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(Ministries of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Earth Sciences; Environment, Forest and Climate Change; Health and Family Welfare; Information and Broadcasting; Science and Technology; Textiles; Women and Child Development)

(आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष); पृथ्वी विज्ञान; पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन; स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण; सूचना और प्रसारण; विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी; वस्त्र; महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय)

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Guidelines for on-line sale of Medicines

1112. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been considered for establishing separate guidelines for the sale of medicines online in order to outline a legal framework for e-pharmacy business and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government plans to amend the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 to differentiate between online and offline pharmacies and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to address the problem of validity of prescriptions in e-pharmacy businesses; and

(d) the difficulties faced by start-ups in the ease of doing e-pharmacy business

Data Science

and steps taken by the Government to

1113. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

address these problems?

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government in order to unleash the untapped potential of data science has been suitably assisting the start-ups which are working on the Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the procedure which is to be adopted by the start-ups for getting financial assistance and projects?

Impact of Demonetisation

1114. SHRI RITESH PANDEY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted a study on the impact of demonetisation on the domestic wool industry;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the details of the economic impact of demonetisation on communities that are involved in animal husbandry as it relates to the production of wool; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Welfare Scheme for Widows

1115. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether many widows are leading a miserable and pitiable life in many towns of the country as per the 2011 census;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the welfare schemes being implemented by the Government to ameliorate the economic situation of such widows?

Empowerment of Rural Women

1116. SHRI B.B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched any new schemes during the last three years with special focus on holistic developments of rural women in the country;

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(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the financial allocations made under these new schemes, State/UT-wise?

Trauma Centres

†1117. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI: SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS: SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of trauma centres opened at the national highways in the country, State/UT-wise including the Maharashtra and Rajasthan during the last three years;

(b) the number of trauma centres proposed to be opened at these highways from the years 2015-16 to 2018-19 indicating the construction work out of the above that has been completed/incomplete along with the time by which their construction is likely to be completed;

(c) whether the Government has fixed any target for opening trauma centres at the national highways;

(d) whether basic public facilities have become non-functional in trauma centre of Jhansi city; and

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

Elimination of TB

1118. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL: SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to eliminate Tuberculosis (TB) from India by 2025;

(b) if so, the concerted action plan prepared for elimination of TB;

(c) whether the Government is planning to create roadmap for essential devices list and a separate policy for medical devices;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures taken by the Government to the accessibility and affordability of medical devices to masses?

Rising Sea Levels

1119. PROF. SAUGATA ROY: SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rising sea level is a serious concern especially for the coastal inhabitants, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any study/assessed the impact due to rising sea levels on various coastal towns in the country, if so, the details thereof; (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to protect coastal inhabitants from rising sea level by relocating the worst affected people and prevention of seashore erosion, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is providing any financial assistance to Coastal States to construct seawalls and other remedies to protect the coastal areas; and

(e) if so, the details of such assistances given to various States/UTs during the last five years, year-wise and State/UT-wise?

Herbal Garden

†1120. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL: SHRI SANJAY SETH: SHRI RAHUL KASWAN: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the herbal gardens in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has formulated/implemented any scheme for developing herbal gardens in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has provided financial incentives to the farmer to promote herbal farming, if so, the details thereof: (d) whether the Government has received any proposal for developing herbal gardens from any institutions/State Government, if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government on the said proposal;

(e) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of herbal gardens with participation from private sector if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to set up any herbal garden in Jharkhand and in the Districts of Rajasthan including Sikar, if so, the details thereof?

Integrated Medical Laboratories

1121. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish/upgrade integrated lab/centre to strengthening of laboratory network in different parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and along with the place where it is proposed to be set up;

(c) the expenditure to be incurred thereon and the sources from where the funds are proposed to be generated; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up more such centres/labs in the country and if so, the details thereof?

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NIFT Campus in Andhra Pradesh

1122. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) Campus in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether the ministry is considering for setting up of one such campus in the proposed new capital of Andhra Pradesh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Science of Earth

1123. SHRI H. VASANTHAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is to promote awareness about "Science of Earth" among students and common public;

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

(c) whether the Ministry has conducted/launched any programmes for rapid exchange of researches and ideas between the widespread community of earth scientists; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and fund allocation in this regard?

Impact of Automation on Employment in the Textile Sector

1124. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been undertaken by the Government to assess the impact of automation on employment in the textile sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government will intervene to protect the jobs in the labour intensive industry of textiles and create new employment opportunities for those who have lost jobs on account of automation;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana

1125. SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: SHRI RAVINDRA SHYAM NARAYAN SHUKLA *ALIAS* RAVI KISHAN: SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: DR. HEENA GAVIT: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to encourage students including girls in the science and technology institutes by enhancing scholarships under various schemes, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is implementing scholarship schemes under Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY) to encourage research work and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of youth encouraged and benefited under the KVPY during the last three years, States/UTs-wise;

(d) the details of funds sanctioned by the Government under this yojana during the last three years;

(e) whether the Government has achieved the objectives for which the yojana was launched; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the corrective steps taken in this regard?

National Nutrition Mission

1126. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken or being taken by the Government so far to boost National Nutrition Mission (NNM);

(b) whether the Government has identified various districts across the country under NNM plan; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the names of those districts, State-wise?

Funds to Government Hospitals

1127. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation made/grant provided/ fund made available by the Government during the last three years to Government funded hospitals in Delhi and West Bengal, hospital-wise; and

(b) the number of OPD patients registered and surgeries performed in Central Government funded hospitals in Delhi and West Bengal during the last three years, hospital, State-wise?

Terrace Gardens

1128. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

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 make terrace gardens over the rooftop of every Government building;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes or plans to implement any policy to encourage citizens to develop terrace gardens on their rooftops;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

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Doctor Patient Ratio

†1129. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY: SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL: SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is acute shortage of doctors in the country and as per the report of World Health Organization there is one doctor for 1953 persons in the country at present while there should be one doctor per one thousand persons in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government for achieving the said target;

(c) the details of the doctor patient ratio at present in the country, State/UTwise including Maharashtra; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to upgrade the district hospitals as medical colleges for streamlining the shabby health services and providing better health services; if so the details thereof along with the total number of district hospitals being upgraded in the first phase of the said scheme, State/UT-wise?

Scientific Study on Floods in Kerala

1130. MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE पर्यावरण, वन और जलवाय परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has carried out any scientific study on the 2018 floods which ravaged the State of Kerala and killed hundreds of people; and

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to start centres in various districts to study issues relating to climate change; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Climate Change Study in Kerala

1131. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to conduct a study on 'Climate Change' in the State of Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the estimated cost and departments involved in the exercise; and

(c) the reasons behind the said decision?

Healthcare Schemes

1132. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU: SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHAWAHA: SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO: SHRI RAVINDRA SHYAM NARAYAN SHUKLA *ALIAS* RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes launched by the Government to provide medical assistance to the patients of all income groups;

(b) the details of the schemes proposed in this regard through which free treatment of life threatening diseases could be provided;

(c) the number of patients who have been given free treatment under Ayushman Bharat Scheme, State/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh;

(d) whether the Ayushman Bharat Scheme is availed by people whose income is less than Rupees 10,000, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether there is any scheme covering the remaining people who come under Economically Weaker Section; if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

Welfare of Silk Sector

1133. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to give any special scheme/ packages for the welfare of silk sector at Kolar District in the State of Karnataka, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government has identified any areas for the implementation of this scheme, if so, the details thereof indicating the districts identified and the criteria for the same?

Central Drug Research Institute

†1134. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Drug Research Institutes in the country, State/ UT-wise;

(b) the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized during each of the last three years and the current year, institute-wise;

(c) whether the Government has set any target for these institutes for the development of modern medicines and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any agreement has been signed with other countries for said institutes; and

(e) the steps taken or being taken by the Government for improving the performance of the said institutes?

Implementation of AB-PMJAY in States

1135. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL: SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether many States has shown reluctance or refused to implement central schemes like Ayushman Bharat etc., if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to formulate a policy to tackle this indifferent attitude of some State Governments;

(c) the number of beneficiaries availed the benefit and likely to avail in 2019-20 under the scheme State-wise and total fund earmarked by Government for this purpose; and

(d) whether sufficient funds are allocated for expansion of the scheme, if so, the details thereof?

National Health Mission

†1136. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various health programmes being run by the Government under National Health Mission, State/UTwise;

(b) whether the salary of contractual employees working in various States/UTs in the said Mission is increased by the Government every year;

(c) if so, the details of the increased salary of the posts and employees of various categories in Rajasthan during the last five years in compliance with the said rule; and

(d) whether any State has the power to change the eligibility criteria set for the

employees for various posts under different health programmes of National Health Mission and if so, the details thereof?

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao

†1137. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE: SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts in Maharashtra where 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' (BBBP) scheme is being implemented;

(b) the targets set under this scheme and the achievements made since 2016 in this regard especially Maharashtra;

(c) the details of funds allocated under the scheme, since 2016;

(d) the details of the funds received and expenditure incurred under various heads including media advertising for the said scheme;

(e) the details of the media companies that have been selected to manage the publicity of the BBBP along with the amount paid to them (year-wise); and

(f) the impact of the scheme in improving child sex ratio during the said period?

Promotion of Ayurveda

†1138. SHRI RAVINDRA SHYAM NARAYAN SHUKLA *ALIAS* RAVI KISHAN: SHRI MANOJ TIWARI: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to promote ayurveda, yoga and naturopathy in the country;

(b) the details of concrete policy formulated for creating awareness among the people about yoga and naturopathy and making these systems employment oriented; and

(c) the number of persons who have been given employment in these sectors, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh?

