## LOK SABHA

## List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Cooperation; Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying; Food Processing Industries; Heavy Industries; Home Affairs; Panchayati Raj; Rural Development; Social Justice and Empowerment)

(कृषि और किसान कल्याण; रसायन और उर्वरक; उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण; सहकारिता; मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी; खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग; भारी उद्योग; गृह; पंचायती राज; ग्रामीण विकास; सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय)

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## **Regulation of Pesticides**

## \*101. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA): SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to regulate the manufacture, import, storage, sale, distribution, use and disposal of pesticides and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken note of the overuse of chemical fertilizers and pesticides by the farmers and if so, the steps being taken by the Government to educate farmers about organic farming, since the organic produce fetches better price in the market;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to simplify the procedure for obtaining the certificate for organic farming and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has proposed to set up the Central Pesticides Board to frame model protocols to deal with poisoning cases due to pesticides and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps being taken by Government to ensure the availability of safe pesticides and minimize the risk to humans, animals and environment?

## **Implementation of PMFME Scheme**

\*102. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme-Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro food processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme for providing financial, technical and business support for setting up/upgradation of micro food processing enterprises in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that 10,261 units have been allocated to the State of Bihar for next five years and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any plan to set up a food processing industry in the Gopalganj district of Bihar as it is a backward district; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## **Crop Damage due to Heavy Rains**

## †\*103. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH *ALIAS* PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR: SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the value of agricultural and horticultural crops damaged due to heavy rains in Marathwada region especially in Osmanabad and Parbhani during the last year;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any survey in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide assistance to farmers under National Disaster Relief Fund to cover the said losses, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has received any request in this regard and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(e) the steps taken by the Government to cover the loss of life, property and livestock along with the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government has released any funds in this regard, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Construction of Roads under PMGSY**

\*104. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT

ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of roads constructed since inception of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) along with the length of such roads constructed in the country, year and State-wise and also district-wise in Maharashtra; (b) the criteria for selection of roads under the PMGSY;

(c) whether the criteria for construction of roads under such Yojana also includes recommendation letter received from Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha); and

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

### Use of Children by Naxal Groups

## †\*105. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidence of use/recruitment of children by naxal groups has come to the notice of the Government during the last three years;

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

(c) whether the Government has implemented any schemes/programmes for rehabilitation of such children;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the various other steps taken by the Government to bring extremists/naxalites to mainstream of the society?

#### **National Overseas Scholarship**

\*106. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and the number of students who have been awarded the National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) during the last five years, year-wise, category-wise and subject-wise;

(b) the total annual strength of applicants for NOS during the said period, year-wise;

(c) whether the mandatory 30 percent reservation for women candidates under NOS has been complied with every year during the said period;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether there is a separate NOS for Other Backward Class (OBC) students and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Training of Youth under DDU-GKY**

## †\*107. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Deen Dayal Upadhyay-Grameen Kaushal Yojana (DDU-GKY) is being implemented by the Government in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Maharashtra; (b) whether the youth in rural areas of Osmanabad and Yavatmal-Washim are being imparted training under the said scheme, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details regarding the number of youth who have been imparted training and those, out of them, who got employed after completion of training;

(d) the method through which training is being imparted under DDU-GKY; and

(e) whether any special education project has been formulated for the said youth and if so, the details thereof?

## **ODOP** Scheme

## \*108. SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA: DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved One District One Product (ODOP) Scheme for 707 districts of 35 States and UTs which also include 137 unique products as per the recommendations received by States/ UTs and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of products approved under the ODOP in the Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro food processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme from the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(c) whether the Government has introduced a GIS -ODOP digital map of India to provide details of ODOP products of all the States and UTs and it also has indicators for Tribal, SC, ST, and aspirational districts; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Loss to Dairy Business due to Pandemic

†\*109. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether dairy business has almost come to a standstill due to Corona pandemic and lockdown due to which lakhs of litres of milk of dairy farmers got spoiled and it has brought all the farmers dependent on dairy business on the verge of starvation;

(b) whether the Government has made any effective policy to conduct survey at the village level regarding the losses incurred by them and compensate them; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Methane Emissions by Livestock**

#### \*110. SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether livestock in India is a major contributor of total methane emissions by livestock globally;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government plans to promote or subsidise the feed supplement for cattle recently developed by Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR) to cut emissions from livestock and increase milk production; and

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

## National Register of Citizens in Assam

\*111. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the Gazette Notifications published by the Registrar General of Citizen Registration of India, Office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner in relation to National Register of Citizens, Assam;

(b) the various communications and instructions sent by the Registrar General of Citizen Registration of India to the State Coordinator, National Register of Citizens (NRC), Assam regarding issuance of rejection slips to the persons excluded from NRC;

(c) the various communications and instructions sent by the Registrar General of Citizen Registration of India to the State Coordinator, National Register of Citiziens, Assam regarding winding up the process of NRC in Assam; and

(d) the reason behind delay in issuance of rejection slip even though final list of NRC was announced on 31st August, 2019?

