

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS
Wednesday, July 17, 2019/Ashadha 26, 1941 (Saka)

(Prime Minister; Ministries of Atomic Energy; Coal; Commerce and Industry; Communications; Defence; Development of North Eastern Region; Electronics and Information Technology; External Affairs; Law and Justice; Mines; Parliamentary Affairs; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; Railways; Space; Statistics and Programme Implementation)

(प्रधान मंत्री; परमाणु ऊर्जा; कोयला; वाणिज्य और उद्योग; संचार; रक्षा; उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास; इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी; विदेश; विधि और न्याय; खान; संसदीय कार्य; कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत और पेंशन; योजना; रेल; अंतरिक्ष; सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 230

Export Zone for Eggs

3872. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has any proposal to set up a separate export zone exclusively for export of eggs to facilitate eggs export throughout the year which will lead to overall development of poultry business in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Aadhaar Card

3873. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the numbers of people yet to be enrolled under Aadhaar scheme, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether Aadhaar Card is mandatory for obtaining Government's service/aid/financial assistance etc.; and

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

Logistics Sector

3874. SHRI V.K. SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government is considering to set up a separate logistics department to enhance the growth of the logistics sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the extensive coordination among different stakeholders of the logistics sector,

including Roads, Railways, Shipping, Civil Aviation and States is required to boost the export; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Accidents due to Rains/Flooding

†3875. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any precautionary measures to avoid accidents that occur due to flooding and washing away of railway tracks during rains under all the railway zones in the country along with Jabalpur railway zone in west-central railway zone and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the works for the maintenance of railway bridges and culverts have been completed before the starting of the rainy season;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has made any arrangement for constant monitoring of railway tracks and bridges to avoid such accidents; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Premium Trains by Private Sector

†3876. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

DR. SWAMI SAKSHIJI

MAHARAJ:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railway Board has formulated any scheme for introduction of two premium trains by the private sector

under its 100 day action plan and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the name of the routes on which these trains are likely to be introduced along with the reaction of the private companies thereto;

(c) whether the private companies have to give one third share of their profit to the Railways and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the facilities likely to be provided to the passengers in these trains?

Delay in Enacting Data Protection Law

3877. DR. SUKANTA

MAJUMDAR:

SHRI RAJA

AMARESHWARA

NAIK:

SHRI VINOD KUMAR

SONKAR:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has taken more than a decade for the Government to draft a law on data protection and privacy and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the issue of data protection and privacy kept on shifting from one Ministry to another in the past decade and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the major recommendations of the committee constituted by the Government to strengthen data protection regime in the country; and

(d) whether the said recommendations are in consonance with the Supreme Court's

judgement in Aadhaar case, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Connectivity with the Main Land

3878. SHRI RAJA
AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR
SONKAR:

Will the Minister of
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH
EASTERN REGION

उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that many North-Eastern States are not connected with the main land;

(b) if so, the development works relating to road, railways and airways carried out during the last four years, State-wise;

(c) whether any special scheme for attracting tourists to visit North-Eastern States has been introduced during the last four years;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other major steps taken by the Government for the development of North-Eastern States during the last four years?

Reservation in Sainik Schools

†3879. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Article 16 (4-a) of the Constitution regarding reservation rules are not being followed in the admission of children in Sainik Schools as a result of which the underprivileged are deprived of the opportunities;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure implementation of reservation in Sainik Schools including the school in Ambikapur;

(c) whether the OBCs as mentioned in the State and Centre lists are being given reservation in Sainik Schools; and

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

Issuance of PIO Cards

3880. SHRI HASNAIN MASOODI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Persons of Indian Origin (PIO) cards issued to the residents of Jammu and Kashmir State who are citizens of other countries; and

(b) the number of pending applications for issue of PIO cards?

Telecom Connectivity in Rural Areas

3881. SHRI KOMATI REDDY
VENKAT REDDY:
SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of
COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to take any steps to accelerate telecom connectivity in rural and remote areas across the country;

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

(c) whether any such areas have been identified by the Government in the State of Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any time-frame has been chalked out by the Government for this purpose and if so, the details thereof?

Mining in Bailadilla

3882. SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a 10 million tonne-per-annum (MTPA) iron ore deposit-13 on the hill, abode of tribal Goddess Pithor Rani in Bailadilla district of Chhattisgarh has been developed by NCL, a joint venture of National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) and the Chhattisgarh Mineral Development Corporation and is contracted to Adani Enterprises Limited (AEL);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the adivasis in the area are protesting against the mining of the hill as it is the abode of their Goddess Pithor Rani;

(d) if so, the details and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(e) whether it is also a fact that all the trade unions have joined the protest against giving the contract to AEL as the NMDC is capable of undertaking the mining; and

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

Revised Coal Production Target

3883. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV
RAO MANDLIK:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Coal India Limited has revised coal production target from fiscal year 2023 to fiscal year 2025;

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

(c) whether the CIL is planning to invest 10,000 crore in the next few years; and

(d) if so, the details of the areas where funds would be invested and the source of funds raised by CIL for this purpose?

Survey for Coal Exploration

†3884. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has engaged any agency to conduct a survey with regard to coal exploration during the last years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to promote coal industry through mining in Rajasthan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Cyber Security

3885. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of steps taken/being taken by the Government to establish cyber Courts across the country in near future?

Nationalisation Policies of GCC

3886. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of instances of Non Resident Indians (NRIs) being forced to return to India as a result of the nationalisation policies in Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with occupation based classification of NRIs who have returned to India between 2014 and 2019;

(c) whether the Government has introduced or proposes to introduce any scheme to accommodate NRI returnees into Government or public institutions and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has introduced or proposes to introduce any scheme to ensure basic income to NRI returnees who have lost jobs due to nationalisation policies in GCC countries and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has introduced or proposes to introduce any scheme to provide low interest loans to NRI returnees for setting up Small and Medium Scale Enterprises and if so, the details thereof?

