

# LOK SABHA

**List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS**  
*Monday, March 28, 2022/Chaitra 7, 1944 (Saka)*

**(Ministries of Corporate Affairs; Culture; Development of North Eastern Region; Education; Environment, Forest and Climate Change; Finance; Labour and Employment; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Tourism; Tribal Affairs)**

**(कॉर्पोरेट कार्य; संस्कृति; उत्तर-पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास; शिक्षा; पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन; वित्त; श्रम और रोजगार; कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता; पर्यटन; जनजातीय कार्य मंत्रालय )**

**Total Number of Questions — 230**

## **Language Improvement Programme**

3911. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to take initiatives in vocabulary improvement of children, similar to Language Improvement programme (LIP) under Jagananna Vidya Kanuka (JVK) implemented by Andhra Pradesh;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure filling of learning gaps among children to enhance their multilingual capacity?

## **Tax under Section 194N of Income Tax Act**

3912. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the financial implication of the burden imposed by the tax under section 194N of the Income Tax Act on primary co-operative societies;

(b) whether the Government has received any representation/request to withdraw the said tax;

(c) if so, the details of actions taken in this regard;

(d) whether the Government intends to withdraw this tax within the ongoing and next financial years; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## **CSR Projects**

†3913. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the works relating to social welfare undertaken by the Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs)

under Corporate Social Responsibility(CSR) during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) the details of the amount of funds spent on the said various works along with the location-wise and PSU-wise number of persons benefitted therefrom;

(c) whether the Government has laid down any criteria in regard to utilisation of funds under CSR;

(d) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any effective steps to ensure that the funds under CSR are spent especially in the backward and Scheduled Caste dominated areas and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has received any social audit report with a view to monitor the CSR activities undertaken by PSUs and if so, the outcome thereof?

## **Hijab Issue**

3914. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of incidents over Hijab ban in schools of Karnataka;

(b) the number of protests and dharnas which occurred all over the country; and

(c) the efforts made by the Government to resolve the Hijab issue in the interest of providing education to girls belonging to minority community?

## **Financial Status of CPSUs**

3915. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) and their present financial status as on 31.01.2022;

(b) the number of CPSUs as on 31.12.1990, 31.12.2000 and 31.12.2010; and

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(c) whether the Government proposes to sell their shares or to privatise the present CPSUs during the next three years and if so, the details thereof?

#### Benefits of Reservation

†3916. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether persons belonging to some castes are not getting the benefit of reservation for the Scheduled Tribes (STs) due to spelling difference in the name of their caste, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of castes which evidence has been produced that they were covered under the STs earlier and that study is being taken place;

(c) the details of such STs, State-wise, where the persons belonging to that are not getting the benefit of reservation due to difference in spelling of their caste or some other reasons; and

(d) the details of such castes which have been included in the list of STs in one State and in the list of Scheduled Castes in the other State, State-wise?

#### ST Population of Uttar Pradesh

†3917. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of population of Scheduled Tribes (ST) in Uttar Pradesh at present;

(b) the percentage of reservation for ST at present;

(c) whether the Union Government has received any proposal to increase the reservation according to the percentage of population from the State Governments of Uttar Pradesh; and

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

#### Disinvestment of RINL

3918. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:  
SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU  
KINJARAPU:  
SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the basis on which the decision to divest 100 percent of Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) was taken;

(b) whether the disinvestment decision was based on recommendations of the NITI Aayog and if so, the

details thereof including the study/report of NITI Aayog in this regard;

(c) whether 100 per cent disinvestment of a major steel PSU like RINL is not a violation of disinvestment policy of retaining PSUs in the strategic sector;

(d) if so, the details thereof including the final list of PSUs in each of the strategic sectors that will not be disinvested or privatised but retained by the Government along with a detailed explanation of how this list was arrived at and the basis on which RINL was left out of that list; and

(e) whether the stakeholders were involved in making and also finalizing that list and if so, the details thereof?

#### Public Sector Undertakings

3919. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of vision of the Government of India on Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in the country;

(b) whether the Government consider State PSUs as assets of the country or liabilities and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for pushing hard to sell all PSUs;

(c) the details of revenue that PSUs are generating and details of money that the Government is putting in PSUs during the last ten years, year-wise and PSU-wise; and

(d) the reasons for selecting PSUs to monetize its infrastructure, social sector and other projects?

#### Smuggling of Cigarettes

†3920. DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:  
SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is losing thousands of crores in revenue every year as a result of smuggling of foreign cigarettes into India;

(b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to check smuggling of cigarettes;

(c) whether the legal trade of cigarettes is continuously shrinking due to alleged smuggling; and

(d) if so, the steps likely to be taken by the Government to protect the legitimate business?

#### ESIC Hospital in Kasaragod, Kerala

3921. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether ESIC is planning to establish fifty-bedded speciality hospitals for areas devoid of ESIC hospitals as Kasaragod, Kerala has neither an ESIC hospital nor a tie-up with empanelled hospital under the ESIC Scheme;

(b) whether the Government has noticed that thousands of ESIC beneficiaries are unaware of the facilities provided under ESIC schemes and paying huge money for their treatment in other Health Care providers if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government will consider Kasaragod to be included in the list for an ESIC hospital as per this scheme, if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Privatisation of SCI

3922. DR. T.R. PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed to privatise Shipping Corporation of India (SCI) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether all formalities with regard to privatisation of SCI such as preliminary works/preparatory works are likely to be completed and applications/quotations from interested private companies have been invited;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for selling out the profit making public sector company;

(d) the time by which SCI is likely to be privatised; and

(e) the total amount likely to be earned through the privatisation of SCI?

#### Occupational Injuries and Diseases

3923. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:  
DR. HEENA GAVIT:  
SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:  
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE  
PATIL:  
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:  
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:  
DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:  
SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken to prevent the health hazardous diseases like silicosis, Tuberculosis, lungs related diseases in the mining, industries and other extracting industrial areas, along with the data on the hazardous deaths in the states of Assam, Odisha, Jharkhand, Meghalaya, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the number of occupational injuries and diseases during the last two years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the number of Occupational Safety and Health Committees that have been formulated till now and details thereof, State-wise;

(d) the reasons for the statistics published on occupation diseases and injuries that is limited to only a few sectors such as factories, mining, railways, docks and ports; and

(e) the plans, if any, to include other sectors such as plantations, constructions, service sector, etc. in its ambit?

#### Overseas scholarship

†3924. SHRI GYANESHWAR PATIL:  
SHRI NAYAB SINGH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides support and training to students applying for foreign scholarships;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has set up any centres in the States to help the students to get foreign scholarships;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated to these centres and disbursed among students during the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Madhya Pradesh?

#### Human Development Report of World Bank

†3925. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are 10 to 14 crore child labourers in the country as per the Human Development Report of the World Bank;

(b) if so, whether the country accounts for the highest number of cases of violation of child rights;

(c) whether there is lack of proper and reliable data regarding children who comprise 40 per cent of the entire population and are helpless due to their social, economical and geopolitical conditions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Increasing Number of Students in Government Schools

3926. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of children in the Government schools has been increased during Covid-19 and at present;

(b) the details of the steps taken by the Government to provide quality education to such children;

(c) the status of school teachers (primary schools, middle school and high school) in the Government schools of Uttar Pradesh along with the ratio of student-teacher;

(d) whether the number of teachers is not proportionate to the students; and

(e) if so, the details of the steps taken in this regard?

#### Features of Employees' provident Fund Scheme

3927. DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:  
SHRIMATI MANJULATA MANDAL:  
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias  
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:  
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:  
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:  
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:  
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:  
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:  
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of Employees' Provident Fund Scheme and the estimated number of employees presently covered under Employees' Provident Fund (EPF), State/UT-wise;

(b) the State-wise total number of employees who are contributing regularly to EPF fund;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to ease the eligibility norms to benefit the beneficiaries and if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said proposal is likely to be implemented;

(d) whether a large number of EPF accounts of staff/workers are lying inactive for the last many years, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) whether it is also proposed to enhance employers' contribution under EPF and if so, the details thereof and the total number of cases of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) settled by the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(f) the total number of cases of EPF for settlement during the said period, State/UT-wise; and whether any norms have been prescribed for the processing of claims, if so, the details thereof along with rate of settlement?

#### Swachh Vidyalaya Programme

3928. SHRIMATI MANJULATA MANDAL:  
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH  
ALIAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:  
SHRI SELVAM G:  
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:  
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:  
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Swachh Vidyalaya Programme (SVP) has been able to achieve the objective for which it was launched and if so, details thereof;

(b) the challenges faced by the Government while implementing the said programme;

(c) whether the Government has reviewed the progress of the SVP and if so, the details of current status of construction of toilets in all schools;

(d) whether toilets are being constructed by States, PSUs, as well as some private sector entities and if so, details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has formulated any mechanism to monitor that the toilets made specially for girls under the said programme are functional through out and if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor; and

(f) the special steps taken by Government to remove the obstacles and achieving the target within the scheduled time frame keeping in view implementation of said programme?

#### Allocation/Utilisation of funds under CAMPA

†3929. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR:  
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 amount of funds released to the State of Rajasthan under Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) during the last three years along with the details of the works carried out with the said amount;

(b) whether there is any scheme to develop Beed area, Jhunjhunu and Fatehpur Sikar (Rajasthan) as forest area and if so, the time by which it is likely to be developed and the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Use of CSR Funds

3930. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:  
SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) fund allocated and spent by the companies in the country in various sectors like education, health, etc., during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has monitored the spendings of the CSR fund, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of companies which have failed to spend any amount under CSR and spent less than 20 per cent of CSR fund during the said period?

#### **Funds for Project Tiger**

3931. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:  
SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:  
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:  
SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of tiger reserves in the country and the total area conserved under these reserves, the State-wise details thereof;

(b) whether the Government in the light of increasing man-animal conflict and rising tiger population is taking measures to create new tiger reserves in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of tigers killed or died in the year 2021, State-wise details thereof, along with the cause of death;

(d) the details of budgetary allocation to "Project Tiger" over the last three years; and

(e) the number of man-tiger conflicts in the last three years in the country and the details of measures being considered to prevent the increasing menace of man-tiger conflict and protect the tigers from unnatural deaths?

#### **Loss Making PSUs**

3932. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various Public Sector Undertaking (PSUs) in the country including those in West Bengal along with the details of losses incurred by these PSUs in each State during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to make such loss making PSUs viable in the country;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up more PSUs in the country including West Bengal; and

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

#### **KVs Without Amenities**

3933. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Principals, Vice-Principals and Headmasters working in Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) take their teaching periods including on-line periods as per KVs norms/guidelines;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the periods allotted on weekly/monthly basis and if not the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the officers responsible for monitoring the teaching periods submit their reports to the higher authorities of KVs; and

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

#### **Girl Hostels**

3934. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:  
SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA:  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:  
SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme to provide financial assistance to colleges and Central Universities for construction of girl hostels;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of proposals received for construction of girl hostels, approved and pending with the Government under the said scheme;

(c) whether the Government is considering to modify the scheme to cover more institutions therein and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of such hostels constructed during the last three years and the current year, State/year-wise;

(e) whether all these hostels are fit for occupancy and are being occupied presently and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the funds allocated for construction of girl hostels during the above said period, State-wise along with the percentage of financial assistance provided by the Government as compared with the entire cost of the project?

### Guidelines for Fire and Safety Audit

3935. DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had issued necessary guidelines to the industrial companies to get third party fire and safety audit done,

(b) the number and details of industrial companies which failed in safety audit, State-wise along with the details of action taken against the industrial companies which failed on safety norms; and

(c) the details of preventive steps taken by the Government to check industrial disasters and accidents?