#### **Upgradation of PMKSY**

#### †\*112. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

#### खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of components relating to the development of fruit and vegetable growers that have been included under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY);

(b) the provisions made under the said scheme in regard to financial assistance for setting up new units for creation/expansion of food processing and preservation capacities; (c) whether any financial assistance has been provided for the development of new food processing and preservation units in Rajasthan under the said scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Course on Contract Farming**

†\*113. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any degree or diploma course is being offered on contract farming in Government-run agricultural colleges, universities, etc. in the country;

(b) if so, the names of the institutes and the syllabus thereof; and

(c) the number of degrees/diplomas awarded in this field so far?

#### **Bulk Drug Park**

#### †\*114. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal for construction of Bulk Drug Park (Pharmaceutical Park) in Lalitpur, Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds released for construction of the said park; and

(d) the time by which the construction of the said park is likely to be completed?

## Listing of Farmers left out under PM-KISAN Scheme

†\*115. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any concrete steps have been taken regarding the villages and eligible farmers erroneously left out in the survey by the State Government under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the eligible farmers of Lakhagarh village left out by the Government of Chhattisgarh have been enlisted and if so, the details of the number of eligible farmers to whom money has been disbursed under the scheme; (d) the details of the farmers benefited so far, district/ area-wise including Mahasamund, Dhamtari and Gariyaband districts;

(e) whether proper action has been taken in this regard; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Reservation for OBCs in Maharashtra**

\*116. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reservation for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in Maharashtra has been cancelled and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Members of Parliament and Members of Legislative Assembly from Maharashtra observed a symbolic fast in support of political reservation to OBCs in Maharashtra;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Maharashtra State Tailik Mahasabha has requested the Union Government to implement the recommendations of Mandal Commission and to conduct caste based census in Maharashtra; and

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

## Funds Allocated to Punjab for Panchayat Schemes

\*117. SHRI BHAGWANT MANN:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT

ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated by the Union Government to the State Government of Punjab for development of rural areas during each of the last three years, indicating the works on which these funds were spent;

(b) the details of schemes being run at present at panchayat level in the State of Punjab, particularly in Sangrur Parliamentary Constituency;

(c) whether the Government has found any irregularities in Government schemes at Panchayat level in rural areas, especially in Sangrur and Barnala districts in the State of Punjab;

(d) if so, the measures taken by the Government to eliminate the irregularities in Government schemes at Panchayat level; and

(e) the details of funds allocated and utilized so far in the State of Punjab in general and in Sangrur and Barnala districts in particular?

#### **Creation of National Farmers Database**

\*118. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has engaged with private companies to develop India Digital Ecosystem of Agriculture and implement pilot projects;

(b) if so, the companies with which the Government has entered into MoUs for digitizing agriculture records along with the details of MoUs;

(c) whether the MoUs involve sharing land records of farmers with private companies;

(d) if so, the details of protection provided for sharing such data with private companies alongwith criteria based on which these companies were chosen;

(e) whether the Government aims to create a National Farmers Database and whether the digitized land records will be used to create such database and if so, the details thereof;

(f) the measures proposed to be taken by the Government to include "landless farmers" in the database; and

(g) whether the Government will use this database for choosing beneficiaries of schemes of the Government, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Distress among Farmers**

\*119. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that fluctuations in market prices and excess or lack of rainfall cause severe distress to farmers;

(b) if so, the preventive measures taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government is also aware that when the farmers are not able to sell their crops at desired rates, they fall into debt trap and find no other way to escape from debts and resort to committing suicide; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to reduce the rate of farmer suicides in the country?

#### **Comprehensive Development of Horticulture Sector**

†\*120. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is working for comprehensive development of the horticulture sector;

(b) if so, the details of the works being carried out by the Government for the comprehensive development of the said sector along with the details of the works proposed to be carried out by the Government in the future; and

(c) if not, the detailed reasons therefor?

New Delhi; July 20, 2021 Ashadha 29, 1943 (Saka) UTPAL KUMAR SINGH Secretary General

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