

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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Central Assistance to Bihar

*161. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH *ALIAS*
LALAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the additional benefits and Central Assistance being given to Bihar, based on the recommendations of the 15th Finance Commission; and

(b) the details of the recommendations made by the 15th Finance Commission in this regard?

School Going Children of Labourers

†*162. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has data of such school going children who are also involved as labourers with their families and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of such children who could not go to school due to the said reason;

(c) whether the Government has any scheme to send such children back to school by limiting their involvement as labourers with their families or by compensating their families and if so, the details thereof?

Growth of Tourism Sector

*163. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tourism sector has shown negative growth during Covid-19 pandemic period so far;

(b) if so, whether the Government has planned some concrete policies for the growth of tourism sector and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is planning to provide free E-tourist visas to the international tourists and

going to open up the international flights in calibrated manner and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has given special guidelines to States for the growth of tourism sector; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Promoting Exchange and Cooperation in Education

*164. SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Institute of Technology (IIT-BHU), Varanasi and Niigata University, Japan have signed an agreement to promote exchange and cooperation in the field of education, joint research, etc. of students/faculty members;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the aims and objectives along with the salient features of the said agreement;

(c) the manner in which such an agreement will be beneficial to the students and faculty of both the countries;

(d) the details of the research work likely to be included in the programmes that will be organised by both the Universities in near future; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to make such type of agreements between other Central Universities and Universities of other countries?

Reservation to EWSs

†*165. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has been made necessary to reserve 25 per cent seats for the students of Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) in all the private/unaided

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schools under the Right to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any concrete steps to ensure that there is no violation by the School administration in this regard; and

(d) the details of the percentage of seats reserved by the schools in Chhattisgarh for the children of EWSs as well as the number of children benefitted as a result thereof during the last two years?

COVID Warriors

*166. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people who have signed up for the 'Covid Warriors' course along with the number of trainees who have been employed after completion of this course at present, State-wise;

(b) the number of training centres that have been set up to provide such training, State-wise;

(c) the number of people who have completed this course at present, State-wise; and

(d) the details of the employment and job support, if any, that is being provided to people who complete this course, State-wise?

Human-Wildlife Conflict

*167. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI
KUNDARIYA:
SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any advisory that empowers Gram Panchayats in dealing with the problem of wild animals and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is any proposal to utilise the add-on coverage under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana for crop compensation against crop damage due to human-wildlife conflict and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has decided that payment of a portion of ex-gratia as interim relief is to be undertaken within twenty-four hours of the incident to the victim/family?

Development of Assam

*168. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Assam is one of the most backward States in the country which is suffering from slow economic growth for various reasons including limited transport system, lack of infrastructure, lack of income resources and also due to poor climate;

(b) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government for reduction of backwardness of Assam during the last three years; and

(c) the funds sanctioned/utilised for the Centrally sponsored schemes for development of Assam during the last three years and the current year, Scheme/year-wise?

Renewal of Indian Museums

*169. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:
SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed any strategic partnerships between Indian and Global museums in order to draw a masterplan for renewal of Indian museums to make them truly world-class;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of museums in India along with the share of funds received by the States to develop museums, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has organised any Global Summits on the creation of a blueprint for the development of new museums, or to nurture a renewal framework, or to reinvigorate existing museums in India; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

GST Compensation

*170. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from the State Governments requesting for extension of payment of Goods and Services Tax(GST) compensation to the States for another five years keeping in view the difficulties caused by Covid-19 Pandemic;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the stand of the Government in this regard?

Promotion of Tourism in Jaunpur

*171. SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes being run by the Government for the promotion of tourism in the district of Jaunpur in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the names of places in Jaunpur district which have been selected as tourist spots and the places where development related works are being undertaken; and

(c) the details of funds allocated and released by the Government for Jaunpur along with the details of funds spent since June, 2019?

National Curriculum Framework

*172. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has been given a mandate to prepare the National Curriculum Framework for school education or whether the Government proposes to give the responsibility of curriculum formulation to another body;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether NCERT has established a Department of Curriculum Studies and also a Curriculum Group;

(d) the difference between the mandates of the said Department and the Group; and

(e) the names of academic members of the Department and Group respectively along with their qualifications to be the part of the Curriculum Group?

ESIC Hospitals

*173. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether construction work of the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) hospitals and availability of doctors and staff have been affected during COVID-19 pandemic period;

(b) if so, the details of the construction of ESIC hospitals delayed along with the cost of various such hospitals escalated due to delay, hospital-wise;

(c) whether ESIC has been conducting onsite preventive health check-ups of workers/labourers in 15 cities as part of the ongoing pilot project;

(d) if so, the details and the criteria fixed for identification of cities for the said pilot project;

(e) whether the Government proposes to extend ESIC facilities to MSME clusters as a unit; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Pollution in Kanpur

†*174. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kanpur ranks 109th in the list of most polluted cities of the world;

(b) whether the factories located in village Malegram, Block Chaubepur, District Kanpur under Misrikh Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh are causing heavy pollution owing to which, the people of the area are suffering from serious diseases such as asthma, lung and heart diseases and respiratory allergies and crops are also getting damaged due to polluted water; and

(c) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any steps to make Misrikh Parliamentary Constituency pollution-free?

Digitisation of Tourism Sector

*175. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by the Government to enable digitisation in the tourism sector;

(b) whether the Government has taken measures to leverage the technologies of virtual reality for virtual tours of popular Indian destinations;

(c) whether the Government expects normalcy in the tourism sector anytime soon and if so, the timeline for allowing international travellers and restoration of travel visa; and

(d) whether the Government has taken measures to increase inbound travel in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Preservation and Promotion of Indian Culture

†*176. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to preserve and promote Indian culture during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the details of the new programmes formulated to preserve Indian culture and raise awareness in this regard during the said period; and

(c) the details of the funds released to the Non-Governmental Organizations in this regard during the said period, State/UT-wise?

GST on Diamonds and Life Saving Medicines

*177. DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently reduced the Goods and Services Tax (GST) to 0.25 per cent from the existing 3 per cent for diamond industry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to reduce/exempt GST on any other products particularly life saving medicines both imported and Indian made medicines;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Gender-Inclusive Education

*178. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government believes that gender-inclusive holistic education, as per the New Education Policy, can be implemented without mandating sex education and relationship education in schools;

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

(c) the number of transgender students who have passed Class 10 and Class 12 and the number of such students who dropped out of school before completing Class 10 and Class 12, Class-wise; and

(d) the holistic approach adopted by the Government to implement a gender-inclusive education to all students including transgender students?

Development of Tourism

†*179. SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI
PATEL:
SHRI MITESH RAMESHBHAI PATEL
(BAKABHAI):

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has sent any proposal of financial assistance to Gujarat for the development of tourism;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of projects being identified and proposed to be developed;

(d) the details of the financial assistance sanctioned/ to be sanctioned for each project; and

(e) the details of the projects identified particularly in Mehsana and Anand districts of Gujarat?

Appointment of IRDAI Chairman

*180. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the post of the Chairman of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has been lying vacant for the last eight months and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Peoples' Commission on Public Sector and Public Services has urged the Union Cabinet Secretary to advise the Cabinet not to divest its Stakes in the Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that it is pursuing the draft IPO proposal while the regulatory body remains headless;

(d) whether the Commission's letter points out that the Government has been delaying the appointment of IRDAI Chairman to rush LIC IPO and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by when the Government plans on appointing the Chairman of the IRDAI?

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UTPAL KUMAR SINGH
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