Science and Technology Infrastructure

1139. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to strengthen and develop the science and technology infrastructure in major sectors;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether there is any system to encourage the scientists, technology experts and other specialized institutions in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is providing any assistance to or coordinating with the foreign institutions having the said expertise; and

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

Urban Haats

†1140. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish 'Urban Haats' for handicrafts and craftsmen;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to establish 'Urban Haats' in various districts including Sikar of Rajasthan;

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

(e) whether the Government proposes to grant administrative and financial approval for establishment of 'Urban Haats'; and

(f) the time by which the approval is likely to be granted?

Rotation System of Appointment

†1141. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the medical institutes which follow the rotation system while appointing Head of the various departments;

(b) whether the Government has issued any order in the recent past with regard to the rotation system; and (c) if so, the details thereof?

Conservation of Bio-diversity

1142. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government has set any targets under Convention on Biological Diversity for conservation of bio-diversity;

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

(c) the details regarding achievement of the targets set in this regard;

(d) whether there have been any roadblocks causing the delay in timely achievement of the set targets; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Community Radio Station

†1143. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of community radio stations operational across the country including Rajasthan, area-wise;

(b) whether the Government has identified the reasons for delay in setting up of 500 community radio stations even after one decade, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the guidelines for setting up of community radio stations; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to further simplify the application process for community radio stations?

One-Stop-Centres in Bihar

†1144. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI: SHRI GIRIDHARI YADAV:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the 'One-Stop-Centres' currently operational in Bihar and the districts which are not covered by One-Stop-Centres;

(b) the reason for non coverage of some districts under the said schemes;

(c) the details of the funds allocated towards 'One-Stop-Centres' during the last two years, year-wise;

(d) the details of unutilized funds under the scheme and the reasons for not utilizing the allocated funds; and

(e) the response of the Government in this regard?

Centralised Portal

†1145. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to launch a centralized portal through which information regarding name of the blood bank, type of blood group, blood volume and cost would be made available;

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

Medical Equipments Market

†1146. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV: SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: WILL THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the size of medical equipments market in India and the quantum of medical equipments imported during each of the last three years and till date;

(b) whether the Government is aware that medical equipments like stents, catheters and bone implants are being sold at higher rates to patients in the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has asked the manufacturers of such medical equipments to submit the complete details of production and rate fixation of their products and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the measures being taken by the Government to monitor and regularize the prices of medical equipments and to protect the customers being overcharged by hospitals/companies; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to promote domestic manufacturing of medical equipments at affordable price?

Noise Pollution

†1147. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether people have suffered hearing loss/ear disorders due to noise pollution including DJ and other high decibel audio systems;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to formulate a new policy to check noise pollution; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Blue Flag Certificates for Beaches

1148. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has started a pilot project to develop the Indian beaches according to the Blue Flag Standards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether beaches from the coastal States had been chosen for the Blue Flag certification under the project; and

(d) if so, the details of beaches that have been selected?

Estimation of Monsoon Rainfall

†1149. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

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Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has estimated the monsoon to be below average during the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the parts of the country where monsoon has been estimated to be below average during the month of July;

(c) whether the Government has analysed the reason for the deficiency of rain, if so, the details thereof and the extent to which farmers are likely to be affected due to possibility of drought, State/UTwise; and

(d) the details of alternate source of water supply in case of monsoon failure?

ICMR Study Centre

1150. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested the Government for establishment of Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR) Study Centre in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any decision in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of funds being allocated for the same for early setting up of the centre?

Impact of Air Pollution on Health

1151. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has carried out any study on the long term impact of air pollution on human health, if so, details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken steps on precautionary and curing measures for people to prevent deadly lung diseases and respiratory problems; and

(c) if so, the details of measures/ initiatives taken by the Government for safe public health with respect to air pollution in the country particularly in Delhi?

Animal-Human Conflicts

1152. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any statistics regarding number of animal-human conflicts reported in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of people who lost their lives during the last five years, year and Statewise;

(c) the major steps taken by the Government to avoid such incidents;

(d) whether the Government has given any compensation to the victims of animal-human conflicts; and

(e) if so, the details of such assistance provided by the Government during the last five years, year and State-wise?

Diversion of Forest Land

1153. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of each of the proposals sent to the Union Government by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for diversion of forest land for infrastructure projects in the new capital of Amaravati;

(b) the status of each of the above proposals and the reasons for pendency of the same; and

(c) whether there has been a long delay in clearance of the said proposals by the Forest Advisory Committee, if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken with regard to proposals from the States of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana?

Coastal Regulation Zone Management Plan

1154. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

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 comprehensively review and examine

various issues/concerns of coastal regions and stakeholders relating to Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) management plan;

(b) if so, the details of the proposed changes to the CRZ plan;

(c) whether the Government has come out with a new draft CRZ notification with the underlying objective of boosting beach tourism and promoting developmental activities along the coast and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to relax CRZ rules in Udupi district, Karnataka, at par with Goa and Kerala and if so, the details thereof?

IMR and SBR

1155. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the programmes/schemes implemented/operational to reduce Infant Mortality Rate (IMR), Still Birth Rate (SBR) and to rectify the nutritional deficiencies of old age people across the country, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu;

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under these programmes/schemes during the last three years and the current year across the country, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu;

(c) the details of the target set and the achievements made under this so far;

(d) the details of the number of cases covered under these programmes/schemes across the country;

(e) whether the Government is proposing to make any amendment under these schemes; and (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR)

1156. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of Child Care Institutions (CCIs) across the country are not registered with the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR);

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure audit and mapping of all CCIs pan-India?

Fake Beneficiaries under Anganwadis

1157. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of Anganwadi Centres have increased;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any mechanism to identify fake beneficiaries registered in Anganwadis across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof specially in Kerala?

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Allocation of Funds

1158. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the basis for allocation of funds under various developmental schemes in the Ministry;

(b) whether the Government proposes to allocate more funds to the States which are performing well in implementation of the schemes under the Ministry and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any guidelines have been issued in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

Guidelines for Distribution Practices

1159. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL: SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes stringent guidelines for distribution practices for drug companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these guidelines have been approved by Drug Technical Advisory Board (DTAB);

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which these are likely to be approved by DTAB; and

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(e) the extent to which consumers are likely to be benefited after enforcement of these guidelines?

Cancer Control Mechanism

1160. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to bring a comprehensive cancer control mechanism on the scale of the existing measures to combat HIV and tuberculosis, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government has any plan to expand cancer prevention diagnosis, treatment and palliation across the country, if so, the details thereof?

Indian Cotton Textile Industry

1161. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is shortage of cotton, particularly long-staple cotton in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Indian cotton textile industry is facing stiff competition in foreign markets and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the steps taken by the Government for the brand promotion of Indian Textiles and access to global markets?

Supercomputers for Weather Forecasting

1162. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to buy supercomputers to improve weather forecasting in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the problems faced by scientists in understanding and forecasting weather in India; and

(d) the steps taken and financial allocation made by the Government to improve weather and monsoon forecasting?

Avenues and Opportunities to Indian Researchers

1163. SHRIMATI RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated schemes to provide attractive avenues and opportunities to Indian researchers, who are residing in foreign countries to work in Indian Institutes and Universities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government keeps track or estimates the number of Indian scientists, who leave India to work in other countries; and

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(d) if so, the details of such tracking or estimation process?

Laboratory Facilities in Hospitals

†1164. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the lack of laboratory facilities for the diagnosis of diseases in the Government hospitals and hence private labs are charging more fees, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the measures being taken by the Government to address the issue of lack of lab facility in all the hospitals; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to implement any scheme to provide special assistance/fund for the setting up of labs in rural areas, if so, the details thereof?

Forecast of Earthquakes

†1165. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating any special action plan for accurate forecast of earthquakes on lines of Japan and the USA, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether in the absence of any forecast about earthquakes large scale loss of life and property takes place, if so, the details thereof; (c) the location of the existing research centres for getting accurate forecast of earthquakes in the country; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to upgrade the said centres to state-of-the-art level?

Poor Air Quality

1166. SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

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 citizen are subjected to poor air quality and are inhailing very hazardous levels of polluted air in many metropolitan cities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has proposed to take various measures to stop construction work and phase out old vehicles from plying on the roads to reduce the effects of pollution; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Air Pollution

1167. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

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 note that air pollution has emerged as the largest environment risk factor in the country; (b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is initiating effective interventions to improve air quality and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is taking any steps to involve experts across disciplines to make a concerted and collaborative efforts at all levels to effectively curb pollution and if so, the details thereof?

PARIVESH

1168. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of clearances processed through PARIVESH since its inception along with the number of users every year since its launch;

(b) the number of sittings made by the Experts Appraisal Committee in the last two years along with the number of violations detected by the Committee so far during the said period;

(c) the number of sittings made by the Regional Empowered Committee during the last two years and the action taken thereon; and

(d) the number of countries which participated in the World Environment Day on the 5th of June 2018 and the amount spent on conduct of the same?

Environmental Clearance

†1169. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received a proposal for environmental clearances from the State Government of Maharashtra regarding construction of coastal road in Mumbai by Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai;

(b) if so, the details thereof and present status of the said proposal; and

(c) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be finalized and the reasons of delay in this regard?

Sam Pitroda Committee in 2014

1170. SHRI SYAD IMTIAZ JALEEL: SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the recommendations of Sam Pitroda led Expert Panel on Prasar Bharati which submitted its report in 2014;

(b) the detailed recommendations made by the Committee;

(c) whether these recommendations have been implemented fully or partially;

(d) whether the Government has started manpower and other audit of Prasar Bharati, All India Radio and Doordarshan on the lines of the recommendations made by the Expert Committee, if so, the details

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thereof and the time by which this exercise is likely to be completed; and

(e) the other steps being taken by the Government to make Prasar Bharati, All India Radio and Doordarshan more viable?

