerala;

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

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

Personnel Engaged in NPCDCS

3319. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of personnel were engaged under National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) in the country, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan in 2015, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the various reports available with the Government along with the status of its/their implementation, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to employ the personnel in the National Ayurveda Mission or any other programmes in order to benefit the health services and minimize unemployment thereby; and

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

Payment of Salaries to Health Care Personnel

3320. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note that there is delay in payment of salaries and dues to healthcare personnel, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made arrangements to provide alternate accommodation and lodging facilities to these frontline medical healthcare personnel; and

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

National Board of Wildlife

3321. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of meetings conducted by National Board of Wildlife (NBWL) since 2014, year-wise;

(b) the number of wildlife clearances granted for various projects by the NBWL since 2014, year-wise;

(c) the maximum legally sanctioned number of independent members on the Board; and

(d) the number of independent members currently serving on the Board?

Linguistic Discrimination by OTT Platform

3322. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of an Odia movie pulled down from an OTT platform recently without any formal communication;

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

(c) whether the Government considers it a matter of linguistic discrimination; and

(d) if so, the action taken in the matter so far?

Handloom Weavers Industrial Co-operative Societies

3323. SHRI N. REDDEPPA:

SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been adequate supply of inputs and increased coverage of rural artisans by the Handloom Weavers Industrial Co-operative Societies in Andhra Pradesh during the last five years, if so, the details thereof, especially in Chittoor district;

(b) whether the Government has any data on the working capital available with the said cooperative societies and if so, the details thereof during the said period especially in Chittoor district of Andhra Pradesh;

(c) whether the Government has identified the number of handloom weavers in the State of Maharashtra and if so, the total number of such identified weavers;

(d) the total number of sick cooperative societies meant for handloom weavers as on date as well as the schemes being run to revive them;

(e) whether the Government is aware of the inflow of printed duplicate sarees being supplied by the mills replicating the designs of the handloom products resulting in severe damage to the handloom sector; and

(f) if so, the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Patients Afflicted by Cancer and Heart Diseases

†3324. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has got any survey conducted to ascertain the number of patients of cancer and heart diseases in the country;

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

(c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to check cancer and heart diseases, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of financial aid provided by the Government during the last three years, disease and State/UT-wise including Rajasthan?

Measures to Promote Research and Innovation in Technical Textiles

3325. SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating an increase in the outlay under Research, Innovation and Development considering the increased global and local demand of PPE kits and other protective technical textiles and the urgent need of innovation in this sector, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether the Government is planning to give priority to the said components considering the urgency of specific research in technical textiles in the field of medicine and if so, the details thereof?

Projects in Islands

3326. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether special permission and clearance is required to setup industries and or projects in the islands and in the deep sea areas of the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that apart from environment feasibility, seismographic and volcano-seismic signals clearance compliance report are required to set up such projects therein; and

(c) if so, the details of clearance certificate issued during last three years and if not, the reasons therefor?

Measures to check Climate Change

†3327. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

MS. DIYA KUMARI:

SHRI NISITH PRAMANIK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating a new national scheme/action plan to deal with the problems like environmental degradation and ill effects on human health arising due to climate change;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to spread awareness about climate change along with the funds allocated to tackle climate change during the last three years, State/UT-wise; and

(d) whether the proposed Schemes/Plans have been State specific, if so, the details of any plan including protection of biodiversity of Sunderbans?

Recruitment in AIIMS, Rishikesh

3328. KUMARI AGATHA K. SANGMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints that faculty posts reserved for SC/ST and OBC in AIIMS, Rishikesh have been filled by the Unreserved category candidates and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the action has been taken against the authorities for violation of the reservation norms and if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not the reasons therefor;

(d) the category-wise and department-wise details of sanctioned posts and filled up posts of faculties in AIIMS, Rishikesh;

(e) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that in some departments of AIIMS, Rishikesh, recruitment to more faculty posts has been done *vis-a-vis* the sanctioned posts; and

(f) if so, the details of action taken in this regard?

Externally Aided Projects

3329. SHRI VINDO KUMAR SONKAR:
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
DR. SUKAMTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has been implementing various externally aided projects across the country;

(b) if so, the details of ongoing projects including funding agency, costs, outcome etc. State-wise along with the details of such projects under consideration so far;

(c) whether any proposals/projects of State Government are pending with the Ministry and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any monitoring mechanism to evaluate outcome of these projects to avoid time and cost overrun; and

(e) if so, details thereof?

Technology Business Incubator

3330. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish technology business incubator without any educational-institutional support; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the Technological areas identified to establish such technology business incubator?

Holistic Development of Rural Women

3331. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched any new schemes during the last three years with special focus on holistic development of rural women across the country particularly in Bihar, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of the financial allocations made under these new schemes, State/UT-wise?

Critical Care Medical Devices

3332. SHRI T.R. BAALU:
SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:
DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any action plan to make India one of the global hubs for medical devices manufacturing and distribution considering the potential market base of this industry within the country and also globally and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is aware that most of the domestic medical device industry players are not even near to their global counterparts in terms of Research and Development (R&D) facilities, manufacturing units and matching up to the universal quality and safety standards, if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures taken by the Government to tackle this problem;

(c) whether the Government has any plans to remove the additional cess from high-risk and critical care medical devices so that supply issues could be addressed and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government proposes to set up a separate regulatory body for medical devices and not to place it under CDSO, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether Government proposes to bring a separate bill to regulate Biomedical devices in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Unemployed Textile Workers

†3333. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of policy formulated by the Government for the rehabilitation of the work force rendered unemployed due to closure of textile units, State/UT-wise; and

(b) whether the Government has taken any steps to receive assistance from NIFT for making necessary arrangements to impart training to unemployed textile workers, if so, the details thereof and the action taken/being taken by the Government thereon?

