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List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Civil Aviation; Housing and Urban Affairs; Jal Shakti; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Minority Affairs; New and Renewable Energy; Power; Road Transport and Highways; Shipping; Youth Affairs and Sports)

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

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Study on Pollution Level of Surface Water

2991. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:

SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL: DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment/conducted any study to ascertain the pollution level of surface water in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details and outcome thereof;
- (c) whether an international organization has given any remarks regarding pollution level of India's surface water in the recent past;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether the Government proposes any comprehensive policy to deal with water pollution in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be implemented in the country; and
- (f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to keep a check on water pollution in the country?

Water Level in the Rivers

†2992. SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the water level in the rivers is going down and its quality has deteriorated during the last few years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken by the Government in this regard;

- (c) whether any directives have been issued by National Green Tribunal (NGT) in this regard and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure uninterrupted flow in the small and major rivers of the country and the progress made so far in this regard; and
- (e) the details of the amount spent on the cleaning of such rivers, river and State-wise including Chhattisgarh during each of the last three years and the current year?

Installation of Solar Tree

2993. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether CSIR-CMERI has installed world's largest solar tree at Durgapur, West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the cost to install the solar tree;
- (c) whether this will benefit the environment and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to install such solar trees at different locations; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Cleansing of Rivers under NRCP

2994. SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY: DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the eight river stretches of Musi, Manjeers, Nakkavagu, Karakavagu, Maner, Godavari, Kinnerasani and Krishna in Telangana have been identified for cleansing under National River Conservation Plan (NRCP);

- (b) if so, the status of cleansing of above river stretches;
- (c) the time by which all the river stretches are likely to be cleansed and the details of funds allocated, released and spent so far on these stretches during the last three years; and
- (d) whether there is any proposal to identify more polluted stretches for the said programme in the State of Telangana and if so, the details thereof?

Norms of Bharat Stage-VII

2995. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to curb growing vehicular emission and poor air quality in Indian cities and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the percentage of oil consumed by motor vehicles *vis-a-vis* industries and farm sector in the country;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to switch over to Bharat Stage-VII norms for all cars manufactured in India:
 - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether it is a fact that Indian diesel vehicles are less fuel efficient than the vehicles in Europe; and
- (f) if so, whether the Government proposes to impose a ban on the sale of diesel vehicles in Delhi-NCR and if so, the details thereof?

Effects of Sedimentation on Dams

2996. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps to reduce the effects of sedimentation on dams and reservoirs as it results in damage to the infrastructure leading to increase in Government expenditure;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has been maintaining a reservoir sedimentation data and if so, the details thereof during the last five years; and
- (d) whether the rate of sedimentation is being tracked by the Government therein and if so, the details thereof?

Losses Suffered in Production and Shipment by MSMEs

2997. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सक्ष्म, लघ और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of quantum of loss suffered in indigenous production and outbound shipments by MSMEs sector due to COVID-19 pandemic, sector-wise, including its impact on GDP;
- (b)the amount so far disbursed under Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme, the number of beneficiaries, total number of MSMEs which have been affected: and
- (c) the details of job lost in MSME sector till date, sector-wise, and proposed initiative to revive the MSME sector and loss of jobs?

Payment of Bills to MSMEs

2998. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY: SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether close to Rs. 3.3 lakh crore of MSME funds are struck with big corporates in the form of receivables and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the MSMEs have requested the Government to speed up the process of timely payment of their bills pending with the Government departments and big corporates and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the response of the Government to such requests and the steps being proposed in this regard;
- (d) whether liquidity challenges faced by MSMEs during the past two years had aggravated in the first quarter of the current financial year due to the COVID-19 impact and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the MSMEs had been impacted by the lack of a funding line from the banking system and if so, the details thereof?

Relief Package to MSME Sector

2999. MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide a relief package to MSME sector workers in Karur and Tamil Nadu who have lost or are on the verge of losing their job;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to protect the foreseeable job losses in the sector due to shutting down of small companies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Piped Drinking Water Supply

3000. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of households having piped drinking water supply, State-wise; and
- (b) the percentage of households using hand pump water for drinking purpose, State-wise?

Sanitation Requirement in Rural Areas

†3001. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any survey regarding sanitation requirement in rural areas has been conducted;
- (b) if so, the details thereof particularly in backward and rural areas, State-wise;
- (c) the funds required to meet the sanitation expenditure, State-wise, particularly in the backward areas;
- (d) whether any Central assistance has been sought by the State Governments in this regard during the last three years till date;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of Central assistance provided during the said period, year and State-wise, particularly Maharashtra?

Sanitation Survey

3002. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Annual Rural Sanitation Survey, 2018-19 was conducted with the support of World Bank under Swachh Bharat Mission;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government for the implementation of the same?

Integrated Water Catchment Mission

†3003. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the area of the State of Chhattisgarh identified under Integrated Water Catchment Mission for the year 2017-18 and 2018-19;
- (b) whether the State Government of Chhattisgarh has submitted its project report of the identified area to the Union Government: and

(c) the quantum of funds released by the Union Government to the State of Chhattisgarh under Integrated Water Catchment Mission for the financial year 2018-19 and 2019-20?

Technology Development in MSME Sector

3004. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide sufficient financial assistance for the technology development of MSMEs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the Government has initiated action to resolve the lack of access and investment in technology of MSMEs to compete in global market and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government proposes to implement the recommendation which empower the MSMEs to compete with global market and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the initiative taken by the Government for research and development in MSMEs?

Exit from SCI

3005. SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry had some reservations to exit Shipping Corporation of India (SCI) citing the public sector carriers' strategic role in India and on high seas, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has considered how to utilize the ships after the sale of SCI in case of war or national emergency;
- (c) whether the Government has any other agencies for deploying ships in case of emergency, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the numbers of rescue operations conducted by SCI during the last three years and the current year till date?

Power Generation Capacity

†3006. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

- (a) the power generation capacity of Centre, States and Private sectors in the country, sector-wise;
- (b) the percentage of power being generated through various sources in the country during the last three years, source-wise;
- (c) the details of target set for power generation through various sources during 2019-20 along with the targets achieved thereon;
- (d) the details of increase in power generation by various sources registered during the last three years; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to cater to the rising demand of electricity in the country?

Subordinate Debt Scheme for MSMEs

3007. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA: SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of subordinate debt-based scheme for MSMEs proposed as a part of Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan;
- (b) the extent to which this scheme helps to infuse liquidity in MSMEs;
- (c) the number of MSMEs likely to get benefit from this. State-wise:
- (d) whether any eligibility conditions have been prescribed to get this infusion and if so, the details thereof: and
- (e) the current status of implementation of the scheme so far, State-wise?

Collection of Tolls

3008. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total toll-collection in the country during the last one year;
- (b) the extent to which the collection of toll has been affected due to COVID-19 pandemic; and
- (c) the target of toll collection fixed for the current year?

Complaints against Toll Plazas

†3009. SHRI SANTOSH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the toll collected from the Thakur Tola and Durg Bypass toll plazas located on Raipur-Nagpur National Highway No.-6 during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding illegal toll collection by the said toll plazas; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the number of toll plazas in the country against which the Government has received complaints about illegal toll collection including the details of the action taken by the Government thereon?

Disputes on Krishna and Godavari River Projects

3010. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of disputes identified by the Government between Andhra Pradesh and Telangana on various projects of Krishna and Godavari rivers;
- (b) the time by which Apex Council meeting is likely to be held to discuss various projects on Krishna and Godavari rivers by the aforesaid States; and
- (c) the reasons for asking States to stop projects on these rivers?

Conversion of SHs into NHs

3011. SHRI N. REDDEPPA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any report regarding the States that have reduced investment and maintenance works on State Highways (SHs) which have been given 'in-principle' approval for conversion into National Highways (NHs);
- (b) if so, the names of such States reported between 2014 and 2018 along with the reasons for reducing the investment and maintenance works; and
- (c) the number of SHs in Andhra Pradesh that have been granted 'in principle' approval for conversion into NHs during the said period?

Cable Car Networks and Light Rail System

3012. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN: MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is considering to promote a web of Cable Car Networks and Light Rail System as an alternative to Mass Rapid Transport System (MRTS) to beat the traffic congestion in various cities;
 - (b) if so, the details and the salient features thereof;
- (c) the cities in which this system will be created and the timeline thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is providing any financial assistance thereto and if so, the details thereof?

Performance of India in Olympics

†3013. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the performance of India in Olympics lags behind in comparison to other countries;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure better performance in Olympics?

Urban Water Conservation

3014. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any guidelines for urban water conservation and if so, the salient features thereof; and
- (b) the timeline by which the water conservation scheme is to be implemented in the cities having severe water crisis and shortage of drinking water?

Effect of Lockdown on Sports

3015. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI: SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that due to lockdown sports and other activities in which youth of the country used to participate came to stand still;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is true that Government has allowed games in the stadium with some riders;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of the schedule chalked out about different sports activities in the country; and
- (f) the details of present sports activities going on at the national and international level with India's participation?

Challenges before UDAN Scheme

3016. SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether all airlines in the country have reported losses and require a massive capital infusion;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years;
- (c) whether the situation has adversely affected Government's flagship UDAN scheme; and
- (d) if so, the measures being contemplated by the Government to make the scheme successful?

Employment for Urban Poor

3017. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of urban poor who have been imparted skill training during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the number of urban poor in the States of Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu who have got jobs or are self-employed after being given training;
- (c) the States that have taken the lead in skill training of urban poor in the last three years;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal to appoint a central nodal agency for speeding up disbursal of bank loans to urban poor and if so, the details thereof:
- (e) whether certain schemes are being implemented to provide employment to the urban poor in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (f) the amount of funds sanctioned, released, actual expenditure made and the targets achieved including the number of persons given employment, State/UT-wise?