Air Pollution in North India

1171. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted an Inter-State body to deal with adverse effects of air pollution in Northern India;

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

(c) the details of locations of the monitoring stations sanctioned by the Government in the last five years particularly in Punjab;

(d) the details of the targets, if any, set by the Government to reduce the levels of air pollution;

(e) whether the Government is aware of a World Bank report that air pollution has impacted GDP by more than 5 per cent; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Eco Task Force

†1172. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of deployment of eco-task force battalions which are presently engaged in protection of environment, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government is working on any plan for better utilization of new technology so as to enhance the capacity as well as efficiency of the said battalions;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to raise more battalions in coordination with the State agencies in future; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of Paris Pact

1173. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

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 India had announced at the informal meeting of Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS) leaders on sidelines of the G-20 Summit in Hamburg, Germany to implement Paris Pact in "Letter and Sprit";

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether, besides India, the other BRICS members have shown reluctance to implement this agreement and if so, the details thereof; and (d) the role being played by USA and other Member Countries with regard to framing a global deal on climate change?

Cleanliness of Small Rivers

†1174. SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHAWAHA: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY: SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to maintain cleanliness of small rivers, especially which flow through various district headquarters, cities and industrial areas in the country including Chhattisgarh, year-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to make new provisions in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details of the strategy being formulated for the same?

Growth Rate in Textile Sector

†1175. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the growth rate of the textile sector during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;

(b) whether the Government has achieved the targeted growth rate in the textile sector in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

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(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government for promotion and growth of textile sector in the country?

Functioning of Blood Banks

†1176. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS: SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study to assess the number of blood banks required in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of blood storage centres functioning as first referral units, Community Health Centres, Primary Health Centres, Secondary and Tertiary Health Centres;

(d) the details of blood and blood components released by these centres during the last three years; and

(e) whether these blood banks have assisted in improving healthcare service and reducing maternal and child mortality rate during the last three years, if so, the details thereof?

Ban on Scenes of Smoking on TV

†1177. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued/proposes to issue guidelines on giving permission for screening of films and serials which contain scenes of smoking;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the present status of banned scenes showing cigarette smoking in films and serials on Doordarshan?

Prevalence of Malnutrition

1178. DR. HEENA GAVIT: SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU: SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is unable to contain the incidence of malnutrition among women and children in the country, particularly in tribal, rural and backward/ hilly areas, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has identified the districts with maximum number of malnourished women and children in the country, if so, the details thereof;

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(c) whether the World Health Organisation (WHO) and United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and have also drawn attention to high prevalence of malnutrition in the country and fixed criteria in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of the schemes implemented by the Government for eradication of malnutrition along with the funds allocated/released and utilised thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, scheme and State/UTwise;

(e) the impact of schemes in eradication of malnutrition in the country;

(f) whether the Government plans to revisit its policies to ensure that the earmarked funds reach the targeted population and achieve the objectives of reduction in malnutrition and if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the further measures taken by the Government to make the country free of malnutrition?

International Yoga Day

1179. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: DR. HEENA GAVIT: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Fifth International Day of Yoga was celebrated in the country recently and if so, the details and main theme thereof;

(b) the details of programmes organized and projects launched on the occasion of International Yoga Day along with the funds allocated/expenditure incurred on the celebration of the events this year including expenses incurred on promotion, publicity, advertisement and awareness in India and worldwide;

(c) the number of participants in these programmes and places where these programmes were held, State/UT-wise;

(d) the details of the proposals sent by States/UTs regarding the selection of venues and other facilities for organizing International Yoga Day; and

(e) whether there is a growth in number of youth trained in yoga which has helped in spreading yoga in other countries, if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government to promote yoga in the country and worldwide?

Children Death due to Air Pollution

1180. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

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 around one lakh children are dying every year because of air pollution in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the top ten cities in India that are worst affected by air pollution;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to curb air pollution in the country;

(d) whether the Union Government has issued any directives to the State Government of Karnataka to curb air pollution in Bengaluru; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Air Quality

1181. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the pollution of various cities of the country has reached dangerous levels and the present air quality is hazardous for health of human beings, animal and plant life;

(b) if so, the details thereof, city-wise including levels of deterioration in air quality in Mumbai;

(c) the steps taken by the Government in coordination with the concerned State Governments to curb the situation; and

(d) the reasons for increase of pollution in Mumbai?

Kidney Diseases

1182. SHRI SRINIVAS KESINENI:

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the untimely death of people due to kidney diseases in Uddanam region of Srikakulam district in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any team of experts has been sent to Uddanam to find out the reasons and to curb deaths due to kidney diseases and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of financial assistance given to the kidney patients from the Central Government?

Physiological Diseases

1183. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to include hereditary and physiological diseases in Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the measures taken by the Government for advancement of Mental Wellbeing among citizens?

Establishment of Virology Lab in Kerala

1184. SHRI K.

MURALEEDHARAN: MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any research on the origin of Nipah Fever and its effective timely treatment and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to establish Virology Lab in the State of Kerala for effective detection of Nipah;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to appoint expert medical team for the research of origin of Nipah Fever and its easy effective treatment; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Funds to Telangana in Health Sector

1185. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of funds allocated and released in health sector, State/ UT-wise including Telangana?

Comprehensive Action Plan for Air Pollution

1186. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the guidelines mentioned under Comprehensive Action Plan (CAP) for air pollution control in Delhi and National Capital Region (NCR) have been rolled out for implementation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the guidelines that have not been rolled out yet for implementation?

New Policy for Women Empowerment

†1187. SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to formulate any new policy/ programme for empowerment of women;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which such policy/ scheme is likely to be implemented?

Criteria for Establishment of PHCs/ Hospitals

1188. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the criteria for establishing new Primary Health Centre (PHCs)/hospital in the country;

(b) the hospital to population ratio in the country;

(c) whether there is sufficient number of hospitals as per population in Assam, if so, the details thereof and if not, the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) the other efforts made by the Government to open new PHC/hospital/ super hospital HPC area of Assam, if so, the details thereof?

Procurement of Silk by Cotton Corporation of India

1189. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Cotton Corporation of India has procured cotton from farmers of various States at Minimum Support Price during each of the last three years and the current year;

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

(c) whether the Government has increased the MSP of cotton in proportion to rate of inflation and rise in input costs during the said period;

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

(e) whether the cotton growers are getting adequate price for their produce during the said period to enable them to repay their loans and meet their household expenses;

(f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor; and

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(g) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to give remunerative price of cotton to the farmers?

Norms of Air Pollution

†1190. SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the prescribed norms of permissible particulate matter in the atmosphere and the names of such cities having high levels of air pollution beyond the prescribed norms;

(b) whether the Government has identified the major factors responsible for air pollution and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to chalk out any concrete plan to check the factors responsible for air pollution; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Reduction in Forest Area

†1191. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether forest area in the country is reducing rapidly and is continuously in a state of decline;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to address the said issue;

(d) whether the Government has any scheme to include the private sector to increase the forest area by including private land under forestation programmes and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to provide tax relief and compensation to those people who are willing to promote forest cover on their land under the said scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Guidelines for New AIIMS

†1192. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any guidelines for establishing additional AIIMS like institutions/hospitals in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government also proposes to establish additional AIIMS hospitals in the States where the existing AIIMS hospitals are situated at a distance of more than 500 Kms. so as to facilitate the patients to have easy access to medical facilities; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Tracking of Heatwave

1193. SHRI SANJAY SETH:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase in heatwaves in the country including

Jharkhand over the last three years, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the reasons for the increase in the number of heatwaves in the country;

(c) the mechanism used by the Government to track heatwaves and changes in temperature that would be classified as a heatwave; and

(d) the effects of heatwaves on labour productivity, public health and disaster events?

Tiger Population

1194. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the tiger population in the country, State-wise along with the details of increase in number of tigers in the last ten years;

(b) whether large scale projects coming up near sanctuaries have threatened the dwelling of tigers and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the measures being taken to ensure safety of tigers; and

(d) the details of steps undertaken to map the tiger corridor as well as the routes taken by tigers during migration or relocation?

Rabies Infection

†1195. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of rabies infection have increased due to the stray dogs, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the State/UT-wise details of such incidents during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(c) the preventive steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

MoU on Cancer Research Initiative

1196. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and U.K. on Cancer Research Initiative and if so, the details thereof along with its outcome as on date;

(b) the details of identification of a core set of research challenges that address issues of affordability, prevention and care of cancer;

(c) the details of the total research funding for the initiative along with details of outcome as on date;

(d) whether the Government hospitals are ill equipped to meet the massive burden of escalating cancer care costs, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is likely to focus on low cost approaches to cancer treatment and if so, the details thereof? 1197. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to fight air pollution and save rivers;

(b) the funds allocated/spent in this regard during the last four years; and

(c) the measures taken/being taken by his Ministry to bring down air pollution in non-attainment cities during the last four years and the next five years under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP)?

Radio/Doordarshan Channels for Classical Music

†1198. DR. RAMAPATI RAM TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to start new channels on Radio and Doordarshan that are fully dedicated to Classical music;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

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Effects of Climate Change

†1199. SHRI RAMPRIT MANDAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायू परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether major climate change has taken place in the Indian subcontinent;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the negative effects of climate change on human life and natural resources;

(d) whether the Government has taken steps to mitigate the negative effects of climate change; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the results achieved therein?

Treatment in CGHS Empanelled Hospitals

†1200. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has accorded approval to retired Government employees to get treatment from CGHS approved hospitals without referral from dispensaries;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to give this facility to other CGHS card holders such as serving Government employees, security personnel/military personnel etc. in CGHS approved hospitals;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Impact of Microplastic Particles on Health

1201. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to a global report, every year tens of thousands of microplastic particles are consumed by the people of the country;

(b) if so, its impact on human health as reported therein; and

(c) the details of any proposal planned and the action taken by the Government to protect the ecology and environment by banning use of contaminated plastics in the country?

Centrally Funded Health Projects/ Schemes

1202. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of centrally funded health projects/schemes being implemented in the country during each of the last two years, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand;

(b) the details of allocation and utilization of funds during the said period;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any survey on the prevailing

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healthcare facilities and infrastructure in rural areas of the country; and

(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof and necessary steps taken in this regard?