National Immunization Schedule

3334. DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing National Immunisation Schedule (NIS) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that the emerging burden of iron-deficiency anemia, flagged by the 'India State Level Disease Burden Initiative' report, and cervical cancer, recommended by NTAGI, have not been addressed in the NIS; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Lemru Elephant Reserve Project

†3335. SHRIMATI GOMATI SAI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed/formulating any proposal for modernisation/upgradation of Lemru Elephant Reserve Project in Chhattisgarh which include Badalkhol, Tamor Pingla and the Semarsot Wildlife Sanctuary and Korba-Lemru forest reserve; and

(b) if so, whether the work of the said proposals has commenced and if so, the details of the works concluded as on date?

Clean-up Drive by National Centre for Coastal Research

3336. SHRI P.C. GADDIGOUDAR:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Centre for Coastal Research (NCCR) has conducted a clean up drive recently at various Sea-beaches in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the quantum of wastes collected through the drive, State/beach-wise;

(c) whether any steps are being taken or any awareness drive is being conducted to prohibit the tourists/visitors with regard to ensuring upkeep of beaches in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Hepatitis B

†3337. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:
SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any measure to prevent and curb spread of Hepatitis B;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any treatment available for the person infected by the deadly disease like Hepatitis B; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Aquatic Eco-system

3338. SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:
SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:
SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved any Projects under the National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Eco-systems (NPCA) in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the budgets allocated for such projects during the last three years?

Research Activities on COVID-19 Medicine

3339. PROF. SAUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has asked Pune Serum Institute to hold research activities on medicine/vaccine for COVID-19;

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

(c) whether the institute is likely to continue the research; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Surge in TB Cases

3340. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:
SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has expressed concern over the sixty percent decline in reporting/notification of TB cases during the lockdown period resulting in higher household transmission leading to spurt in cases, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has prepared a roadmap for normalizing TB disease eradication;

(c) if so, whether any instructions have been issued to the States to take remedial measures in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Patent for Yoga Postures/Mudras

†3341. SHRI SHANTANU THAKUR:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN
VAJESINGBHAI:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the measures taken by the Government to commence Yoga as a system of medicine;

(b) whether the Government has made efforts to secure patent for Yoga postures (Mudras);

(c) if so, the reasons for delay in securing patents; and

(d) the further steps taken by the Government to secure patent for Yoga postures (Mudras)?

Poaching and Illegal Wildlife Trade

3342. SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any measures to immediately stop poaching and illegal wildlife trade in various parts of the country amid Corona virus pandemic;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is adequately supporting the wildlife law enforcement agencies to protect them from additional burden in order to control poaching and arrest the poachers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Setting up of CGHS Wellness Centre at Karnal

†3343. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the requests for setting up a Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) allopathic dispensary/wellness centre at Karnal (Haryana) have been received from the concerned stakeholders and public representatives from time to time;

(b) if so, the details of the action taken so far in this regard;

(c) whether Karnal (Haryana) fulfils requisite norms for setting up such dispensary/wellness centre in view of the total number of Central Government pensioners and serving employees of the major institutions like National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI), Directorate of Wheat Research (DWR), Central Soil Salinity Research Institute (CSSRI) National Bureau of Animal Genetic Resources (NBAGR) and other regional offices of the Central Government Departments; and

(d) if so, the time by which such dispensary/wellness centre is likely to be opened in Karnal, Haryana?

Promotion of Traditional Medicine

3344. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to promote traditional medicine through education and skill development across the country and globally;

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

(c) whether the Government has recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the World Health Organisation (WHO) in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the target fixed for the same including the valuation of Export/Import?

World Rare Disease Day

3345. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has observed World Rare Disease Day, if so, the details thereof along with the theme of the event and initiatives taken by the Government to make the event successful;

(b) whether the Government has failed to control rare diseases in the country due to lack of concrete national policy, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that over 70 million people are affected by rare diseases in India and only 1 in 10 patients receives disease specific treatment, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has formulated a scheme that recommends genetic counselling, pre conception and antenatal screening to parents, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is working on the awareness and prevention programme against these genetic disorders, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government has evaluated the impact of such diseases on the life of people in the country and if so, the outcome thereof?

Migration of Wild Animals

3346. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether many wild animals migrated to higher places during the recent Assam Flood; and

(b) if so, the relief work undertaken by the Government for the rehabilitation of these wild animals especially One Horn Rhino?

Cashless facilities for CGHS beneficiaries

3347. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that several private hospitals empanelled under the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) have decided to suspend cashless services to the beneficiaries of this healthcare programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with dues of the hospitals, both private and Government Hospital to be cleared;

(c) whether the cashless services to Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme is also suspended by some private hospitals and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure uninterrupted cashless services to such beneficiaries?

High Incidence of Child Mortality Rate

†3348. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that India has the highest child mortality rate in the world;

(b) the total number of cases of child deaths during the last ten years; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to tackle the issue of high child mortality rate?

Increase in Number of Corona Cases in Rural Areas

3349. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of increase in the number of Corona cases in rural India, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken steps to equip the local dispensaries and Government hospitals to deal with the situation, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has undertaken any assessment of the situation at local levels;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT and district-wise; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Steps to Promote Textile Parks/Industrial Clusters

3350. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:

SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned schemes for setting up of Integrated Textile Parks/Mega Textile Parks in the country including in Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and district-wise along with the details of funds allocated and utilized for each of these parks indicating the time by which the said projects are likely to be completed;

(b) whether work in this regard have already been commenced, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise, district and site-wise including in Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu along with their present status and the number of fully functional parks;

(c) whether such projects will attract private/International investments and boost the employment opportunities and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is satisfied with the impact of the scheme on the promotion of industrial clusters, geographical agglomerations of firms and hubs

of production and if not, the corrective steps taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) the details of various mega textile parks to be taken up in near future under the said scheme, State/ UT-wise?

Training for Public Representatives

†3351. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the cognizance of Government that training is necessary for public representatives and communities besides Anganwadi workers, helpers and supervisors for implementation of the various schemes of the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has submitted a proposal to the Union Government for setting up of a State level training centre;

(d) if so, the present status of the said proposal along with the reasons for delay therein; and

(e) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be accorded approval?

Afforestation Programmes

3352. SHRI A. NARAYANA SWAMY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is providing funds to the States for implementation of afforestation programmes?