### Use of Tobacco Products by Students

†3936. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to frame any curriculum to spread awareness about harmful effect of tobacco products amongst school children;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the level at which the said curriculum is likely to be included in the education system?

### Awareness about Education Schemes

3937. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that most of the rural population across the country are unaware of the schemes under the Ministry of Education; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to create awareness among the children and their parents in utilizing the available schemes?

### Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana for Migrant Labourers

†3938. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:  
SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people who benefited from the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana launched for migrant labourers owing to lockdown like situation since March-

2020 during Covid-19 outbreak along with the State-wise details of the amount spent on this scheme;

(b) whether the Union Government is formulating any concrete policy regarding migrant labourers keeping in view the Covid-19 like situation in future and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has made any survey on the problems of the migrant workers and if so, the different kinds of work place where these workers are facing problems; and

(d) the steps taken to rescue these workers and also to ensure their safety and if so, the details thereof?

### Special Education Zones

3939. DR. M.P. ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the proposition of the New Education Policy (NEP) to set up special education zones in the regions where there is concentration of people belonging to Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) and the facts that AMU centres are established in the SEDG concentrated regions;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to provide special funding to the AMU centres under the NEP provisions; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

### Social Forestry Schemes

3940. SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

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 Government proposes to promote plantation in various metropolitan cities in the country through recognised Non Governmental Organisation (NGO's) under social forestry schemes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of various initiatives undertaken by the Government to preserve and develop the forest reserves in various metropolitan cities in the country?

### Appointment as Insolvency Professionals

3941. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fresh graduates are being appointed as Insolvency Professionals/Resolution Professionals (RPs) under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government plans to set up an Institute of Resolution Professionals to oversee and self-regulate conduct of RPs and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Committee of Creditors has to follow any specific guidelines/code of conduct while selecting/removing RPs and if so, the details thereof?

#### Development of Heritage Sites into Museum

3942. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote India's heritage by identifying potential historical and archaeological marvels of the Country, particularly in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to protect these sites by developing them into a museum or historical tourist spots?

#### RTI Cell of ST

3943. SHRI SHA.BRA.DR.JAI SIDDESHWAR  
SHIVACHARYA MAHASWAMIJI:  
DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:  
SHRI ANNASHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:  
SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the list of communities added as scheduled tribes in the last three years;

(b) whether the Government is formulating a separate cell to look into the Right to Information (RTI) cases of the department in view of the volume of the RTI cases; if not the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government noticed that there should be a dedicated wing to look into the RTI cases of the Ministry; and if so, the details thereof?

#### Industrial Training Institute

†3944. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM  
SHRANGARE:  
DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:  
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK  
NIMBALKAR:  
SHRI ARUN SAO:  
SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:  
SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:  
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in the country at preset, the State-wise details thereof including Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh;

(b) whether there is a need to open more number of ITIs in the country including Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan;

(c) the norms fixed to open new ITIs along with the details of the infrastructure required in this regard;

(d) the total number of new ITIs set up in the country, State-wise details thereof including Madha Parliamentary Constituency and Latur district of Maharashtra, Bilaspur, Mungeli, Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi, Durg and Bemetara districts of Chhattisgarh and Jalore district of Rajasthan during the last three years and the total funds spent in this regard;

(e) whether the Union Government has received requests from the Government of the said States regarding setting up of new ITIs and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether there is a need for improvement in training quality of such institutes and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken in this regard?

#### Convert ITIs into Technology Training Institute

†3945. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government aims to increase the youth workforce through ITIs (Industrial Training Institutes) and convert ITIs into technology training institutes and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has such proposal in the Parliamentary Constituency, Karnal; and

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

#### Data on Creation of Jobs

3946. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:  
SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:  
SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:  
SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains data on the number of jobs created across industries, annually;

(b) if so, the details of overall jobs created annually, from 2014 till date;

(c) whether the latest Union Budget under announcement on Make in India has committed to the creation of 60 lakh new jobs and if so whether any further steps are being taken to address the reported total shortfall of 20 crore jobs in the Indian economy;

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

(e) whether it is also a fact that as of December 2021, India had 53 million unemployed people, of which a huge proportion are women according to the centre of monitoring Indian economy therefor; and

(f) if so, the manner in which it will balance the economy and the proper outline of the Government to combat the widespread unemployment thereof?

#### **Impact of Rising Oil Prices**

3947. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to mitigate the impact of oil price rise;

(b) whether the Government has ascertained the impact of rising oil prices on consumption as well as private investments flowing into the Indian economy;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure that private investments continue to flow in India despite the Ukraine-Russia crisis?

#### **Damage to Mada Mangrove in Andhra Pradesh**

3948. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU  
KINJARAPU:

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 the National Green Tribunal report on damage to Mada Mangrove forests in East Godavari due to construction activity by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details of the extent of damage to mangroves and its impact by causing disruption of livelihood for fishermen families;

(c) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has taken any remedial measures for rejuvenation of mangroves in East Godavari;

(d) if so, whether any auditing of remedial measures has taken place, if not, the reasons therefor along with the future course of action; and

(e) the details of the funds allocated to State Government of Andhra Pradesh, funds utilized for rejuvenation of mangroves since 2019 and lying unused and the reasons therefor?

#### **Primary Education**

3949. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current number of students aged 3-9 years enrolled in Government schools, and teachers in all Government schools, as on February 2022 in the country, State-wise and district-wise for the State of Rajasthan;

(b) whether the Government is taking any steps to retain children in their primary years of schooling, especially in view of the pandemic and its effect on access to education and if so, details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has increased its efforts towards teacher capacity building to meet the needs of an influx of children who were left out during the pandemic, and will now be joining schools; and

(d) the total number of primary schools operated by the Government in the country, State-wise and district-wise in Rajasthan and also the allocation of funds to such schools between 2018-2022, year-wise?

#### **Master Degree Course in Graphic Design**

3950. SHRI C. LALROSANGA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether only one National Institute of Design (NID) and one or two Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) with very limited seats offered Master Degree Course in Graphic Design;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the name of the institutions along with the total seats available therein for the said Course;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the seats in the above said course from the next academic year of IIT and NID in view of increasing demand of the Course; and

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

#### **Regulation of Fees of Educational Institutions**

3951. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has come up with a policy to regulate fees of public educational institutions across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to regulate the fees of public institutions across the country?



**Basic Education in Rural Areas**

3952. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes/projects being run to promote education in the country especially in the rural areas of Maharashtra;

(b) the details of the action plan formulated in the year 2021-22 to develop infrastructure like smart board and online education through applications for basic education in rural areas and to improve the quality of education being imparted by teachers in the rural schools, State-wise;

(c) the amount of budget allocated for the said purpose by Government; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by Government to provide online education to the students of all Government schools?

**Funds for Environment Preservation**

3953. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a major portion of funds allocated for environment preservation projects has not been utilized;

(b) the details of the said projects for which fund has not been utilized and details of which are lying pending, till date; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

**Tribal Population**

3954. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:  
SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any statistics regarding number of tribal population in the State of Kerala;

(b) if so, the details of number of tribal population in the State of Kerala during the last three years, Year/district-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any statistics regarding number of children from tribal areas who have completed 10th standard during the last three years, district-wise in the State of Kerala;

(d) whether the Government has any special scheme to provide education to children from tribal areas and if so, the details and amount spent for this purpose during the last three years, year-wise;

(e) the steps taken by the Government to provide higher education to the children from tribal areas, details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government have received any proposal from the Assam Government for establishment of Centre for Research in Tribal Health (CRTH) and Centre for Research and Advance Planning for Tribals (CRAPT); if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the details of various programmes undertaken by the Government for the coverage of tribal population of Assam under various schemes and initiatives taken by the Government in this regard?

**Minimizing Adverse Effects of Development Projects**

3955. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:  
SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) has given necessary suggestions for minimizing the adverse effects of linear development projects (Railway lines, Highways, etc.) passing through forest areas?

(b) if so, the details thereof?

(c) whether the Government is proposing to give them the status of legal obligations in view of the recommendations made by WII and for absolute implementation of these recommendations in linear development projects; and

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

**Facilities in Jharkhand Schools**

3956. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the data regarding Government schools in Jharkhand having access to computers and internet facilities;

(b) the data regarding Government schools in Jharkhand that have playgrounds and sports equipment;

(c) the data regarding Government schools in Jharkhand that have library facilities; and

(d) the data regarding Government schools in Jharkhand state that have tap water connection under the Jal Jeevan Mission?

### Air Quality Monitoring Stations

3957. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any research on the number of air quality monitoring stations that are ideally required and the total number of existing air quality monitoring stations in the country?

(b) the number of air quality monitoring stations based in urban, semi-urban and rural areas and the number of air quality monitoring stations that are equipped to measure PM 2.5 pollution?

(c) the list of air quality monitoring stations in Maharashtra, district-wise and the number of air quality monitoring stations built/commissioned by the Government during the last three years and the current year; and

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

### Development of Taal Chhappar Sanctuary as Tourist Spot

†3958. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 25 per cent of foreign tourists visit Rajasthan alone which is highest in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last five years with particular reference to Rajasthan, Country/tourist-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to construct tourist spot/memorial of world class by strengthening and renovation of Taal Chhappar sanctuary and well (Bavadi) situated in district headquarters in Churu district and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to release funds for these tourist places and if so, the time by which it is likely to be released and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government proposes to accord administrative and financial approval to upgrade hotels of Rajasthan as a management institute under Food and Craft Institute; and

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

### E-Learning

3959. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of school students in the country who do not have access to any form of online learning or e-learning, State and UT-wise ;

(b) the measures taken to ensure seamless continuation of learning for students who lack such access;

(c) whether the Government has any frameworks for the safe reopening of schools and Universities and contingency plans for prolonged e-learning in case of extended closure of schools and Universities and if so, the details thereof?

### Signboards in Local Languages

3960. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:  
MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) monuments which have boards in local languages;

(b) the new Indian languages which have been introduced on the boards of ASI sites;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Government is planning to increase the number of Indian languages on the signboards of ASI monuments;

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

(e) whether there is any plan to make the information available digitally for tourists and visitors and if so, the details thereof?

### Forest Land Claims

3961. SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:  
SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of pending cases of forest land claims in the State of Karnataka along with the reasons for being the State with highest pending of such cases; and

(b) the details of the reasons that the Government is not inclined to disposing/allotting the forest lands to the deserving mainly the tribal population of the State?

### Deaths of Animals

3962. MS CHANDRANI MURMU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has data of animal death due to accidents caused by vehicles in national

parks and sanctuaries in the country, if so, the details thereof State-wise during the last three years particularly in Odisha;

(b) the details of animal deaths due to vehicles in Simlipal National Park; and

(c) whether the Government will consider construction of animal corridor in Simlipal National Park for safety of animals?

#### **Tribes India and Tri-Food**

3963. DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken any initiatives to tie up with e-commerce retailers or whether it has launched its own platform to market the products of Tribes India and Tri-Food

(b) if so, the details thereof, of such initiatives; and

(c) the amounts spent on such marketing initiatives till date?

#### **Cryptocurrency Exchanges**

3964. SHRI RAMALINGAM S.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data regarding the number of cryptocurrency exchanges that are presently involved in cryptocurrency exchange business in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that some cryptocurrency exchanges were involved in evasion of Goods and Services Tax (GST) and it was also detected that other cryptocurrency exchanges and major investors in digital currencies are under investigation by the Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government against those cryptocurrency exchanges that were detected in GST evasion, name-wise?

#### **Rashtriya Pravai Chatravriti Yojana**

†3965. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of beneficiaries under the Rashtriya Pravasi Chatravriti Yojana during the last three years;

(b) the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the number of beneficiaries got enrolled in some foreign educational institution in the last three years and the details thereof, year-wise;

(d) the amount sanctioned, allocated and utilized under the said scheme during the last five years and the details thereof, year-wise; and

(e) whether the Government is considering to increase the number of scholarships in near future?