Child Marriages

1203. SHRI PINAKI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that child marriages are still widely practiced despite the ban on it and Rajasthan has the highest incidence of child marriages in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the National Health Survey of 2015-16 data shows that 40.5% of the women in the age group of 20-24 in rural Rajasthan got married before they were 18 years of age;

(c) whether the Centre has taken up the matter with the said State Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the State Government thereto; and

(e) whether the State Government has given any assurance of effective implementation of the ban for the betterment of the girl child?

Media Ownership

1204. SHRI MANISH TIWARI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सुचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that on August 12th, 2014 TRAI had made recommendations on issues with regard to media ownership, if so, the status of these recommendations;

(b) whether the Government has accepted the said recommendations, if so, the details thereof along with the manner in which such recommendations have been dealt with in the past five years;

(c) whether the Government proposes to bring any law/policy/notification to proscribe vertical and horizontal cross holdings in the media space, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to consider ownership of multiple content and content distribution platforms by a single entity or a group of companies going back to a single owner/ entity as a threat to the plurality and diversity of the media space, if so, the details thereof?

Clinical Trials

1205. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of clinical trials conducted in the country during the last three years;

(b) whether there has been a decline in the clinical trials being conducted in the country during the last three years;

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

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

Medical Council of India

1206. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Medical Council of India (MCI)/Board of Governors recognized any course, degree, Post Graduation diploma or certificate course conducted by any University without prior permission and recognition of Medical Council of India or Board of Governors, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of the courses and year of conducting course, year of issuance of degree/PG diploma/certificate course and year of recognition approval given by the Medical Council of India;

(c) the details of the condition imposed by the MCI for giving recognition to the degree/PG diploma/certificate courses conducted by various institutions without prior permission of MCI;

(d) whether the MCI is satisfied that such courses are beneficial to the Medical education; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Population Growth

1207. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE: SHRI DILIP SAIKIA: SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether population is increasing all over the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise including Mangaldai in Assam during the last five years;

(b) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme to enact a uniform law by implementing two child norm to control population and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government also proposes to fix any accountability clause in the said law/scheme and set any time limit for its implementation, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government proposes schemes for people planning to have no kids and adopt the deprived children, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government consider population growth as a serious challenge and has conducted any survey or constituted any working group in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof?

Weaver Service Centres

1208. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: DR. HEENA GAVIT: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Weaver Service Centres operational in various States under different handloom development schemes, State-wise;

(b) the objectives for setting up Weaver Service Centres along with the funds sanctioned and utilized during the last three years and the current year by various States/UT;

(c) whether the Government is aware of reasons as to why certain Weaver Service Centres have not been working satisfactorily in certain States;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Union Government for making the working of the said centres more effective;

(e) whether the Government has constituted any monitoring Committee to monitor the functioning of Weavers Service Centre, if so, the number of problems of weavers solved by the Monitoring Committee in the country, State/UT-wise; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Government to strengthen the functioning of Weaver Service Centres in the country?

PM-STIAC

1209. SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: DR. HEENA GAVIT: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up Prime Minister's Science Technology and Innovation Advisory Council (PM-STIAC), if so, the details along with the aims and objectives thereof;

(b) the details of the composition of PM-STIAC and number of meetings held since its inception;

(c) whether PM-STIAC has achieved the objective for which it was set up, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there is MoU between Principal Scientific Advisor (PSA) and IIT on Waste to Wealth Technology, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to consolidate all possible Waste to Wealth Technologies practiced worldwide and implement them at ground level in Indian cities?

Conservation of Bengal Tigers

1210. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU: DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

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 Bengal Tigers may not survive climate change, according to a recent report by the United Nations and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken note that a study by the World Wide Fund for Nature has projected that a sea level rise of 11 inches could reduce the number

of tigers in the Sundarbans by 96 per cent within a few decades and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether habitat loss, hunting and the illegal trade of animal organs/parts have diminished the global population of tigers from around 100,000 to fewer than 4,000;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government for conservation of Bengal Tigers in the country?

Removal of Rigid Labour Laws in Textile Industry

1211. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL: SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the textile industry employing about 45 million people and is the second highest job generator after agriculture, has been demanding removal of rigid labour laws that hurt its operations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has constituted high level expert panel to give a boost to the labour-intensive textile sector, if so, the details thereof; . .

(d) whether the aforesaid high-level expert panel has submitted its report to the Government;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government on the recommendations made by the aforesaid panel?

Treatment of the Poor at Private Hospitals

†1212. SHRI GIRIDHARI YADAV: SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that hospitals which were given land by the Government at concessional rate refuse to give treatment to the poor, if so, the details thereof along with the action taken in this regard;

(b) whether the Hon'ble Supreme Court has directed the Central Government to ensure providing free treatment to 25 per cent of OPD patients and 10 percentage of IPD patients, in connection with the Writ Petition No. 2866/2002;

(c) if so, the reason for not taking action by the Government on its own according to the prescribed terms and conditions which resulted in court intervention; and

(d) the reaction of the Government in this regard and punitive measures taken against officers held guilty in this regard?

Number of Deaths in Government Hospitals

1213. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the increasing deaths in Central Government Hospitals;

(b) if so, the number of deaths reported in such hospitals during each of the last three years and the current year along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether a large number of ventilators and other equipments procured in the such hospitals during the said period are not functional;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, hospital-wise along with the corrective steps taken in this regard;

(e) whether the NHRC has issued a notice to the said hospitals for unhygienic conditions, acute shortage of essential services and illegal clinical drug trials on patients; and

(f) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government so far and the achievements thereof?

Opening of New FM Radio Stations

1214. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING स्चना और प्रसारण मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal pending before the Government for setting up of new FM Radio Stations in various parts of the country including Telangana; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay in approval of such proposals?

Online Abuse and Trolling of Women

†1215. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI: SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up/proposes to set up any agency to take action against online trolls who torment and abuse women on social media without compromising the freedom of expression on internet;

(b) whether there has been a delay in initiating action in many cases despite various instances of hate crimes and violence against women;

(c) the plan of Government to resolve such cases on urgent basis;

(d) whether the Government is planning to set up any agency or a separate department to crackdown on criminals to protect women from being trolled on media and social media sites; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

e-Waste with Power Companies

†1216. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM: DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of disposable toxic e-waste is lying in various power companies across the country;

(b) whether the Government has taken steps to dispose of such e-waste without causing any harm to environment and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has issued any direction to the power companies in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Residential Areas inside Forests

†1217. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of residential areas across the country which are situated inside forest areas;

(b) whether the Government is aware that such residential areas lack basic facilities and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of proposals received by the Government to provide basic facilities in the said residential areas during the last five years along with the details of action taken thereof, State and proposalwise; (d) whether the Government is considering to ensure the availability of basic facilities in the residential areas and villages situated in forest areas by running any special campaign;

(e) if so, the details of the framework prepared in this regard; and

(f) if not, the other corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Funds Released under NAP

1218. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the manner in which Green India Mission is different from National Afforestation Programme (NAP);

(b) whether the Government is aware that just Rs. 80 lakhs have been released under NAP to Andhra Pradesh in 2015-16 as compared to Rs. 4.5 crore in 2014-15;

(c) if so, the reasons for such sharp decline in allocation in 2015-16 and the details of the allocation made for 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19;

(d) whether the Government is aware that no funds have been released for Andhra Pradesh under Green India Mission since 2013-14; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

Encouragement of AYUSH

1219. SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE: SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the National Statistics of the Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) department regarding its performance during the last five years, State/UT-wise; and

(b) whether the Government is taking any steps to encourage people to use AYUSH instead of allopathy and make it more favoured system in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Expenditure incurred by DAVP

1220. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of expenditure incurred by DAVP during each of the last three years on advertisements in newspapers, magazines and the electronic media;

(b) whether DAVP has reviewed or proposes to review the media/publicity strategy of the Government and its

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Departments particularly in the light of the technological advancements and the latest trends in the media;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to rationalise expenditure on account of advertisements by the DAVP; and

(e) if so, the measures taken and the success achieved so far in this regard?

Sale of CEL

†1221. SHRI SU. THRUNAVUKKARASAR:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved a 100 per cent strategic sale along with transfer of management control of Central Electronics Limited (CEL);

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) the time by which the sale process is likely to be completed; and

(d) the revenue likely to be generated through this sale process?

Trafficking and Killing of Snakes and Wild Animals

†1222. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of trafficking and killing of snakes and other wild animals have

come to notice of the Government and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether his Ministry is aware of a rescue of a rare two headed snake from a house at Majra Paltanpurwa in Sharwasti district (Bhinga Kotwali) of Uttar Pradesh by the forest department including details of the accused;

(c) if so, whether such snakes cost crores in the international market and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the provision of penalty and punishment for such trafficking is not commensurate to the nature of crime;

(e) if so, whether the Government has collected State-wise and Union Territorywise details of such cases of smuggling along with persons accused and acquitted in this regard during the last three years; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Medical Colleges

1223. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI: SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE: SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of medical colleges established/set up during the last three years, State/UT, district-wise including Maharashtra, Gujarat and Punjab;

(b) the details of States/UTs which have sought financial assistance and funds

allocated and utilized for projects/schemes for the medical colleges;

(c) whether Government in consultation with States/UTs are planning to increase/open a number of new medical colleges, State/UT-wise particularly in Punjab;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to address the issue of illegal capitation fees in private medical colleges?

AYUSH for Senior Citizens

1224. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is providing better health services to the senior citizens under AYUSH treatment system;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, whether Government proposes to open special clinics for the aged persons in villages;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other measures being taken by the Government to provide cheaper health facilities to the aged persons under the AYUSH system of medicine?