(b) if so, the details of such funds provided to various States during the last five years;

(c) the status of utilisation of such funds sanctioned to various States so far;

(d) whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the Centrally sponsored/supported afforestation programmes; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Insurance Cover for Frontline Health Workers

3353. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:
SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of insurance cover being implemented by the Government for frontline healthcare workers who face the highest risk of contracting COVID-19 infection

along with the categories of workers identified for this purpose;

(b) whether police personnel have not been included under the scheme, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the insurance scheme is going to expire in the month of September, 2020, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the decision has been taken by the Government to extend this scheme for further period; and

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

Ambulance Services under NRHM

†3354. SHRI MOHAN MANDAVI:
SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken by the Government to provide adequate ambulance services to deal with medical emergency situation, especially in rural areas;

(b) the total number of general and critical care ambulances provided under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) in the country, State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government is considering to formulate scheme for funding of ambulance services under NRHM; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Protected Areas under Wildlife Sanctuaries

3355. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:
SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the protected area covered by wildlife sanctuaries in India including the buffer zone in sq. kms as on March 31, 2014 and on August 31, 2020, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government is considering proposals to further reduce the protected area including the buffer zone of various wildlife sanctuaries in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof including the area proposed to be reduced?

Handloom Clusters

3356. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:
Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposals from the State Government of Telangana to sanction upto seven Block Level Clusters in Yadadri-Bhongir under National Handloom Development Programme between February and September 2020;

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

(c) the quantum of funds sanctioned, disbursed and utilised towards the existing nine Blocks in Telangana since their establishment, year-wise and Block-wise?

Measures to promote AYUSH

3357. SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes being implemented/ lying pending for promotion of Unani, Homoeopathy, Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy and the amount of funds allocated and utilized for the said purpose during the last three years;

(b) whether the Government proposes to allot any special amount of funds for promoting the said systems of medicine at several health centres across the country, State/UT-wise, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of Naturopathy and Yoga Hospitals empanelled by Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) and Delhi Government Employees Health Scheme (DGEHS) for Yoga & Naturopathy treatments/procedures in Delhi along with fixation of Package rates?

Allocation of Funds for Healthcare Expenditure

3358. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set a target to achieve 2.5 per cent expenditure on health by 2024-25 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the funds released by the Government/ Ministry of Finance, for the year 2020-21 for expenditure on health are grossly inadequate to meet the set targets and if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the Government proposes to achieve its targets;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the budget allocation for health and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to allocate more funds for healthcare in view of the ongoing pandemic and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the expenditure made thereon so far?

Measures to Control Cancer

3359. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cancer patients diagnosed, provided treatment, cured and died due to various types of cancer during the last five years, year-wise;

(b) whether Government has taken measures to control the trend of rising cancer patients in the country, specially in Delhi NCR; and

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

Imposing another Lockdown

†3360. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is widespread indication that Corona virus cases are going up, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to re-impose lockdown in future in view of the control on Corona cases due to initial lockdown, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which the Government proposes to increase the testing capacity in order to ascertain the likely number of Corona positive cases in the country?

Purchased of Ventilators

3361. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ventilators purchased by his Ministry from the different companies till August, 2020, month-wise;

(b) the cost per ventilator purchased from these companies;

(c) whether the ventilators supplied by the companies were being made available to hospitals before clearing quality checks and also without a review being undertaken by technical committee set up by the Directorate General of Health Services and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details including the dates of completion of approval process for the ventilators and the commencement of its supply to the hospital?

Research on Vedic Knowledge and Philosophy

†3362. SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether steps are being taken by the Government to conduct research on vedic knowledge, philosophy and principles of vedas while linking it with research on physics;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for the re-establishment/revival of ancient Indian science and technology?

Implementation of the Schemes for Women

3363. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed any special action plan to expedite implementation of the schemes for women and child welfare across the country; and

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

Setting up of Super Speciality Hospital /Trauma Centre in Salempur, Uttar Pradesh

†3364. SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to open any super speciality hospital or trauma centre in Salempur, Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Impact of AYUSH Medicines on COVID-19 Patients

3365. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has commissioned any clinical studies on the impact of AYUSH medicines on COVID-19 patients;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether the Government will consider the same and if so, the details thereof?

Serials Based on Black Magic

†3366. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of serials based on black magic, humbug and superstition are being telecast on Doordarshan and private channels;

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

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to ban such serials?

Short Term Pharmacy Course for Youths

3367. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to start short term pharmacy courses for youth, to enable them open medical shops to gain self employment;

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

(c) the details of the short term courses available under Skill Development Scheme in field of medicines and AYUSH;

(d) whether youths are able to get employment after completing these short term courses; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Manufacture of Sputnik Vaccine for COVID-19

3368. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Russian vaccine regulators have provided comprehensive data on the vaccine Sputnik's safety and efficacy, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Russian Government has sought help for manufacturing Sputnik vaccines, if so, the details of the domestic companies that have been shortlisted for participating in Sputnik vaccine manufacturing and their production capacity per day;

(c) whether there was any criteria that had been set to choose these companies, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Russian Government has sought help for conducting Phase 3 trials of the Sputnik vaccine, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether there are any standard operation procedure that has been set for the candidates who will be chosen for Phase-3 trial, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the areas shortlisted for the trial; and

(f) the manner in which India is likely to be benefitted by this collaboration?

Worst COVID-19 hit States

3369. SHRI ADHIKARI DEEPAK (DEV):

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the projections that the Government have on the eventual size of the pandemic in the country;

(b) the estimated number of COVID-19 cases in India by the end of the year and number of deaths likely to occur therefrom; and

(c) the details of the worst hit States/UTs and districts so far along with the number of deaths and tests per million conducted in these States/UTs/districts?

Deaths due to Malnutrition and Unclean Drinking Water

†3370. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who died due to malnutrition and unclean drinking water in backward and rural areas of the country, during last three years, especially in Maharashtra, year-wise/State/UT-wise; and

(b) the steps taken to check such kind of deaths?