Information under RTI Act

3887. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in many cases the Government/departments do not provide timely information under Right to Information (RTI) Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of pending cases in the Central Information Commission for more than one year; and

(c) the action taken by the Government for the effective implementation of RTI Act?

Policy on Offset Clause

3888. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI: SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the policy on Offset Clause for the acquisition of Defence equipment from foreign manufacturers;

(b) whether the main objectives of the Offset Clause is to promote the domestic manufacturing and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is considering the relaxation of the Offset Clause requirement in defence equipment procurement and if so, the details and the reasons thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is aware of the media reports raising apprehension of a potential conflict of interest between the Government and the offset contracts company, especially in regard to the Rafale deal and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Broadband Connections in Odisha

3889. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU: SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: SHRI PINAKI MISHRA: SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 1800 Gram Panchayats in Odisha are provided with broadband connections and only 120 of them are working and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government is reportedly not paying any attention towards the maintenance and proper functioning of the said connections thereby making them unusable and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to restore broadband connectivity and ensure its maintenance and stability in all the Gram Panchayats of Odisha?

Transfer of Defence Land

3890. SHRI BHAGWANATH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of defence land acquired by the Government after independence and the State and area-wise total land under the management of Defence Estate Organisation (DEO) as on date;

(b) the estimated area of defence land which has been transferred to other agencies/institutions, till date, institution-wise;

(c) whether the Government has approved transfer of defence land to Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan for the construction of KVs in some parts of the country recently and if so, the details including the terms and conditions thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to streamline the data of defence land in the country?

Mobile Connectivity in Kodarma District

‡3891. MS. ANNPURNA DEVI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether mobile connectivity and network facility is not available in Kodarma district of Jharkhand due to shortage of BSNL mobile towers;

(b) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

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

Defence PSUs

3892. SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE:

SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:
SHRI GIRISH
BHACHANDRA
BAPAT:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the issue of the Defence PSUs reportedly being given undue preference by the Ministry for large orders has been raised by different quarters and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is an inherent conflict of interest that prevents full unlocking of the 'Make in India' initiative and if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether Union Government is examining recommendations by top two advisory bodies to move public sector units out of the supervision of the Defence Ministry;

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

(e) whether National Security Advisory Board (NSAB) has recommended restructuring of the Defence Ministry to promote 'Make in India' if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto; and

(f) the other steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Union Government to keep Defence manufacturing on a competitive basis, in which both PSUs and private industry may participate?

Foreign Law Firms

3893. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO
BHAMRE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:

SHRI KULDEEP RAI
SHARMA:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY
TATKARE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
DR. AMOL RAMSING
KOLHE:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bar Council of India, the governing body regulating legal practice in India has accorded its permission to allow foreign law firms to practice in India;

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

(c) whether the Government has taken into consideration the adverse impact of such a move on indigenous law firms and if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether the Government would stipulate a pre-condition that for setting up and legal practice in India, the foreign legal firms should employ at least 3/4th of Indians to do the legal and paralegal work; and

(e) if so, the status of the proposal at present?

Sainik School in Bijapur

3894. SHRI ANNASAHAB
SHANKAR JOLLE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Sainik School, Bijapur, the Government of

Karnataka is responsible for providing funds towards maintenance, running expenditure, laboratory equipment, scholarships for the cadets, special requirements on actual need basis, pension and terminal benefits to all retiring employees of the school, etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government of Karnataka is not allocating funds towards pension and terminal benefits to all retiring employees of the school;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the school is facing acute shortage of funds due to the increased costs and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Transparency in Administration

3895. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH
BITTU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken various measures to utilise technological intervention to bring transparency in the day-to-day administration;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said measures are yielding the desired results in bringing transparency in the system of administration and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has made any assessment of the benefits to people and savings to exchequer by implementing the said measures to bring transparency; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Contractual Workers

3896. SHRI RAJESHBHAI
CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways proposes to engage labourers on contractual basis;

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

(c) the number of permanent posts lying vacant in the Railways at present; and

(d) the number of vacant permanent posts that have been filled up during the last three years?

Singareni Coal Field

3897. SHRI VENKATESH NETHA
BORLAKUNTA:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to extract coal in future from Singareni coal fields in Telangana State;

(b) whether the Government has reviewed demand and supply of coal for various requirements in Telangana and its export to generate revenue and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to protect the lives of coal employees in Singareni Coal fields while working in tunnels and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of workers died and compensation paid to their families due to mishap in coal fields during the last three years and the current year?

Upgradation of Stations in Tamil Nadu

3898. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the bullet train project;

(b) the details of new railway lines that were constructed in Tamil Nadu during the last five years; and

(c) the number of railway stations that were upgraded/modernised in Tamil Nadu during the said period, year-wise?

SEZs in Karnataka

3899. SHRI MAGUNTA
SREENIVASULU
REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has ascertained the number of rural and agro industries being benefited from Special Economic Zones (SEZs) including the State of Andhra Pradesh;

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

(c) whether such industries in the SEZs have been able to generate adequate amount of revenue for the Government;

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

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for better and strict implementation of safety standards in the said industries?

Health Index Report by NITI Aayog

3900. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV
RAO MANDLIK:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has developed a health index to rank, track the performance and strengthen health sector institutions of States (district hospitals etc.) towards transforming action in these areas and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has published recently the comprehensive Health Index report, 2019;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the criteria fixed by the Ministry in this regard;

(d) whether the report ranks States and Union Territories innovatively on their year-on-year incremental changes in health outcomes as well as their overall performance with respect to each other;

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the list of performers and worst performers among States; and

(f) whether the Government has any action plan to improve State rankings and if so, the details thereof?

Sanctioned Railway Projects

†3901. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL
CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of proposals received by the Government regarding sanctioning of railway projects, survey works, sanctioning of incomplete and pending projects and demand of funds in the country, especially in Central Zone and South Central Zone during the last three years;

(b) the total number of proposals sanctioned out of the received proposals, year/zone-wise; and

(c) the project-wise amount of the funds allocated/spent in this regard?