ARHC Scheme

3018. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government allows/allots vacant Government land to private companies and individuals for construction of the Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs) and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether the detailed modalities for rentals, maintenance and ownership rights etc. have been chalked out and if so, the details thereof and if not, the time to be taken to finalise the same:
- (c) whether the Government has worked out terms and conditions for the beneficiary tenants including rent, duration of stay etc; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the timeline by which it will be decided?

Collection of Toll at NH-8

3019. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is collecting any toll tax on National Highway No.-8 connecting Beawar and Gomti; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the utilization status of the said toll tax?

Storage of Custom Seized Ammonium Nitrate

3020. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Customs seized large amount of imported ammonium nitrate in Chennai recently at a Container Freight Station (CFS), Manali;
- (b) whether any other seized stockpile stored at the CFS, Manali since September 2015;
- (c) if so, the reasons for storing such a large stockpile of a potentially explosive material at one place for last five years;
- (d) whether there are any more such explosive stockpiles in large quantities, being stored in other ports or containers in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with immediate measures being taken to assure safety and precautions?

Central Vista Redevelopment Project

3021. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY
NALAMADA:
ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:
SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:
SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:
SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR:
SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:
SHRI K. NAVASKANI:
DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:
SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total area and estimated cost involved in the redevelopment of the Central Vista Project and the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has undertaken any survey/study to assess the need and feasibility of this project along with the impact it will have on the environment and cultural heritage;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has received any opposition regarding the Central Vista Project from the general public, architects, heritage experts, environmentalists, activists;
- (e) if so, the rationale behind the opposition along with the responses given by the Government and the details thereof; and
- (f) the reasons for which the Government believes the costs involved in the redevelopment project is a good use of public money, in the face of COVID-19 pandemic and the severe contraction of the economy?

Poor Quality of Road Construction at NHs

†3022. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the condition of National Highways (NHs) in the country including Gujarat is very pitiable as the roads constructed with expenditure of crores of rupees start getting damaged within few months only;
 - (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether irregularities and wrong practices adopted by the contractors in the construction of roads are the major reasons behind the poor quality of roads; and
- (d) if so, the action taken/being taken by the Government to check and prevent such irregularities and ensure quality of road construction?

Rajiv Rinn Yojana

3023. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided interest subsidy under the Rajiv Rinn Yojana (RRY) to the

intended beneficiaries during each of the last year and the current year;

- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of beneficiaries who availed benefits of the scheme during the said period, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on implementation of the said scheme along with remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government to mitigate the impact of the pandemic on implementation of the said scheme; and
- (d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for effective implementation of the said scheme and to encourage its coverage in terms of interest subsidy and its beneficiaries?

Privatisation of Airports

3024. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the second round of privatisation of airports awaits Government nod;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the first round of privatisation of airports caused widespread criticism; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Affordable Housing Scheme

3025. DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Affordable Housing Project/Scheme implemented in the country;
- (b) the details of funds allocated and utilized under the said scheme since its launch up to December, 2019;
- (c) whether the Union Government intends to extend the benefits of the said scheme to small towns by providing assistance to the State Governments; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Welfare Schemes for Indian Seafarers

3026. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced welfare schemes for Indian seafarers and their families who suffer from COVID-19:

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the funds allocated for these schemes, State-wise including West Bengal?

Water Supply in Rural Households

†3027. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether almost 85 per cent rural households in the country do not have water supply facility as per a report published by Niti Aayog in 2018; and
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to address this problem?

Permanent Solution to Floods

†3028. SHRI DULAL CHAND GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has started any projects as a permanent solution to the floods occurring in Bihar every year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has prepared any action plan to save Ganga, Mahananda and Kosi rivers completely from soil erosion;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of the alternative measures proposed by the Government in this regard?

EV Conversion Kits for Vehicles

3029. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to allow the use of Electric Vehicle (EV) conversion kits for the existing vehicles;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted an impact assessment study before the introduction of EV and if so, the details and outcome thereof:
- (d) whether the said study included any clause regarding the introduction and/or permission for the use of EV conversion kits for vehicles; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Yamuna Water to Rajasthan

†3030. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Rajasthan is getting less quantity of the Yamuna water;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to issue any directions for providing Rajasthan's full share of water by checking the illegal exploitation of its share of water by four other States; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the Government is likely to issue such directions to the concerned States?

Revival of Airports

3031. SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to construct/ revive as many as 100 airports in the country by 2030 and if so, the location identified for the same, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government received any proposal to revive and develop Mamnoor Airport at Warangal under UDAN or any other scheme; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the total expenditure estimated per airport?

PMAY in Karnataka

3032. SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of houses constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) in the State of Karnataka particularly in Shimoga District during the last three years;
- (b) the total number of houses constructed that were handed over to the beneficiaries in Shimoga District during the last three years; and
- (c) the total number of houses under construction and the time by which these are likely to be completed?

Plantation of Trees during the Construction of NHs

†3033. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the guidelines and criteria adopted by the Government/National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) regarding cutting and plantation of trees during the construction of National Highways (NHs);
- (b) whether the Government/NHAI has conducted any evaluation regarding the cutting of forests/trees due to the development/construction of NHs and set any target for plantation of trees;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the funds sanctioned, released and utilised for the purpose during the last three years in the country and the targets achieved in this regard, State-wise;
- (e) the details of the compensation amount deposited with the Forest Department during the aforesaid period; and
- (f) whether the Government proposes to implement Public Private Partnership model in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Debt of NHAI

3034. SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI: SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) had a debt of over two lakh crore in the last financial year and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether NHAI has been authorized to monetise publicly-funded National Highway (NH) projects which are operational and generating toll revenues for atleast one year after the Commercial Operation Date (COD) through Toll Operate Transfer (TOT) model;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of NH monetisation done under TOT model along with the bid concession fees collected till date?

New Highways in Uttar Pradesh

†3035. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) the number and details of the proposed new highways in the State of Uttar Pradesh along with the length thereof;
- (b) the details of funds allocation for these highways; and
 - (c) the time frame set for execution of these projects?

Drinking Water Projects in Rajasthan

†3036. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of drinking water projects currently operational in Banswara-Dungarpur, Rajasthan along with their cost and status thereof;
- (b) whether clean drinking water is likely to be easily made available to every household in this area and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the steps being taken to increase the ground water level in this area?

UDAN Scheme

†3037. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR: SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL: SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified smaller States including Gujarat for expansion and development of airports under Ude Desh Ka Aam Naagrik (UDAN)-Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the amount of funds earmarked for this purpose and the amount of funds released so far in this regard; and
 - (c) the current status of the said scheme?

Digital Sky Platform

3038. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.: SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched Digital Sky Platform, if so, the details and the current status thereof;
- (b) whether a number of Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA)/drones have been approved/authorised through the Digital Sky platform recently and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) the number and details of flights that have applied for exemption under the 'Conditional exemption to Government Entities for COVID-19 related RPAs operations';
- (d) the list of the Government agencies authorised to use RPAs/Drones under the existing rules and law?

Price for Land Acquisition

3039. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria to fix the price of land acquired for expansion of National Highways (NHs) in the country;
- (b) the details of land proposed to be acquired for expansion of NH from Amritsar to Tanda *via* Mehta and Srihargobindpur; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to award genuine/deserving price to the farmers and other stakeholders in lieu of land acquired?

IHSDP in Karnataka

3040. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) has been implemented in the State of Karnataka and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) the details of funds allocated under this programme to the State of Karnataka during the last three years, year-wise; and
- (c) the details of the progress report received from the State of Karnataka in this regard?

Patna Metro Rail Project

3041. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

- (a) the present status of Patna metro rail project;
- (b) the quantum of funds released for this project so far;
- (c) whether the required appointments have been completed for this project and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government for extension of this metro project to Nalanda and Hajipur to cater the need of local people and if so, the details thereof?

Driving Licence

†3042. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that a large number of people face difficulties in obtaining driving licence due to medical condition of minor colour blindness and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any steps to address the said issue and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government is aware of such cases reported in Udaipur district and if so, the details thereof?

Redevelopment of Central Vista

3043. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:
SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:
SHRI K. NAVASKANI:
DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:
SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total area of land for public use that has been notified to be restricted for Government use to implement the Central Vista Redevelopment Project;
- (b) whether the Government has received representations from urban planners, heritage experts and the general public expressing opposition to the project;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the rationale for opposition; and
- (d) whether the Government withdrew colonial Delhi's candidature as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2015 in anticipation of the project?

Construction of Bypasses on NH-326 and NH-26

3044. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct bypasses in Rayagada, Koraput and Jeypore in Odisha on NH-326 and NH-26;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the purpose; and

(c) the time frame set for construction of these bypasses?

Weighing Bridges on NH-6

3045. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of authorised and unauthorised weighing bridges on NH-6 in Assam and Meghalaya, location-wise;
- (b) the amount collected by the Union Government from the existing weighing bridges during the last five years;
- (c) whether any notification for the North East States regarding the installation of retail outlet and weighing bridge has been issued and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any action has been taken against the officials found responsible for allowing unauthorised weighing bridge on the said NH and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps taken by the Government to prevent functioning of unauthorised weighing bridges on the said NH?

PM SVANidhi Scheme

3046. SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA: SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently launched the PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether this scheme seeks to provide working capital loans to street vendors whose businesses were impacted by COVID-19 pandemic; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the budget allocated and the amounts disbursed under this scheme as on date, State-wise?

Coal Based Thermal Power Plants

3047. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of coal based thermal power plants in the country till date;

- (b) whether a study done by the Centre for Science and Environment has shown that the efficiency of India's coal based power plants is one of the lowest among major coal based thermal power generating countries;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to take any measures to improve the efficiency of these plants;
- (e) if so, the details thereof including budgetary allocation for the same; and
- (f) the effective steps taken/being taken by the Government to prevent the pollution caused by the coal based power plants in the country?