#### **Funds for National Afforestation Programme**

3966. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:  
SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:  
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:  
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government has given assistance to States under National Mission for Green India Scheme/ National Afforestation Programme and if so, the details and the criteria fixed for such assistance under the said scheme along with the amount of funds proposed to be provided;

(b) the details of the annual work programme of various States particularly of Maharashtra during each of the last three year;

(c) the details of the funds allocated, released and utilized by various States under the said programme particularly of Maharashtra and Odisha;

(d) whether 2nd installment of assistance under National Afforestation Programme (NAP) scheme for the year 2020-21, 2021-22 for work programme is pending, if so, the details thereof, State-wise particularly of Maharashtra and Odisha;

(e) the time by which pending assistance will be released to various States; and

(f) whether the Central Government has shared any information or guidelines for running afforestation programmes in the country particularly with Delhi, Haryana and Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof?

#### **Steps to curb Man-Animal Conflict**

3967. PROF. SOUGATA RAY:  
SHRIMATI SUMALATHA  
AMBAREESH:  
SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:  
SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:  
SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of wildlife attacks reported during the last three years, State-wise and the reasons for increase in wildlife attacks in the country;

(b) whether the Union Government has received any request from any State Government to schedule wild boars as vermin in the country;

(c) if so, whether the Government will schedule wild boar as a vermin considering its nuisance to the farming fields in many States, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has earmarked adequate funds to deal with the situations effectively, if so, the details of utilization of funds in this regard;

(e) the details of existing elephant corridors in the country;

(f) whether the Government has any proposal to set up new buffer zones around the existing reserve forests in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(g) whether the Government under the Project Elephant has promoted and supplied usage of technology to mitigate human elephant conflict in the border regions of the States of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha and Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **NABARD Scheme in Kerala**

3968. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received the proposal from Kerala for improvement of rural roads under NABARD Scheme for the year 2021-22;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of roads proposed for each district and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has a received proposal for improving and providing BM&BC to Eruvatty-Vimalasseri-Therthally Road in Kannur under NABARD Scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the timeline for execution of this project and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Promotion of Trekking under Tourism**

3969. SHRI INDRA HANG SUBBA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of revenue in tourism collected by trekking and hiking sector in India, State-wise; and

(b) the details of the steps taken by the Government to promote trekking in tourism?

#### **Impact of Russia-Ukraine War on Economy**

3970. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:  
SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any review of the economy consequent upon the break-out of war between Russia and Ukraine;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent to which it would be a setback for the economic recovery for the world and India in particular; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government to bolster the economy?

#### **Hybrid Learning**

3971. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:  
SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken various initiatives for implementation of hybrid learning as future of education and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that under the One Class One TV Channel regional languages will also be taught and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any strategy is being formulated to establish a Digital University for providing education in regional languages under the said TV Channel programme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Guidelines for Online Courses**

3972. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up any separate guidelines for regulating online courses and certifications offered by companies for enhancing professional competence; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Employment in Manufacturing**

3973. SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is cognizant that employment in manufacturing is still quite low compared to the 41 million that this sector employed in 2019-20; and

(b) if so, the corrective steps proposed to be taken by the Government to address this major issue?

### Higher Education Regulatory Regime

3974. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to restructure the higher education regulatory regime;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are many vacancies in bodies like National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE);

(d) if so, the details thereof from 2012 to 2020, year-wise;

(e) whether the post of Vice-Chairperson of NCTE is lying vacant for more than five years; and

(f) if so, the details thereof indicating the date since this post has been lying vacant and the reasons for not appointing any official to this post?

### Service Charges on Loans

†3975. SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA:  
SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:  
DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the private banks and Non-Banking Financial Companies are charging service charges before the filing of any loan, from which they are getting crores of rupees every year without doing anything;

(b) if so, whether the Government is contemplating to issue such guidelines in which service charge is taken only after the loan is sanctioned, so that the consumer does not suffer if the loan is not sanctioned;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof?

### Social Entrepreneurs

3976. DR. HEENA GAVIT:  
SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:  
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE  
PATIL:  
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:  
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:  
DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:  
SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of social entrepreneurs in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to bring in a law specific to social entrepreneurs;

(c) if so, whether the Government proposes to permit social entrepreneurs with less than three years of experience, to receive financial support through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to permit for-profit social entrepreneurs to receive financial support through CSR; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to ease the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act provisions for social enterprises so that they can receive funding from international donors and if so, the details thereof?

### Dropout Rate in Universities/IITs/IIMs

3977. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Other Backward Class, Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe students drop out in all Central Universities, Indian Institute of Technology (IITs) and Indian Institute of Management (IIMs) from 2014 to 2020;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any study in regard to the reasons of high dropout rate of OBC, SC, ST students in these higher educational institutions; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

### Impact of Demonetisation

3978. SHRIMATI HARSIMRAT KAUR  
BADAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assessed the impact of demonetisation on business, employment, agriculture and poverty;

(b) if so, the measures taken by the Government to tackle its impact on businesses, employment and poverty alleviation initiatives;

(c) the overall amount exchanged by the Government in lieu of old currency notes ;

(d) whether any post-demonetisation study has been done or any report has been published in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Irregularities in NSE

3979. SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN:  
SHRI MANISH TEWARI:  
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH *ALIAS*  
LALAN SINGH:  
SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that former National Stock Exchange (NSE) Managing Director allegedly abused the server architecture of the Exchange to provide biased and quicker access to a private company and quantum of the data illegally shared;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with name of the private company that was allegedly favored;

(c) whether the case was registered in 2018 and yet the investigation is being conducted only now in 2022 and if so, the reasons for the delay;

(d) whether it is a fact that this fraud was caused by installation of a small device and if so, whether the security measures at the NSE are lax and susceptible to such and bigger threats like a cyber-attack in the future;

(e) if so, whether any steps have been taken to harden the security of the trading platforms and if so, the details thereof along with the details of cyber-security teams engaged to identify and trace the leak of sensitive information including the people involved;

(f) the details of other actions taken by the Government/ SEBI in the irregularities found in NSE and against those found involved therein; and

(g) whether lot of foreign exchange involved in NSE and RBI roll is to be reviewed to avoid any such frauds in future and if so, the details thereof along with other measures taken in this regard?

### Playgrounds in Schools

3980. MS. MIMI CHAKRABORTY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a play ground is a pre-requisite condition for a CBSE affiliated school as per the rules;

(b) if so, the details of affiliation rules for both school and day-cum residential boarding schools therein and affiliated schools therefor, State-wise;

(c) the number of schools having systematic monitoring infrastructure and running with proper facilities thereof, State-wise ;

(d) whether it is also a fact that there are complaints with more than 350 CBSE affiliated schools including residential schools in the country having no playgrounds and teaching experts and mandatory student teacher ratio; and

(e) if so, the detail of action taken by the Government and proposals on the complaints thereto.

### Tax on Raw Materials of Sanitary Napkins

3981. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to review and remove any taxation currently levied on the raw materials required for production of sanitary napkins and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has plans to remove taxation on other essential menstrual hygiene products such as tampons, menstrual cups, menstrual cloth, and like-products and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government plans to subsidise pan-India menstrual hygiene products and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether tax-exemption from GST has led to a reduction in the selling price of sanitary pads and tampons and if so, the details thereof?

### National Action Plan on Climate Change

†3982. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:  
SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH  
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:  
SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU  
REDDY:  
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the objectives of National Action Plan on climate change (NAPCC) and the number of parts the said plan has been divided into;

(b) whether the poor and weaker sections of the society are likely to be protected from the damage caused by climate change through said plan;

(c) if so, the action plan prepared in the State of Gujarat to avoid damage caused by climate change;

(d) whether the Government has taken measures to include carbon emissions under National Action Plan for climate change; and

(e) whether the Government has taken into account the effects on the livelihood of coal workers when moving towards the goal of net-zero emission?

### Schemes for Young Writers and Poets

3983. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for the promotion of literature in Indian languages including Gujarati;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the schemes for young writers, poets in Indian languages; and

(d) the number of youths benefited therefrom, State/UT-wise?

**Amendment in Biological Diversity Act, 2002**

3984. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the environmentalists have expressed concern over amendments to the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 as it prioritizes intellectual property and commercial trade at the cost of the Act's key aim of conserving biological resources;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Bill will undo all the efforts made in the last few years to implement the Biological Diversity Act;

(c) whether the changes do not increase the stake of local communities in sustainable growth; and

(d) whether it is also true that the amended Bill will benefit the traditional medicine manufacturers, seed sector and industry and researchers and if so, the details thereof?

**Stand-up India Scheme**

3985. SHRI N. REDDEPPA:  
SHRI NANDIGAM SURESH:  
SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:  
DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of beneficiaries under the Stand-Up India Scheme in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) whether the Ministry is to provide entrepreneurial training to the beneficiaries to enhance their businesses; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**Temples of Karnataka under UNESCO's World Heritage Sites List**

3986. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:  
SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the hoysala temples of Belur, Halebidu in Hassan district and Somanathapur in Mysore of Karnataka are proposed to be listed under UNESCO's world heritage sites;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of benefits and funds likely to be extended by the Centre and UNESCO to such sites for better conservation;

(d) the standard and criteria for inclusion in the provisional list; and

(e) the places to be included in future in the State of Karnataka and Gujarat?

**Digitisation of Health Record**

†3987. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for digitization of health record of all the insured persons covered under ESIC and ESIS in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has also formulated any scheme to integrate its data with the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the estimated amount of funds likely to be spent on this;

(d) the details of health facilities to be provided thereunder; and

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

**Infrastructural Development Projects in States under SDS**

3988. SHRI RAJBAHADUR SINGH:  
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:  
SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI:  
SHRI BRIJBHUSHAN SHARAN SINGH:  
SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the key objectives and features of the Swadesh Darshan scheme (SDS) along with the details of sanctioned projects under Eco Theme under SDS;

(b) the Detailed Project Report (DPR) for major ongoing infrastructural development projects in the State of Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh and NCT of Delhi;

(c) the details of funds allocated for the said States under SDS towards strengthening Tourism infrastructure through various spiritual circuits; and

(d) the details of Foreign Exchange Earnings (FEEs), in US\$ from Tourism in the said States during the last three years and the current year?

### Education for Children with Special Needs

3989. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of different aspects under the Inclusive Education for Children with Special Needs programme;

(b) the number of beneficiaries and the achievements of the programme since its inception, State-wise; and

(c) whether the Government conducts training for teachers and instructors to sensitise them to the needs of children with special needs and if so, the details thereof?

### Indian Institutes of Technology

3990. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:  
SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the new Indian Institutes of Technology, established during 2008-09, have fallen short on all parameters including performance, administration, infrastructure etc.

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

(c) the corrective steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

### Payment of Gratuity

3991. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representations for issuance of notification to provide gratuity up to Rs.20 lakh to the employees for the intervening period from January 2016 to March 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government would consider taking necessary action for issuing the said notification, as very few employees were left out with the financial burden not much and employers ready to make payment of enhanced gratuity; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Reservation for OBC Students in Hostels

3992. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reservation is being followed in all Central Universities as per the provisions of the Constitution and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Delhi University (DU) is also a Central University;

(c) if so, whether DU is not following reservation for OBC students in hostels;

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

(e) whether the scholarship is also not being provided to OBC students in DU; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government against concerned officials in this regard?