Rubber Growers

3902. SHRI THOMAS
CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the grave situation being faced by the rubber growers due to the fall in the prices of natural rubber and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to ensure adoption of fair price mechanism to the rubber growers in the country;

(b) whether the Government has taken steps to ensure a fair price of at least Rs. 200 per kilogram of rubber to the growers and if so, the details of the amount lying with the Government under the head "Rubber Stabilisation Fund";

(c) whether the Government is likely to disburse this amount among the rubber growers as Production Incentive in a specified manner and if so, the time-frame fixed in this regard;

(d) whether the Government would take steps to hike the import duty of natural rubber to protect the interest of the domestic producers and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether there are any arrears of subsidy to be paid to the rubber growers and if so, the amount of such arrears along with the steps taken/being taken to disburse the arrears of subsidy to the rubber growers at the earliest?

Trains from Rameshwaram

3903. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to introduce more trains to different parts of the city from Rameshwaram considering the heavy tourist traffic;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Threats Faced by the Witnesses

3904. DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:
DR. M.K. VISHNU
PRASAD:

Will the Minister of LAW AND
JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the threats faced by the witnesses involved in the justice system;

(b) if so, whether the Government has drawn up Witness Protection Scheme to protect witnesses who testify in courts;

(c) the number of categories that have been identified for the purpose;

(d) the ratio of funds to be provided by the Centre and State for this purpose; and

(e) whether suitable law would be enacted to give statutory backing for the scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Look East Agenda

3905. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN
AJMAL:

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the Look East Agenda for the North Eastern Region;

(b) the details of funds allocated and the number of projects under the said agenda till date; and

(c) the future target under the said agenda?

Strengthening of Start-ups

3906. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH
SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plans to strengthen the start-up ecosystem at local level in the country under start-up India initiative;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating proactive steps taken in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has any data regarding rising trend in funding of start-ups in the country during the last three years;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures being taken by the Government to improve the situation in this regard?

Corruption in Trainer Aircraft Deal

3907. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CBI has registered a corruption case against IAF officials and unnamed officials of MoD an arm dealer and Sanjay Bhandari in connection with the alleged corruption in the deal of 75 pilatus basic trainer aircraft for the Indian Air Force in 2009;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the contract for the same has been cancelled by IAF and fresh EOIs issued for purchase of further trainer aircraft; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of GSP Withdrawal on Export of Gems and Jewellery

3908. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:

SHRI GAJANAN

KIRTIKAR:

SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV

RAO MANDLIK:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether USA has withdrawn the duty benefits to India under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for the same;

(b) whether Crisil Research Ltd. has said in a report that this step would adversely affect the export of gems and jewellery;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken by the Government to protect the interest of such exporters;

(d) whether Trade data for last month showed that exports of labour intensive sectors including gems and jewellery were dismal; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to increase the export in such sector?

Talcher-Jharsuguda Railway Line

3909. SHRI NITESH GANGA
DEB:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to connect Talcher, Jharsuguda via Deogarh and Kuchinda with a railway line;

(b) if so, the allocation of funds for the above-mentioned railway line; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Tobacco Export to China

3910. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that an agreement between India and China has been entered into for exporting Indian tobacco to China after a gap of more than seven years;

(b) if so, the tobacco growers, particularly from Guntur, are going to be benefited through this measure;

(c) whether the Government is planning to push tobacco exports to China from Andhra Pradesh, particularly from Guntur; and

(d) the details and the remaining period of the above said agreements?

Rail Coach Factory at Parel

†3911. SHRI JASWANT SINGH
BHABHOR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is huge potential for upgradation and extension of Railway locomotive and coach factory located at Parel of Dahod district in Gujarat as thousands of acres of land belonging to the factory is lying vacant and ample manpower is available;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Railways Publicity Campaign

3912. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN
MAADAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether guidelines have been issued to hire a team of private public relations professional to drive the Railways' publicity campaign both for the Union Ministry as well as in each of its zone;

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

(c) the fund allocation made by the Government in this regard, zone-wise?

Setting up of Solar Power Projects

†3913. SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:
SHRI SUDHAKAR
TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up solar power projects on unused land of Railways;

(b) if so, the district-wise details thereof including Sikar, Jalore and Sirohi districts of Rajasthan and Latur district of Maharashtra;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take land from farmers on lease which are lying unused due to lack of water to set up solar power projects;

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

(e) the details of time-limit prescribed to set up such projects?

Completion of Infrastructure Projects based on PPP mode

†3914. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to create a policy framework for early completion of infrastructure projects based on Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of projects which got delayed during the last two years and the time-limit prescribed to complete the said projects along with the State/District-wise details thereof?

Special District Courts

†3915. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise status of setting up of special district courts to dispose of cases as per provisions of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act;

(b) the State-wise reasons for delay in setting up of such special courts; and

(c) the concrete steps taken by the Government to ensure setting up of such courts in a time-bound manner?

Export Promotion Scheme

†3916. SHRI RAJENDRA
AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme for providing assistance to the States to promote their exports;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of total funds allocated to various States to promote exports during each year of the last three years, region-wise and State/UT-wise;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to involve States in the efforts meant for promoting export;

(e) the measures taken by the Government to improve the system and remove the bottlenecks to achieve the export target of the country; and

(f) whether the Government has made provisions for exemption in tax too to promote export and if so, the details thereof?

Saharsa-Saraigarh Rail Line

†3917. SHRI DILESHWAR
KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Saharsa to Saraigarh Mapariyahi (Bihar), East Railway metre gauge line has been closed for gauge conversion in the year 2016 and if so, the facts thereof;

(b) whether due to scarcity and under allocation of funds only 20 km construction work has been completed so far and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time-limit set by the Government for gauge conversion of this section; and

(d) whether the Government would allocate sufficient funds to complete the work of gauge conversion of this important railway line and if so, the details in this regard?