Flights from Tamil Nadu under Vande Bharat Mission

3048. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of flights operated from Tamil Nadu especially Coimbatore under Vande Bharat Mission so far;
- (b) whether the Union Government is aware that there is no flights scheduled for Coimbatore Airport in latest Vande Bharat Mission and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Tamil Nadu to include Coimbatore Airport in this latest mission; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the flighta from Coimbatore Airport is likely to be scheduled?

Flight Guidelines Post-COVID-19

3049. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has come up with new flight guidelines post COVID-19 for Airports and passengers and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any thermal screening zones at the airports have been established and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has made any special arrangements for vulnerable groups like- persons with disabilities, pregnant women, children below the age of 14 years and senior citizens at airports and if so, the details thereof?

Status of NH to Raigarh Highway

†3050. SHRIMATI GOMATI SAI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Raigarh-Gharghoda-Dharamjaygarh-Patthalgaon highway has been awarded the status of National Highway (NH) in view of heavy traffic on this road:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the time by which this highway is likely to be upgraded to NH?

Delhi Cycle Walk

3051. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK: SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR: DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR: SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has planned to build the 'Delhi Cycle walk' as a 33-km-long dedicated track for cyclists and pedestrians, with four dedicated corridors and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether DDA has proposed to build a dedicated corridor for pedestrians and cyclists looping around the capital and connect metro stations/bus stands, residential and recreational areas, and educational districts and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether DDA has consulted experts from the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) and Forest Department for implementation of 'the Delhi Cycle Walk' and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether DDA also plans to start a bike sharing project on the dedicated corridor and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard so far?

SWADES Programme

†3052. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

- (a) the main features of SWADES (Skilled Workers Arrival Database For Employment Support) programme;
- (b) the details of the estimated funds for this purpose;
 - (c) the details of the targets fixed under the same;
- (d) whether the Government has made an agreement with some other departments in this regard; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

New Domestic Airports

3053. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct some new domestic airports across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the amount earmarked therefor and the steps being taken/proposed to be taken thereon for the early start of those airports, State-wise:
- (c) the details of the airports which are proposed to be expanded, renovated and upgraded to the international standard across the country along with the present status thereof; and
- (d) the proposal to start/link all States with all major cities in the country?

Protection to Employees of MSME Sector

†3054. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any plan has been formulated for protecting the employees of MSME sector from unemployment and for pay roll payment etc. in view of COVID-19 crisis;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has also formulated a plan taking into consideration the aspect that industries would gain by increase in consumption of products through giving more money in the hands of labourers;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the target fixed in this regard?

Special Flights to Facilitate Merchandise

3055. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has used special flights to facilitate merchandise transport during COVID-19;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether directions have been issued to make airtravel safer and avoid COVID-19 infection; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Brahmaputra Water System

3056. KUMARI AGATHA K. SANGMA: SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the Brahmaputra Water system, instead of being a catalyst of huge economic progress for the nation, actually has been draining out resources by being an active agent of recurring floods and river bank erosions if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that an approach of ad hoc and patch working on the river embankments in the basin would not give a scientific solution to this perennial problem and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that there has been a persistent demand for constitution of a federal Brahmaputra River Valley Authority in the North East with the participation of all the riparian States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the status and the details of modalities for the constitution of such national body?

Promotion of MSME Sector

3057. SHRI P. RAVEENDRANATH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the functions of MSME sector in the Country including the State of Tamil Nadu have posted negative growth, followed by outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether those MSMEs can be permitted to place their own agricultural dry lands as collateral security, enabling access to credit from commercial banks for their further working capital requirement and if so, the details thereof: and
- (c) the steps taken or being taken to promote inclusive growth in MSME sector at rural and hill areas across the State of Tamil Nadu?

Audit System for JJM

3058. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any auditing system for transparent implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) across the country particularly in the State of Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether it is a fact that certain kind of malpractices have been found in the State of Tamil Nadu while implementing JJM during the last three years; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Shortage of Air Cargo

3059. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the vegetable and fruit exporters are facing acute shortage of air cargo and other difficulties in streamlining their export business post COVID-19;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any initiative to streamline the air cargo and maintain schedule for smooth and hassle free transportation of their perishable vegetable and fruits; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Employment for Repatriated Indians

†3060. SHRI MOHAN MANDAVI: SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to provide employment to the Indian citizens coming back to India during the global pandemic phase;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of flights operated to bring back Indians from abroad under Vande Bharat Mission along with the details in this regard; and
- (d) the details and the number of Lifeline Udan flights operated by the Government for transporting medical cargo?

Water Problem in Madhya Pradesh

†3061. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to launch any scheme to deal with the problem of unavailability of water for drinking and irrigation purposes in view of scarce rain and lack of proper water storage facility in Bundelkhand region of Madhya Pradesh;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to bring any scheme for storage of water in open stone mines of Bundelkhand which are no longer in use; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019

†3062. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study regarding the effectiveness of the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 which was notified to rectify the shortcomings in the earlier Act;
 - (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received feedback from any agencies or State Governments with regard to the said Act:
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) whether any decrease in the number of road accidents has been noticed after the implementation of the said Act and if so, the details thereof?

Decongesting Walkways and Footpaths

063. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government intends to decongest walkways and footpaths in the national capital and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government plans to create an alternate arrangement for the hawkers and if so, the details thereof?

Status of PM KUSUM Scheme

3064. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of cumulative capacity served by new and renewable energy in the State of Tamil Nadu currently and expected to be installed by the end of financial year 2021, energy-wise;
- (b) the status of Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthan Mahabhiyan (PM KUSUM) Scheme in the State of Tamil Nadu along with the number of people who have been benefitted so far; and
- (c) the quantum of funds utilised for creation of solar parks in the State of Tamil Nadu?

Central Share to Kerala for JJM

3065. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received request from the State Government of Kerala to increase central share for Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken thereupon; and
- (c) the present status of the implementation of the mission in various States along with the details of funds allocated and utilized so far?

Refund of Air-fare

†3066. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:
MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:
SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:
SHRI P.C. GADDIGOUDAR:
SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:
SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:
SHRI JAGANNATH SARKAR:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that many airlines including Air India has increased air fare manifold to various destinations in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has received complaints with regard to non-payment of refund by the airlines for the tickets cancelled due to lockdown and giving them credit points or asking them to re-use the ticket within a year, if so, the details thereof including number of passengers to whom refunds have been issued;
- (c) whether the Government has any data with regard to the tickets cancelled due to Corona/lock-down till September, domestic and International and if so, the details thereof, airlines-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has any data with regard to the amount pending for the cancelled tickets to be paid to the passengers/agents, if so, the details thereof, airlines-wise; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Toll Management Companies

†3067. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to issue any directions to toll management companies for monitoring of road accidents taking place on National Highways so that these companies can immediately provide first aid and ambulance facilities to the victims of road accidents; and
- (b) if so, the details of such companies in the country especially in Bihar, State/district-wise?

Regional Connectivity Scheme

†3068. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA: SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) has increased with an impetus to encourage helicopter and small fixed wing aircrafts;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) the details of the air passenger rights bill?

Construction of Stadiums

3069. SHRI SELVAM G:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that only few stadia are in operation in the State of Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra and affecting the functioning and performance of sportspersons;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Union Government proposes privatisation of various stadia under Sports Authority of India (SAI) in the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from State Government of Tamil Nadu during the last three years in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the action taken on the requests;
- (e) whether the union proposes to promote Indian outdoor sports in the country and if so, the details of steps taken and the funds allocated/released/utilized for the purpose so far, State/UT-wise details; and
- (f) the name of places where the construction work of the stadiums are pending and the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Grants from the Budget

3070. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry receives grants as Utilizing Agency from the budget allocated under Statement 10A and Statement 10B of the Union Budget documents and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether the Government has any provision to ensure participation of SC/ST in the utilization of these funds in work contracts etc. and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the list of SC/ST Entrepreneurs/contractors registered and value of work contracts executed by them during the FY 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21?

Widening of NH-320

3071. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to widen the National Highway (NH) No. 320 from Ramgarh to Bokaro into four-lane with divider in view of the large number of road accidents on this NH;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and
- (c) if not, the other steps being taken to prevent accidents on the said NH?

Funds for Port Infrastructure Facilities

3072. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had provided adequate funds for enhancing port infrastructure facilities under the Sagarmala Programme and also to increase the strength capacity of various ports in the country, particularly in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the Government's allocation during the last two years and the ports constructed/expanded so far;
- (c) whether the Government has allowed private players in the establishment of ports in the country and if so the details thereof; and
- (d) the detailed list of private ports established / to be established in the country?

Funds for Atal Bhujal Yojana

3073. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of funds spent by the Government under Atal Bhujal Yojana (ABY) since the launch of the scheme till date, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the number of Gram Panchayats in which ABY has been implemented till today;

- (c) whether the Government has taken initiatives for sustainable ground water management in such Gram Panchayats and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any measure to maintain a water management database in such villages and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Per Unit Cost of Solar Power

3074. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY: SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether per unit cost of solar power in India is unlikely to cost less than the Gulf countries and if so, the details thereof comparatively;
- (b) whether the India and other countries will struggle to secure the same low tariffs discovered in the Gulf auctions and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether solar tariffs will continue to see 5-10 per cent annual declines over the coming decade, driving ever-stronger competitiveness against incumbent fossil fuel alternatives and if so, the details thereof along with the studies and action taken/to be taken in this regard; and
- (d) the steps taken to achieve 450 GW of renewable energy capacity by 2030?