### States Report on Forest

3993. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI  
THANGAPANDIAN:  
SHRI RAKESH SINGH:  
SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has expressed concern over poor implementation of the compensatory afforestation scheme especially in terms of efforts from States/UTs to upload correct information on the portal;

(b) whether a note submitted by the Forest Survey of India to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change in January 2020 indicated that only a quarter of the data provided by States on plantations was correct, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) if so, proportion of correct data provided by State Governments on afforestation taken up, State-wise particularly in the North East Region;

(d) whether non-forest areas have also been included in the said reports/maps and forest area has been shown as increased and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) the details of public funds spent on compensatory afforestation, year-wise during the last three years and the current year; and

(f) whether the Government is taking any steps to ensure transparency in compensatory afforestation, if so details thereof?

### Repatriation of Pension Income

3994. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:



(a) whether it is mandatory for a person, being an individual, to repatriate the pension income earned from United Nations outside India in a Bank Account maintained with country outside India, when the individual was employed outside India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the time within which it is to be repatriated?

#### National Institute of Water Sports

3995. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:  
SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is only institute in the country functioning in Goa for training and certification in water sports and related activities;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the details of prerequisites for establishment of National Institute of Water Sports in States in the country;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to set up National Institute of Water Sports in Maharashtra;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is planning to promote the water sports in the country and if so, the action taken in this regards?

#### Restoration and Preservation of Oldest Flag

3996. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the oldest National Flag hoisted on August 15, 1947 is lying in a dilapidated condition;

(b) if so, whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has set up an Expert Committee for its restoration and preservation and the estimated cost of the project;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

#### Green Belt Areas

†3997. SHRI NAYAB SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the initiative being taken by the Government for insuring larger green belt areas in urban areas under the Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode;

(b) whether the Government has identified newly developed green belt areas in rural and urban areas of the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Haryana?

#### KVs in Aspirational Districts

3998. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA  
DEVARAYALU:  
SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:  
DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:  
SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:  
SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) are functioning in 115 districts of the country and if so, details thereof;

(b) whether it is also true that the Government has identified 125 districts as Aspirational Districts;

(c) if so, whether this indicates that 10 Aspirational Districts do not have KV;

(d) if so, whether the Government consider setting up of KVs in the left out Aspirational Districts of the country;

(e) the details of constraints that the Government has been facing in setting up of KVs in the remaining Aspirational Districts;

(f) the details of the number of KVs in Guntur district Andhra Pradesh and whether the Government is considering setting up more KVs in Andhra Pradesh; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

#### Skill Hub Initiative Programme

3999. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is proposing to launch Skill Hub Initiative program within the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the estimated amount under this program;

(d) the details of the target set;

(e) whether the Government has planned to cover Assam under this program; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefore?

#### Annual Programmes on Important Persons

4000. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of annual programmes organised by the Government on saints, celebrities, great personalities, inspirational freedom fighters, revolutionaries and important persons along with the measures adopted to include the related anecdotes for their contribution towards the country's culture in post-Independence era? and

(b) the details of proposals sent by the Kerala Government for the construction of the buildings for the cultural centres in different parts of the State, and details of the approval accorded in this regard and current status of the construction work thereon?

#### Health and Education Cess

4001. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given any clarification in relation to 'Health and Education cess' as business expenditure proposal on extending tax benefits to manufacturing companies and start-ups reaffirms the commitment to Atmanirbhar Bharat,

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, reasons therefor?

#### Protection and Promotion of Indian Art, Literature and Culture

†4002. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:  
SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO  
GAWALI:  
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government for the protection and promotion of Indian art, literature and culture in the country including Ramtek in Nagpur district during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has prepared any new programme for the protection of ancient and medieval literature of Indian languages and to spread awareness and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has earmarked any funds for the preservation and promotion of ancient and medieval Indian literature, art and culture and creation of awareness in this regard during the said period; and

(e) if so, the State-wise/UT-wise details thereof including Ramtek in Nagpur district and the details of funds released to various agencies and NGOs for this purpose?

#### Role of NGOs/Social Organisations Towards Education

4003. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government agrees with the view that Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and other social organizations should reach out to schools and start educating students about good touch and bad touch so that seniors and relatives do not exploit them;

(b) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Survey on Employment /Unemployment

†4004. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:  
SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:  
SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:  
SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey regarding employment and unemployment and if so, the details thereof along with the results of the survey and the status of employment in the country during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the remedial steps have been taken by the Government to solve the problem of unemployment and if so, the details thereof including the details of the increase in unemployment rate during the last five years;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the increase in unemployment due to COVID-19 and the reasons due to which unemployment has increased in the country;

(d) whether the Government makes any assessment regarding the status of unemployment in the country; and

(e) whether the Government has any data regarding the present status of unemployment in the country; if so, the details thereof including Rajasthan?

#### Funds Allocated for Promotion of Rural Tourism

4005. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to bring improvement in various sectors to promote rural tourism in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds allocated during the last three years for promotion of rural tourism, State-wise and year-wise?

### Diverse Traditions of Tribes

†4006. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme for mutual cooperation of the tribal people of their status so that they may learn from one another and be familiar with each other;

(b) if so, the number of tribal groups, particularly students from this community who have gained such an experience;

(c) if not, whether the Government is likely to consider engaging local Non-Governmental Organisations to become aware of their enriched way of living; and

(d) whether the Government has published any encyclopedia of tribal life and their enriched cultural traditions and values; if so, the details thereof?

### Ecological Impact of Oil Palm Plantation

4007. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Council of Forestry Research & Education (ICFRE) in 2020 recommended avoiding oil palm in biodiversity-rich areas without detailed studies on its ecological impact, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) the reasons for the Government merging the ICFRE's proposed study with Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) in January 2021;

(c) the details of the ICAR-IIOPR feasibility report that support the proposal for oil palm plantations in rich biodiverse areas of the North East and Andaman and Nicobar Islands;

(d) whether the Government intends to exempt oil palm plantations from the definition of "non-forest purpose" and thereby from forest clearance through amendments to the Forest Conservation Act 1980, if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government is aware that shifting cultivation landscapes (jhum lands) are extremely rich in biodiversity; and

(f) if so, whether the Government has assessed the ecological effects of diverting jhum lands in the North Eastern Region for oil palm plantations and if so, the details thereof?

### Fund for Digital Education

4008. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any endeavour to earmark a separate fund for digital education and awareness of our Tribal fraternity so that their lives may be made easier in the changed scenario; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### Extension of Loan Moratorium

4009. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any instructions/guidelines to the banks and other lenders to provide extension of loan moratorium due to the COVID-19 pandemic in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of beneficiaries who availed the moratorium on payment of loans between 1st August, 2021 and 1st December, 2021 in Odisha;

(c) whether the banks charge compound interest after the moratorium period and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has taken any decision for waiving of interest on various loan repayments including agricultural, small scale industry, education and self help group loans during the current COVID-19 crisis in the country and if so, the details thereof?

### Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980

4010. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether to streamline green clearance process and to speed up key projects the Government has released consultation paper on proposed amendments to the Forest(Conservation) Act 1980 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether suggestions sought from stake holders have been received by the Government and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the projects related to strategic importance including those of defence and security needs are proposed to be exempted from obtaining prior green approval;

(d) if so, whether stake holders have objected to the exemptions in some fields; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and time by which the Forest(Conservation) Act 1980- is likely to be amended?

### OCEANS 2022 Conference and Exposition

4011. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:  
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA  
VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Institute of Technology Madras and the National Institute of Ocean Technology are jointly hosting, OCEANS 2022 conference, a biannual event of global marine researchers, technologists, engineers, students and policymakers;

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

(c) whether delegates discussed on topics related to climate change, global warming, vagaries of weather, combating coastal erosion, marine pollution and micro-plastics with the theme as “Inspire-Innovate Sustain along with Observations of the U.N. Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development” which is attempting to reduce the impact of climate change through renewable energies and if so the details thereof along with the outcome thereof?

### Crash Course for Covid Warriors under PMKVY

4012. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:  
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):  
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted customized crash course programme for covid warriors under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 3.0 to meet the upsurge in demand of skilled healthcare professionals and provide timely healthcare services in every corner of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of job roles offered under the above crash course;

(d) the details of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs) and other affiliated Training Centres (TCs), State-wise;

(e) the number of candidates enrolled and number of candidates classroom trained under the above programme; and

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

### Third Phase of PMJDY

4013. SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:  
SHRI VENKATESH NETHA  
BORLAKUNTA:  
DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details the third phase of Prime Minister Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) including the manner in which it is different from the first two phases;

(b) the details of the schemes of the Government that have linkages with PMJDY accounts; and

(c) whether the Government is planning to add some more to the said accounts and if so, the details thereof?

### Illegal Dumping of E-Waste

4014. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

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 cognizance of the high prevalence of illegal shipment and dumping of e-waste in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government maintains data on illegal shipment and dumping of e-waste in the country, if so, the quantum thereof, State-wise and year-wise during last three years and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of steps the Government is undertaking to combat the issue of illegal dumping of e-waste in the country?

### Funds from Religious Institutions

†4015. DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether funds are received by the Government from various religious institutions;

(b) if so, the names of such religious institutions/spots wherefrom these funds have been received during the last three years;

(c) the amount of these funds received during the said period, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the details of the utilisation of funds received from these religious institutions?

### Scholarship to Young Artists

4016. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:  
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:

SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:  
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is providing scholarships to the young artists through the Centre for Cultural Resource and Training (CCRT);

(b) the number of young artists who are to be provided scholarships in Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Bihar and Madhya Pradesh including the amount allocated in this regard during the last three years; and

(c) the number of young artists who have been provided the said scholarship in Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Bihar and Madhya Pradesh during the last three years?

#### Sun-Cruise at Eco-Tourism Spots

4017. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:  
SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is taking measures to promote the concept of sun cruise among tourists, with the launch of the service of solar-powered boats at various locations of eco-tourism spots with joint ventures that would be used to operate pleasure trips in the reservoir areas in the States and the solar-powered boats were chosen considering the ecological importance of the place safety and powering performance by maintaining the specified width of the boats after conducting several rounds of studies and trial services in the States with approved projects as part of mega tourism development plans in each State;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State wise along with assistance being given to such organisations/owners of such boating companies; and

(c) the details of revenue generated therefrom?

#### Recognition of Forest Rights Act, 2006

†4018. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to create awareness among the tribal people about their rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the State-wise details of the achievements of the said Act so far?

#### Underwater Archaeology Wing

4019. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Underwater Archaeology Wing of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has not contacted and under water exploration during the last ten years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether archaeological remnants belonging to Sangam period in ancient Tamil Nadu have been recovered from Tamil Nadu near Poompuhar and Korkai;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether ASI is willing to associate with the State Department of Archaeology, Tamil Nadu in the marine exploration works and if so, the details thereof?

#### Assistance to Unemployed during Covid-19

†4020. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO  
GAWALI:

SHRIMATI JYOTSNA CHARANDAS  
MAHANT:

SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of people have become unemployed during the COVID-19 pandemic in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the loss of employment to the private and public sector employees in the country and if so, the details thereof and the details of the areas affected by the epidemic;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study to deal with the trend of job loss in private and Government sectors during such a situation and if so, the details thereof along with the outcome thereof;

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide assistance to the unemployed people during the period of the first and second wave of COVID-19;

(e) whether the Government has taken certain steps like promotion of existing employment projects and increase in public expenditure, if so, the details thereof and the State-wise details of the schemes under which the Government took steps to create the employment opportunities after the lockdown in different States including Chhattisgarh?

#### Gender Inclusive Fund for 2020

4021. DR. TALARI RANGAIAH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government allocated separate gender inclusion fund 2020 in National Educational Policy 2020; and

(b) if so, the details of funds allocated, released and utilised, State-wise?