Slow Growth in Manufacturing Sector

3918. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C.
UDASI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's manufacturers have long performed below their potential and the slow growth of Indian manufacturing is a concern for the economy and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether job growth in manufacturing is concentrated in informal tradable industries, especially one-person establishments and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any scheme has been formulated by the Government to develop this sector and if so, the details thereof?

Manufacturing of Complete Train Set

†3919. SHRIMATI RANJAN BEN
DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to manufacture complete train sets in the rail coach factories;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps in this regard; and

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

Survey of New Rail Line

†3920. SHRI SANJAY KAKA
PATIL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the time by which the work of doubling and electrification of Pune-Miraj-Londa railway line is likely to be completed;

(b) whether any new train is likely to be introduced on this railway line once the above work is completed;

(c) if so, whether survey of any new rail line has been conducted or is likely to be conducted for this purpose and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether pit line at Miraj junction is operational with full capacity;

(e) if so, whether a new pit line at Saanghi railway station is likely to be constructed in order to reduce the load of the above said pit line; and

(f) if so, whether any proposal is pending in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Help of ISRO in Oil Exploration

3921. SHRI A.
GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ISRO has received any request from any private companies in India and sought the assistance of ISRO scientists for their oil and gas exploration;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of such requests received from private companies in the past; and

(d) the action taken by the Government on these requests?

Gauge Conversion

†3922. SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the work of converting narrow gauge railway line into broad gauge railway line by the Government throughout the country including Gujarat during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) the details of the amount of funds sanctioned, allocated and spent in this regard including the State of Gujarat, State-wise;

(c) whether the railway line from Kosamba to Umarpada has also been converted into broad gauge under the said work which had been included in the budget of the year 2015-16;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor including the time by which the said work is likely to be completed; and

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has received large number of representations on unsolicited calls especially from property dealers;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to impose penalty on property dealers for messaging and calling mobile subscribers and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Indian Satellites in Space

3925. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether many satellites of India are there in the international space centre and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has plans to launch more satellites in the near future and if so, the details of the projects;

(c) whether there is any non-working satellite of India in the international space centre;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has taken any action to overcome the challenge of recent crisis that some other nations faced due to the collapse and collision of old non-working satellites in the international space centre; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

(f) the present status of laying a new railway line from Umarpada to Nandurbar which had been included in the same budget by the Government along with the time by which the said work is likely to be completed?

Monitoring of SDGs

3923. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of
STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME
IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has developed a measurement framework for tracking and monitoring the progress of nationally defined Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and associated targets and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the updated indicators to collect data on forced labour from the States;

(c) the indicators for SDG 16 (Peace and Justice) and the details thereof; and

(d) the percentage of budget annually allocated to combat forced labour and trafficking of persons?

Unsolicited Calls

3924. SHRIMATI JYOTSNA
CHARANDAS
MAHANT:
SHRI P.K.
KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of
COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

Spent Fuel Storage

3926. SHRI SUDHAKAR
TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd. (NPCIL) has so far not set up a facility for storage of radioactive spent nuclear fuel at Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant (KKNPP);

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

(c) the fresh steps taken by the Government to set up the 'away from reactor' facility for safe storage of spent nuclear fuel at KKNPP at the earliest?

Call Rates in Intra Network and Inter Network

†3927. SHRI ASHOK
MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of

COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has issued any directive to bridge the gap between the call rates in intra network and inter network so as to have a uniform rate in every network;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the separate details of the private telecom companies complying with and not complying with the said directions of the TRAI as on date;

(d) whether the Government has taken any action against the private telecom

companies not complying with the aforesaid directions of TRAI; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Unsolicited Commercial Communications

3928. SHRI B.Y.
RAGHAVENDRA:
SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of

COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that there are increasing incidents of unsolicited commercial communications in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has received any complaints with regard to unsolicited calls;

(d) if so, the details of the number of complaints received by the Government against various telemarketing companies during each of the last three years, company-wise;

(e) whether the Government has taken any action against the telemarketing companies involved in such incidents; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Decommissioning of Nuclear Power Plants

3929. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:
MS. PRATIMA
BHOUMIK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to start decommissioning nuclear power plants and if so, the details and the guidelines thereof;

(b) whether the Government has also started to collect "decommissioning levy" from users to create a fund to finance decommissioning activities in the future and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether cap life is being applied on nuclear power plants and if so, the details and the criteria thereof?

Representations for Extension of EMUs

3930. SHRI S.
JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether representations have been received by the Railways for extending EMUs from Arakkonam to Katpadi junction and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether in view of large scale demand by commuting people to Vellore, the Railways has any proposal to suitably extend EMUs from Arakkonam to Katpadi, with a 15 minutes frequency;

(c) if so, the details in this regard; and

(d) if not, the details of alternative EMUs that are available for commuters from Chennai to Katpadi?

Agreement with Sri Lanka

3931. SHRI P.R. NATARAJAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL

AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of important agreements signed by India and Sri Lanka during each of the last three years; and

(b) the significant outcome of bilateral ties between India and Sri Lanka during the above period?

Tea Garden Workers

3932. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN
DAS:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE

AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to improve the working conditions of tea garden workers in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is planning to fix any Minimum Wage Support Act for the labourers working in tea gardens and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has implemented any scheme to pay sufficient compensation to dependents of labourers working in the tea gardens in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof and other measures including policy adopted, if any, for social and economic security of tea garden workers in the country; and

(e) the total amount disbursed for such purposes by the Government during the last four years and the current year?

New Public Sector Unit

3933. SHRI MOHANBHAI
KALYANJI
KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways is all set to bundle its manufacturing units and workshops into a new public sector unit;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the objective behind the move;

(c) whether the Government has consulted all the stakeholders before setting up of a new public sector unit, if so, the details and outcome thereof; and

(d) the time by which the new public sector unit is likely to start functioning?