Conversion of SHs into NHs in MP

†3075. SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of State roads/State Highways (SHs) approved for conversion into National Highways (NHs) in Madhya Pradesh during the last five years along with the present status thereof, NH-wise;
- (b) the time by which the work thereon is likely to be completed, NH-wise; and
- (c) the details of new NHs proposed to be constructed in Madhya Pradesh in future?

Number of Airports Built in the Country

†3076. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of new airports built in the country during the last three years; and (b) the number of airstrips proposed to be built in future by the Government?

Contribution of Solar Energy

3077. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE FNFRGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the contribution of solar energy to the total installed capacity of power in the country;
- (b) the growth rate of solar energy generation during the last three years; and
- (c) the measures being taken by the Government to accelerate the process of deployment of solar panels?

Guidelines for ARHC Scheme

3078. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated guidelines for the Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHC) Scheme for migrant workers in cities;
- (b) if so, the current stock of housing unoccupied and unallocated under different housing schemes in cities, city/State/scheme-wise;
 - (c) if not, the timelines thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has partnered with any private entities for the development of ARHC and if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

AMRUT Yojana

3079. MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK: SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is running a AMRUT Yojana in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the projects sanctioned in the last two years, State/UT-wise; and
- (b) whether the Government has any data regarding the projects sanctioned in North-East Region including Tripura under AMRUT Yojana in the last two years and if so, the details of the projects sanctioned, completed, under progress and sanctioned but not started so far?

Smart Meters

†3080. SHRI HAJI FAZLUR REHMAN:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has an action plan to install smart meters at the places of electricity consumers throughout the country and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the smart meters being installed in the State of Uttar Pradesh are faulty as the State Government held up the work of smart meters after finding fault in the same and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the electricity consumers in Uttar Pradesh will have to incur more financial losses as a result of the same and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the corrective measures taken/ being taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Employment Opportunities in MSMEs

3081. SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to take steps to further increase employment opportunities in MSMEs, since the employment rate in MSMEs is significantly lesser than that of other developed and developing industries, especially in the case of micro enterprises where less than three people are employed per unit, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government has any plans to increase women's participation in MSMEs considering women's share in ownership of MSMEs has decreased in recent times, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Delay in NH Projects Due to COVID-19

3082. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether a large number of National Highways (NHs) projects in the country have lost their physical and financial targets due to the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) if so, the details of projects suffered in various States particularly in Odisha;
- (c) whether the Government has reviewed such projects;
- (d) if so, the details of revised time frame and escalated cost of such projects, State-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to expedite work on such projects?

FHTC under JJM

3083. SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has started Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) for providing 100 per cent Functional Household Tap Connections (FHTC) to every household, if so, the details thereof and the progress made so far, State-wise along with the time frame fixed for completion of the project, if any;
- (b) whether any data is available with the Government of the amount spent so far under JJM and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the States who have not started work on JJM along with the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government thereupon?

GHTC-India

3084. DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has initiated a "Global Housing Technology Challenge-India (GHTC-India)" programme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether any technology for affordable and low cost housing has been identified under this programme and if so, the details thereof?

Closing of Old Thermal Power Plants

3085. SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR: PROF. SAUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to close thermal power plants older than 20 years in the country due to huge maintenance cost etc. and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the proposal can save about Rs. 53,000 crore within five years and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of impact of power generation and its supply in the State of Telangana due to this closure;
- (d) whether certain DISCOMs are financially stressed due to surplus availability of power;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the status of State of Telangana DISCOMs in terms of availability of power and financial condition?

Khadi Agarbatti Aatmanirbhar Mission

3086. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of MICRO,SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched a Khadi Agarbatti Aatmanirbhar Mission and if so, the details thereof including its financial outlay;
- (b) whether the scheme is designed by Khadi and Village Industries Commission in PPP mode with private agarbatti manufacturers and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) the details of current consumption and production of agarbatti per day in the country;
- (d) the number of artisans involved in agarbatti making likely to be benefitted during the current year;
- (e) whether the Government has put restrictions on imports of raw agarbatti and other similar products, if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether increase in import duty on bamboo sticks would create one lakh jobs in the agarbatti and bamboo industries and if so, the details thereof?

Promotion of Interests of Hindu Minority

3087. SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Hindus are considered a minority in Non-Hindu majority areas like Lakshadweep, Kashmir, Mizoram and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether they enjoy the socio-economic benefits that are extended to minorities in these regions and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken to promote the interests of Hindu minority in these regions?

Status of NH Projects

†3088. SHRI NIHAL CHAND: SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) the number of National Highway (NH) projects undertaken, completed and pending during the last three years and the current year in the country, State/UT-wise:
- (b) the funds allocated and spent for these projects so far;

- (c) whether the Government has received any proposals from the Government of Rajasthan for declaration of National Highways; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government thereon?

New Sports Training Centres

3089. SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY: SHRI BALAK NATH: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to open new sports training centres under the Sports Authority of India (SAI) in various States including Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the norms and criteria for setting up of such Centres;
- (c) the statewise details of total institutes under SAI in the country as on date; and
- (d) the details of the SAI Centres set up in Rajasthan, district and location-wise?

Khelo India

†3090. SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of games organised under Khelo India along with the locations, the number of participants and the details of talent selections and encouragement trend;
- (b) the status of the upcoming expansion programme, critical review and the targets set under Khelo India; and
- (c) the details of availability of resources under Khelo India?

Allocation and Utilisation of Funds under SCM

3091. SHRIMATI PRAMILA BISOYI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details pertaining to allocation and utilisation of funds under Smart Cities Mission (SCM) since 2016-17, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is considering for increasing the share of investment under SCM for solid waste management and storm water drainage issues;

- (c) whether the Government is considering for extending the Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHC) scheme to other than Government houses lying unused for providing affordable housing on rent to the poor in order to meet the gap on required dwelling units and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is considering for upgrading the PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANIDHI) scheme to also provide working capital loans to other informal sector workers such as construction workers, auto-rickshaw drivers and domestic help; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Benefits of Inter-linking of Rivers

†3092. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the farmers and other sections have not got the proposed benefits under the inter-linking of rivers programme due to non-completion of any project so far thereunder;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether any project under the inter-linking of rivers programme is likely to be completed in future; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Potential of HEP in North-East Region

3093. SHRI INDRA HANG SUBBA:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्यत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated potential of hydropower production in North-East region, State-wise including Sikkim; and
- (b) the status of proposed hydropower projects in Sikkim?

Non-Operation of International Flights

3094. SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

- (a) whether the Aviation Industry is suffering losses on account of non-operation of International flights;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to resume normal international flights and if so, the details thereof;

- (d) whether the Government has undertaken any study to estimate the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the Aviation Sector; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Budget for Shipping

†3095. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the budget proposed for shipping has been reduced during Corona time; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Targets of Construction of NHs

3096. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO

MANE:

DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE

SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set any targets of awarding National Highways (NHs) in 2020-21 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Ministry is lagging behind in its ambitious targets both in awarding and constructing NH projects;
- (c) if so, the details of the achievements made in awarding of NH projects and construction of NH during the last four years;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to achieve the targets and build more than 45 km. of roads per day;
- (e) whether there is any monitoring group under National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the action plan of the Government to achieve the targets in construction of NHs within the stipulated period of time?

MSME Technological Park

3097. SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the MSME technological park is under construction at Kalapet, Puducherry;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the work would be completed and the park would be fully operational for the benefit of unemployed youth?

Import of Solar Cells and Panels

3098. SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH: SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA: SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to take steps, economic or otherwise, to reduce the import of solar equipment like solar cells and panels from China and to promote their local manufacturing;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government also proposes to set up solar manufacturing zones in the country to achieve the target of production of 175 GW of renewable energy by 2022; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Advantage of PPP Model

3099. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether PPP model has helped in the creation of world class airports in India;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether PPP Model has also helped to increase revenue, developing airports and air traffic infrastructure in India:
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the detailed performance of the privatised airports in last three years?

Financial assistance to Athletes due to COVID-19

3100. SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

- (a) whether it is true that the COVID-19 causes additional pressure on sportspersons, sports tournaments, matches and leagues;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to provide financial assistance to athletes, sportspersons and sporting organisations impacted due to COVID-19;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether public stadiums have been put to any use during the COVID-19 lockdown;

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

- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the details of measures to be taken by the Government in the coming years to bring sporting activities to normalcy?

SCM

3101. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of cities which are covered under Smart City Mission (SCM) since its inception;
- (b) whether there is any city which can be classified as a Smart City on the basis of parameters of the mission and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of funds approved, sanctioned, released and spent so far;
- (d) the current status of facilities provided under this mission to the cities;
- (e) the measures taken for the betterment of air quality, transport system and health care facilities under this mission; and
- (f) whether the contracts were provided to the Government agencies and if so, the details thereof?

Electricity from Tidal Waves

3102. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to increase the production of electricity from new and renewable energy sources in the State of Kerala;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to produce electricity from tidal waves across the Kerala coast; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government will consider the same?

Monitoring of Funds under CRF/CRIF

3103. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has built roads under Central Road Fund (CRF)/Central Road and Infrastructure Fund (CRIF), as per the recommendations of the State Governments;

- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State and UT-wise;
- (c) whether any proposals under CRF/CRIF from the Government of NCT of Delhi are pending with the Union Government:
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government for speedy implementation and monitoring of funds under CRF/CRIF?

Works undertaken in Maharashtra

3104. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state: the details of the works undertaken for generation of new and renewable energy in the State of Maharashtra?

Purification of Ground Water

3105. SHRI A. NARAYANA SWAMY:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any scheme for purification of ground water contaminated with Fluoride content;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any such project is operational in Karnataka or elsewhere in the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Improvement in Living Standard of Poor People

3106. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of steps taken by the Government to improve the living standards of the poor in the country?