#### **Digital Devices for Students**

4022. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government and private schools provided smartphones to students, number of students who received it since 2019-20, State-wise, year-wise and urban-rural area-wise;

(b) the number of teachers in Government schools who conducted online classes for students in 2019-20 & 2020-21, State-wise, year-wise, urban-rural area-wise;

(c) the number of parents of students in primary and secondary classes in Government schools who own a smartphone since 2019-20, State-wise;

(d) the details of number of Government schools and Government aided schools who have computer facilities, State-wise, year-wise, urban-rural area-wise; and

(e) attendance of online classes in Government schools since 2019-20, State-wise, year-wise, urban-rural area-wise?

#### **Preservation of Kalaripayattu**

4023. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme for preserving kalaripayattu which is a martial art designed for the ancient battlefield (the word "Kalari" meaning "battlefield"), with weapons and combative techniques that are unique to India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Use of UPI**

4024. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of countries outside India which are using the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) for transactions and the quantum of outside-India transactions that have taken place during the last three years;

(b) the details of measures adopted by the Government to expand the reach of UPI in other countries; and

(c) the details of the initial performance and the quantum of funds transferred from the UPI123Pay service launched in March 2022?

#### **National Mission on Libraries**

4025. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to fund various digital library portals in the Country under "National Mission on Libraries" and Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any proposal from State Governments for establishment of public library in their respective State;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated and expenditure incurred on establishment/restoration/modernization of libraries during the last three years, State-wise including West Bengal; and

(e) whether the Government has signed any agreement with 'International Federation of Library Associations or any other international organization for development of public libraries in the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Constitutional Posts in NCST**

4026. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated the process of filling up the Constitutional Posts of Vice-Chairperson and Two Members of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) which has been constituted under Article 338A of the Constitution of India;

(b) whether the Government has framed any timeline for filling of these posts; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Phasing out of Single Use Plastics**

4027. SHRI VISHNU DATT SHARMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether phasing out of 20 listed single use plastics, from September 30, 2021 through July 1, 2022, is running as per schedule;

(b) whether these 20 listed single use plastics for phasing out covers most of the part of total single use plastic pollution in the country; and

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

#### **Provision of Amenities under Adarsh Smarak Scheme**

†4028. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of amenities to be provided under the Adarsh Smarak Scheme along with the progress made thereunder;

(b) the list of protected Government monuments under this particularly in Gujarat;

(c) whether the Government proposes further inclusion and expansion of new tourist places under this scheme;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Theft from Bank Lockers**

†4029. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase in cases of dacoity/theft of money and jewellery from the lockers of various branches of Nationalised Banks in different States during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details of such incidents, Year/bank-wise;

(c) whether enquiry has been conducted in each of these cases and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the complicity of bank officers/employees has been reported in these cases; and

(e) if so, the corrective action taken or being taken by the Government in this regard?

#### **Investment by LIC**

4030. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of investments made by LIC of India in State Government securities, State-wise; and

(b) the details of the Railway projects executed from the funds given by the LIC of India during financial year 2015-2020?

#### **Health Facilities in Schools**

4031. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the lack of health facilities including physical and mental health in the schools in the country and if so, the details of the number of schools those are having these facilities and those not having;

(b) whether the Government is considering for the proposal of setting up of health clinics at the school premises, which deal with both physical and mental health of students and if so, the details thereof and if not, the other interventions to address this issue;

(c) the details of the States in which this model is being executed as of now, across the country and type of services offered for students in the schools; and

(d) the details of the money allocated and spent on this aspect from the year 2018- 2022, State-wise?

#### **Impact of Rising Excise Duties and Taxes**

4032. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assessed the impact of rising excise duties and taxes on fuel/liquefied petroleum gas on income inequality;

(b) if so, the details of the incidence of fuel excise duties on varying income groups of the population;

(c) whether the Government has made any assessment about how rising fuel excise duties can increase costs of goods and inflation; and

(d) if so, the detailed assessment of the impact of current fuel excise duties on inflation?

#### **Medium of Instruction in Higher/Technical Education**

†4033. SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR:  
SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the medium of instruction of medical, engineering and other courses for graduation/post-graduation is English medium only and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the material of these courses of higher education is available in Hindi medium and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a large number of students of Hindi medium and students from rural areas are deprived of these technical and other courses of higher education due to English medium of instruction as they face difficulties in reading, understanding and writing their subjects in English and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of courses of higher education where medium of instruction is both in Hindi and English along with the details of such courses where the Government is considering to introduce medium of instruction as Hindi along with English; and

(e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to make necessary arrangements for study of various courses of technical and higher education through Hindi medium?

### Jobs with Social Security

4034. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance that the country requires a policy push not just for creating additional employment, but also to ensure that the jobs so created provide decent wages, security of tenure and social protection; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government keeping in mind that ideas like an unemployment allowance or an urban employment guarantee are unlikely to solve the unemployment problem in its entirety?

### Sources of Pollution

4035. 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 assessed the pollution level and sources of pollution in the rural areas of the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the National Clean Air Program (NCAP) is currently functional in rural parts of the country, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government proposes to expand NCAP to rural parts of the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof including the timeline by which rural areas will be included in NCAP; and

(e) whether the budgetary allocation has been earmarked for the same and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Skill India Programme

†4036. SHRI DULAL CHAND GOSWAMI:  
SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of youth trained under Skill India Programme (SIP) including Bihar over the last three years, State-wise details thereof;

(b) the steps being taken to enhance employment potential of the youth imparted training under skill India programme;

(c) whether there exists post skilling evaluation system to evaluate success rate; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Recovery from Wilful Defaulters

4037. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons behind the slow ill-performing loan recovery rate;

(b) whether despite the recent developments, the concerned authorities have only managed to recover 40 percent of the loan amount from the loan fugitives; and

(c) the corrective steps being taken by the Government for the full/maximum loan recovery from the wilful defaulters?

### Teaching History of Great Indian Personalities

†4038. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION  
शिक्षा मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Union Government to include the ideals and teaching of great sages and personalities like Swami Dayananda Saraswati, Shri Ramkrishna Paramhans and Vivekanand instead of stories of Kings in the syllabus of History being taught in the schools; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### Nav Bharat Saksharta Programme

4039. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:  
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:  
SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:  
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION  
शिक्षा मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

be pleased to state:



(a) whether a new scheme Nav Bharat Saksharta Programme to cover all the aspects of adult education to align with National Education Policy has been introduced in the recent past and if so, the aims and objectives of said scheme;

(b) the manner/mode in which the scheme proposed to be implemented;

(c) whether the Government has data regarding the illiterate people in the age group of 15 years and above in rural and urban areas at present and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(d) whether the scheme proposes to cover all illiterate population of the age of 15 years and above and if so, the details of achievements made so far;

(e) whether the States and Union Territories are likely to be provided flexibility to undertake innovative activities under the new scheme;

(f) if so, the details thereof and the target set to literate all illiterate people of said age group; and

(g) the details of the central assistance proposed to be provided to various States/UTs under the said programme?

#### Curriculum for Madrasas

†4040. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the curriculum of Madrasas is outdated and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the study of Mathematics, Science along with the Hindi and English languages has been included or being proposed to be included in curriculum to provide modern education in Madrasas and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has directed the State Governments to accept the Madrasas certificates recognized by the State Madrasas Boards at par with the CBSE certificates?

#### Funds under Centrally Sponsored Schemes

†4041. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR YADAV:  
SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated and utilised under various Central Area Schemes and Centrally Sponsored Schemes for Bihar particularly Madhubani district;

(b) the percentage of funds utilised for Bihar particularly Madhubani district out of the allocated funds;

(c) whether the funds utilised is less than the funds allocated and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any order has been issued to ensure the complete utilisation of the funds in future by reviewing the said reasons; and

(e) whether the Government has also released funds to Telangana State for various centrally sponsored schemes during the last three years and if so, the details thereof, year-wise?

#### Impact of Climate Change and Globalization

4042. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State of Rajasthan is facing double whammy of climate change and globalization and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the unprecedented rise in the temperature in India is likely to adversely impact the hydrological system, environment, sea level, foodgrain production and other related aspects in Rajasthan and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether any study has been conducted on the ill-effects of climate change on human health and agriculture and if so, the details and the finding thereof;

(d) whether the Union Government has launched academic study programme on climate change in consultation with the State Government and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the district-wise details of the funds provided to Rajasthan for the purpose?

#### Age Criteria for Admission in Schools

4043. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for implementing the recommendation of National Education Policy 2020 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken any unilateral decision to raise the minimum age for entry to class I to 6 years from next academic year without any stakeholder consultation and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government proposes to consider holding discussion with all the stake-holders including the State Governments so as to bring uniformity in the minimum age for entry at class I across the country and if not, the reason therefore; and

(d) the list of minimum age fixed for entry to class I as on date State/UT-wise?

### **Eklavya Model Residential Schools in Jharkhand and Bihar**

†4044. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:  
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether in the General Budget, 2021 the Government had announced setting up 750 Eklavya Model Residential Schools(EMRS) in the tribal areas of the country;

(b) if so, the total number of EMRS along with the names of places and their location where these schools have been established, State-wise details thereof;

(c) the number of EMRS under construction in the country at present along with their year of sanctioning and place-wise details thereof;

(d) the district-wise details of Eklavya Schools sanctioned and functional in Jharkhand and Bihar;

(e) the names of places where EMRS out of the above have not been made operational so far;

(f) the time by which EMRS at these places are likely to be completed along with probable date of commencement of education in these EMRS; and

(g) the reason behind delay in establishment of EMRS along with the details thereof?

### **Revamping of Existing Monuments under PPP Model**

4045. SHRI P RAVINDHRANATH:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details about the total number of monuments and tourist sites given to private entities for maintenance under Monument Mitra Scheme, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has also planned to revamp the existing monuments of States including the State of Tamil Nadu under PPP model; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government for upgradation of existing sites, excavation of new places with PPP?

### **PMYY for Writers**

†4046. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has lauched Pradhan Mantri Yuva Yojana (PMYY) to train young and budding authors (of less than 30 years of age) in order to promote Indian heritage, culture and education system of the country;

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

(c) the number of such writers participating under the said Scheme;

(d) whether the Government has any plan under the said scheme to translate the literature from one language to another Indian language in view of "Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat" so as to ensure the exchange of literature and culture; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### **Filling of Reserved Seats in CEIs**

4047. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reserved seats in Central Educational Institutions (CEIs) including Indian Institute of Technology (IITs) and National Institute of Technology (NITs) have not been filled in the country including Tamil Nadu during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

### **Green India Mission**

†4048. SHRI DURGA DAS (D.D.) UIKEY:  
SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the measures/works/projects undertaken by the Government under various development works for the protection of environment and forest in the country especially in Madhya Pradesh under the Forest Conservation Act 1980;

(b) the details of funds allocated and utilized for the said projects in Madhya Pradesh during the last three years, year-wise

(c) whether the State Government has sent proposals seeking additional central funds to undertake work under Green India Mission and other various projects and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) the funds spent in Madhya Pradesh under the Green India Mission during the last 3 years and the works for which the said funds have been spent along with the amount spent for each work, work-wise details thereof, district-wise;

(e) the cost-wise details of the works done in Betul and Harda, Khandwa district under Betul Parliamentary

Constituency under Green India Mission during the last three years and the details of the agencies of NGOs through which the said works have been done; and

(f) the details of the unemployed to whom training material has been distributed through the NGOs under Green India Mission along with the cost of training material distributed?

#### Start-up Centres

†4049. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of Start-up centres is constantly increasing in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to provide incentive to further increase the said numbers; and

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

#### Infrastructure Development Projects

†4050. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of infrastructure development/other projects sanctioned for the development of North Eastern States during the last three years and the current year; and

(b) the financial allocation made for these projects and the time by which it is likely to be completed?