Conservation of Forest Areas along Rapti River

†3371. SHRI RAMSHIROMANI VERMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme to conserve and protect the forest area and national

resources along the bank of Rapti river flowing through Shravasti and Balrampur districts including the likely benefits for the local population from the said scheme;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ICMR Report

3372. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:
SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:
SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Council of Medical Research submitted a report which has estimated that the lockdown would only help reduce the spread of COVID-19 by 20-25 percent;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken cognizance of the report;

(c) whether the Government believes that the lockdown has had an impact on reducing the spread of COVID-19; and

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

One Stop Centres for Women

†3373. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had approved the proposal for setting up of 189 additional One Stop Centres towards empowering women across the country in 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of said centres till date including Madhya Pradesh, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of services/facilities being provided to women at the said centres; and

(d) the number of women beneficiaries under the said scheme so far, State/UT-wise?

Appointment of Members in CBFC

3374. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has appointed some members in Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC)

and also in similar boards at state level during the previous year;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating their names;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the nomination process is likely to be started; and

(d) the details about the concerned nodal officials, criteria declared for the nomination and time duration fixed for the same?

Control of COVID-19

†3375. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines/advisories for prevention and control of COVID-19;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Impact of Prolonged Closure of Anganwadi Centres due to COVID-19

3376. SHRI RAHUL GANDHI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study was taken up by the Government to assess the adverse impact of the prolonged closure of Anganwadi centres due to the COVID-19 pandemic and its effect on children and pregnant/lactating women, especially in view of maintaining their nutrition and immunisation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the measures taken to ensure continued support to pregnant and lactating women under various schemes, including the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) during the lockdown;

(d) whether the Anganwadi workers have been provided additional resources/support to securely perform their COVID-19 related duties, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is providing additional incentives to Anganwadi workers in the light of their additional responsibilities during COVID-19 pandemic, if so, the details thereof?

Fair Distribution of COVID Vaccine

3377. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:
SHRI PRADAN BARUAH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any guidelines to ensure that citizens in high risk and co-morbid categories will get the vaccines on a priority basis;

(b) if so, the details of such guidelines formulated by the Government;

(c) whether the Government is relying only on the three indigenous COVID-19 vaccines being developed respectively by Bharat Biotech Limited, Serum Institute of India and Zydus Cadilla, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the frontline health workers are likely to be first ones to be vaccinated once the vaccination process begins and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the manner in which Government proposes to differentiate between healthcare workers in the public and private sector?

Establishment of Handloom Park in Tamil Nadu

3378. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to construct a Handloom park in Gudiyattam area of Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

COVID-19 Tests without Doctors' Prescription

†3379. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has allowed the general public to undergo COVID-19 test without the prescription of doctor in the National Capital Territory of Delhi, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether such an arrangement has also been made applicable in other States/UTs;

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

(d) whether the rates for private laboratories conducting COVID-19 tests have been fixed by the Government; and

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

Employment Opportunities for Women Researchers

3380. SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to create employment opportunities for women researchers by way of various programmes;

(b) the details of the said programmes along with the number of women researchers benefitted thereunder during the last three years, year-wise and programme-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to provide women with research opportunities coupled with employment; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Integrated Child Development Services

3381. DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme is reportedly being run by underpaid and untrained workers;

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

(c) the details of the programmes implemented under the ICDS scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the details of the funds allocated, released and its utilization reported by the States/UTs under the scheme during the said period?

Cancer Patients

†3382. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up new cancer centres/hospitals to fight against fatal diseases like cancer;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the timeline for setting up of such new centres/hospitals;

(d) whether the Government has invited proposals from the State/UTs or received proposals from States/UTs to set up new hospitals; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Global Rise in Temperature

3383. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI SHANTANU THAKUR:
SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN
VAJESINGBHAI:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of global rise in temperature especially in Indian Sub-Continent during each of the last five years and the current year and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether a large number of deaths due to intensive heat waves were reported in various parts of the country during the said period and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government conducted or proposes to conduct a detailed scientific study on the drought and heat wave phenomenon in various parts of the country;

(d) if so, the details and the outcome of the study;

(e) whether the Government has also assessed the impact of drought and intensive heat waves on human beings, water resources and agriculture across the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the remedial measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to address the issue?

Fake Practitioners of Ayurveda/Unani

3384. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken of rising number of fake Ayurveda practitioners across the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to curb this menace and encourage the practice of Ayurveda by genuine practitioners;

(c) whether the Government is considering to bring a Bill to check fake practitioners in Ayurveda and Unani; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Measures to Conserve Species

†3385. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether lot of species across the country are on the verge of extinction/in grave danger and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether International Union for Conservation of Nature has published any list of such endangered species;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any study to improve conservation and preservation of such species and if so, the outcome thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government for conservation and preservation of such species and the achievements made thereunder?

Regulation for Electronic Media

3386. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the Bombay High Court's observation that there is no statutory authority to regulate the working of electronic media and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether the Government proposes to create an independent regulatory authority backed by an act of Parliament to regulate the working of news channels and other digital content in the light of the unethical instances of media reporting in various criminal investigations and other legal adjudications and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government proposes to turn the Press Council of India into the Media Council of India by amending its Act and giving it regulatory powers to proscribe and penalise violation of Licensing obligations by TV channels and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Area under Green Cover

3387. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of total area across the country that have adequate green cover of trees and forest;

(b) the names of the States that have highest/lowest green cover across the country; and

(c) whether people are comparatively healthier in the more green coverage States than the States having less green coverage area; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Anganwadi Centres in Urban Areas

†3388. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether permission is accorded for setting up Anganwadi Centres in urban areas and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether maximum Anganwadi Centres in urban areas are being run in rented tenements and huge amount is incurred on payment of rent;

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

(d) whether paucity of space is hindering the services of Anganwadi Centres and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken in this regard to check issues arising out of paucity of space and costs incurred thereon?