Re-employment of Higher Officials

†3934. SHRI GIRIDHARI YADAV:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any information regarding re-employment of higher officials of Ministry of Communications, BSNL and MTNL in private telephone companies after retirement;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has laid down any rules regarding re-employment of higher officers in other services after retirement and if so, the details thereof; and

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

Coal Mines

†3935. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India has control over coal mines located in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the locations of coal mines in the country presently;

(c) the details of category of coals being mined from them;

(d) whether the Government allows control over coal mines to private companies also;

(e) if so, the number of such collieries which are transferred from Government to private hands; and

(f) the details of the number of years for which they have been transferred?

Cleanliness of Toilets and Wash Rooms in Railways

3936. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the condition of toilets and wash rooms of trains and station areas in the country are not upto the mark and are not being maintained at the desired level of cleanliness as part of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan project;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the number of complaints received in this regard during the last four years and the current year;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any studies on the conditions of toilets and wash rooms in the trains and at railway stations in the country;

(e) if so, the details and the findings thereof and the follow up action taken thereon; and

(f) whether the newly found e-technological solutions for toilets are effective and if so, the details thereof?

Indian Ranking of Ease in Doing Business

3937. SHRI VISHNU DATT SHARMA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has improved in the ranking of Ease of Doing Business according to the World Bank Report and if so, whether India would be extolled to some benefits as a result thereof;

(b) whether Government plans to propose district level ease of doing business ranking in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent of assistance proposed to be provided by the Government to the States, particularly to Madhya Pradesh?

Pay-and-Use Toilets at Stations

3938. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether pay-and-use toilets and X-ray scanners have been established at all the railway stations in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether facilities for differently abled passengers have been adequately provided at all the stations in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Railway Board regularly monitors stations for cleanliness and if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

Use of Surplus Land

3939. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways is in the process of preparing a master plan for the commercial use of the surplus land at its disposal all over the country;

(b) if so, the details of surplus land with the Railways and its value thereof;

(c) the process by which the surplus land would be disposed of; and

(d) the likely amount to be generated as a result thereof?

New Railway Line from Gunupur-Therubali

3940. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any provision has been made in the budget and survey conducted to construct New Railway line from Therubali to Gunupur via Bissam Cuttack in Odisha;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the same is likely to be disbursed;

(c) whether the Railways have any proposal to introduce new intercity train from Koraput district to Bhubaneswar and Koraput to Rakpur Junction; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

New Rail Line between Chikmagalur-Sakleshpur

3941. KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has laid the foundation stone for the new Broad Gauge railway line on the 47 km. Chikmagalur-Sakleshpur section in February, 2014;

(b) if so, the details and present status of the railway line;

(c) whether any funds have been allocated/released for the said railway line during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the project is on 50 : 50 cost sharing basis between the Railways and Government of Karnataka ;

(e) if so, whether the State Government has handed over the balance land totalling 885 acres to the Railways ; and

(f) if so, the funds sanctioned for continuation of the ongoing railway projects, Hubli-Ankola, Rayadurg-Tumkur via Kalyandurga?

Indians in Pakistani Jails

†3942. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA
SHETTY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated number of Indian fishermen and other citizens imprisoned in the jails of Pakistan as on date;

(b) the number of Indian fishermen and other citizens released by Pakistan during the last three years till date;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to get released Indian fishermen and other citizens imprisoned in the jails of Pakistan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Special Medical Team at Stations

3943. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the railways proposes to constitute a special team at major railway stations to attend to railway accident victims and provide them with emergency medical assistance and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the concrete steps taken by the railways to set up special dedicated medical team at major railway stations instead of the station master?

Pending Court Cases

3944. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of LAW AND
JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pending in Indian Courts involving a department/Ministry of the Union Government and a Central PSU along with the courts where these cases are filed;

(b) the measures undertaken to resolve such disputes out of court so that time and resources of Courts are freed up to resolving other disputes; and

(c) the measures that have been institutionalized to ensure that disputes amongst entities controlled by Union Government are resolved speedily and without straining the resources of the Indian judicial system?

Deep-Sea Port

3945. SHRI SISIR KUMAR
ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has signed agreement with any foreign country for establishing deep-Sea port in Bay of Bengal and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Bangladesh has given consent to India for research and usage of offshore gas reservoirs; and

(c) if so, the details of the agreement?

Stoppage at Pindwala

†3946. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the important trains have not been provided stoppage at Pindwala (Sirohi Road) railway station due to which passengers and rural people have to face huge difficulties and if so, the details and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the stoppage of important trains namely Ashram Express (12915/12916) and Garib Rath Express (12215/12216) is likely to be provided at Sirohi Road Railway Station in view of problems of passengers and rural people;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Policy for Digital Economy

3947. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:
SHRIMATI POONAM
MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to introduce new policies for the growing digital economy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the manners in which e-commerce can help with value addition in Indian GDP;

(d) whether the Government is taking up measures towards understanding data flows from the aspects of privacy, security, safety and free choice, ownership and sharing of data, gains and costs of cross border flow of data and how to monitor the use of data; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Revival of Closed Mines

†3948. SHRI OMPRAKASH
BHUPALSINH ALIAS
PAWAN
RAJENIMBALKAR:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI
TUMANE:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of mines in the country State/UT-wise including Maharashtra;

(b) the number of sick and closed mines in the country including Maharashtra out of these along with the workers affected as a result thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to revive some closed/sick mines in the country especially in Maharashtra; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken to revive the said mines and to rehabilitate the affected workers especially in Maharashtra?