#### Centrally Sponsored Schemes

4051. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:  
SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI  
KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Central assistance to the States under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) for labour during the last three years and the current year, year-wise, Scheme-wise including Gujarat;

(b) the number of labourers who got benefitted from the above scheme during the said period;

(c) whether the State Government had requested for supplementing its efforts through financial help for scheme/programmes that it is implementing for the labourers; and

(d) if so, the details of help extended by the Union Government in this regard?

#### Network of Skill Development Institutions

†4052. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:  
SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH BHOLE:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of the Skill Development Centres in Uttar Pradesh including Akbarpur Parliamentary Constituency;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up a network of the institutions of skill development in various States especially in the backward areas of Rajasthan;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action plan being formulated for this purpose along with the training model designed in this regard;

(d) the amount spent for skill development entrepreneurship during the last three years, year-wise;

(e) the areas wherein the employment was provided to the skilled people during the said period; and

(f) whether the Government is providing any funds to the State Government for skill development; and if so, the State-wise details thereof?

#### Environmental Impact of Infrastructural Projects

4053. 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 of the increasing instances of fish deaths reported from river Teesta and tributaries in Darjeeling, Kalimpong, Sikkim region due to hydro-power and other infrastructural projects;

(b) the details of the steps taken by the Government to mitigate the environmental impacts of these infrastructural projects in the said region;

(c) whether the Government has taken note of increasing instances of landslides and floods in the districts of Darjeeling and Kalimpong and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the steps taken by the Government towards disaster mitigation and management in the region?

#### Assessment of Western Ghats

4054. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government conducts regular assessment of the Western Ghats and the parts that have been declared ecologically sensitive, if so, the details thereof along with percentage area that has been declared ecologically sensitive; and

(b) whether the Government feels there is a need to implement the recommendations of the Madhav Gadgil Committee Report of 2011 in the wake of the floods in Kerala, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Bank Loan Defaulters**

4055. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data regarding the total number of large corporate defaulters in banking sector since 2013;

(b) if so, the details regarding such defaulters including their names, year and amount of such default;

(c) whether the Government has any data regarding the number of properties attached under SARFAESI Act since 2013, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has any data regarding the number of suicides that have occurred as a result of non-availability of sufficient bank credit, rising interest rates, unauthorised private lending apps etc in retail sector and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Theft at Archaeological Sites**

4056. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any incidents of theft at sites of Archaeological importance and protected sites have come to notice/been reported during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the norms fixed for protection of Archaeological sites; and

(c) the action taken by the Government on such incidents?

#### **Target and Achievement of 1.0 and 2.0 PMKVY**

4057. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:  
SHRI VENKATESH NETHA

BORLAKUNTA:  
SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of physical targets set and achieved under the first two phases of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) in the country, State-wise;

(b) the details of employment opportunities provided to skilled youth under the first two phases of the PMKVY, with a particular reference to Telangana; and

(c) the details of approved outlay, sanctioned, released and utilized in the first two phases of PMKVY and details of the same in the proposed third phase?

#### **Reduction in Net Borrowing Ceiling**

4058. SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:  
SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Expenditure under the Ministry has taken into consideration the under-borrowing of Rs. 26,830.10 crore of Andhra Pradesh State in the earlier years (2005-14) before reducing the Net Borrowing Ceiling(NBC) for the State for the current fiscal;

(b) if so, the reasons for reduction in the NBC for Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if not, the reasons for not giving any weightage to the under-borrowings of the State, which far exceed the alleged overborrowing?

#### **Central Tribal University of Andhra Pradesh**

4059. SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has established a centre for promotion and protection of tribal languages in Central Tribal University of Andhra Pradesh (CTUAP);

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

(c) whether the Government has fixed a time frame for completing the construction of Central Tribal University of Andhra Pradesh (CTUAP) permanent campus;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Safety Audit of Industrial Companies**

4060. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:  
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:  
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:  
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):  
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH  
DEO:

SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:  
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had issued necessary guidelines to the industrial companies to get third party fire and safety audit done;
- (b) if so, whether many companies are not following rules despite the issuance of such guidelines;
- (c) if so, the details of action taken in this regard along with the number and details of industrial companies which have failed in safety audit, State-wise;
- (d) the action taken against the industrial companies which have failed on safety norms; and
- (e) the details of preventive steps taken by the Government to check industrial disasters and accidents?

### Quality of Higher Education

4061. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA  
KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION  
शिक्षा मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the quality of higher education is deteriorating due to shortage of faculty in higher education;
- (b) the number of sanctioned faculty posts as on 31.12.2021 including permanent staff and contractual staff; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to fill the vacant posts and improve the quality education in the country?

### Reorganization of Curriculum

4062. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION  
शिक्षा मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning for reorganization of the curriculum to help children learn language and mathematics in particular, and support their socio-emotional development, especially in early grades;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the reasons for spending so little on teacher training despite the fact that teachers are center of the quality education?

### Digital Education

†4063. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:  
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:  
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of benefits accrued to the youth of the rural areas through Digital University;
- (b) the funds allocated and utilised along with the details of heads wherein these funds were spent by the State Governments for the promotion of digital education in the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the allocation of budget out of the Union Budget and the expenditure incurred out of the total allocated budget for the programmes of school education, literacy and higher education from 2014-15 to 2020-21; and
- (d) the details of budget percentage given by the Government out of the total allocated budget for primary education, literacy and higher education during the above said period, year-wise?

### Registration for Extended Producer Liability

†4064. SHRI SANJAY SETH:  
SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND  
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the key highlights of the recently released Extended Producer Liability Guidelines for Plastic Packaging;
- (b) the details of entities to which new guidelines are applicable to;
- (c) the details of the producers and brand owners who have complied with the instruction regarding registration to complete the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) as per the Plastic Waste Management Rules, State wise details thereof particularly in Jharkhand?
- (d) the details of the penalty levied under the said guidelines; and
- (e) the manner in which the online system to be established by the Central Pollution Control Board will help dealing with plastic pollution?

### Loans from Foreign Institutions

†4065. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken loans from foreign financial institutions during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of the organisations; and
- (c) the rate of interest on which the said loans have been taken?

### Loan Waiver of Farmers

4066. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated and spent by the Government of India to waive-off loans of farmers during the last five years and the current years;

(b) the details thereof along with the number of beneficiaries, State/Year-wise; and

(c) the details of the criteria and rules set up by the Government for farmers to be eligible for loan waiver?

### Duty on Export of Raw Bauxite

4067. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI  
KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representation to eliminate duty on exports of non-plant grade raw bauxite which is unconsumable for any purpose in the country;

(b) if so, the response of Government thereto; and

(c) if not, the time by which action is likely to be taken in this regard?

### Youths Own Entrepreneurship

4068. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND  
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data to show the number of youths trained from Odisha who have started their own entrepreneurship venture;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is providing any further assistance to promote their venture; and if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the number of youths employed during the last three years and current year?

### Investment in Education Sector

†4069. SHRI VINOD L. CHAVDA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that investment in education sector is very less in India as compared to other countries which adversely affects the entire educational system;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has increased the investment in education sector to 6 per cent of Gross Domestic Product; and

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Micro ITIs in Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan

4070. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:  
SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND  
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is making any efforts to set up Micro Industrial Training Institutes and promote technical education in various parts of the country particularly in the tribal dominated areas of the country including Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the State-wise details of ITIs established in the country as on date;

(c) the expenditure incurred on setting up of ITIs in the country during the last three years and the current year; and

(d) the details of funding made under various heads for setting up of ITIs in the country including Chhattisgarh and Pindwada district of Rajasthan during the said period, State-wise and fund-wise?

### Relief Package for Revival of Tourism in Himachal Pradesh

4071. SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether foreign and domestic tourism in India and specially in Himachal Pradesh has been on decline due to Covid-19 pandemic during the last two years;

(b) if so, the steps taken to revive foreign and domestic tourism in the country and in the State of Himachal Pradesh;

(c) whether the Government has drawn any plans to bring back foreign and domestic tourists after the slowdown in Corona Cases in the country and in Himachal Pradesh; and

(d) the details of relief package announced and disbursed to the stressed hospitality sector in the country and specially in Himachal Pradesh?

### Excavation at Palakkad Fort

4072. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Archeological Survey of India (ASI) has recovered cannon balls from Palakkad Fort which is widely known as Tipu's Fort;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether ASI is considering to make more excavations at the said Fort to unearth many more historically important recoveries from the said Fort;

(d) whether it is also true that ASI presumes that there can be many more cannon balls buried on the premises of the said Fort;

(e) whether it is also true that ASI is taking steps to preserve the cannon balls recovered; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

### Students Shifting from Private Schools to Government Schools

4073. SHRIMATI RITA BAHUGUNA JOSHI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether lacs of students from private schools or Government aided schools have joined Government schools during the covid-19 pandemic;

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

(c) whether the Government schools have faced infra issues with the increased student number; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to address the infra issues in those schools where the student admission number shoot up?

### Competition Commission of India

4074. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the Competition Commission of India(CCI) has charged fine upon five tyre-makers for colluding to fix prices; if so, the details thereof including company and fine amount;

(b) whether the Government has received numerous complaints against tyre-makers that lead to these penalty fixations and if so, the details thereof and if not, the mode on which CCI had taken cognizance;

(c) whether the Government has received information that the tyre manufacturers had exchanged price-sensitive data among themselves through Automotive Tyre

Manufacturers Association, and collectively decided on tyre prices and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the steps taken by the Government for preventing tyre-makers from colluding to fix prices?

### Funds for Research and Development

4075. DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:

SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been under utilization of the funds allocated to Research and Development Scheme for Conservation and Development for the last three years;

(b) whether the Government has undertaken assessment on the reasons for the same, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the corrective steps undertaken by the Government to improve the usage of funds?

### Financial Assistance to Polytechnics/ ITIs in Bihar

4076. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme of the Government under which polytechnics/Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in Bihar are provided financial assistance;

(b) if so, details thereon and if not, reason therefor;

(c) the details about the polytechnics/ITIs in Bihar which were provided financial support under such scheme during last four years particularly district of Gopalganj;

(d) whether the Government provides any funds for improving the syllabus of polytechnics in consultation with the experts of the subjects;

(e) the measures being taken to open new polytechnics/ITI in Bihar particularly in the district Gopalganj?

### Financial Assistance to curb Desertification

4077. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made an estimation of land which is facing desertification and if so, the details from 2019 to 2022, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government is taking any initiatives to stop water erosion, vegetation degradation, wind erosion, etc. with the help of community participation and awareness to stop desertification;

(c) the details of financial assistance provided to curb desertification in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any Expert Body/ Committee has been appointed in an advisory capacity or in any other way to make suggestions or recommendations to address the situation and if so, the details thereof?

#### Female Labour Force Participation

4078. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:  
MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the annual female Labour Force Participation rates (LFPR), from 2014 till date;

(b) whether the existing labour and employment policies will be revised to provide an impetus to inclusive development as prioritised by the Finance Minister during the Union Budget 2022-23 speech, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government intends to frame a policy to boost demand for female labour force, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is on track to meet the objective of 30% female LFPR by 2022, as per NITI Aayog's Strategy for New India @ 75 Report 2019, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the efforts being made by the Government to increase women participation in the employment sector and help them become financially stable, which would help India in becoming a \$5Tn economy?

#### Functioning of Various Schools

4079. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION  
शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and number of Central Government schools like Kendriya Vidyalaya, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya and others in the country which are project schools, funded by other organizations, State-wise;

(b) the total amount of funds released and utilised for running the said schools between 2010-2021, Year-wise;

(c) whether the Government is considering taking over some of the above schools for better functioning

and continuity and if so, the details of the schools taken over so far year-wise and State-wise; and

(d) whether some of the schools have also been handed over to private entities for better functioning and avoiding closure of the schools and if so, the details of the schools handed over so far year-wise and State-wise?