Adoption of Abandoned Kids

1225. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR: SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of abandoned children are girls and only a few among them are adopted every year, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the abandoned children living in Government and Non-Government shelter homes, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the corruption and apathy has adversely affected the adoption process in the country and has reduced it to a commercial transaction;

(d) whether Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA) has failed to regulate placement agencies, avoid delays and duplication of adoption process; and

(e) the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Assessment of Number of Trees

1226. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

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 study to assess the number of trees cut every year;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of trees cut during each of the last three years and the current year, Statewise;

(c) whether the Government intends to develop a policy to maintain ecological

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balance of trees by maintaining statistics of fallen trees and new trees planted in census list; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Naturopathy Studies

1227. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to introduce Naturopathy Studies as a specific discipline at college level, in near future specially in Tripura;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of professional naturopathy courses approved by the Government?

Upgrading District Hospitals into Medical Colleges

†1228. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to convert 75 district hospitals into medical colleges with a view to ensure availability of doctors and para medical facilities in healthcare sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district and hospital-wise; and

(c) the funds likely to be spent by the Government in upgrading district hospitals as medical colleges?

Integrated Wool Development Programme

1229. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the impact assessment of the Integrated Wool Development Programme is being undertaken by the Government;

(b) if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof along with the manner in which the said scheme has impacted marginalised groups such as SCs, STs, OBCs, and lowincome women;

(c) if not, the time by which the Government plans to release the impact assessment report of this scheme; and

(d) whether the Government plans to include the details of benefits delivered to SCs, STs, OBCs, and low-income women in this report, if so, the details thereof?

Yoga Activity for Women

1230. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the yoga and yogic principals helps to improve health and to

attain the confidence level and inner strength of women especially housewifes and working women;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to promote the yoga activity especially for women;

(d) if so, the details of the schemes framed up for the purpose; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to promote yoga and aspects of yogic practices which are proven to be supportive for women?

Export of AYUSH Medicines

1231. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the action taken by the Government to accelerate the export of AYUSH medicines into the global markets and to promote WHO certification for manufacturing facilities in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to take any measures to simplify the procedures for revalidation of monograph by countries abroad and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has set up any agency to provide all technical support to the exports of Ayush Medicines and if so, the details thereof?

Surrogacy Hub

1232. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed that India is becoming the 'surrogacy hub' of the world, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether most of the surrogate mothers are women from poor families, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any strict law are in place to control this activity particularly in Kerala; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Spinning Mills in Uttar Pradesh

†1233. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of such spinning mills in Uttar Pradesh particularly in Sandila Tehsil under the Mishrikh Parliamentary Constituency in the State of Uttar Pradesh which have been closed down/shut down;

(b) whether the Union Government has taken or proposes to take any steps to restart such closed spinning mills particularly in the backward and scheduled caste dominated areas in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

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Budget Allocation for Family Planning

1234. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the budget for family planning is more than 2.5 percent of the total Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) flexi-pool budget;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the break-up of 2.5 percent according to the budget-line items; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the budget in the financial year 2019-2020 given the addition of three new spacing methods in the basket of choice, if so, the extent of increase and if not, the reasons therefor?

One Stop Centres

†1235. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of One Stop Centres set up in the country during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(b) the number of women benefitted from such centres;

(c) whether the Government is contemplating to launch a scheme to set up such centres in all the districts of the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any mechanism has been formulated to resolve the complaints received from women at these centres?

AIIMS, Jodhpur

†1236. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of works being carried out in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) located in Jodhpur, Rajasthan on contract basis through private firms/companies including the names of such private firms/companies engaged therein; and

(b) the year-wise details of amount paid by the said institute from 1st April, 2014 to 31st March, 2019 along with the work for which said payment was made as well as the names of the companies/firms to which payments were made?

Upgradation of Akashvani Kendra

†1237. SHRI RAVINDRA SHYAM NARAYAN SHUKLA *ALIAS* RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has chalked out any scheme for the upgradation of the Akashvani Kendras operational at local level;

(b) if so, the 'Akashvani Kendras' identified in this regard; and

(c) if not, the other steps likely to be taken by the Government for their upgradation?

e-Waste

1238. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the threat of mounting growth of e-waste in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the measures taken by the Government to address the issue;

(c) whether any data has been collected on the generation of e-waste annually in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government will consider a total ban on import of e-waste to the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of import of e-waste to the country during the last three years and the current year?

Paris Climate Agreement

1239. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has ratified to the climate change commitments under the Paris Climate Agreement 2015;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken by the Government to meet the climate change commitments; and

(c) the details of the current status in achieving the said targets?

New Anganwadi Buildings

†1240. SHRI NIHAL CHAND: DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to construct new Anganwadi buildings in cities on the lines of rural/urban Anganwadi Centres (AWCs);

(b) whether the Government have received proposals from States/UTs in this regard and if so, the details thereof along with the response of the Government thereto;

(c) the measures taken by the Government to make AWCs more accessible and child friendly;

(d) whether the Government during the XII Plan period proposed to construct two lakh AWCs at a cost of Rs. 4.5 lakh per unit and annual allotment of funds worth Rs. 200 crores for their maintenance; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the present status of the said proposal?

National Children's Tribunal

1241. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a National Children's Tribunal, on the lines of the National Green Tribunal (NGT), to deal with cases of crime against children in a time-bound and expeditious manner;

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(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the proposed National Children's Tribunal is likely to be set up?

Treatment Facilities at AIIMS

†1242. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV: SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is shortage of doctors including senior doctors, specialists, resident doctors and lab technicians in All India Institutes of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) across the country is affecting the proper treatment of patients, if so, the details thereof, department-wise;

(b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to address the said shortage;

(c) whether the Government has introduced Aadhaar-linked online appointment facility in AIIMS in Delhi, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the said facility has been introduced in all the AIIMS and similar institutions across the country, if so, the details thereof along with the number of patients who have availed this facility since the inception of the said service; and

(e) whether the Government has started public awareness campaigns and established public information centres in the said institutions and if so, the details thereof?

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Ban on Plastic Bags

1243. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायू परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated a regulatory mechanism and/or a monitoring body to oversee the ban imposed on plastic bags;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government aims to introduce a cheap and viable alternative to plastic bags and if so, the details thereof and;

(d) whether the ban on plastic bags includes a fine for those guilty of using the said bags and if so, the details thereof?

Rashtriya Swasthya **Bima Yojana**

1244. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana aims to provide health cover to the population below the poverty line;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of targets set and achievements made under the Yojana during the last five years in the country particularly in Karnataka?

Violence in Television and Films

1245. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the excessive portraval of violence in television and films is having a negative impact on families especially on children, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to regulate such programmes, that are not conducive to public viewing in television and films in India during the last five years: and

(c) whether the Government is running awareness programme to encourage socially responsible content on TV/films, if so, the details thereof?

Nirbhaya Fund

1246. SHRI ANTO ANTONY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up Nirbhaya Fund for enhancing safety and security of women in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government maintains any statistical data regarding funds allocated and utilized under the scheme:

(c) if so the details of such allocation and utilization of funds during the last five years, year and State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has any plan to enhance the financial assistance provided under the said scheme; and

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(e) if so, the details thereof along with the further steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Localize Weather Forecasting

1247. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India Meteorological Department is planning to launch/has launched pilot project for localized weather forecasting at block level;

(b) if so, the details of the blocks where the pilot projects are operational along with the results thereof; and

(c) the manner in which it is likely to help farmers to deal with vagaries of monsoon?

Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana (MGBBY)

1248. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE[•]

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Handloom Weavers/ Workers enrolled under the Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana (MGBBY);

(b) the number of handloom weavers/ workers who have been provided insurance benefits in the case of natural death/ accidental death and in case of total and partial disability across the country during the last three years and current year;

(c) the schemes for development of handlooms and welfare of handloom weavers in the country; and

(d) whether the Government is providing subsidy to the handloom sector to encourage handloom weavers, if so, the details thereof?

Hathkargha Samvardhan Sahayata (HSS) Yojana

1249. SHRLA RAJA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had launched Hathkargha Samvardhan Sahayata (HSS) Yojana for handloom weavers;

the aims and objectives thereof;

(c) the ratio of sharing financial assistance between the Government and beneficiary:

(d) the total financial assistance provided by the Government under the HSS Yojana, till date, State/UT-wise:

(e) the number of handloom weavers benefited from the HSS, till date, State/UTwise; and

(f) the monitoring mechanism developed by the Government in this regard?

NABH Accreditation of Hospitals

†1250. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(b) if so, the details thereof along with

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(a) whether only one to two per cent of hospitals have been registered with the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH) in the country;

(b) if so, the reason for reluctance by hospitals to register with NABH; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the registration of maximum number of hospitals with NABH?

Medical Devices

1251. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has put in place any automated and unified system to ensure the traceability and authenticity of medicines and medical devices manufactured in the country in view of rising instances of counterfeit medications and devices being given to unsuspecting users;

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

Promoting Silk in Global Market

1252. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is introducing new schemes to promote silk in global market;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the recent endeavours made to eradicate thigh reeling practices and introduce modern machines;

(d) whether any mobile application was launched for quality certification in silkworm seed sector; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Financial Assistance to NGOs

1253. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided any financial assistance to Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for implementation of various health schemes in Punjab and Chandigarh;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, NGOs, State and year-wise;

(c) whether the Government appointed anyone to monitor the functioning/irregularities of such NGOs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Protection of Forest Areas

1254. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the methods adopted by the Government to demarcate the forest areas to make them out of bounds for mining or protect them against illegal mining;

(b) whether the Government has carried out any fresh forest survey to determine the extent to which targets have been achieved in plantation of trees over the years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the area under the green cover at present?

Extreme Weather Events

1255. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of extreme weather events like floods, excessive rain, cyclones reported in the country during the last three years, State/UT and year-wise;

(b) the number of people who died in these extreme weather events, State/UT and year-wise;

(c) whether the Government has commissioned any study on the effects of climate change on people of the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government to reduce the effect of extreme weather events and climate change on the people?