Missing Vessel

3949. SHRI M. SELVARAJ:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a ship named 'Deva Matha 2' had set sail from a port in Ernakulam district in Kerala on 12 January, 2019 with 243 people on board heading towards Pacific Ocean and subsequently went missing;

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

(c) whether the Union Government has taken any action to find out the vessel and rescue the people from it; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Nationalized Data Governance Centre

3950. SHRI KANUMURU
RAGHU RAMA
KRISHANA RAJU:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is contemplating on setting up a Nationalised Data Governance Centre to hold all public data and establish guidelines for management and sharing of data between the state and central agencies; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Golden Quadrilateral Project

3951. SHRIMATI RAKSHA
NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to run trains on the routes like Golden Quadrilateral and Diagonals connecting major and important cities;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes premium trains like Rajdhani to be operated in these proposed routes; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

National Retail Trading and e-Commerce System

3952. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:
SHRI KANUMURU
RAGHU RAMA
KRISHANA RAJU:
SHRI KOMATI REDDY
VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating on introducing National Retail Trading and e-Commerce system in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any discussions have been held with the retail businessmen to elicit the facts and difficulties in introducing the system and if so, the details thereof?

Corruption in Judiciary

3953. SHRI GAUTAM
GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any complaints/representations with regard to alleged corruption in judiciary;

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

(c) whether any inquiry has been conducted into such cases;

(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the action taken against the guilty persons and if not, the reasons therefor, case-wise; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to wipe out corruption in judiciary?

Trade with China

3954. SHRI SU.
THIRUNAVUKKARASAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of companies awarded license to import goods/products from abroad, particularly from China during the last three years;

(b) whether the Union Government is aware of that some companies imported fake/counterfeit and substandard goods/products from abroad in violation of the Indian Standards and Safety norms which totally affected the Indian economy and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Union Government would take strict action against those companies which imported such fake/counterfeit and substandard goods/products from abroad, particularly from China, and if so, the details thereof?

New PO in Navi Mumbai

†3955. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the concerned department has been ordered to open Passport Office in Navi Mumbai and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the above mentioned office has been opened in post office situated in Vashi and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the material and facilities have not been made available to set up passport office so far due to which citizens are facing difficulties; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government for setting up the office well equipped with all the facilities till date?

Shortage of Pilots in Air Force

†3956. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the category-wise number of aircrafts being used at present for imparting training to Indian Air Force pilots;

(b) whether there is a shortage of pilots in Indian Air Force;

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

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to meet the shortage?

Encroachment by Passengers in Reserved Coaches

3957. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any action plan to curb the menace of encroachment by unreserved passengers in reserved coaches;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the facilities provided to pilgrims; and

(d) whether there is any scheme to refund the fare to passengers when the service is poor and if so, the details thereof?

Police Verification for Passport

3958. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE:

SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the average time taken for police verification and the extent to which the Government proposes to bring it down further; and

(b) the details of steps taken by the Government to further simplify the process of issuance of passport?

Electrification in Jharkhand

3959. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage and length of railway lines that have been electrified in Jharkhand; and

(b) the details of ongoing and upcoming electrification projects of railway lines in the districts of Hazaribagh and Ramgarh in Jharkhand?

Nuclear Plants Expansion Programme

3960. SHRIMATI POONAM

MAHAJAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has earmarked exclusive budget, approximately Rs. 10,000 crore per year, for ten years for the nuclear plant expansion programme and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up N-plants in Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and J&K since these States do not have any N-plants; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard so far?

Change in Import Tariff by US

3961. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the repercussions for India of the growing tension between Iran and United States;

(b) the extent to which Indian industry would be affected by the recent change in import tariff by the US; and

(c) the manner in which the Government plans to tackle this situation?

Stoppage at Sandila Railway Station

†3962. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representation from public representatives to provide stoppage of Punjab Mail (up-down) and Kisan Express (up-down) at Sandila railway station, a very important railway station, in Hardoi district of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken or being taken by the Government thereon?

Regulation of Private Courier Services

†3963. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI: SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government regulates private courier services of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Frequency of Delhi-Shirdi Train

†3964. SHRI SADASHIV
LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken to change the running schedule of Delhi-Shirdi train from twice a week to daily due to huge public demand;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Committee on 5G Technology

3965. SHRI D.K.SURESH:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR
KATEEL:

Will the Minister of
COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that a committee under Principal Scientific Advisor (PSA) has been constituted to give recommendations relating to 5G and technology trials in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has set any timeline for the said committee to give its recommendations;

(c) if so, the time by which the committee is likely to submit its recommendations to the Government;

(d) whether the Government has taken note of the security concerns including surveillance over 5G technology trials; and

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

Import of Coal

3966. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is heavily dependent on coal imports;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount spent on it;

(c) whether the Government proposes to use imported coal to generate power for the next three years;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the estimated cost involved therein; and

(e) whether the Ministry is engaged in any discussion with the Ministry of Shipping to address the increase in the volume of imported coal?

Construction of ROBs

†3967. SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of functional and under-construction Railway Over Bridges (ROBs) in the country including Chhattisgarh;

(b) the State-wise number of accidents that occurred for want of ROBs in the country along with the number of deaths/injured in the said accidents during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government to construct more Railway Over Bridges in the country;

(d) the details of the targets fixed for completion of the said projects;

(e) the details of the proposals sent by various State Governments including Chhattisgarh during the last three years; and

(f) the details of the funds allocated for this purpose?

Allocation of Funds

†3968. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State and division-wise details of funds allocated by the Government for various railway schemes during the last three years;

(b) the State and division-wise details of revenue earned by the Railways;

(c) whether the Government has allocated funds to States to spend in the budget in proportion to the revenue earned by them;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government is contemplating to provide more funds to the divisions earning more revenue in the future; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Chandrayaan-II

3969. DR. M.K. VISHNU
PRASAD:
SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN
SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Chandrayaan-II mission;

(b) the time by which this mission would take-off for the journey;

(c) the manoeuvres worked out for the soft landing of spacecraft on Moon; and

(d) the communication and photo images planned during the sojourn?