#### Minimum Wages to Construction Workers

4080. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the minimum wages paid to the construction workers in Government Projects is uniform throughout the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has issued any Central Notification for payment of minimum wages to labour engaged under any of the Central Projects;

(c) whether all the States/UTs are strictly following the uniform pattern for payment of minimum wages to the labourers and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and action taken by the Government to ensure payment of minimum wages to the labourers engaged in the Central Projects throughout the Country?

#### Amendment in ST Orders (Amendment) Act, 1976

†4081. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hindi equivalents for the words "Lohara" "Lohra" mentioned at serial number 22 under the Scheduled Tribes (STs) orders (Amendment) Act, 1976 are mentioned as "Lohar" and "Lohara" and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the matter has become more complex due to Amendment Act, 48 of 2006 and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in the amendment of 2006 in STs Orders (Amendment) act, 1976 the words "Lohara" has been translated as "Lohar" in Hindi and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the office memorandum dated 14.06.2016 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs which has put a stay on act-II mentioned that "Lohar" caste shall be included in the list of STs by issuing a clear notification while taking out the act 48/2006;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, reasons therefor?



### ST Development in Jharkhand

†4082. SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds provided by the Government for development of Scheduled Tribes(STs) of Jharkhand during the last two years, head-wise;

(b) the details of the schemes implemented by the Government for upliftment and development of STs of Jharkhand;

(c) whether the Government has constituted any work group for smooth implementation of the said schemes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Illegal Trading of Indian Star Tortoise

4083. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

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 illegal international pet trade of the Indian Star Tortoise has reached such a scale that the species' survival in the wild is under threat and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has outlined any specific reasons that such trade continues despite it being against the law, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government plans to push for a greater punishment for those illegally trading in the Indian Star Tortoise in order to provide an effective deterrent;

(d) if so, whether the Government has launched any proper investigations into the illegal supply chains of the tortoise; and

(e) if so, the details of the findings of such investigation?

### Government Procurement from CPSUs

4084. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government procurement from Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) has been declining and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) if not, the details of Government orders placed with CPSUs during the last three years, quantity-wise and monetary value-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the productivity of CPSUs and upgrading the technology in their production systems so that they produce high quality products?

### Reservation for STs in Telangana

4085. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY

NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal from the Government of Telangana to increase the reservation for Scheduled Tribes from the existing percentage to twelve per cent and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government in a study to analyse the infrastructure-based performance of Tribal villages in the districts of Telangana, found that 40 per cent of villages lacked in one or more amenities crucial for sustainable village development;

(c) if so, the results and details of the Government study to analyse the same;

(d) the action proposed by the Government to improve the infrastructure in such areas; and

(e) the funds sanctioned towards infrastructural development in tribal villages in Telangana?

### Promotion of Technical Education

†4086. SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the special emphasis is given by the Government on the promotion of technical education across the country for the purpose of 'Technical Development Mission';

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### NPAs under PMEGP

4087. SHRIMATI RAJASHREE MALLICK:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether banks are raising high incidence of Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) under Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) in various forums, one of the reasons for such high NPA may be scaling down the project cost and not making full disbursement and if so, the reasons of such high incidence;

(b) whether the Government proposes to amend the State Financial Corporation(SFCs) Act giving more leverage to SFCs with diversification of activities commensurating the present competitive business scenario and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is providing budgetary support to commercial banks against their NPAs and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to give any budgetary grant to SFCs against their NPAs; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Participation of Minority Communities in Higher Education

4088. SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE), only 7.55 per cent of students in higher education are from minority communities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to analyse the reasons for lack of participation of minority communities in higher education and efforts made/being made to rectify the same; and

(d) the action taken or likely to be taken by the Government to ensure that minority educational institutions has the necessary infrastructure to deliver good quality online education during the pandemic and access to online education to minority students?

### ESI Hospital Belagavi, Karnataka

4089. SHRIMATI ANGADI MANGAL SURESH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of measures being contemplated to start a 100-bedded ESI Hospital in the Belagavi City in Karnataka to assist the large labour class working there and coming from Maharashtra and Goa States;

(b) whether the Government has any plans to repair the existing ESI Hospital which leaks heavily during the rainy season affecting the patients being treated; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

### Balance Sheet of CPSEs

†4090. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the revaluation of the land and real estate assets in the balance sheet is unlikely to change much for Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs);

(b) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the valuation of CPSEs in a sustainable manner;

(c) whether the Government is planning to focus on improving the operational and financial performance of CPSEs; and

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

### Public Welfare Scheme in Memory of Late Lata Mangeshkar

4091. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce any public welfare scheme in the memory of Late Lata Mangeshkar Ji;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Effects of Global Warming on Maritime Flora and Fauna

†4092. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

SHRI CHANDAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted or proposes to conduct any detailed study about global warming and erosion of water bodies as a result thereof;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the technology being used or to be used to solve this issue; and

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study in regard to the affect of global warming on maritime flora and fauna and if so, the details thereof?

### Amendment in Prohibited Area Limit Around Monuments

4093. SHRI RAJ KUMAR CHAHAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of monument-wise number of the unauthorized constructions within the prohibited and regulated areas of the protected monuments.

(b) whether the Government is aware that the existing 100 mtr. prohibited area limit of protected monuments is causing hindrance in execution of public works like metro, flyovers, elevated roads and hardship to the land owners with reference to small and non-ticketed monuments;

(c) whether any proposal is pending to revisit such 100 mtr. prohibited area and 200 mtr. regulated area limits; and

(d) if so, the details of such proposal?

#### Assessment of Cities' Performance

4094. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJI BHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the detailed criteria for assessing cities' performance under the 15th Finance Commission's grants on improving air quality;

(b) the manner in which the selected cities have performed in this assessment each year since its inception;

(c) the details of fund allocation for each of the selected cities each year since 2020; and

(d) the details of fund utilisation for each of the selected cities each year since 2020 specifically the cities of Gujarat?

#### Quality of Life of Workers

4095. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for improving the working condition and the quality of life of workers in the unorganized sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of schemes/projects launched for providing social security and other welfare measures for workers; and

(d) whether the Government has taken any steps for proper implementation of enforcement of labour laws; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Programme on Seagrasses

4096. DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

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 any program on Seagrasses as they are very efficient for their CO2 sequestration and ecosystem stabilization capabilities; and

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

#### Maintenance and Upkeep of Sun Temple

4097. SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH BHOLE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Uttar Pradesh for maintenance and upkeep of the Sun Temple located in Bhattar Gaon of Kanpur district and Kushmanda Devi Temple located at Ghatampur which are about 100 years old under the Temple Heritage Project;

(b) if so, the action taken for the development of these heritage sites;

(c) if not, whether the Government has mooted any action plan for beautification, upkeep and development of Temples on the sidelines of Amrit Mahotsava; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Hindi Language

†4098. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hindi language can prove to be helpful in becoming global identity of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to nominate Hindi language among the languages of the United Nations;

(d) whether any guidelines have been issued regarding the use of Hindi in the offices of the Central Government and State Governments; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Buildings for Kendriya Vidyalayas

†4099. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Kendriya Vidyalayas in the country not having their own buildings, State-wise;
- (b) whether Kendriya Vidyalaya in Yavatmal, Maharashtra does not have its own building;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken/ being taken by the Government for providing building to Yavatmal Kendriya Vidyalaya?

#### **Telangana's Share in Central Taxes**

4100. SHRI NANDIGAM SURESH:  
SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV:  
SHRI N. REDDEPPA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps to put into motion the proposal to deduct Telangana's share in Central taxes to settle the remaining dues of APGENCO for the power supplied to Telangana DISCOMs during 2014-17;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Employment Scheme in Tribal Areas, Rajasthan**

†4101. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:  
Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the State and district-wise details of schemes being run by the Government to promote employment in the tribal areas;
- (b) the State-wise and district-wise number of families benefited from such schemes run by the Government during the last five years;
- (c) the amount spent by the Government so far, State/district-wise; and
- (d) the amount spent so far in the district Tonk and Sawai Madhopur of Rajasthan and the number of children trained under the said schemes?

#### **Equal Wages to Women Migrant Workers**

†4102. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR:  
Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated number of women migrant workers;
- (b) the steps taken to ensure the payment of equal wage to the women migrant workers;
- (c) whether the Government will ensure that at least two days' leave with wage is provided to the women migrant workers during their menstrual period; and

- (d) whether the Government will constitute any fund to provide assistance therefrom to the women migrant workers during their pregnancy period?

#### **Financial Assistance to Improve Condition of Artists and Scholars**

†4103. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide any type of assistance to improve the financial and socio-economic condition of the artists and scholars in the field of art;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of people identified from Madhya Pradesh in this regard?

#### **Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana**

4104. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per the data on the web portal of e-SHRAM, 22.83 Crore workers from organized sectors are registered under the e-SHRAM portal;
- (b) the details of access to social security schemes by the registered workers;
- (c) the occupation, State and caste-wise disaggregated information on provision of pension schemes for registered workers;
- (d) the occupation, State, caste and gender-wise disaggregated information on enrolment under Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY); and
- (e) the occupation, State, caste and gender-wise disaggregated information on enrolment of workers registered under Ayushman Bharat programme of Government of India?

#### **Transaction Failures in AePS**

4105. SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to decrease the rising rate of transaction failures in Aadhaar enabled Payment Services (AePS) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is taking steps to reconstruct the consumer redressal process in the case of failed transactions, such as automated response codes to trigger reversal transactions, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to regulate the rising number of fraudulent Business Correspondents (BCs) stealing money from vulnerable customers through AePS, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has undertaken measures to ensure that the money withdrawn by the BC is disbursed to the customer so verification is possible in case of an alleged fraudulent transaction; and

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

#### **New Curriculum under NEP**

†4106. SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL:  
SHRI MITESH RAMESHBHAI PATEL  
(BAKABHAI):

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of New Education Policy (NEP);

(b) whether the new curriculum has been prepared for the University level courses under the said policy;

(c) the manner in which the new curriculum is different from the old curriculum; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **e-Way Bill for Intra-State Movement of Goods**

4107. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the co-operative societies registered under the Goods and Services Tax (GST) are bound to generate e-way bill for intra-state movement of goods valuing more than rupees one lakh in Delhi with effect from 16 June, 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the penalty for not generating e-way bill;

(c) whether the Central Government Employees Consumer Cooperative Society (Kendriya Bhandar), New Delhi did not generate e-way bills for intra-state movement of goods valuing more than rupees one lakh for nearly two years after the introduction of e-way bill system in Delhi; and

(d) if so, the action proposed to be taken by the Government in the matter against Kendriya Bhandar?

#### **Development of Religious Places of Rajasthan**

†4108. SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:  
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise/district-wise details of various schemes being implemented by the Government with the aim to develop India as a tourist hub;

(b) the budgetary allocation made for the said schemes and the amount spent so far during the last five years;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government for the further development of historical and religious places viz. Khatu Shyam ji, Salasar Balaji, Harsh Bhairav Nath Temple, Jeen Mataji, Goverdhan Parikrama from the tourism point of view in Sikar and Bharatpur districts of Rajasthan along with the details thereof; and

(d) the number of foreign tourists who visited India during the last four years including the revenue earned by the Government through tourism during the said period?

