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List of Ouestions 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; Ports, Shipping and Waterways; Power; Road Transport and Highways; Youth Affairs and Sports)

(नागर विमानन; आवासन और शहरी कार्य; जल शक्ति; सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम; अल्पसंख्यक कार्य; नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा; पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग; विद्युत; सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग; युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्रालय)

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Construction of Daudhan Dam

†*241. SHRI VISHNU DATT SHARMA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of progress made in the action plan of displacement for Daudhan dam under Ken-Betwa Link Project;
- (b) the time by which the construction of the said dam is likely to be completed;
- (c) whether the Government has made any rehabilitation plan for the people residing in the ten villages of Chhattarpur district which are likely to be submerged due to the construction of the said dam and canals under the said project; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Electricity to Poor Households under Saubhagya

*242. SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE: SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched various schemes to provide electricity to all poor households in the country including Karnataka under Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana Saubhagya;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the achievements made along with the challenges faced by the Government under Saubhagya and also the details of other schemes launched by the Government to provide electrification in urban areas of the country including district-wise in Karnataka;
- (d) the number of households in rural and urban areas which have been provided with power facility in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, category-wise including Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and others:

- (e) whether the Government has achieved the targets set for providing electrification in rural and far flung tribal and backward areas of the country including Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh and North-Eastern Region; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof?

Construction of Dam across Markandeya River

*243. SHRI A. RAJA: DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Tamil Nadu has raised any objection on the construction of dam across Markandeya river in Karnataka which stops the flow of water in Thenpennai-Palar inter-linking in Tamil Nadu;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government proposes to constitute a tribunal to resolve this issue and advise the State of Karnataka to stop all the ongoing works in the Pennaiyar basin;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay in constituting the tribunal; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Mekedatu Multipurpose Project

*244. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of Mekedatu multipurpose drinking water and power project which involves building a balancing reservoir near Kanakapura in Ramanagara district of Karnataka;
- (b) the details of blueprint of the dam and the storage capacity of water;
- (c) the quantum of funds likely to be spent on the said project;

- (d) whether environmental and forestry clearances have been obtained for construction of Mekedatu dam across river Cauvery; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for the delay, if any?

Projects under Sagarmala Programme

*245. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the projects completed/ongoing under Sagaramala programme across the country;
- (b) whether there is any time and cost overrun in any of the above projects and if so, the details thereof, project-wise;
- (c) whether the projects undertaken are in compliance with the coastal regulation zone norms, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether new projects proposed under Sagaramala programme will lead to displacement of persons living in coastal areas and if so, the details of the number of persons likely to be displaced along with the compensation to be provided to them;
- (e) whether the affected coastal communities are consulted before these projects are taken up; and
- (f) if so, the details of the meetings held, projectwise and outcome thereof?

Take Over of Airports under PPP Model

*246. SHRIMATI MAHUA MOITRA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether six airports are being handed over from Airports Authority of India (AAI) to Adani Group under PPP model and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Adani Group had requested AAI to invoke *force majeure* to delay take over of these airports due to COVID-19 and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether *force majeure* has been accepted and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the loss suffered by AAI due to the delay in handover of airports to Adani Group;
- (e) whether it is proposed to blacklist Adam entities for future bids and if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the security clearance from the Ministry of Home Affairs has been obtained for the purpose and if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) whether any steps have been taken to protect the personal data of individuals and if so, the details thereof?

Improvement of NHs in Maharashtra

*247. SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:

DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of road stretches in Maharashtra entrusted to the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for improvement under different programmes;
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating any alternate method for improvement of National Highways (NHs) in the State where this work is yet to be taken up, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the alarming condition of the NHs in the State which are entrusted to NHAI due to lack of proper maintenance and if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether there is any policy for upgradation of State Highways and NHs along with a plan for maintenance of excessively damaged roads; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Setting up of Flying Training Institutes

*248. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps for advancement of the flying training in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of commercial pilots trained during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up new flying training institutes in the country including West Bengal and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has assessed the job loss of pilots during Covid-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof: and
- (e) whether any scheme has been introduced to help/support those pilots and if so, the details thereof?

Upgradation of Ports

*249. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to upgrade minor ports in the country to major ports and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether the Government is considering any proposal to upgrade infrastructure facilities at Beypore port and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has shifted Lakshadweep cargo handling facility at Beypore port to Mangalore port and if so, the reasons therefor?

Assistance for Smart Cities Mission

*250. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Central and State assistance allocated in the budget and sanctioned for the 99 smart cities selected under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM), city-wise;
- (b) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised under SCM, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the implementation status of SCM, city-wise?