Participation of Women in Management

3389. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the participation of women in top management roles in companies has increased over the past three years, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether such participation has generated higher profits for the firms, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor in view of the recent report released by the Credit Suisse Research Institute-companies attributing the greater participation of women in decision-making roles with higher profits;

(c) whether it is felt that India is ranked the second-lowest in Asia-Pacific region for female representation at senior management level, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the measures undertaken by the Government to address the issue?

Timely Payment of Salary to ASHA Workers

3390. SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:
SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of salaries given to ASHA Workers in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of the share of the Central and State Government in the monthly salary of ASHA Workers, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of average delay in payment of salaries to ASHA Workers in last three years and steps taken to ensure timely payment of salaries, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the ASHA workers of various states had gone on strike recently with the complaint of better payment, regularization, free healthcare and not being provided with PPE kits and if so, the details of action taken thereon, State/UT-wise; and

(e) whether the Government is planning to incentivise front line Primary Health Workers for their unmatched contribution in fighting the Corona virus Pandemic and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Monitoring of Air Pollution

3391. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has instituted measures for effective monitoring of air pollution levels in the metropolitan cities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to effectively control air pollution in the cities;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the cumulative number of farm fires that have contribute to air pollution in Northern India during the last five years, year-wise?

National Clean Air Programme

3392. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:
SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY:

NALAMADA:

ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

DR. MOHAMMED JAVED:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of polluting factory units, industries and power plants which have been identified

for violating emissions norms and their subsequent closure since 2014, State/UT-wise;

(b) the funds allocated/utilized on the National Clean Air Programme since its launch, year-wise; and

(c) the number of projects proposed, approved and operational under the National Clean Air Programme since its launch?

Acute Encephalitis Syndrome

3393. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a rise in Acute Encephalitis Syndrome (AES) cases in the country recently;

(b) if so, the number of children who died due to the said disease, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the hospital infrastructure in the country is adequate to deal with the medical emergency situation;

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

(e) whether any vaccine is available for AES and if so, the details thereof and the other preventive measures taken in this regard?

Unapproved/Illegal Genetically Modified (GM) Seeds

3394. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of development of illegal Genetically Modified (GM) soyabean, Bt brinjal and HT (Herbicide Tolerant) cotton cultivation across the country;

(b) if so, the details of the same;

(c) whether any accountability has been fixed for such illegal cultivation till date; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps being taken by the Government to ensure that there are deterrents on illegal leakage and spread of unapproved GM seeds in India?

Coastal Zone Regulations

3395. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Coastal Zone Regulations (CZR) 2019 are currently being implemented in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Coastal Zone Management maps as prescribed in the CZ Regulations have been prepared by the concerned States, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is any agency entrusted with the preparation of Coastal Zone Maps (CZM), if so, the agency entrusted and the status of preparation of the CZM in Kerala; and

(d) the time by which the Coastal Zone Regulations are likely to be prepared?

Setting up of FM Radio Stations

3396. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to extend FM Radio broadcasting to rural areas in the country, if so, the details thereof and steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(b) whether the Government has set up a new FM Radio station at Pathanapuram in Kollam district, Kerala and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the status of Doordarshan relay centres at Kottarakara, Adoor and Punalur and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has proposed special programmes on Mahatma Gandhi for being broadcast in Doordarshan on October 02 on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, along with the names of patriotic programmes telecasted during the last three years?

Non Compliance of Wetlands Act

3397. SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any cognizance of recent National Green Tribunal comments against Government of Telangana for its failure in curbing pollution and encroachment of Hussainsagar lake, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering any penal action against the State Government of Telanagana for not complying with the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Act, for lake protection, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the further steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Global Nutrition Report

3398. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of India's position in the 2020 Global Nutrition Report, which highlights that India is off course to meet the global nutrition targets for all indicators;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government to tackle the continuing challenge of malnutrition and to end it by 2030 through the Sustainable Development Goals; and

(d) if so, details thereof?

Workers in Anganwadi Centers

3399. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Anganwadi Helpers in Hazaribagh and Ramgarh districts of Jharkhand;

(b) the total number of Anganwadis with both Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) and Anganwadi Helper and those with only AWWs in the said districts, separately;

(c) the number of Anganwadi Centres with drinking water and toilet facilities in these districts; and

(d) whether there are any provisions to ensure child-friendly architecture in Anganwadis, if so, the details thereof, especially with regard to Jharkhand?

COVID-19 Tests in Odisha

3400. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains a record of the laboratories and other testing facilities operating in Odisha to whom funds were disbursed for conducting the tests for COVID-19;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of tests conducted by each of the testing facilities in Odisha every day; and

(d) the number of such tests which have recorded positive results for each day?

Challenges to Sustainable Management of Environment

3401. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has set up global environmental agenda for sustainable development;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the challenges in the 2030 Agenda to develop and enhance integrated approaches towards sustainable development;

(d) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken to tackle these challenges;

(e) whether there is a need for strengthening institutions for the sustainable management of the environment; and

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

COVID-19 War Room

3402. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given access to private companies in discussions held and decisions taken to chalk out the strategy to fight COVID-19, if so, the details thereof along with the names of these companies;

(b) whether due vetting procedure was followed before involving private companies and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the data sharing arrangement made in this regard?

Retirement Age of Medical Practitioners

†3403. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has raised the retirement age of all medical practitioners including Allopathic and AYUSH from 60 to 65 years *w.e.f* September, 2017 and if so, the details of the orders so issued;

(b) whether National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur comes under the administrative control of his Ministry and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government intends to raise the retirement age of AYUSH Practitioners (Trainers and Doctors) working with the said National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur and other such autonomous Institutes to 65 years of age; and

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

Draft Regulation to Limit Trans-fats

3404. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:
SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the guidelines of World Health Organisation with respect to trans-fat in food products;

(b) whether the draft regulations issued by FSSAI for reducing the trans-fat content from fifty percent to two percent is likely to have cost impact on the stakeholders;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to reduce death rate due to cardiovascular diseases to which trans-fat is an essential contributor along with the achievements thereof?