#### **PVTGs in Andhra Pradesh**

4109. SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) out of Scheduled Tribes in Andhra Pradesh after bifurcation;

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

(c) the findings of survey conducted by Integrated Tribal Development Agency (ITDA) in 2020 to enumerate the population, socio-economic and livelihood conditions of the PVTG in East Godavari district;

(d) whether the Government is contemplating to conduct similar surveys in other districts of Andhra Pradesh; and

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

#### **Tagore Cultural Complex**

4110. DR. NISHIKANT DEBEY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the much awaited Tagore Cultural Complex (TCC) at Deoghar in Jharkhand may take more time for its implementation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has fixed any new time line for the completion of this TCC;

(d) if so, the details therefor; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Survey and Assessment of Wetlands

4111. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been conducting regular surveys and assessment of areas classified as wetlands in the country;

(b) if so, the total area declared as wetlands in the country since 1981;

(c) the details of area newly added as wetlands in the country at the beginning of every five years starting from 1981;

(d) the total area classified as Ramsar sites in the country since 1981;

(e) whether there has been considerable reduction in area of existing wetlands due to urbanisation and encroachments over the past few decades;

(f) whether the Government has noticed any change/reduction in migratory bird species due to this, if so, the actions taken thereto; and

(g) the details and achievements of the National Wetlands Conservation Programme and National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Ecosystems for rejuvenation of wetlands?

### Performance of PSBs

4112. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) earning profit/incurred losses during the last three years, bank, year and State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the loss incurred by PSBs is due to increase in the incidents of frauds in the said banks;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the number of fraud cases detected and the action taken against the officials/banks during the said period, bank and State-wise; and

(d) whether the Government has developed any mechanism to detect fraud in banks before it is reported by the customers of the banks, if so, the details thereof?

### Illegal Digital Lending Apps

4113. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:  
SHRI VENKATESH NETHA  
BORLAKUNTA:  
DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:  
DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:  
SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has found 600 illegal digital lending apps operating and duping innocent people in the country;

(b) if so, whether thousands of complaints have been received against the said apps between January 2020 and March, 2021;

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

(d) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the aforesaid facts and initiated any legal action against such illegal entities/apps; and

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

### Skill Centres for Women

†4114. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether separate skill centres/institutions have been set up for women by the Union Government;

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

(c) the number of women who have so far been imparted training in these centres and the number of women who have got the opportunities of employment during the last five years; and

(d) the State-wise target fixed by the Union Government for this scheme and the achievement made thereto during the last five years?

### Clubs under Kendriya Vidyalayas

†4115. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR PINTU:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan is running central or other clubs in its regional offices;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the sources of Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and other members who make contributions to Cricket Clubs and other clubs?

### District-wise JNV

†4116. SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has achieved its target of establishing a Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) in all the districts of the country in order to meet its objective of providing qualitative modern education to meritorious children of the rural areas of the country without taking into consideration the social and economic condition of this families;

(b) if not, names of the district and states where JNVs are yet to be established State/District-wise;

(c) whether the Government has fixed any time limit for meeting this target, particularly in Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### **Preservation of Cultural Heritage of Himalayan Region**

4117. SHRI SURESH KUMAR KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of steps taken to protect and preserve the cultural heritage of the Himalayan region spreading in Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh;

(b) the details of grants provided by the Ministry under its scheme to protect cultural heritage of Himalayas; and

(c) the details of steps taken on Buddhist & Tibetan Culture Art in the Himalayan region by the Ministry?

### **Vacancies in Central Universities**

4118. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are over 10,000 vacancies of full time teacher's posts in Central Universities, IIMs and IITs in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons for such large number of vacancies; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to increase recruitment in the said institutions ?

### **Sewage Water Utilisation and Sustainable Stabilisation of Sand Dune Project**

†4119. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Waste Land Development Board had formulated Sewage Water Utilisation and Sustainable Stabilisation of Sand Dune Project for the development of internationally renowned pilgrimage centre, Pushkar between the year 1980-1992 and if so, the date on which said project was formulated along with the objectives set thereunder;

(b) the tenure-wise and post-wise names of individuals who were holding posts in the said Board;

(c) the time period of the said project along with all the orders, circulars issued in this regard;

(d) the date-wise name of places where sittings were held under the said projects along with the details of the decisions taken from the first to last sitting and the orders passed thereunder;

(e) the details of work executed in compliance of the said orders along with the total amount spent thereunder, date-wise and location-wise;

(f) the details of project work action taken order, circular etc in this regard; and

(g) whether the Government proposes to further continue or extend the said project and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Hazardous Working Conditions**

4120. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the works being done at central level for the welfare of the labourers in Bihar and to improve the hazardous conditions in which they work;

(b) the arrangements made at central level to carry out these works in Bihar;

(c) whether the Union Government is facing problems in carrying out these works in Bihar; and

(d) if so, the efforts made at central level to solve these problems?

### **Academic Integrity in Research Education**

4121. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the increasing occurrence of academic integrity in research education and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the policy adopted by the Government to check the plagiarism in research journals;

(c) whether the Government proposes to change the current regulations to tackle the menace of plagiarism;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of fraud cases brought to the notice of University Grants Commission during the last five years?

### **National Scholarship Portal**

4122. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI  
SOMABHAI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched a National Scholarship Portal to provide students access to National and State Level Scholarships provided by various Government authorities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of students benefitted therefrom in the country and the quantum of funds spent during the last financial year?

### **Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana**

†4123. SHRIMATI JYOTSNA CHARANDAS  
MAHANT:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes being run in the country for the overall development of the tribal people;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana launched for the purpose of delivery of services to the tribal people is in currency;

(d) if so, the details of its functioning; and

(e) the details of work undertaken for the promotion and preservation of tribal cultural heritage under the Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana in Chhattisgarh?

### **Sports Infrastructures in UP Schools**

4124. SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schools in Uttar Pradesh not having sports ground;

(b) the number of schools where sports ground facility was built during the last three years in Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) the funds allocated by the Government to build sports infrastructure in schools in Uttar Pradesh?

### **Empowerment of Tribal Women in Rajasthan**

†4125. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to promote tribal women entrepreneurship in Rajasthan;

(b) the details of training/skill development programmes to empower tribal women in Banswara and Dungarpur districts of Rajasthan and the number of women who have got placement after training; and

(c) the number of tribal women in Banswara and Dungarpur districts of Rajasthan who have started their own work after getting training and the details of the assistance provided to those women by the Government?

### **Vidyanjali Programme**

4126. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched Vidyanjali Programme with the aim of strengthening schools and improving the quality of school education through community, CSR and private sector involvement across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which Vidyanjali Programme is successful so far in achieving its goal and the challenges faced in implementation of the said programme?

### **Persons with Disabilities Trained under NSDC**

4127. SHRI GIRISH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of persons trained under the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) during the last four years;

(b) the total number of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) trained under NSDC during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) whether any special policies are in place to fund the initiatives for PwDs that could encourage their participation; if so, the details thereof?

### **Swayam Prabha Programme**

4128. SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:



(a) whether the Government reviews or coordinates the content aired on Swayam Prabha TV channels on its effectiveness in imparting knowledge in the PM e-Vidya programme;

(b) the number of course materials prepared by the Government for delivering online courses and imparting education through TV channels, along with the details of the classes they were made for and the subjects;

(c) whether the Government has undertaken any study to evaluate the effectiveness of online and digital education and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures being taken by the Government to improve the quality of the same?

#### **Bank Branches in Rural Areas**

†4129. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias  
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:  
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the norms for setting up branches of banks in rural areas of the country;

(b) whether as per the Reserve Bank of India, several villages of the country do not have any branch of banks at present, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number and details of nationalised bank branches in Maharashtra, district-wise;

(d) whether demand to open a new branch at the earliest has been raised in several districts of Maharashtra, if so, the details thereof;

(e) the time by which new branches are likely to be opened in these districts, the details thereof particularly in regard to Osmanabad Parliamentary Constituency; and

(f) the details of the requests received from the public representatives in this regard and the details of the action taken thereon?

#### **Relaxation to Corporates**

4130. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has granted relaxation and exemption to the corporates on account of Covid-19 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has granted tax exemption to the corporate due to Covid-19 and if so, the details of amount given on that account;

(c) whether the Government has relaxed the rules and regulations for the interest of the corporates considering the Covid-19 and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has collected Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) fund from the corporates on account of Covid-19 and if so, the details of total amount received from the Corporates as CSR fund; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to identify and declare the NGOs entitled to avail the CSR fund and if so, the details thereof including the list of NGOs in Kerala recognised for receiving CSR fund from the corporates?

#### **Creation of Cultural Infrastructure**

4131. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI  
KARUNANIDHI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the allocations made under the Scheme of Financial Assistance for Creation of Cultural Infrastructure during the last five years, State-wise;

(b) the details of the outcome achieved through the scheme during the said period; and

(c) the details of the infrastructure projects planned for the upcoming financial year?

#### **Costing of Covaxin and Covishield Vaccines**

4132. SHRI THIRUMAVALAVAN THOL:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Competition Commission of India has the details of cost build-up of Covaxin and Covishield vaccine produced in India, so as to prevent these two monopoly producers from exorbitantly pricing and selling the vaccines in the current situation of medical emergency;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has ensured that selling price does not have abnormal huge gap with the cost of production of Covaxin and Covishield and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has instructed the company to price the vaccine in consultation with the Government and ensured that the pattern of costing has not given advantage for business monopoly of these two companies;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Beautification of Places under Bardhaman Purba Constituency**

4133. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to beautify the four most beautiful tourism places under Bardhaman Purba Lok Sabha Constituency in West Bengal i.e. Kalna, Katwa, Raina and Purbosthali as new tourism spots in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof, along with the future initiatives in this regard, State/UT-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Violation of Child Labour Laws**

†4134. SHRI GUMAN SINGH DAMOR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the laws to stop child labour and the measures being taken to ensure the compliance with the laws along with the details thereof;

(b) the number and details of cases registered and the action taken for violating the child labour laws during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the details of the schemes for the upliftment of child labourers?

#### **Promotion of Tourism in Thiruvapur**

4135. SHRI M. SELVARAJ:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal to bring Thiruvapur of Tamil Nadu on to the World tourism map is under consideration of the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the special steps taken by the Government to bring the religious, spiritual, cultural heritage of the country before the world community;

(d) whether the Government takes the help of private, self-help organizations to promote the tourism; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Academic Institutions Patenting**

4136. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that most of the patents generated by academic institutions are commercialised by the industries and small and medium-sized enterprises;

(b) whether any steps have been taken to enhance industry-academia linkage for aiding licensing-out patents from Universities; and

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

#### **Distance Education System**

4137. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any uncertainty in the conduct of courses under the Distance Education Scheme in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the list of Universities accredited to offer courses under the Distance Education Scheme; and

(d) whether the successful completion of professional courses like MBA and MCA under the Distance Education scheme hinders further study and employment at the Government level?

#### **Eradication of Illiteracy**

4138. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government aims to ensure complete eradication of illiteracy in the country by 2030 and is assisting financially through State literacy mission programme;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the percentage of adult illiterates in India is around 35 per cent of the world's total adult illiterates and if so, the details thereof, State-wise and gender-wise; and

(c) the detail report of Niti Aayog which has underlined 112 aspirational districts and the reasons behind for zero budget allocation for adult education programme against Rs. 250 crore allocation during 2021-22 thereof?

#### **Education Schemes**

†4139. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme for new schools has been approved by the Government in Madhya Pradesh so that tribal areas could get maximum benefits particularly Khargone Barwani Parliamentary Constituency and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering a scheme to set up new schools in aspirational districts and if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which this scheme is likely to be implemented ; and

(c) the schemes approved in the aspirational districts of Madhya Pradesh by the Government?

**Honour of Educational Institutions by NAAC**

†4140. SHRI HAJI FAZLUR REHMAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), an autonomous institution of the University Grants Commission (UGC) honours educational institutions for their outstanding work in the field of education and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of highest status given to educational institutions by NAAC; and

(c) the names of educational institutions which have been awarded the highest status by NAAC during the last five years and the current year?

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*Secretary General*

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