Sports Schools

†3107. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI: SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up Sports Schools in every district of the country;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of Sports School set up till date, State/UT wise;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposal from various States including Karnataka and Maharashtra to set up such schools; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Increasing Housing Quota under PMAY

†3108. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any steps to increase the housing quota for OBC and open category under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna (PMAY) in Maharashtra especially in Buldhana district; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Status of Flyovers on NH Connecting Delhi and Punjab

3109. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that commuters have to face regular heavy traffic congestion at many places on National Highway(NH) connecting Delhi and Punjab mainly due to non-completion or delay in construction of flyovers, bridges etc. and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) the details and the present status of the scheduled flyovers, bridges, road widening projects etc. pending on the said NH especially in Karnal and Panipat along with their scheduled dates of completion and the reasons for delay, re-allocation or cancellation of tenders;
- (c) the details of the process being followed by the Government in the tendering process for highway projects along with provisions of penalty for non-adherence to project deadlines; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure timely completion of all the scheduled projects on the said NH to enable seamless movement of traffic?

Indoor/Outdoor Stadium

3110. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS यवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of Indoor/Outdoor Stadium in Tezpur District of Assam;

- (b) whether the Government is planning to set up any Stadium in Tezpur under the Khelo India Programme; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Audit of Aircraft Operators

3111. SHRI DEVUSINH JESINGHBHAI CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) undertakes surveillance and regulatory audit of aircraft operators and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the surprise checks conducted by DGCA as part of its oversight activity during each of the last three years and the current year and the number of aircraft grounded as a result thereof;
- (c) the total number of foreign pilots, expatriates or retired personnel hired by the public/private airlines for flight operations in the country, airline-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has any mechanism to verify the antecedents of foreign pilots, expatriates hired by the private airlines if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of the guidelines issued by the Government/DGCA to regulate and monitor the aviation sector?

Privatisation of Trivandrum Airport

3112. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has finalised the proposal to transfer the Management/Operation of the Trivandrum International Airport to any private agency and if so, the details thereof along with the terms of such transfers;
- (b) whether the Government of Kerala has put forward any alternative proposal and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has made an assessment of the total value of the assets of Trivandrum International Airport and if so, the details thereof?

Promotion and Security of MSME Products

†3113. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) of the country are lagging behind due to the availability of the products of multinational companies;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reasons for the gap in the quality and cost of the indigenous products in comparison to the products produced in China;
- (d) whether the Government has provided any assistance to the domestic MSMEs for their promotion and security or taken any remedial measures; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Replacement for Demolished Flats

3114. DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY: SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has placed any quarter in Lok Sabha Secretariat (LSS) pool excluding GPRA quarters placed due to demolition of LSS Pool quarters under redevelopment scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the quarters being constructed in Delhi since 1988;
- (c) whether any quarter has been allotted from General Pool to LSS pool since 1988, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any quarter has been placed into Departmental pool (other than LSS) since 1988 and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any criteria is being followed while allotting quarters constructed in Kidwai Nagar (East) to the Departmental Pool and if so the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government is likely to place quarters into LSS Residential Pool, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Delay in Construction of Flats

3115. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for delay in completion of construction of flats in Kidwai Nagar East as the resident have to face heavy dirt, dust and noise pollution due to ongoing construction works at the site;

- (b) the timeline by which construction works of the said flats in Kidwai Nagar East is likely to be completed;
- (c) whether there are reports of development of cracks in the walls of flats and other problems related to poor construction works in the dwelling units of aforesaid development project;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) the grievance redressal mechanism put in place for redressal of various long pending complaints relating to civil and electrical work by the residents/occupants of recently occupied flats along with the nodal officer appointed therein to look into matter; and
- (f) the timeline by which civic amenities *viz*. CGHS Wellness Centre, ATMs, Milk Booths etc. are likely to be made operational within the campus for the residents?

Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on SCM

3116. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the development works under Smart City Mission (SCM) have suffered during COVID-19 period;
- (b) if so, the details of works scheduled to be completed and undertaken during this period in various cities, city-wise particularly in Bhubaneswar;
- (c) the details of works delayed along with the details of cost of each of these works escalated; and
- (d) the details of corrective steps taken by the Government to give pace to various such projects and complete them without any further delay?

Waiving off Electricity Bills

†3117. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्यत मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to consider waiving off electricity bills of upto 200 units on the lines of Delhi:
- (b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to consider waiving off electricity bills of many farmers, labourers and others who were not able to pay their electricity bills during the lockdown period;
- (d) whether penalty is being charged on the increase in household electricity load during the lockdown period and if so, the details thereof;

- (e) whether the penalty is likely to be waived off and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government proposes to waive off fixed charge of electricity meter in the State of Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof?

Toilets Constructed under SBM

3118. SHRI P.C. GADDIGOUDAR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of toilets were constructed in various parts of the country under Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM);
- (b) if so, the details of the number of toilets constructed in Karnataka, district-wise particularly in Bagalkot district;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated/sanctioned/ utilized for the purpose; and
- (d) the details of the future targets fixed for the next three years under the Scheme, year-wise for the State of Karnataka?

Toll Equipped with FAST Tag System

3119. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of toll plazas equipped with FAST Tag system vis-a-vis total toll plazas in the country, State-wise especially Karnataka;
- (b) whether the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) has been facing funding and cash flow issues due to which many of its projects are stalled; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

Decentralised Water Management Plans

3120. DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to develop decentralised water management plans at the local self-government level for the next twenty years;
- (b) whether the Government plans to reschedule reservoir operations in dammed rivers and regulate river flows to improve downstream flows besides using it as a conflict-resolution strategy; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Construction of Airports in Bihar

†3121. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of places in Bihar where airports are being constructed under UDAN Yojna;
- (b) whether Forbisganj of Araria district is also included in this scheme;
- (c) the details of phases in which work is likely to be commenced in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government has identified the places and work has started after identifying the area; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Dhubri-Phulbari Bridge in Assam

3122. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of a long pending public demand for construction of Dhubri-Phulbari Bridge over river Brahmaputra to connect Assam and Meghalaya with the rest of the country;
- (b) whether Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the said Bridge is already submitted to the Ministry;
- (c) if so, the details of funds allocated for the bridge and the time by which construction work is likely to start and complete;
- (d) whether the Government has received a demand for two wings at the bridge for access and benefits of people of Mankachar, Goalpara etc;
- (e) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (f) the reasons for delay in construction of the said important bridge?

Renovation of Government Buildings

3123. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN: SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

- (a) whether a number of Government office buildings/rooms have been renovated in New Delhi's Lutyen's area during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the total amount incurred for such renovation, building-wise; and

(c) the name of the buildings proposed to be demolished for reconstruction under Central Vista Redevelopment Project and the timeline by which these buildings shall be ready for use?

Housing Targets in Rajasthan

†3124. SHRI BALAK NATH: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of housing units targeted to be constructed in Rajasthan State under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) the details of the housing units constructed in Rajasthan during the said period, location-wise, along with the amount of funds allocated thereunder; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof, district-wise?

Collateral Free Package for MSMEs

3125. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Rs. 3 lakh crore package announced for MSMEs;
- (b) whether the above package is collateral free and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether some financial institutions are still demanding collateral for sanctioning loans; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the Ministry ensure that financial institutions would sanction loans to MSMEs without collateral?

Policy to Resolve Depleting Water Table

3126. SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any policy/strategy to resolve the problem of depleting water table in Punjab and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any empirical research/study to assess the current amount of river water available in Punjab and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up any tribunal to assess/ascertain the availability of water in Punjab; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the estimated time period within which such a tribunal is likely to be set up?

Development of Pantnagar Airport

†3127. SHRI AJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total funds released for Pantnagar Airport being built in Udham Singh Nagar district, Uttarakhand;
- (b) whether this airport is being built as per the standards laid down for international airports; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Fatalities and Damage due to Monsoon Rainfall

3128. SHRIMATI NUSRAT JAHAN RUHI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the increasing number of fatalities and damage caused due to continuous monsoon rainfall in several parts of India;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, State -wise;
- (c) the details of the number of people affected during the flood in the country especially in West Bengal;
- (d) whether the Government has announced any relief package for West Bengal; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Disproportionate Water Access

3129. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL: SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there is disproportionate water access especially in rural areas and semi urban slums in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the measures taken by the Government to ensure equal access for safe water to all in the country;
- (d) whether the Government has set any time frame for achieving the said target; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Demolition of Dilapidated Buildings

3130. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of residential buildings in various metro cities of the country are dilapidated and in dangerous condition and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether every now and then precious lives are being lost during the collapse of such buildings despite provisions being there for demolition of such buildings by local self-Governments and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government in consultation with the State Governments would come up with a detailed strategy/action plan in this regard so as to save precious lives of people who are without any alternative and forced by compulsion to live in such building; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Schemes of Power Sector for Atmanirbhar Bharat

†3131. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU: SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्यत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working on the schemes of power sector to make Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan successful and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether NTPC has achieved growth in gross power production during the current financial year and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of households in the country which are likely to be electrified by the wind based projects and the extent to which carbon dioxide emission is likely to be reduced thereupon;
- (d) whether the profit of power grid has increased during the last three years and if so, the details thereof, State-wise:
- (e) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to overcome the financial crisis faced by the power sector due to COVID-19; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Financial Assistance for Revival of MSMEs

3132. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether millions of people employed in Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the country

- are jobless after the sudden imposition of nation-wide lockdown on 24 March, 2020;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of people become jobless;
- (c) whether the Government has provided any financial assistance for the revival of MSMEs in Tamil Nadu particularly the MSME units in Chennai;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the Government's stand and decision in this regard; and
- (e) the measures taken or to be taken by the Government to protect the interests of the both employer and employees of MSME sector devastated due to COVID-19 lockdown?