Compensatory Afforestation Funds

3405. SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM:
SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any mechanism to ensure compliance with Forest Rights Act, 2006 (FRA) in implementation of Compensatory Afforestation projects to ensure that land and forest rights of tribals and forest dwellers are not violated;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Ministry intends to transfer Compensatory Afforestation funds directly to Gram Sabhas;

(e) if so, the details thereof including the number of Gram Sabhas to whom Compensatory Afforestation funds have been transferred; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Database of Indigenous Textile Varieties

3406. SHRI ANNASAHAB SHANKAR JOLLE:
DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(a) whether the Government maintains any database/ compilation for all the indigenous textile varieties produced across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, whether the Government proposes/ envisages any such database and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of steps taken/being taken by the Government to popularize and harness the potential of local textile products?

Proliferation of YouTube Channels

3407. SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proliferation of YouTube channels through the internet has come to the notice of the Government, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is aware of such channels showing political and social gossips and also obscene content, if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

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

(d) the concrete action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government on such channels?

Gender Equity in MBBS and MD Education

3408. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:
SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by the Government to ensure gender equity in MBBS and MD Education in the country;

(b) the total number of women who earned MBBS and MD degrees during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government is aware that there is a huge imbalance in gender equity in the medical education; and

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

Technology Development Board (TDB)

3409. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

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

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the objectives and the role of Technology Development Board (TDB) and the nature of projects/ institutions/activities being funded by the Board including the modes of financial assistance;

(b) whether the financial assistance provided by TDB to the industrial sector is significantly very less;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor including the financial assistance provided by TDB to various sectors during each of the last three years and the current year, year-wise and sector-wise;

(d) whether the Board proposes to increase the financial assistance so as to encourage/promote research and development of indigenous technology, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government has reviewed the working of TDB, if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for commercialization of technology in the country?

'eSanjeevani' Telemedicine Service in CGHS

3410. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) has also started offering specialized health services for its beneficiaries in Delhi through eSanjeevani OPD;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some premier medical institutions like AIIMS have also been brought on-board eSanjeevani set up specialized OPDs and on eSanjeevani OPD; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Radio/FM Service

†3411. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the locations identified for setting up of new Radio Stations in the country during the current year along with the number of Radio Stations operating at present, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether there are a number of villages which are yet to be covered under FM Service across the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;

(c) the norms/criteria laid down by the Government for setting up of Radio Stations in the country;

(d) whether the cases of violation of said norms/criterion has come to the notice of the Government since approval of "Policy Guidelines on expansion of FM radio broadcasting services through private agencies (Phase-III)" in the country along with action taken/being taken thereon;

(e) the number of complaints received by the Government for irregularities/corruption in e-auction of FM channels of Phase-III along with action taken/being taken thereon; and

(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to cover each and every village by FM Service?

Flood Warning System

3412. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and name of cities having flood warning system at present, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) is planning to develop and set up flood warning system for more cities in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether IMD is considering to install Doppler radars in more parts of the country and if so, the details thereof indicating the places having Doppler radars installed at present?

Research on COVID-19 Vaccine

3413. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that eight bi-national teams of researchers from India and the US have been selected for COVID-19 research and if so, the details thereof including the details of stakeholders consultation done in this regard;

(b) the details of current status and progress of research in the areas of COVID-19 vaccine development, preparation of drug, therapeutic approaches and ways to boost immunity; and

(c) the details of funds allocated and utilised by the Government in this regard?

Resurgence of COVID-19

3414. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:
SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:
SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the COVID-19 pandemic;

(b) whether Government has received reports of resurgence of COVID-19 cases due to the rising number of infections every day, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for this rapid increase in the number of COVID-19 infections in the country; and

(d) whether the Government is prepared to handle situation in the case of Second Wave of COVID infection, if so, the details thereof?

Shortage of AYUSH Medical Colleges

3415. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that there is a shortage of AYUSH medical colleges across the country, including Bihar and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) the total number of AYUSH medical colleges presently functional in the country including Bihar, stream-wise, State/UT-wise and district-wise; and

(c) the details of the financial assistance provided to such colleges during the last two years and the current year?

Integrated AYUSH Hospital

†3416. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of the Integrated AYUSH hospitals across the country approved under National AYUSH Mission during the last five years;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up more Integrated AYUSH Hospitals under National AYUSH Mission in future;

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

Charges for PPE Kits

3417. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that private CGHS empanelled hospitals are arbitrarily charging for PPE kits from patients who are CGHS beneficiaries during the course of treatment in OPD and IPD and if so, the details thereof and necessary guidelines/directions issued in this regard;

(b) whether the said charges for PPE Kits borne by the CGHS beneficiaries are reimbursed/claimed under the CGHS and if so, the details thereof and necessary directions issued by the Government in this regard;

(c) the details of corrective steps taken by the Government against private CGHS/ECHS empanelled hospitals along with necessary directions/guidelines issued in this regard; and

(d) whether the Government has also taken note of the fact that private empanelled hospitals refuse to provide cashless facilities to retired CGHS/ECHS beneficiaries who are discharged after providing the emergency treatment citing the reasons for non-availability of beds and if so, the details thereof and necessary directions/guidelines issued in this regard?

Research by CSIR on COVID-19 Pandemic

†3418. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:
SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the role played by the 38 laboratories of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) in dealing with Corona virus along with the technologies and drugs developed/proposed to be developed by its scientists therefor;

(b) the details of the funds spent by CSIR on such research and the time by which such technologies and drugs will be available for public use;

(c) whether the budget of CSIR has been increased or proposed to be increased to fight Corona virus, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the COVID-19 pandemic has affected the research work of CSIR laboratories and if so, the details thereof?

Committee to Tackle Climate Change

†3419. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:
SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted any Committee to take measures for research to tackle the adverse impact of climate change;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the terms of reference, tenure and constitution of the said Committee; and

(d) whether the Committee has submitted its findings/recommendations to the Government and if not, the time by which the report is likely to be submitted?