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Internal Complaints Committee

1256. DR. SHASHI THAROOR: DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the Central Government Departments and PSUs have constituted Internal Complaints Committees (ICCs) to prevent sexual harassment at workplace, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the total number of sexual harassment complaints filed by employees of departments of the Central Governments before the respective ICCs since 2013;

(c) whether it is true that ICCs have not completed the investigation into such complaints within the statutorily mandated period and if so, the details thereof along with the number of such pending cases;

(d) the action taken or being taken against such ICCs of Central Government/ departments that have failed to submit their investigation reports within statutorily mandated period;

(e) the number of employees of Central Government/departments officials that have been suspended or dismissed on charges of sexual harassment, since 2013; and

(f) whether the judiciary falls under the purview of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 and if so, the details of ICCs in Higher Courts and if not, the reasons therefor?

Research Output in Science Universities

1257. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that research output in science in Indian universities is low and of poor quality, if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(b) the amount of research expenditure as share of GDP in last five years, yearwise;

(c) whether this expenditure on research is sufficient to make India a superpower, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to increase the quantity and quality of research in universities of the country?

Financial Assistance for Rehabilitation and Protection of Children

1258. SHRIMATI RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides grants/financial assistance to State Governments for rehabilitation and protection of street children, children rescued from child labour and the victims of human trafficking, particularly girls and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; (b) the details of funds released thereunder through various schemes and heads during the last four years, State-wise; and

(c) the system in place to audit and monitor the expenditure of funds allocated thereunder along with the heads and the details of expenditure and utilization of the funds, State-wise?

Funding Projects for States to Control Cancer

1259. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any new funding projects for the States to control cancer and cancer related diseases;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total amount allocated for the said purpose during the last three years, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to provide timely and adequate supply of low cost drugs and medicines for the cure of cancer and cancer related diseases under "National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases & Stroke"?

Private Satellite TV Channels

1260. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the numbers and details of Private Satellite TV Channels permitted to telecast in India in the last five years, year-wise;

(b) the number and names of Private TV Channels raided by different Government Agencies during the last five years;

(c) the number and names of Private TV Channels whose Licence has been cancelled during the last five years; and

(d) the number of pending cases against the TV Channels as on date, if any?

Jai Prakash Narain Apex Trauma Centre in AIIMS

†1261. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether renovation work of Jai Prakash Narain Apex Trauma Centre in AIIMS which caught fire in the month of March has not been undertaken yet due to which patients who require to be operated upon second time are not being admitted, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of operation theatres rendered non-functional after the said fire along with the present status thereof;

(c) whether there is undue delay in the work of renovation of the said operation theatres; and

(d) if so, the arrangements made by the Government to ensure that the patients are not inconvenienced?

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Prediction of Natural Disasters

1262. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the current capability of the India Meteorological Department to predict natural disasters;

(b) whether the Ministry has procured any additional equipment to better predict disasters, if so, the details thereof and cost incurred on their procurement;

(c) the reasons for delay in predicting several natural disasters well-beforehand which led to slower evacuation processes; and

(d) the details of the future policy of his Ministry to better predict natural disasters?

Food Labs

†1263. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of food testing laboratories in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the number of laboratories set up/ proposed to be set up to ensure food quality during the last three years, State/UT-wise especially in Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) the time by which the said laboratories are likely to be set up?

World Bank Assistance to Infant Health Programme

†1264. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal by the World Bank to provide financial assistance for infant health programme in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the World Bank had provided financial assistance for the said programme earlier, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any success has been achieved in establishing population growth in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Health Infrastructure

1265. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that public health infrastructure in several States looks extremely bleak due to severe shortage of human resources and basic infrastructure;

(b) if so, the details on the status of availability and shortage of specialist doctors including surgeons, physicians, pediatricians, lab technicians, radiographers and gynecologists across all the public health institutions, State-wise; (c) the measures taken by the Government to improve the overall infrastructure of Community Health Centres and other Public Health Centers especially in rural areas;

(d) whether the Government is incentivizing the doctors and specialists working in private hospitals to serve in rural areas and public health centers; and

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

Campaigns of Ayurveda

†1266. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK: SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the campaigns being organized by the Union Government for taking Ayurveda to every village in the country; and

(b) the efforts being made by the Government for bringing Ayurveda at par with Allopathy?

Research Work for Social Benefits

†1267. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has urged the scientists to redefine the research work for the benefit of the society;

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(b) if so, the details thereof along with the action plan prepared by the Government in this regard;

(c) the present status of the proposal regarding extension of retirement age of the scientists;

(d) the number of scientists likely to be benefited therefrom; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Plant India Initiative

1268. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

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 make Plant India initiative a national movement led by people, like the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether State Governments have agreed to participate in the aforesaid scheme, if so, the details thereof along with the share of the State Governments therein;

(c) whether a number of developmental projects are pending for want of environmental clearance, if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and "Sakhi Kendra" Yojana; (b) the details of centres presently

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

operational, out of the sanctioned/ approved projects in the country during the last three years;

Union Government has implemented

(d) the action taken by the Union

Government to ensure that the environment

is protected and development takes place?

Sakhi Kendra Yojana

†1269. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND

(a) the names of the States where the

(c) whether a "Sakhi Kendra" has been sanctioned in Deoli of Wardha district of Maharashtra;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it will become operational; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Epidemic Disease

†1270. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria set by the Government for declaring any disease an epidemic;

(b) the names of diseases spreaded in the country during the last five years; and

(c) the details of disease out of the same declared epidemic across the country, State/UT-wise?

Evaluation of Schemes/Programmes

1271. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has evaluated the performance of various schemes/programmes under implementation by his Ministry during last one year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated to the said schemes/ programmes during the last five years, scheme/programme-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Rejuvenation of Lakes

1272. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT. FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of programmes being implemented for lake rejuvenation works by the Government;

(b) whether the Government has released any funds towards rejuvenation of any lakes in Bengaluru and if so, the details thereof:

(c) whether the Government has issued any directives to State Governments to cater to issues pertaining to buffer zones, restoration of lakes, encroachment clearance etc. in cities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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Naturopathy Wellness Centre

†1273. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA. YOGA AND NATUROPATHY. UNANI. SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up any naturopathy wellness centres in various parts of the country, especially in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which such centres are likely to be set up;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether specific guidelines have been set in this regard, if so, the details thereof: and

(e) whether a new naturopathy policy is likely to be formulated in the near future and if so, the details thereof?

Unauthorised Pathological Labs and **Diagnostic Centres**

1274. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware about the mushrooming of diagnostic centres in country including Mumbai. which are functioning without having requisite infrastructure and qualified staff;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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(c) the action Government has taken or proposes to take against such diagnostic centres in the country?

Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana

1275. SHRI SRINIVAS KESINENI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY):

(b) the AIIMS like hospitals established under PMSSY scheme, State/ UT-wise:

(c) the number of AIIMS like hospitals proposed to be established under phase-II/III of PMSSY; and

(d) the funds estimated, sanctioned. released and proposed to be released for AIIMS at Mangalagiri in Andhra Pradesh?

Family Planning

1276. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL: DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI: DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study/assessment on the application of a strict two-child policy norms across the nation, as being adopted by some States/UTs, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:

(b) the details of programmes launched and expenditure incurred by the Government for creating awareness about family planning during the last three years, State/UT-wise:

(c) the funds spent on the advertisement/awareness on family planning during the said period;

(d) whether the Government is planning to expand the Family Planning pilot project currently implemented in seven districts in Uttar Pradesh, to other States/UTs: and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with other steps taken by the Government to strengthen the family planning measures and its success achieved therein?

Financial Assistance to prevent Cancer and TB

†1277. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of international financial assistance sought and received to prevent cases of Cancer and TB in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether funds have been allocated to certain Non Government Organisations (NGOs) for the said purpose; and

(c) if so, the details thereof across the country during the said period, State/UTwise?

National Textile Corporation

1278. MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether many mills under National Textile Corporation are running in losses, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up new design schools in Kerala and Lakshadweep or in any other States, if so, the details thereof?

Effects of Pollution on Health

†1279. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that every fourth new baby in the country is born weak;

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

(c) whether pollution is the reason behind increasing rush in hospital OPDs across the country, if so, the details thereof?

Holding of Exhibitions/Fairs

1280. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES पथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of exhibitions/fairs conducted by the Government along with the expenditure incurred thereon during the last three years and the current year, exhibition-wise;

(b) whether corruption and financial irregularities have been noticed by the Government in these exhibitions/fairs;

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

(d) whether there have been allegations that the officials responsible for ongoing fairs and exhibitions have amassed disproportionate assets; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action proposed/taken against such corrupt officers?

Unani System of Medicine

†1281. SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate new policy/programme on social awakening regarding Unani System of Medicine; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the time by which the said policy/programme is likely to be implemented?

Ayurveda Health Clinics

1282. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to set up Ayurveda Health Clinics across the country to boost the rural health;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the other facilities being provided in the Primary Health Centres?

Advertisement of AYUSH Medicines

1283. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has devised a mechanism to deal with the companies which resort to misleading advertisements to allure the customers by deceptive claims about the effect of AYUSH medicines;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of companies against whom the action has been taken by the Government during the last two years; and

(c) the manner in which the Government is taking up the matter with the State/UT Governments for monitoring the advertisements pertaining to the AYUSH medicines?

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Cashless Health Insurance Schemes

1284. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that the private hospitals have been charging between 25 to 60 percent more from the patients who pay in cash than those with cashless health insurance schemes for the same procedure;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the number of such complaints received by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, hospital-wise;

(c) whether the Government has conducted or proposes to conduct any enquiry in this regard keeping in view that 80 to 85 percent population of the country do not have any health insurance cover;

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

(e) the other corrective steps taken/ being taken by the Government in this direction?