Development of Railway Station as World Class Station

3970. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Varkala Sivagiri Railway Station in Kerala has been selected by the Indian Railway Station Development Corporation (IRSDC) to develop it as a world class station and if so, the present status of the plan;

(b) whether IRSDC prepared a master plan for the same and if so, the details thereof along with the estimated cost and funding in this regard;

(c) whether the State Government of Kerala has signed an MoU with IRSDC and set up any high power committee for the same; and

(d) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

Sainik School in Darjeeling

3971. SHRI RAJU BISTA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the in-principle approval for setting up of a Sainik School in Darjeeling was given in 2012;

(b) if so, the details and the present status thereof along with the reasons for delay, if any, in the matter;

(c) whether there is a proposal to shift Gorkha recruiting depot and Gorkha Records Office away from Darjeeling; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Mobile Data Usage

3972. SHRI H.

VASANTHAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country's mobile data usage per smartphone is highest in the world and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to monitor the contents of the data usage; and

(c) whether the Government has advised mobile manufacturers and telecom service providers to improve device penetration, provide affordable data tariff plans and long range signal connectivity to their customers and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Rail Connectivity in North Eastern Region

3973. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware about the long pending public demand for construction of a new shorter railway line between Panisagar Station and Monacherra Station which would reduce distance from Agartala to Aizawl and Imphal and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the North East Frontier Railway Authority has been directed by the Government for submission of a formal proposal for inclusion of its cost in the Railway Budget for the year 2019-20; and

(c) if so, the status of the proposal and the action initiated by the Government in this regard?

Countries Tours by Prime Minister

3974. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of countries visited by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India during the last five years;

(b) the number of MoUs signed by India and other countries during the said visits by PM during the above period, year-wise; and

(c) the amount of money spent by the Central Government on the official tours of the PM during the last ten years, year-wise?

Attack on Armed Forces

†3975. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any attack on the Armed Forces during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the nature of such attacks; and

(c) the action taken in this regard?

Complaints Received by CVC/CBI against PSUs

†3976. SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government/CVC/CBI has received complaints of various types of irregularities being conducted in Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs);

(b) if so, the details of the complaints received during each of the last three years;

(c) whether the Government/CVC/CBI has received specific complaints against National Textiles Corporation Limited (NTC); and

(d) if so, the details of the action taken so far by the Government/CVC/CBI on the complaints received in this regard?

Introduction of New Technologies

†3977. SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHAWAHA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce 'Internet of Things' like next-gen. technology, skill development and security under the new telecom policy and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up industry and open workshop at regional level under the new telecom policy, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has any plan to increase investment for network upgradation under the new policy, if so, the details thereof?

Export of Perfume

†3978. SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to start any initiative to export the perfumes manufactured in Kannauj, Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented and if not, the reasons therefor?

Amendment to GPF Advance/ Withdrawal Rules

3979. SHRI RAJ KUMAR CHAHAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recognized the need of Central Government employees, who are subscribers of GPF, to own two houses, one in their home town and the other at their place of work;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of times GPF subscribers are entitled to withdraw money from his GPF on account of residential purposes;

(c) whether the Government plans to amend the GPF Advance/Withdrawal Rules applicable to the Central Government Employees allowing them upto two withdrawals from their GPF Accounts for residential purpose; and

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

Agri Export Zones

†3980. SHRI PRATAPRAO
JADHAV:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Agri Export Zones (AEZ) functional across the country as on date, State/UT-wise;

(b) the policy formulated by the Government to promote export of agriculture products in the said States/AEZ; and

(c) the details of the export of agriculture products during the last three years, State/Product wise?

Rake Points for Supply of Fertilizers

3981. SHRI PINAKI MISHRA:

SHRI ANUBHAV
MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rake points for the supply of fertilizers for the farmers lacks basic infrastructural facilities in the State of Odisha like platforms, covered sheds, electricity and approach road;

(b) if so, whether the Railways will take up the matter on priority for providing the basic infrastructure at the fertilizer Rake points in the entire State of Odisha; and

(c) the time by which the infrastructural facilities are likely to be provided for the benefit of farmers particularly by way of allowing the complete rake to move towards the rake point at Rairangpur?

Irregularities in Bharatnet project

3982. SHRIMATI SANGEETA
KUMARI SINGH DEO:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH
SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of
COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is lagging behind in achieving the targets of connecting Gram Panchayats by Broadband under the Bharatnet Project in the country;

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

(c) the number of complaints received by the Government regarding irregularities in implementation of the Bharatnet Project across the country along with action taken/being taken by the Government on such complaints so far, State-wise?

Creation of Separate IAS/IPS Cadre

3983. SHRI TAPIR GAO:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the Government of Arunachal Pradesh for creation of a separate IAS/IPS cadre for Arunachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the steps taken so far by the Government for creation of separate IAS/IPS cadre of Arunachal Pradesh; and

(c) whether any time frame has been kept by the Government for creation of separate IAS/IPS cadre for Arunachal Pradesh?

Mobile Connectivity Scheme in LWE Affected Areas

3984. SHRI. RAMESH
CHANDRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of
COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Odisha has sent a list of 483 locations to the Government for installation of mobile towers in the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas of the State under phase-II of the Mobile Connectivity Scheme in "LWE affected areas";

(b) if so, the details and the status thereof and the response of the Government thereon; and

(c) the status of installation of mobile towers in 368 of such agreeable locations along with the steps taken by the Government to expedite the said installation?

Industrial Hub

†3985. SHRI NAYAB SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to make the Kaithal district of Haryana State an industrial hub;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Increase in Number of Seats under Tatkal Scheme

†3986. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH
JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways proposes to decrease or increase the number of seats in trains under Tatkal scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any scheme is being made/contemplated by the Government under which the passengers may travel without confirmation of Tatkal quota ticket and they could do their important work or reach their home in time; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Training Programme for Bullet Train Project

3987. SHRI FEROZE VARUN
GANDHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has sent a team of employees for training to Japan for the Bullet Train project and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ministry proposes to put in place a full-fledged training programme for the Mumbai-Ahmedabad Bullet Train Project and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether land has been acquired for the Mumbai-Ahmedabad bullet train corridor and if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the proposed timeline for completion of the said project; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to introduce five new high-speed train corridors and if so, the details thereof?