Ship Building Facilities

3133. SHRI NISITH PRAMANIK:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to restructure the ship building facilities in West Bengal for enhanced production capabilities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the PPP model has been found to be effective for achieving the targets and if so, the details thereof?

Road Over Bridge Projects

†3134. SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT: SHRI SANJAY JADHAV: SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH *ALIAS* PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any feasibility study of new Road Over Bridge (ROB) projects in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of new ROB projects launched during the last three years in the country;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to mobilize funds for completing those ROB projects which are lying incomplete/pending due to shortage of funds;
- (d) the details and the present status of such ROB projects, State-wise; and
- (e) the total expenditure incurred on ROB projects on NHs in the country during the last five years?

Renewable Energy Equipment Manufacturing Parks

3135. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of renewable energy equipment manufacturing parks functioning in the country at present, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up these parks to accommodate companies shifting their bases from other countries;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to boost manufacturing of renewable energy equipment in the country?

Revenue of Air India

3136. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of passengers revenue, Air India earned during the last five years and the projected revenue in the aforesaid years;
- (b) whether Air India has monetized its assets since 2016; and
- (c) if so, the gain by monetization and the reasons for not monetizing most of the assets?

Night Landing Facility

3137. SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has started night landing facilities at helipads of Lakshadweep to be developed by Pawan Hans Ltd.; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Houses Constructed under IHSDP and BSUP

3138. SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the houses constructed under BSUP and IHSDP are being provided to the aam aadmi in Bharatpur region of Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for each of the last three years, State-wise; and
- (c) whether steps have been taken/being taken to provide all the houses under BSUP and IHSDP to aam aadmi exclusively and if so, the details thereof along with outcome of the action taken?

Special Facilities for Minorities

†3139. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government would consider to make an assessment or evaluations to ensure that the benefits of special facilities meant for minorities are made available to real and eligible beneficiaries thereunder in Madhya Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is likely to consider providing special facilities on the basis of requirement/eligibility and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds spent on various works in Rajgarh, Guna and Agar Malwa districts of Madhya Pradesh, work-wise: and
- (d) whether the Government is likely to consider making changes in the criteria of granting minority status and if so, the details thereof?

Community Sanitary Complexes

3140. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Community Sanitary Complexes established under Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM), State-wise;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated, released and utilized for construction of toilets, Individual Household Latrine (IHHL), Public Toilet (PT), waste management and capacity building in urban areas since 2014, State-wise;
- (c) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised for IEC and Public awareness under SBM, State-wise.
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any survey to assess the demand for public toilets and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) the details of IHHL and CT/PT constructed under SBM, State-wise; and
- (f) whether the details of projects/activities and funds released from Swachh Bharat Kosh is being maintained by the Government and if so, the details thereof?

Scholarship Schemes for Students of Minority Communities

3141. DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the scholarship schemes being implemented for the students of the minority communities in the country at present;

- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of scholarship schemes for the students of the minority communities; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Policy for Better Performance in Olympics

†3142. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to build destination for organizing International sports in Jammu and Kashmir;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any concrete plan to promote sports;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there is any policy at State level to achieve better performance in Olympics; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof, State /UT-wise?

Pending Flood Management Schemes

†3143. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH *ALIAS* PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of flood management schemes pending for approval, State-wise;
 - (b) the reasons therefor, if any; and
- (c) the steps taken/likely to be taken by the Government for granting approval to the same?

Decade of Action for Road Safety

3144. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether specific measures to reduce road fatalities by at least 50 per cent by pursuing the 'Decade of Action for Road Safety' as adopted by the UN General Assembly for 2011 to 2020 could not be successfully implemented as India still witnesses around 5 lakh accidents and 1.5 lakh deaths every year;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

- (c) whether the online cab aggregators have also partnered with the Ministry to build awareness about road safety and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether allocation of funds for road safety has been reduced in the current budget and if so, the reasons therefor?

Transmission and Distribution Loss

†3145. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of electricity generated, distributed, sold and lost in transmission across the country during the last three years; and
- (b) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to reduce transmission and distribution loss of power?

Construction of Roads under CRF/CRIF

†3146. SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of roads identified for construction under the Central Road Fund (CRF)/Central Road and Infrastructure Fund (CRIF) in Maharashtra;
- (b) whether any proposals received from the Government of Maharashtra in this regard are under consideration during the current financial year and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any new guidelines have been issued for utilisation of CRF/CRIF and if so, the details thereof?

Sale of Electric Vehicles

3147. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has issued a notification allowing the sale of electric two- and three-wheelers without a pre-fitted battery;
 - (b) if so, the details and the objectives thereof;
- (c) the extent to which the said notification is likely to affect the Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of (Hybrid &) Electric Vehicles in India (FAME-India) Scheme which incentivises the purchase of Electric Vehicles (EV) by giving direct purchase subsidies linked to the capacity of the battery on the vehicle;

- (d) the manner in which the Government is likely to ensure safety standards of such vehicles in case the vehicles and batteries are not tested together; and
- (e) the manner in which the warranty benefits for customers are to be honoured as battery and vehicles will be acquired from different suppliers?

Development of Bellora Airport in Amaravati

†3148. SHRIMATI NAVNEET RAVI RANA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the work on Bellora Airport of Amaravati district in Maharashtra has been completed and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether any policy has been framed to start flights from this airport and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which flights are likely to be started from the Bellora Airport; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to start air services for Mumbai, Nagpur, Pune, Delhi and Surat from Amravati?

Potable Water Schemes

3149. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing schemes for potable water in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details of the schemes implemented in Bihar for potable water?

Safety and Health Measures for Construction Workers

†3150. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed safety and health measures taken for workers engaged on construction sites of big and sensitive buildings, metro rails, Rapid Rails, Central Public Work Department works etc. across the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the criteria laid or measures taken for safety and health of workers in construction projects of all these departments;
- (d) the details of funds spent for safety and health in all projects along with the responsibility of department and contractor department-wise; and

(e) the percentage of amount that has been made mandatory to spend on security, health as per the cost of project along with the details thereof?

Status of Under Constructed Projects

3151. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of ongoing renewable energy projects in the country, State-wise including Bihar;
- (b) the details of the under-constructed projects, their capacity and the time by which these are likely to start generating electricity, State-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to complete the said projects?

Backlog Vacancies in NHPC

3152. SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a large number of backlog vacancies in the NHPC;
- (b) if so, the details of the unfilled backlog vacancies during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to fill up the unfilled backlog vacancies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

Marketing of MSME Products

3153. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether MSMEs are facing problems of marketing and liquidity due to COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the manner in which the Government is facilitating marketing of MSME products;
- (c) whether direction to clear all dues to MSMEs has been implemented and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of e-market linkages that the Ministry has for MSME sector?

Energy Storage Technologies

3154. DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India needs to focus on energy storage technologies to achieve the target of 175 GW of renewable energy by 2022, ;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to promote research and development of advanced energy storage materials and technologies?

Funds for Welfare of Minorities

3155. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds allocated and funds spent by the minorities development departments for the welfare of minorities during the last five years, State-wise; and
- (b) the details of recruitment of persons belonging to minority communities in Union Government departments and Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) during the last five years, department-wise?

Free Coaching and Allied Scheme for Minority Candidates

3156. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the existing coaching centres identified in the State of West Bengal under Free Coaching and Allied Scheme for the candidates of minority communities for civil services examination;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated and released to these coaching centres under the said scheme during the last three years;
- (c) the details of the students of minority community benefited under scholarship schemes, Free Coaching and Allied Scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the details of schemes aimed at providing free coaching to minority students during the above period; and
- (e) whether there exists any implementing agency to have a check on such coaching institutions/organizations and if so, the details thereof?

Unemployment in MSME Sector due to Covid-19

†3157. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of people rendered unemployed in the country due to the COVID-19 pandemic as on date and the number of people whose employment is at stake, State-wise
- (b) the number of people rendered unemployed especially in Bijnor, Meerut and Muzaffarnagar districts of Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any concrete and effective scheme to alleviate the biggest onslaught of unemployment suffered by MSME sector;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Promotion of Sports

3158. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the ongoing and planned initiatives taken by the Government to promote sports at the school level:
- (b) the details of number of villages that have play grounds in Hazaribagh and Ramgarh districts of Jharkhand; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to promote such construction?

Policy on Big Dams

†3159. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the policy regarding big dams on the rivers across the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to review the dams to be built/being built on the rivers across the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including Bundelkhand and Uttarakhand;
- (d) whether the Government has resumed talks with Nepal to construct the proposed Pancheshwar dam in Uttarakhand; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Status of Jal Shakti Mission In Assam

3160. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of households covered under Jal Shakti Mission in Assam and the time by which the targets set for 2020 is likely to be achieved, district-wise;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated/sanctioned and spent by the Government under this Mission in 2020, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the number of functional taps provided throughout the country during the last three years, State-wise; and
- (d) whether the installation of taps has reduced during the current year due to COVID-19 and if so, the details of the measures taken by the Government for the same?

Monetization of National Highways

3161. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of implementation of the proposal to monetize National Highways (NHs) as announced in the Union Budget 2020-2021;
- (b) the details of NHs to be identified for monetization before the year 2024, State-wise;
- (c) the details of successful bids placed for monetization of NHs along with the projected financial gains therefrom;
- (d) whether the second bundle of highways in the country, including Rajasthan were opened for bids in the year 2018 but cancelled later on;
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether there are any proposals to revive the monetization of these highways and if so, the details thereof?

New Vehicle Scrappage Policy

3162. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce environment friendly methods/mechanism to dispose of unusable components of old and polluting vehicles under the new vehicle scrappage policy; and
 - (b) If so, the details thereof?

Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme

3163. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सुक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the features of the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP);
- (b) the number of projects received from Tamil Nadu under this programme during the last three years;
- (c) the number of projects approved along with the details of funds sanctioned under the programme and the time by which the pending projects would be approved;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to make amendments in the policy of this programme, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to create new employment opportunities in rural and semi-urban areas under this programme within the country?