Ayushman Bharat Cards

†1285. SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State/UT-wise number of cards made in the country under Ayushman Bharat Yojana (ABY);

(b) the State/UT-wise number of persons who have benefitted under this scheme since its inception;

(c) whether the Government proposed to expand this scheme for providing benefit to the remaining entitled poor who are deprive of the benefit of ABY, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government to make the information accessible to the common people and create awareness among them for availing complete benefit of the ABY?

Unqualified Doctors

†1286. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the World Health Organisation reporting that a large number of doctors in India do not have requisite qualifications;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereon;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any investigation in this regard;

(d) if so, the details along with the outcome thereof; and

(e) the details of the cases registered against such doctors and the steps taken by the Government to address the said problem?

Vector Borne Diseases

†1287. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE: SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of vector borne diseases such as malaria and dengue that came to light along with the number of deaths caused as a result thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra;

(b) whether the Government proposes to start any national programme for the prevention, control and elimination of such diseases;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the amount of funds allocated and released for the said programme, State/ UT-wise; and

(e) the other steps being taken by the Government to check the said diseases?

Malaria Cases

1288. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI: SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the World Malaria Report, India has made significant progress in reduction of malaria cases to bring it down by 24 per cent in 2016-17 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the death cases due to malaria have also come down from 194 in 2017 to 29 in 2018 till September and if so, the details thereof along with the number of deaths reported so far till May, 2019:

(c) whether the Government has identified the vulnerable districts where malaria cases are mostly reported in the year 2019 so far;

(d) if so, whether the Government has chalked out a plan to concentrate on the said districts for reduction of malaria in these States in particular and in the country in general; and

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

Impact of Climate Change on Ecosystem

†1289. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures being taken by the Government to prevent the adverse impact on the ecosystem due to the alarming rate of climate change and global warming;

(b) whether the Union Government and State Government proposes to frame rules and guidelines in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Cloud Seeding

1290. SHRI SANJAY SETH:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री be pleased to state:

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(a) the number of States that have approved the plans for cloud seeding to produce rain artificially in the coming year and the budget allocated therefor, State/ UT-wise;

(b) the status of standardized scientific evaluation done on cloud seeding to gather full information of the process and its possible efficient usages;

(c) the details of major benefits of cloud seeding and its side-effects; and

(d) the details of the different methodologies of cloud seeding and the preferred mode for cloud seeding likely to be adopted by the Government?

Natural Calamities

1291. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the prediction about an expected Himalayan fault having a potential to generate earthquakes up to a magnitude of 8 or more and the Rayleigh Waves that could wildly chop the tall concrete structures in Delhi and neighbouring areas, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the year 2018 had already witnessed some climatic and atmospheric extremities including thermal high of 48.2 degrees at Churu in Rajasthan and Gadchiroli in Maharashtra and floods in Kerala; and

(c) if so, the measures taken/being taken to study the impact and overcome the destructions in event of its occurrence?

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Green Areas in Metro politan Cities

†1292. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the ratio of concrete infrastructure like roads, buildings, bridges, lanes etc. to total green area in the metropolitan cities;

(b) whether there is any regulation to monitor the prescribed green area ratio in the urban areas and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said ratio is being maintained properly and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, whether the Government proposes to make any compulsory provision to maintain the specific ratio of plantation *vis-à-vis* concrete infrastructure in the urban areas?

Women in Science and Technology

1293. SHRI H. VASANTHAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that well-qualified women get left out of the Science and Technology activities due to various circumstances; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to address such issues?

Online Recruitment Process for Anganwadi Workers

†1294. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to make the recruitment procedure of Anganwadi workers/helpers on regular/permanent basis by advertisement and online process;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to make Anganwadi workers and helpers regular and permanent employees;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to connect all Anganwadi centres in the country through online system; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Pollution in Rivers

†1295. DR. RAMAPATI RAM TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether steps have been taken by the Government to check pollution in rivers across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the policies and programmes being implemented for the purpose along with the amount allocated in this regard?

Land Covered with Forests

†1296. SHRI RAMPRIT MANDAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether forests are absolutely necessary to keep the environment of the country clean and healthy; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the percentage of the land covered with forest *vis-à-vis* the total land area of India?

Homoeopathy Pharmacovigilance Centres

†1297. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to open Homoeopathy Pharmacovigilance Centres in the country;

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

(c) the time by which Homoeopathy Pharmacovigilance Centres are likely to be opened in the country?

Illegal Cutting of Trees

1298. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidence of illegal cutting of trees is on rise in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the response of the Government in this regard; and

(c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard along with the results achieved?

Problem of Pollution and Plastic Waste

†1299. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country stands at the fourth place among the most polluted countries of the world and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether levels of chemical contamination have increased in agricultural land in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the disposal of plastic waste like containers of beverages, thermocol plates, plastic pouches of tobacco products have become a major environmental problem and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to extend any special assistance to

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

encourage NGOs working in the field of waste management, if so, the details thereof: and

(e) the measures being taken by the Government to tackle the problem of plastic waste?

Mock Exercises by Defence Forces

1300. SHRI PINAKI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is considering to ban the broadcast of such news pertaining to movement and mock exercises of defence forces in order to safeguard the secrecy of our forces and the nation;

(b) the action which the Ministry proposes to take against such media channels who broadcast wrong and misleading news about our defence forces; and

(c) whether the Ministry shall consider issuing strict guidelines for the media to adhere to, while broadcasting any news about the defence of the country or its forces?

Broadcast and Distribution Policy

1301. SHRI MANISH TIWARI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that as per the recommendation of TRAI dated 28 December, 2012 the Companies

that are controlled by the Union, State Governments and their Departments are barred from the business of broadcasting and distributing television channels:

(b) if so, the details thereof and the present status of said recommendation;

(c) whether it has been accepted by the Government and translated into policy, if so, the details thereof together with the exceptions to the said policy, if any; and

(d) whether there are any content or distribution entities in the TV space that have been licensed by the Government in the past five years, if so, the details of the said entities and the reasons for doing the same along with the full names and address of their respective promoters?

Climate Change

1302. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT. FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायू परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to tackle the climate change and the high temperature;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to promote afforestation in empty lands of the country;

(c) the steps taken for preserving the wetlands of various parts of the country;

(d) whether the Hon'ble Supreme Court has issued orders to demolish a large number of building structures within the protected zones in various parts of the country: and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986

†1303. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any steps to amend the Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986;

(b) if so, the details thereof: and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Counterfeit Drugs

1304. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is one of the biggest fake and counterfeit drugs market in the world.

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the fake drugs sold during the last three years and the current year;

(c) the implications of the fake and counterfeit drugs on public health; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to combat this issue?

PG Courses for Clinical Cardiology

1305. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether sufficient number of doctors are available in our country to meet the requirement of cardiac patients, if so, the details thereof:

(b) if not, whether the Government and Medical Council of India (MCI) consider that more qualified doctors are required to meet the needs of cardiac disease patients, if so, the details thereof along with the details of the study conducted regarding the service rendered by such qualified doctors to the cardiac patients;

(c) whether the Government proposes to promote the institution and Universities conducting/willing to conduct Post Graduate Diploma, certificate course in clinical cardiology, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the request from Indian Association of Clinical Cardiologist is pending with MCI Board of Governors for the recognition of Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical Cardiology (PG DCC) from Indira Gandhi National Open University; and

(e) if so, the status thereof and the action taken thereon?

Forest Area in Jharkhand

†1306. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT. FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायू परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a large percentage of the population of Jharkhand is dependent on forest;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to increase the area under forest in Jharkhand from 29.45% to 33%;

(c) if so, whether the Government proposes to establish any specialized institute for conducting studies and research on forests and for management of forest resources in the State;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which such an institute is likely to be setup; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Poshan Abhiyan

†1307. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated and utilised under the Poshan Abhiyan during the last two years, State/UT-wise;

(b) the reasons given by some State Governments for not implementing the said campaign in their State along with the corrective steps proposed to be taken by the Union Government with regard to these States;

(c) the details of the positive impact of the said campaign on Nutrition Mission; and

(d) the details of the new IT techniques being used for the publicity and implementation of the said campaign along with the new proposals in this regard?

Regulation of Air Quality

1308. SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

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 adequate measures to regulate air quality and tackle the issue of Pollution in cities including New Delhi, Mumbai and Bengaluru;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to promote or make compulsory the utilization of Public transport system so as to reduce air pollution in few heavily polluted cities and if so, the details thereof?

Promotion of Unani System of Medicine

1309. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether few Unani medical centres are functioning in the country putting the patients under lot of hardship, if so, the details thereof and the reasons for not developing unani medicines as compared to Allopathic medicine along with the number of Unani medical centres functioning in the country under the Ministry, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has received proposals from various States/ UTs for opening of Unani medical centres/ hospitals, if so, the response of the Government thereto;

(c) the details of funds allocated and utilised with regard to promotion of Unani

medicine in the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to promote and expand the network of Unani System of medicine?

Medical Board for Abortion

1310. SHRI SU.

THRUNAVUKKARASAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND

FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has urged all the States/UTs in the country to set up a permanent medical board to deal with cases where pregnant women and girls seek nod for abortion;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the response received from the States/UTs in this regard?

Eco-Sensitive Zones

1311. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of Eco-Sensitive Zones (ESZs) which have been created around National Parks, as per the directives of the Supreme Court;

(b) the details of certain conditions specified by the Supreme Court in this regard;

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(c) the steps taken by Government to ensure/maintain the sanctity of ESZ around National Parks; and

(d) whether permission is required to be taken to alter or terminate water bodies or watersheds around ESZ and if so, the details thereof?

Functioning of the NFAI

1312. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR: SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that over 31,000 precious reels or cans held by the National Films Archive of India (NFAI) are understood to have been lost or destroyed, according to the observations of the recent CAG report and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has reviewed the functioning of the NFAI in light of the CAG Report, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has reviewed the functioning of other autonomous bodies/ subordinate offices under the Ministry and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to improve their working?