Funds Spent by NTPC under CSR

*251. SHRI SURESH PUJARI:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of project affected area inside the Territory of Lakhanpur Block of Jharsuguda in the State of Odisha after establishment of NTPC's Lara thermal power project at Odisha-Chhattisgarh Border;
- (b) the total amount of funds spent so far by NTPC, Lara under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and the amount spent so far in the project affected areas inside Odisha territory;
- (c) the percentage of funds under CSR for which the project affected part of Odisha is entitled in principle;
- (d) whether the Union Government proposes to give instruction to NTPC to spend the determined percentage of its CSR funds in consultation with the elected representatives and district administration in the project affected areas of Odisha including its arrear amount; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Stimulus Package for Aviation Industry

*252. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to announce/ offer a stimulus package for aviation industry for overcoming the crisis due to Covid-19 and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether the Government proposes to reduce the taxation on Aviation Turbine Fuel and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government proposes to include taxation of Aviation Turbine Fuel in GST and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether airfare charged by the airlines is not affordable to the common people; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken/proposed by the Government to make the airfare including the airfare being charged for Gulf countries affordable?

Construction of Civil Aviation Research Centre

*253. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct Civil Aviation Research Centre at Begumpet airport in Telangana;
- (b) if so, the approved cost thereof and the facilities to be provided thereunder along with the time by which it will be constructed/completed;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up Aviation University at Begumpet airport for imparting education relating to aviation sector, keeping in view huge space available at the airport which is located in the middle of the city; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Single Point Registration Scheme of NSIC

*254. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC) facilitates the growth of small enterprises by increasing the share of Government purchases from this sector and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the number of micro and small industries, registered under Single Point Registration Scheme of NSIC has increased over the years and if so, the details thereof during the last three years, year and State-wise;
- (c) whether the NSIC has launched a programme exclusively for women entrepreneurs;
- (d) if so, the number of women who were able to take entrepreneurship during the above period with the help of NSIC in the country including the States of Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu; and
- (e) whether the Government provides any financial support to such entrepreneurs and if so, the details thereof during the said period?

Privatisation of Power Distribution

*255. PROF. SOUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to privatise the entire power distribution in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any State Government has opposed the proposal;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any State Government has not handed over the power distribution to private companies so far; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of Urban Development Schemes

*256. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing Urban Development Schemes (UDSs) for the development of cities and towns in the country including North Eastern Region, Uttar Pradesh and Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated and utilized under the said schemes during each of the last three years and the current year, State/
- (c) whether the Government is implementing the Integrated Capacity Building Programme to strengthen States and other stakeholders towards implementation of its mission and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is any mechanism to monitor the utilization of funds allocated to the States and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to make urban local bodies more efficient and also to empower them to make demand for funds and utilize the; and
- (f) the details of difference between UDS and Smart Cities Mission?

Proposals from Uttar Pradesh

*257. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the works being carried out under the Ministry;

- (b) whether the Government has received any proposals from Uttar Pradesh for various works under the Ministry during the last three years and if so, the details thereof along with the details of pending proposals with the Ministry at present;
- (c) the corrective steps taken by the Government to expedite the clearance of pending proposals; and
- (d) the details of the number of works relating to the Ministry being undertaken in each district of Uttar Pradesh including Barabanki?

Notification of Krishna River Management Board

*258. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently notified Krishna River Management Board (KRMB);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether KRMB has noted the excess utilisation of Krishna river water by Telangana to generate power at Srisailam and Nagarjuna Sagar projects;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and
- (e) whether KRMB has a formula to calculate utilisation of flood waters and if so, the details thereof?

Development of Roads under CRIF

*259. SHRI JUAL ORAM: SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of roads in various States including Odisha which are in dilapidated conditions;
- (b) whether the Government provides funds to the States for repairing/development of roads from the Central Road and Infrastructure Fund (CRIF);
- (c) if so, the details of the funds provided from CRIF and utilised by the States for this purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Odisha and Jharkhand;
- (d) the details of road development projects taken up in various States under CRIF during the said period and the time by which these projects are likely to be completed, State/UT-wise including Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu; and
- (e) the measures taken by the Union Government to increase the road infrastructure in Tamil Nadu?

Shortage of Drinking Water in Cities

†*260. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and names of big and medium size cities in the country especially in Maharashtra where there is acute shortage of drinking water as on date;

(b) the number and names of the cities where this problem is quite serious; and

(c) the reasons for the shortage of water in the said cities despite water supply schemes being implemented by the Government along with the steps taken by the Government to address the said problem?

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Secretary General

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