Effect of COVID-19 on Sports

3164. SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether it is true that sport events were disturbed due to COVID-19 Lockdown;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has provided any help to sports persons and alternative stakeholders during lockdown;and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Restart of International Airport

3165. SHRI CHIRAG KUMAR PASWAN: SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY: SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to restart domestic and International flights in near future;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the concerned mechanism and timeline to do so; and
- (d) the details of Vande Bharat flights operated so far?

Slowdown in Shipping Industry

3166. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of global slowdown in the shipping industry and its impact on India;
- (b) if so, the details of the measures being taken to protect the Indian Shipping Industry; and
- (c)whether there is any proposal for new ports in India and if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Utilising Migrant Labourers in Construction Sector

3167. DR. SUBHAS SARKAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has asked States to engage skilled and unskilled returnee migrant labourers during unlock period in construction sector and expedite Housing for All scheme and to provide livelihood to them;
- (b) if so, the details of migrant labourers who were provided jobs; and
- (c) the details of houses constructed under different schemes so far, State-wise?

Encouragement to New Entrepreneurs

†3168. SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सुक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken structure/administration based steps to encourage new entrepreneurs under Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs);
- (b) if so, the details of the new entrepreneurs registered since 2018, year and State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the encouragement, structural and technical assistance provided on manufacturing and profit on purchase?

Disaster Resilient Infrastructure

3169. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government recognizes the increased threat to infrastructure in cities, especially in coastal areas and flood prone areas due to climate change;

- (b) whether the Government has incorporated development of climate change/disaster resilient infrastructure as a pre-condition in the submissions of proposals under the Smart Cities Mission and the AMRUT Yojana;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether the Government would be willing to incorporate development of climate change/disaster resilient infrastructure as pre-conditions in upcoming mission-mode schemes of the Government, like the Smart Cities Mission Phase-2 and if so, the details thereof?

Development of NH-744

3170. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to include Kollam-Thirumangalam National Highway-744 under Sagarmala Programme connecting inter-State ports Kollam and Thuthukudy and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any plan for development of NH-744 under National Highway Authority of India (NHAI);
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any steps to construct flyover at Ezhukone to prevent increasing number of accidents; and,
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Dangers of Flood

3171. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the huge damage caused by the floods viz. displacement of peoples, animals, and other habitats in Gopalganj district of Bihar and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has prepared any roadmap for the permanent solution of the danger of floods in Bihar including rescue and rehabilitation of the flood victims in Gopalganj district of Bihar;
- (c) the measures taken to prevent floods in Gopalganj district of Bihar; and
- (d) the quantum of funds spent to control floods during the last two years?

Protection to Thermal Power Plants

3172. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to protect the thermal power plants in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government for revival of power projects and other power based industries to withstand and compete in the international markets?

NH Projects in Odisha

3173. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the expansion projects of National Highways (NHs) undertaken in Odisha during the last five years;
- (b) the present status of expansion of the projects on the NH-55 and NH-53 along with the time by which these are likely to be completed; and
 - (c) the funding mechanism for these NH projects?

Tokyo Olympics

3174. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a)whether the Government has taken any steps to ensure the welfare of national sportspersons and take care of their physical, mental and financial needs during the lockdown;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of steps taken to ensure athletes participation in the upcoming international tournaments and Tokyo Olympics to remain physically and mentally fit and healthy?

Extension work at Rajahmundry Airport

3175. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken the extension work of runway, new apron and flood light in Rajahmundry Airport and if so, the estimated cost of the project;

- (b) whether there is any time and cost overrun of the project; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said project is going to be completed?

Utilisation of Government Buildings for ARHCs

3176. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the breakup of the vacant Government buildings identified for Affordable Rental Housing Complexes scheme along with the kind of repair/retrofit work needed to be done to make them tenable for dwelling, State-wise:
- (b) the breakup of the list of concessionaires/entities who have taken up the tender for constructing, operating and maintaining dwelling units under this scheme and any problems faced with bringing them on board, State-wise:
- (c) the number of dwelling units constructed and presently under construction under Model 2; and
- (d) the breakup of beneficiaries who have been benefited from this scheme till date, State-wise?

Ground Water Management Practices

3177. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the framework used by the Government to govern the ground water management practices in the country;
- (b) the list of projects undertaken by the Government, both pan-India as well as State-specific and their status thereof; and
- (c) the entities, whether foreign or domestic and public or private, which have been collaborated with for such projects?

Irrigation Capacity

†3178. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

- (a) the details of the existing irrigation capacity in the country at present, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether there is a huge difference between existing capacity and its use and if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether the Government of Haryana had demanded from the Water Tribunal for upgradation of water distribution infrastructure of the State while resolving the water sharing issues with its neighbouring States in view of the declining water availability in the State:
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether the Government is likely to provide any special grant to Haryana to strengthen its water distribution infrastructure; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof?

Development of River Fronts

3179. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY: SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to develop river fronts along the major rivers of the country including Tripura;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the concerned officials, mechanism and timeline to do so?

Road Accidents

3180. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that fatalities due to road accidents in the country are increasing year by year;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has undertaken any study to enhance road safety and reduce the number of road accidents in the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Small Loans for MSMEs

†3181. SHRI JAGANNATH SARKAR:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any special scheme of the Ministry to revive the devastated business of the common man during the corona period and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of new companies registered under MSME from March 2020 to September 2020; and

(c) the number of applicants who were provided small loans under MSME this year as on date?

Stake Owned by AAI

3182. SHRI ANTO ANTONY: SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY: SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total number of airports in the country and the percentage stake owned by Airports Authority of India (AAI) therein, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the profits made by each airport during the last three years;
- (c) the details of the number of airports privatised during the last three years;
- (d) whether the Government intends to privatise 30-35 airports in the next five years; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the airports which have been chosen for privatisation and the criteria for privatisation?

National Waste Water Reuse Policy

3183. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has considered the formulation of a national waste water reuse policy to address the increasing stress on urban water resources and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to balance the rapid urban growth and enhanced urban water stress;
- (c) whether the Government has undertaken measures to prevent industries from over exploiting groundwater resources, if so, the details thereof and if not, the alternative steps to address such issues;
- (d) whether the Government has considered a collaboration with the Ministry of Environment to define quality norms for different grades of industrial water in order to standardise the design of reuse system nationwide; and
- (e) whether PPP (Public-Private Partnership) models have been considered of infrastructure development in the water sector, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Extinction of Ponds

†3184. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per an estimate, nearly twenty four lakh ponds at the time of country's independence have become nearly extinct causing difficulty in maintaining the ground water level;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to protect these water bodies;
- (c) the total number of such water ponds in the country including those in Rajasthan;
- (d) whether any scheme has been formulated for the repair, renovation and desilting of these ponds in the country including Rajasthan;
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the total fund allocation made for this purpose during the last three years; and
- (f) the details of the funds allocated so far, year-wise?

New Highways Projects

3185. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY: SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct more new highways/roads in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has taken up construction work of four-laning project from Hansdiha to Gandhigram in Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which this road is likely to become operational;
- (c) whether the Government has started construction of National Highway (NH) from Madhupur to Jamtara via Margounda in Jharkhand and if so, the time by which this NH is likely to become operational:
- (d) whether any proposal is under consideration of the Government to construct a new NH in Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to conduct a survey for construction of a new four-lane highway from Koderma to Giridih and if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be completed?

Targets Set for Jal Shakti Schemes

3186. SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of targets set for the different aspects of schemes of the Jal Shakti ministry; and
 - (b) the details of the status of all the targets set?

Energy Policy

†3187. SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to review the energy policy to make the electricity generated through non renewable energy sources more popular;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the steps taken by the Government to make the non renewable energy more popular in the remote villages of hilly areas?

Pace of Construction of Highways

3188. SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the pace of construction of highways per year along with the targets achieved during the last three years and the targets set for next five years;
- (b) the measures adopted to ensure construction of quality-oriented and accident-proof roads within stipulated time frame; and
- (c) the mechanism put in place to inspect, examine and monitor the construction and upkeep of these roads?

Impact of COVID-19 on DISCOMs

3189. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the power demand across the country in 2020 so far, as compared to the same period last year, Month and State/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of the steps taken by the Government to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on distribution companies (DISCOMs);
- (c) whether the Government proposes to reduce the rate of interest for borrowing by DISCOMs from the Power Finance Corporation and the Rural Electrification Corporation to bring it in line with bank interest rates;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the details of the new reform linked distribution scheme along with the Central assistance thereon; and
- (f) whether the said scheme will cover private and State-owned DISCOMs and if so, the details thereof?

PMAY-U

3190. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total number of applications received, processed and amount of loans disbursed under different categories of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) during the last three years, State-wise:
- (b) the details of the total funds released by the Government for the scheme during the last three years, State/financial institution-wise; and
- (c) the details of the total funds disbursed to beneficiaries under the scheme during the last three years, financial institution-wise?

Vacant Flats of DDA

†3191. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether many flats allotted by Delhi Development Authority (DDA) to their allottees have remained vacant for many years and got damaged as their allottees do not take any care and such flats become a threat for the lives of nearby flats and residents;
 - (b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;
- (c) whether DDA is responsible for periodic safety audit of flats constructed by them;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government proposes to make any provision in this regard; and
- (e) whether any action is likely to be taken by the Government keeping in a view of 'Housing for All' and 'Housing to needy'?

Refund of Air-Ticket

3192. PROF. SAUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the DGCA has proposed any formula on refunds of cancelled air tickets;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any airlines is reluctant to refund the cost of cancelled flights due to pandemic; and
- (d) if so, the details of such airlines and action taken to suspend their operations?