Wholesale Price of Wool and Woollen Products

1313. SHRI RITESH PANDEY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the wholesale price of wool and woollen products in India over the last five years;

(b) whether there is a decline in their prices; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

Integration of AYUSH System with Modern Medicines

1314. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taking initiative to promote & integrate Indian AYUSH System with the modern system to increase their acceptability as scientific and reliable alternative system of medicine;

(b) if so, the details of the strategy and policy framed up/to be framed up by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government is taking up the matter of bringing new legislation with the Health Ministry to check the sale of spurious/sub-standard Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani drugs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Coastal Regulation Zone Notification

1315. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that due to the current Coastal Regulations Zone (CRZ) regulation people could not avail various housing schemes of State and Central Governments and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken note of the hardship suffered by fishermen and local inhabitants during constructing houses and building other infrastructure facilities due to stringent provision of the CRZ notification;

(c) if so, whether the Government is ready to make amendment in the current notification to remove these hardships, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government is ready to hold a meeting of various stakeholders and people representatives to discuss the possible amendment to the present CRZ notification and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has taken any measures in this regard till date and if so, the details thereof?

Low Expenditure on Family Planning

1316. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of report regarding low expenditure on Information, Education and Communication training and procurement of drugs hindering people from exercising

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their 'reproductive rights' even though family planning in India is voluntary, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the manner in which the Government is planning to generate the demand and create awareness about spacing methods?

Lateral Entry into MBBS Course

1317. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH: PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to allow lateral entry for Dentistry/Nursing/Paramedical students into MBBS as per the draft New Education Policy (NEP), if so, the details thereof and the mode of selection process in this regard;

(b) whether the Government has assessed the longstanding impacts on the quality of treatment and prescription of medicines due to such lateral entry, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the doctors forum or any other medical association has raised objections in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and action taken to redress their grievances?

Integrated Media Campaign

1318. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has created an online system of integrated media campaign that relies heavily on inputs by

campaign that relies heavily on inputs by client Ministries regarding their target audiences;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the online system will later graduate into an automated system of payment to news/TV agencies carrying advertisements, thereby reducing backlogs and ensuring timely payments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Medical Termination of Pregnancy

1319. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed or plans to propose any amendments to the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act, 1971, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government plans to increase the mandated period against abortion stipulated under this Act, if so, the details thereof?

Textile and Clothing Sector

1320. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the textile and clothing sector is witnessing signs of recovery and

is expected to perform better in export and domestic markets this year $vis-\dot{a}-vis$ pervious years, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether issue of the rise in imports is a matter concern for the industry; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken up by Government in this regard?

Impact of Machines on Jobs

1321. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether big data analytics and deep learning machines are increasingly impacting jobs in India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the list of new technologies developed/brought for transforming labour intensive agriculture to technology intensive agriculture in India during the last five years; and

(c) the percentage of funds allocated out of GDP for Agriculture research and technology in India for last ten years?

Healthcare Professions

1322. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that there are 60 healthcare and allied professions in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is no regulatory authority/council either at the State/UT or at the central level to regulate them, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government is aware that there are quacks even in healthcare and allied services in the country; and

(e) if so, the manner in which the Government is planning to address the said issue?

Publications Registration with RNI

1323. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Monthly and Weekly Magazines being published in different languages on various subjects and those which are registered with Office of Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI), State-wise ;

(b) the number of such magazines which are having a circulation exceeding one lakh copies; and

(c) the details of their publishers and institutions, State-wise?

AYUSH Colleges and Hospitals

1324. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI: SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE: SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Ayurvedic/Unani universities/colleges/hospitals operating across the country, State/UT, location-wise particularly North Eastern States including Assam;

(b) the estimated number of candidates completing their courses during the last three years;

(c) whether there is any proposal to set up any new Ayurvedic/Unani universities/colleges in the country, State/ UT-wise particularly in Assam, if so, the details thereof;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to propogate indigenous healthcare systems along with the budget allocated for the same during the last two years; and

(e) whether the Government is contemplating to start new 'Yoga University' in four zones of the country and if so, the details thereof?

Global Warming

1325. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI: SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether various parts of the country have witnessed extreme conditions

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of climate such as tsunami, excessive rains and drought;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the areas most affected by climate change;

(c) whether the Government is aware that such unusual weather conditions in the country are the consequence of global warming, if so, the details thereof along with the regions most affected by climate change;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any scientific study on the impact of global warming/climate changes caused by global warming and its adverse affect, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of international deliberations on this issue, various aspects concerning its prevention and consensus arrived at to address the issue along with the action plan prepared by the Government to resolve the issue of climate change/global warming?

Gender Sensitization Programmes

1326. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has proposed to undertake gender sensitization programmes for judicial officials at all levels in consultation with the respective Chief Justices of various States and the Chief Justice of India;

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

Rehabilitation of Widows

1327. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of harassment of widows at many religious places in the country, especially Vrindavan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated Schemes like Swadhar and Short Stay Homes for their rehabilitation;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the funds sanctioned, released and utilized for the above purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Development of Wild Life Sanctuaries

†1328. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

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 review the entry fee for the wild life sanctuaries and zoological parks in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any instructions have been issued to the States for better maintenance of various wild life sanctuaries in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to develop any wild life sanctuary in the State of Rajasthan in future; and (d) if so, the details thereof?

Pollution in Rivers and Lakes

1329. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of rivers and lakes bearing the brunt of pollution across the country including Tamil Nadu indicating the reasons for the same;

(b) the action taken/being taken by the Government to curb pollution and revive these rivers and lakes;

(c) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized for the said purpose during the last three years and the current year across the country, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu;

(d) the details of the targets set and achievements made so far; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to form a Committee to resolve these issues expeditiously and if so, the details thereof?

Adverse effects of Pollution in Rivers

†1330. SHRI RAVINDRA SHYAM NARAYAN SHUKLA *ALIAS* RAVI KISHAN: SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU: SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHAWAHA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE पर्यावरण, बन और जलवाय परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted any study group to examine the adverse effects of rising pollution in the rivers across the country and to suggest solutions for the same;

(b) if so, the details of the study report thereof;

(c) the provisions made for protecting the rivers from pollution and measures proposed to clean the rivers; and

(d) whether the Government is working on any time bound scheme towards making the rivers pollution free and if so, the details thereof?

Advertising and Policy of DAVP

†1331. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) is responsible for publicity and advertisement of the policies and programmes of the Government through various mediums including printed material;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount spent in this regard during the last three years;

(c) the details of the distribution policy of DAVP for printed material as they do not reach the people; and

(d) whether the Government is likely to ensure that the publicity material reaches every section of society for general awareness, if so, the details thereof?

Handloom Clusters

1332. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of the existing handloom clusters developed by the Government over the last four years in the country especially in Bihar along with the incentives/benefits extended to the people employed therein;

(b) whether there is any new proposal to set up handloom clusters in Bihar;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the amount allocated for the purpose and the places identified therein; and

(d) if not, whether the Government is considering to set up additional handloom clusters in Bihar?

Water Borne Diseases

1333. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that epidemics arising from water borne diseases, micro organism induced infectious diseases and bird flu are prevalent in Kerala specifically since the last year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has proposed to establish virology institute in Kerala and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has taken any steps to initiate preventive methods to contain outbreaks and control the proliferation of the disease causing micro-organisms through targeted intervention; and

(e) if so, the details thereof including deaths reported due to bird flu?

Ayurvedic Medicines

†1334. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry and the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) are going to launch a major programme to develop new Ayurvedic medicines through dozens of laboratories;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the States/UTs which are going to be included in this programme; and

(c) whether any time limit has been fixed in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Textile Excellence Centres

1335. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to establish textile excellence

centres in different parts of the country, especially in Tripura;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of professional textile courses approved by Government so far?

Shortage of Doctors and Medical Seats

†1336. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is severe shortage of MBBS Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic doctors in the country, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Bihar;

(b) the steps taken to fill up such vacancies;

(c) whether any steps have been taken to increase the number of seats in various medical educational institutes/medical colleges across the country during the last three years and the current year, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether new medical colleges are being set up to enhance the number of medical seats in various States including Uttar Pradesh keeping in view the provision of reservation for various categories; and

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

Control of Rising Pollution

†1337. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to check rising pollution levels in the country;

(b) the steps being taken by the Government to make people aware of the ways and means to control pollution;

(c) whether any concrete steps have been taken in this regard during the last three years and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the extent to which steps taken by the Government have proved beneficial in curbing pollution?

Integrated Safety Plan for Women

1338. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is contemplating to implement integrated safety plan for women in collaboration with the Ministry of Home Affairs;

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(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry has taken any measures to curb violence against women in the past, if so, the details thereof;

(d) the extent to which these measures have been effective in the elimination of violence against women;

(e) the steps taken by the Union Government to strengthen online portal meant to track repeated sexual offenders; and

(f) the details of registered cases of sexual violence/crime against women and children during the last five years especially in Bundelkhand region?

Separate University for AYUSH

†1339. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS: SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up separate university for AYUSH in order to promote various disciplines under AYUSH and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of colleges set up under this scheme so far, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra and Rajasthan;

(c) whether the State Governments of Maharashtra and Rajasthan have sent any proposal to the Government for setting up of AYUSH universities;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon along with the time by which the said proposals are likely to be approved by the Government; and

(e) whether the Government is likely to help in discontinuing old practices and beliefs which are still present in the system and if so, the details thereof?

State-of-the-art Weather Centres

†1340. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the districts in the State of Maharashtra where State-of-theart weather forecast centres have been established;

(b) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take steps to establish such State-of-the-art weather forecast centres in

New Delhi; June 22, 2019 Ashadha 1, 1941 (Saka) backward districts of the country especially in Buldhana district of Maharashtra;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Implementation of Schemes/ Programmes

1341. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has evaluated the performance of various schemes/programmes under implementation by his Ministry during the last one year;

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

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the funds allocated to those schemes/programmes during the last five years scheme/programme-wise?

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