Measures to Fight Malnutrition

3420. DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently celebrated Third Poshan Maah or National Nutrition Month in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has launched new guidelines for the fight against malnutrition under Poshan Abhiyan;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether India is home to half of the wasted children with a low weight for their height, globally, according to the recent Global Nutrition Report 2020;

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

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

Measures to Promote Craft Clusters

3421. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI SELVAM G:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has achieved the objective for which the craft clusters with innovative design, technology and capabilities for inclusive and sustainable growth have been set up, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of financial and other assistance provided/utilized in setting up of such craft clusters during each of last three years and the current year along with the challenges faced by the Government in its implementation;

(c) whether the Government has evaluated the sick and closed down clusters and their financial condition, if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government for reviving such clusters;

(d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to set up more craft clusters in the backward and remote areas of the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of operational craft clusters in the country including Tamil Nadu along with the number of craftsmen from SC/ST and OBC operating and benefitted from such clusters?

Scheme for Handloom Weavers

3422. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing/has implemented Hathkargha Samvardhan Sahayata (HSS) Yojana for handloom weaver;

(b) if so, whether the Government has achieved the objective for which it was launched and if not, the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard along with the challenges faced by the Government;

(c) the ratio of sharing of financial assistance between the Government and beneficiary under HSS Yojana indicating the total financial assistance provided by the Government, till date, State/UT-wise;

(d) the number of handloom weavers from SC/ST/OBC categories and women benefitted from the HSS Yojana till date, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether the Government has assessed the performance of HSS Yojana and if so, the details thereof along with the outcome of the said assessment and the corrective measures taken on the various drawbacks of the scheme; and

(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to upgrade looms/accessories to handloom weavers to improve quality of fabric and to enhance productivity?

Measures to Strengthen Jute Industry

3423. MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:
SHRI NISITH PRAMANIK:
SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL:
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to provide certified Jute seeds to farmers through the Jute Corporation of India (JCI), if so, details thereof, State/UT-wise indicating the number of farmer families who will be benefitted by it along with the Jute production in the country, particularly in West Bengal;

(b) whether the Government is planning to develop jute cluster industry in Cooch Behar district of West Bengal under Atmanirbhar Bharat Mission and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of revenue earned from the export of jute during each of the last three years and the current year;

(d) whether any initiatives have been taken by the Government to popularise the jute products through exhibitions and advertisements in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether the Ministry of textiles has signed any agreement with the Ministry of Agriculture for the revival of jute industries and if so, the details thereof?

Scheme to Tackle Malnutrition

3424. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and features of the schemes running in the country to fight malnutrition;

(b) the time since when the said schemes have been running;

(c) whether the said schemes have met their defined objectives;

(d) if so, the details thereof enumerating the achievements of the said schemes; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Food Security for Pregnant Women and Children

†3425. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched any scheme to ensure food security for pregnant women and young children, if so, the details thereof;

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(b) whether any scheme is being implemented/likely to be implemented by the Government for mobile delivery and new born baby care centre in remote areas, hilly and tribal areas of the States including Chhattisgarh; and

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

Reduction of Child Malnutrition

3426. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 38.4 percent of children under five in India are stunted and malnourished;

(b) if so, the measures taken by the Government to reduce child malnutrition during the nation-wide lockdown declared in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic since 23rd March 2020;

(c) whether implementation of programs in a fragmented manner can contribute significantly to the persistence of malnutrition and a comprehensive and coordinated approach is necessary for addressing the multiple and inter-related determinants of malnutrition across the life cycle of an individual; and

(d) if so, the concrete steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Cervical Cancer

3427. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of deaths caused by cervical cancer during 2014-2019, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of the measures taken by the Government to check the number of cervical cancer cases; and

(c) whether the Government has any special project to sensitize rural women about cervical cancer, if so, the details thereof?

Undernourishment among Children and Adults

3428. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that hunger and undernourishment are rising amongst children and adults in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic has further escalated the situation, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any estimation of the number of hunger or undernourishment affected children and adults in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, year-wise and State/UT-wise;

(e) whether the Government is taking any measures to address the problems of undernourishment and hunger triggered by the ongoing pandemic in the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Arogya Setu App

3429. SHRIMATI MALA ROY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of COVID-19 cases that have been detected using the Arogya Setu app;

(b) the number of people who have downloaded the app so far; and

(c) the measures taken to protect the data in the app?

Telecast of Mandatory Doordarshan Channels

3430. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the existing mandatory Doordarshan channels required to be telecasted by Multi System Operators (MSOs)/Cable Operators (COs) along with violation of such mandatory regulations by such Operators reported in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise along with action taken thereon;

(b) whether cases of violation of Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 have come to the notice of the Government during the said period;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and MSOs/COs -wise along with the action taken/being taken by the Government against such violators; and

(d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure strict compliance of the said Act by the MSOs/COs across the country?

Ban on Polythene

†3431. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware/taken note that polythene bags are widely available and freely used in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the steps taken to check its use;

(c) the details of the steps taken by the Government to stringently enforce the ban on polythene bags; and

(d) the details of the action taken to curb/stop the illegal manufacturing and use of polythene bags in Uttar Pradesh, district-wise?

Facilities for AYUSH Industry Clusters

3432. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:
SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:
SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated a Central sector scheme for development of common facilities for AYUSH Industry Clusters;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total number of such clusters that have been allotted or established till date, State/UT-wise?

Child Trafficking

†3433. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidence of child trafficking has been rising across the country with each passing day, if so, the details of the measures being taken by the Government to check the menace;

(b) the action undertaken by the Government against such gangs which coerce children to beg and sell goods at traffic signals/streets across the country including the number and details of the said incidents which have been reported till date;

(c) the number of child labourers rescued from companies during the period 2014 to 2019, including the details of steps taken by the Government to ensure their livelihood ;

(d) the details of steps taken to send these children to schools; and

(e) the details of the action taken by the Government against erring officials who have failed to check incidents of child labour?