Kuri Chhu Dam

3193. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has contacted the concerned authority in Bhutan regarding regulation for release of Kuri Chhu dam water which causes flood in Barpeta HPC; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reply received from Bhutan?

National Highways Development Project (NHDP)

3194. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the expressways upgraded so far under the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) in the country;
- (b) whether upgradation of some of the expressways under NHDP is lagging behind schedule;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor, NH-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has taken initiatives to ensure connectivity of unconnected districts with NHs in the country;
 - (e) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost the development of highways in the country?

Cycling Revolution

3195. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government can introduce a cycling revolution by providing dedicated cycle lanes in, at least, some of the busiest Cities in the context of getting rid of emissions from motorised transport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including measures to be taken by the Government in this direction;
- (c) whether the Government has any plans to implement adequate safety measures to lit up cycle paths and strict traffic rules against other vehicles trespassing into cycle lanes; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Air Crash

3196. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of inquiry on the Air India Express crash;
- (b) the details of persons died and injured seperately and compensation provided to each of the deceased as well as injured;
- (c) whether any other compensation apart from that already extended is due and the time by which it will be distributed: and
- (d) the findings of the inquiry and the details of the lapses occured leading to the air crash?

Electrification in Misrikh Region

†3197. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्यत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has done electrification of three districts of Sitapur, Hardoi and Kanpur Nagar falling under Misrikh Region of the State of Uttar Pradesh;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has taken any steps to ensure the allocation of electricity to Uttar Pradesh as per the requirement and to ensure uninterrupted power supply to the said region and;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Slums in Government Colonies

3198. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the slums which have come up in various Government colonies in the NCT of Delhi during the last three years;
- (b) whether a large amount of funds have already been allotted for many years by the Government for removal of these slums and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take any steps to completely eradicate the presence of these illegal slum dwellers in these colonies as these pose a major security threat as well as hamper the beautification of these Government colonies and if so, the details thereof, colony-wise?

Promotion of Khadi Village Industries

†3199. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken by the Government to promote Khadi Village Industries and to create awareness among the people living in remote rural areas;
- (b) the number of the people across the country benefitting directly under this institution along with the details of the public welfare schemes being run in Maharashtra; and
- (c) whether any such scheme is in operation in Wardha and Amravati in Vidarbha region of Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof?

Water Supply in Rural Households

†3200. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to supply drinking water to every household in the rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the manner in which it is likely to be implemented and the status of its implementation particularly in Rajasthan along with the response of the State Government thereto;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated to Rajasthan under this scheme;
- (d) whether the Rajasthan Government has allocated its share of funds particularly to Churu Parliamentary Constituency; and
- (e) the details and the number of villages under Churu Parliamentary Constituency likely to be benefitted under this scheme, sub-division-wise?

Koderma Thermal Power Station

†3201. SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide employment to the migrant labourers returned to the State of Jharkhand during the lockdown period in Koderma Thermal Power Station;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Status of Bhagalpur-Mirzachauki NH-80

†3202. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the work on National Highway No.-80 from Bhagalpur to Mirzachauki is progressing as per schedule:
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof along with the cost of the project;
- (c) whether any representation has been given by the public representative in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto?

Zonal Committee

3203. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government is considering to form five zonal committees to recognize talent all over the country to turn India into a footballing power house;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with places where Zonal Committees would be formed; and
- (c) the details of the proposal before the Government to train players to meet the international standard?

Issues of Anglo-Indian Community

3204. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had categorically identified any of the pertinent issues of Anglo-Indian community;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the study report in this subject; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to readdress identity crisis, lack of employment, educational backwardness, lack of proper facilities and cultural erosion of Anglo Indian Community?

Financial Assistance for MSME Units

3205. SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide financial assistance for the development of several Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Units in the Country;
- (b) the details of MSME units which have closed/ become sick during the last three years and the current year and the current loan outstanding against the MSME sector given by banks, State/UT-wise;

- (c) the steps being taken by the Government for the revival of closed/sick MSME Units;
- (d) whether the Government has launched any scheme for providing loan to MSMEs and if so, the details thereof:
- (e) the details regarding extent of loans admissible under the scheme; and
- (f) whether the Government has made any tie-ups with commercial banks for providing loans to MSMEs under the scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Direct Cash Transfer to MSMEs

3206. SHRI RAHUL GANDHI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is providing direct cash transfer to MSMEs, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons as to why the Government is not providing assistance in the form of direct cash transfers, particularly to self-employed and micro enterprises;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide such assistance in the future and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government has received representations from various industry bodies requesting for direct cash transfer to support MSMEs and if so, the details thereof along with the details of tax incentives provided to MSMEs, if any; and
- (e) whether measures have been taken to reduce burden of statutory compliance by MSMEs in light of COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof?

Status of Implementation of DDUGJY

†3207. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the implementation of Deen Dayal Upadhayaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has achieved the targets fixed under the said yojana during the last five years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, year and State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the quantum of funds allocated, sanctioned and utilised thereunder during the said period, State/UT-wise?

Leasing out of Airports

3208. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to lease out the airports currently operated by the Airports Authority of India (AAI) to private players for revamping aviation infrastructure and if so, the details of such airports from Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Odisha and Maharashtra;
- (b) whether such a move is expected to earn the Government revenue and if so, the estimated revenue thereof; and
- (c) the details of the annual expenditure incurred and revenue earned by AAI, airport-wise?

New MP Flats

3209. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the construction quality of new flats meant for Member of Parliaments (MPs) is very poor and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the contractor has been held accountable for this and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether a number of flats are currently facing the problem of water leakage/seepage and if so, the details thereof?

Women Entrepreneurs in MSMEs

3210. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government maintains a record of the number of women entrepreneurs in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including their percentage contribution to total number of entrepreneurs in the country and the number and percentage of them who are from the State of Odisha;
- (c) the number of women-led Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) that had to face permanent closure due to COVID-19;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any initiative to foster entrepreneurship among women in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the number of women who have been benefitted from the same over the last two years;
- (f) whether the Government proposes to extend monetary help to women entrepreneurs running MSMEs who had to face permanent closure due to the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (g) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

Funds Allocated to States under JJM

†3211. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated to States during the year 2019-20 under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) for ensuring the availability of water to every household by the year 2024, State-wise;
- (b) whether the entire expenditure with regard to the said Mission would be borne by the Union Government or States' participation is also included in it;
- (c) the action plan formulated by the Government to achieve the said targets by the year 2024; and
 - (d) the details pertaining to Rajasthan in this regard?

Infrastructure Investment Trust

3212. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to monetize assets of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) by creating an infrastructure investment trust and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details and values of the assets that are being monetized under the proposed plan along with the details of the Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) that held these assets:
- (c) whether the draft prospectus has been prepared for the infrastructure investment trust and if so, the details thereof along with the date on which the details of the prospectus will be released;
- (d) whether the proceeds of asset monetization will be used for fresh investments by PGCIL; and
- (e) if so, the details of the proposed projects in which these proceeds will be invested?

Fund Allocation to Andhra Pradesh under JJM

3213. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY: SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI: SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

- (a) the allocations made to Andhra Pradesh under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) during the last three years, year-wise, till date;
- (b) whether the Union Government has received a funding request from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for the construction of a State wide water grid and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Union Government will provide additional resources to the State of Andhra Pradesh for implementing the mission and if so, the details thereof?

Air Bubble

3214. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE: SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has sanctioned 'air bubble' flights for certain countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the names of the international airports in the country from where these services are likely to be provided;
- (d) whether any airport in Rajasthan is included or proposed to be included in the said list in future; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Shortage of Synthetic Tracks in Sports Complex

3215. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a shortage of availability of synthetic tracks in sports complex/stadiums in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the same;
- (c) the details of number of synthetic tracks available in the sports complex/stadiums in the country, locationwise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to set up more synthetic tracks in the other parts of the country and to improve the existing facilities; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Fund for MSME Sector

3216. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सुक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a Fund has been created for MSME sector as announced by the Finance Minister;
 - (b) if so, the aims and objectives thereof;
- (c) the manner in which it would help in expanding MSMEs and also their listing on the stock exchange;
- (d) whether any conditions have been prescribed to get equity from this fund and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether only 7 per cent of MSMEs are using banking system to day and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the manner in which the above fund would help MSME sector?

Air Services in Smaller Cities

†3217. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to start air services in smaller cities also;
 - (b) if so, the present details thereof; and
- (c) the details of other guidelines issued by the Government in this regard?

Forestry Interventions for Rejuvenation of Rivers

3218. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI SELVAM G.:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken to rejuvenate major rivers in the country through forest interventions and if so, the details thereof along with the purpose behind the move;
- (b) the details of the rivers identified for this purpose along with the quantum of funds earmarked for the said purpose;
- (c) whether it is true that Krishna and Godavari rivers have been identified for rejuvenation and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the DPR has been prepared for the above rivers for forest interventions and if so, the details thereof;

- (e) whether the Government is conducting technical study to assess the river landscape and prepare a detailed project report and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the interventions are likely to be on the lines of Namami Gange Programme and if so, the details thereof and the present status of planting trees on the banks of the river Ganga under National Mission for Clean Ganga?

Uninterrupted Flow of Ganga River

†3219. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the huge dams are main obstructions in the uninterrupted flow of the river Ganga which are affecting the National Mission for Clean Ganga and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has identified the hydropower projects which are affecting the ecological flow of the river Ganga and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has requested other Ministries including the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and the Ministry of Power to observe caution while approving the construction of any new dam on the river Ganga;

- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the response received therefrom; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure uninterrupted flow of water after achieving ecological flow of the river?

Schemes in Rural Area

†3220. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes by the Government in rural areas, State-wise including Madhya Pradesh; and
- (b) the names of the schemes being implemented by the Government for irrigation at present?

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