

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Civil Aviation; Housing and Urban Affairs; Jal Shakti; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Minority Affairs; New and Renewable Energy; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Power; Road Transport and Highways)
(नागर विमानन; आवासन और शहरी कार्य; जल शक्ति; सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम; अल्पसंख्यक कार्य; नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा; पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस; विद्युत; सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 20

Cabin Baggage Rule

*401. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that none of the airlines is implementing 'one hand-bag' rule inside the cabin in domestic flights and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the airlines have not altered their hand baggage policy in tune with Bureau of Civil Aviation Security order on 'one hand-bag' rule and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the 'one hand-bag' rule is not implemented strictly and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of updated guidelines on 'one hand-bag' rule, airline-wise; and

(e) the action taken against the airlines for not implementing the 'one hand-bag' rule?

Resumption of Flights

*402. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of losses incurred by the Government due to suspension of both domestic and international flights during the last two years;

(b) whether any credit guarantee to the air operators have been provided by the Government and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether both domestic and international flights as scheduled prior to March, 2020 have been allowed to be operated from the middle of March, 2022 and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to implement strict compliance of Covid protocols in the flight operations and for the passengers and if so, the details thereof?

Creation of New Jobs in MSME Sector

*403. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to create new jobs as compensation for the loss of livelihood caused due to phasing out or reducing reliance on industries like plastic and coal (Unsustainable Industries) and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government proposes to ease the transition of the MSME industries involved in these sectors, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Electric Vehicles and Charging Stations

*404. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of registered Electric Vehicles (EVs) and the number of EV public charging stations in the country;

(b) whether the Government is aware that EV owners have expressed concerns over insignificant number of charging stations, especially along the State and National Highways;

(c) if so, whether the Government has issued instructions for providing EV public charging stations at all the prominent places in towns, cities and highways; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the present status of EV public charging stations and the action plan proposed for increasing that number by the year 2030?

Benefits of Drone Technology

*405. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the drones offer tremendous benefits for use in various sectors of economy viz. agriculture, defence, law enforcement and mapping;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to promote use of drone technology;

(c) the details of public and private sector organisations which are using drones and the number of drone manufacturing plants which are coming up in the country; and

(d) whether any such plants are being established in the State of Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof?

Expansion and Upgradation of Highways

*406. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to take up the remaining one hundred kilometres stretch of National Highway (NH)-16 from Narasannapeta to Ichapuram in Srikakulam for expansion into six lanes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the State Highways (SHs) being considered to be converted into NHs in the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(d) whether the Government proposes to convert SHs from Kalingapatnam-Srikakulam- Parvathipuram to Rayagada, from Gara-Alikam-Bathili Road to Gunupur and from Narasannapeta-Polaki-Nowpada-Pundi to Parlakhemundi in the State of Odisha into NH; and

(e) if so, the details and the present status thereof?

Toxic Substances in Ground Water

*407. SHRI GIRISH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study particularly in Uttar Pradesh regarding presence of toxic substances like arsenic and fluoride in ground water and their adverse effects on human health;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government for maintaining clean ground water, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by the Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) for exploration of clean and safe ground water resources thereby tackling problems of prolonged use of arsenic contaminated water which leads to diseases like dermatosis, keratosis, conjunctivitis, bronchitis, gastro-enteritis in initial stage and then peripheral neuropathies, hepatopathy, melanosis, depigmentation etc.?

Operation of Flights on New Routes

*408. SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has started flights on new routes in various States in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Installation of FGD Units

*409. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether private power producers have been directed by the Government to install Flue Gas Desulphurization (FGD) units to control pollution;

(b) if so, the status of private power producers who are in the process of installation of FGD units with MW capacity;

(c) the details of all the works awarded to various bidders along with the status of civil, mechanical and electrical works for installation of FGD units;

(d) whether it is a fact that the private power producers are avoiding installation of FGD units due to cost implications; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Real Estate Act, 2016

*410. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government enacted Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 (RERA) to protect the interests of consumers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to protect the interests of home buyers from real estate developers; and

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

Water Borne Diseases

†*411. DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of persons who fall ill due to water-borne diseases in the country including Gujarat during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the chemical substances mixed in the process of cleaning water are weakening the bones and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if so, the corrective measures being taken by the Government to purify water?

Employment Opportunities in MSME Sector*412. SHRI VELUSAMY P.:
SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Union Government to create more employment opportunities under various schemes in MSME sector;

(b) the details of funds allocated for the purpose during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the allocation of funds for the sector;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government would bear the Employees' State Insurance (ESI) and Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) amount of the MSME workers to create conducive atmosphere for the MSME sector and employ more workers; and

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

Ground Water Management Scheme

*413. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced the Ground Water Management and Regulation scheme in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the progress made under the said scheme till date; and

(d) the total funds allocated and utilised for the scheme during the last three years and the current year?

Asset Monetization of Airports414. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:
SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to monetise assets of airports under Airports Authority of India (AAI) and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of airports being considered for asset monetization;

(c) the details of airports which have been selected and are in the process of monetization along with the total number of bids for each of the selected airports; and

(d) the estimated proceeds of the Government from the asset monetization exercise?

Drone Schools*415. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved Remote Pilot Training organisation or drone schools across the country and proposes for more such organisations in near future;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the criteria fixed for their approval;

(c) whether the Government has invited applications from drone industry for Production Linked Incentive;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of the applications received and those found fit for incentive so far; and

(f) the details of investments the Government proposes in this sector and employment opportunities likely to be generated therefrom in the country?

Routes under Krishi UDAN Scheme*416. SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:
SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified certain focus routes under Krishi-UDAN scheme to support region specific agri-products transportation;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure seamless, cost effective and time bound air transportation for agri-products from various regions of the country?

Bharatmala Pariyojana

†*417. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the targets fixed under the Bharatmala Pariyojana which was started in the year 2017;

(b) the details of targets achieved so far and the funds spent thereon; and

(c) the details of the developmental works executed so far and proposed to be executed in the State of Rajasthan under the said Pariyojana?

Study on Pollution Level in Rivers

*418. SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has carried out/intends to carry out any study to assess the pollution level in various rivers of the country, particularly in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal;

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

(c) the list of most polluted rivers of the country; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to rejuvenate and maintain clean water in the rivers in the country?

Grievances Registered in MSMEs

*419. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the grievances registered through complaint cell of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and the action taken in this regard for its quick resolution during the last five years and the current year;

(b) the details of future initiatives proposed in this regard, State/UT-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Jal Shakti Kendra in Andhra Pradesh

*420. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:
SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of districts in Andhra Pradesh which have a Jal Shakti Kendra;

(b) the time by which each district would be provided one such Jal Shakti Kendra along with the reasons for the delay in setting up of Jal Shakti Kendra in each district of Andhra Pradesh;

(c) whether the Government has undertaken any geo-tagging or inventory of all water bodies in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the time by which the preparation of scientific plans for water conservation based on this geo-tagging would be completed for the State; and

(e) the time by which the ongoing Jal Shakti Abhiyan Projects in nine identified districts of Andhra Pradesh would be completed?

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