Humans Carrying Antibodies to Deadly Viruses

3434. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has ordered an inquiry into a study conducted in Nagaland by researchers from the U.S., China and India on bats and humans carrying antibodies to deadly viruses and if so, the details of the participating researchers and the status of enquiry;

(b) whether two of them belonged to Wuhan Institute of Virology, Department of Emerging Infectious Diseases and was funded by Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) of USA, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the scientists were allowed to access live samples of bats and bat hunters without due permissions and if so the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(d) whether the results of the study conducted in Nagaland by researchers from the US, China and India on bats and humans carrying antibodies to deadly viruses were published in October last in the PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases Journal established by Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government/ICMR has sent a five-member Committee to investigate into the matter and submit the inquiry report and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether there is any involvement of eminent research organization of India in the said issue including TATA Institute of Fundamental Research, if so, the details thereof?

Supplementary Nutrition for Children and Pregnant Women

3435. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of children, pregnant women and lactating mothers receiving supplementary nutrition between March 2020 and 1st September 2020, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has studied or is in the process of studying the impact of COVID-19 on malnutrition among children and pregnant women/lactating mothers;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with key findings/outcome thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh

3436. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the working of the Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh has been reviewed periodically and the goals of National Population Policy 2000 have been achieved, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the breakup of sterilization done since 2013 under this scheme along with the funds spent, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of the procedure for awarding money under the Prerna Scheme; and

(d) the other efforts exerted to help stabilize the population rate of the country?

Data on Forestry Sector

3437. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether statistical data relating to forestry sector is not available with the Government, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether there is any proposal to create an updated database so as to maintain an updated compilation of forestry wealth and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is shortage of timber products, medicinal plants, paper, gum, rubber, raw material and fruits due to shrinkage in forest cover in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to address this problem; and

(e) the details of revenue earned from forests during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Viral Testing Laboratories

3438. SHRI INDRA HANG SUBBA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided funds to the States/UTs to mitigate the pandemic situation, if so, the detail thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) the total amount utilized from the funds disbursed by each State to mitigate pandemic situation to create viral testing laboratories; and

(c) the number of viral laboratories being run and maintained by the Government as on date?

Swine Flu Deaths3439. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of patients detected with Swine flu in Bihar, Delhi and Maharashtra in the last three years and the current year;

(b) the details of the deaths caused by this disease during the said period, year-wise; and

(c) the percentage share of indigenous manufacture of the medicine for this disease vis-a-vis import?

Textile Universities3440. SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up Textile Universities in the country particularly in Karnataka, if so, the details thereof along with the textiles training centres functioning in the country particularly in Karnataka, State/UT-wise and district-wise;

(b) whether the Government has set up/planning to set up more textile training centres in the country, particularly in Karnataka, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon, State/UT-wise and district-wise; and

(c) the details of the role of Government in development of Handloom technology?

Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme

3441. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vacancies under Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP), category-wise and State/UT-wise;

(b) whether in the light of COVID-19 any steps are being taken to increase participation of private sector in reporting outbreaks under IDSP to prevent future epidemics;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any steps have been taken to improve data sharing and coordination between animal disease control and human disease control to increase monitoring of zoonotic diseases; and

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

Crimes against Children

3442. SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that crimes against children rose by 20 percent-higher than overall number of crimes which rose by 3.6 percent;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay in release of data;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh had the dubious distinction of topping the list of States for overall crimes at staggering 19,000 cases, if so, the details thereof and the corrective action taken in this regard;

(d) whether the child labour cases have increased substantially; and

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

Saksham Angwawadi

†3443. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to start 'Saksham Anganwadis' in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the estimated amount of fund required and allotted for the scheme;

(d) the details of the targets fixed under it; and

(e) the time by which the said scheme is likely to be commenced?

Setting up of Hospitals on PPP Model

3444. DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite a gradual increase in allocation, the dismal percentage of the GDP spent on healthcare is a matter of concern and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether the Government proposes to make some major changes in healthcare sector by increasing the fund allocation on healthcare and if so, the details of necessary steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up hospitals on Public Private Partnership (PPP) model

along with medical colleges to address the shortage of doctors and opening up Diplomat of National Board (DNB) and Fellowship of National Board (FNB) certificate courses; and

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

Safety of Children/Asha Workers/Anganwadi Teachers during COVID-19

3445. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Anganwadi teachers and Asha workers, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether adequate number of PPE kits were provided/supplied to ASHA workers/Anganwadi teachers, if so, the number of PPE kits issued to each categories, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government provided supplementary nutrition to the children during COVID-19, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has initiated any action plan to strengthen the immunity of children, if so, the details of action taken thereon;

(e) whether the Government has instituted measures to ensure the supply of supplementary nutrition to pregnant and lactating mother during COVID-19; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Storage of Vaccines in Rural Areas

†3446. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:
SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI
KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided financial and technical assistance to the States and Union Territories for proper storage of vaccines especially in rural areas having inadequate power supply;

(b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to promote the use of solar energy operated refrigerators and vaccine cooler for storage of vaccines in rural areas; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

NEET Admission for the Poor

3447. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH *ALIAS* LALAN
SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that poor and rural area students are not competing in NEET and therefor not getting admission in MBBS course and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether the Government is aware that most of the students successful in the NEET come from private coachings institutes;

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

(d) whether the Government has any plan to create equal opportunities for the students belonging to poor and rural background; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Annual Examinations for Nursing

†3448. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the annual examinations of nursing ANM, GNM, MPH (M/F) and other staff nurse, are not being conducted timely in the country especially in Haryana;

(b) if so, the details of the steps taken by the Government to timely conduct the annual nursing examinations;

(c) the details of the vacant posts of staff nurses in the country, State/UT-wise, including Haryana;

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(d) whether the Government plans to fill the vacant posts soon and if so, the time by which such posts are likely to be filled; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Misleading Claims by Companies regarding Cure for COVID-19

3449. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND
NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी
(आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance on the misleading claims being made by companies regarding cure for COVID-19 without any recognition/sanction/clearance by Government authorities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the corrective measures taken by the Government to penalize such companies for deliberately misleading the general public?

National Nutrition Mission

3450. SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:
DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD
DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the activities undertaken by the National Nutrition Mission since inception in 2017;

(b) the budget allocated and utilized for the National Nutrition Mission during the last three years; and

(c) whether funds under this mission were distributed to State Governments and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA
Secretary General

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