Survey Work for Broad Gauge Lines

3988. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Barpeta town of Assam State which is the birth place of Colonel Guru Prasad Das who invented the rail vacuum brake in 1930, is not connected with rail line till now, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has conducted the Preliminary Engineering-cum-Traffic Survey (PET) survey for the new Broad Gauge line from Jogighopa-Guwahati *via* Barpeta, Hajo and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the survey has been completed and report submitted to Railway Board and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has conducted another survey for Bongaigaon to Aghori *via* Barpeta, Hajo, Sarthebari that has been sanctioned by Railway Board; and

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

Doubling/Electrification of Jhansi-Manikpur Rail Line

†3989. SHRI R.K. SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the project work of doubling and electrification of Jhansi-Manikpur *via* Banda-Chitrakoot Dham Karvi rail line under North Central Railway is in progress;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the current status of the said project;

(c) the prescribed time-frame to complete the said project; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways for timely completion of the said project?

Medical Facilities and Revenue Generation at Stations

3990. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:
SHRI GAUTAM
GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway passengers received daily by Uttar Pradesh and Delhi railway stations and the amount of revenue generated through these stations, month and station-wise;

(b) whether the Railways has made arrangements for medical emergencies including sufficient number of ambulances at these railway stations; and

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

Sanctioned Posts of Judges

3991. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of total number of sanctioned posts of judges and their total number of vacancies in Punjab and Haryana High Court; and

(b) the details of total number of sanctioned posts of judges and their total number of vacancies in subordinate courts of Punjab?

Non-Functional Mines in Jharkhand

†3992. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL
RAM:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of mines are non-functional in Jharkhand;

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

(c) the action being taken by the Government to make them functional?

Speed Post Centres

†3993. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU
JADHAV:

SHRI OMPRAKASH
BHUPALSINH ALLIAS
PAWAN
RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of
COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of speed post centres operating in the country, States/UT-wise including Maharashtra;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up more such centres across the country including Maharashtra;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Corruption Cases against Officers

3994. SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH
SHEWALE:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA
KUMARI SINGH DEO:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of corruption and disproportionate assets registered by

CBI against IAS/IPS/IRS officers during the last three years and the current year, State-wise along with the details of their disposal, challan and conviction;

(b) the number of officers convicted and the number of cases where ill-gotten wealth has been confiscated;

(c) the number of such officers who have escaped to other countries during the said period, State-wise and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether overall corruption has increased in the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) the rating of India in the Transparency International corruption scenario;

(f) whether India has achieved the target of bringing transparency in the functioning of Government offices across the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(g) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to make India corruption free?

Escalators at Stations

3995. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has a proposal to provide escalators in all those Railway Stations where the foot-fall is more than 25,000 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made a list of all those Railway Stations where the foot-fall is more than 25,000 and

whether any budgetary allocation for this project has been made; and

(c) if so, the details of amount allocated and the time period that has been fixed by the Government to complete the project?

Modernisation of Tiruvannamalai Railway Station

3996. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the stations identified for modernization between 2014 and 2020 along with the budgetary provisions *vis-a-vis* expenditure incurred including time line for the same, station-wise;

(b) the roadmap to modernize Tiruvannamalai Railway Station to provide world class amenities to pilgrims/researchers coming in lakhs daily for darshan of Lord Arunachaleswar and girivalam (circumambulation of Arunachal Hill) and Shree Ramana Maharshi Ashram;

(c) the time by which the single railway line from Katpadi to Tiruvannamalai would be doubled to provide direct connectivity to other religious destinations, *i.e.*, Ujjain, Varanasi, Puri, Tirupati, Haridwar; and

(d) the progress of work and the time line for completion of Broad-Gauge Tindivanam to Tiruvannamalai new railway line?

Khurda-Bolangir Railway Project

3997. SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been inordinate delay in completion of the railway project work from Khurda to Bolangir;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to accelerate the said project and if so, the proposed timeframe within which the project would be completed and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether by an extension of the track by another 99 kms only, the entire district of Kandhamal would be connected with this railway network;

(d) if so, whether the Government is planning for the same and if so, the details and plan chalked out for this purpose; and

(e) whether the Government plans to introduce any special or express trains from the district headquarters in its route to Kolkata and Visakhapatnam to boost tourism and revenue and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Defence Corridor

†3998. SHRI MAHABALI SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the proposed 'Defence Corridor' in Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu and also the status of manufacturing ultra modern fighter aircrafts under 'Make in India';

(b) the details of the progress made in this regard till date and funds allocated for this purpose during the current financial year;

(c) whether the Government proposes to modernise existing ordnance factories so that better arms and ammunition may be manufactured; and

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

Setting up of Industries on Agricultural Land

†3999. SHRI PRAVEEN KUMAR NISHAD:
SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to prescribe a timelimit for setting up of industries on such agriculture lands which have been acquired but are lying vacant for a long time;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to transfer such land to the farmers in case the land is not utilised for industrial purposes under the prescribed timelimit;

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

(e) the norms prescribed by the Government regarding allotment of barren agriculture land for industrial purposes so as to ensure the industrial development of the country without disturbing the regional balance?

Reconstruction of Road

4000. SHRI HOREN SING BEY:

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the Ummulong-Kampur NEC road services, as this is the main communication link between the District Headquarter, Hamren and the rest of West Karbi Anglong district, Assam;

(b) whether the improvement and reconstruction of the road particularly the Khanduli to Baithalangso sector has dragged on for the past ten years creating serious challenges to the district administration and the commuters;

(c) if so, whether the NEC authority has taken any steps to restore the road in a time bound manner; and

(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

Discontinuation of Train

†4001. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to discontinue the service of Delhi-Allahabad Duroto Express;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the difficulties to be faced by the passengers of Prayagraj and nearby districts have been assessed due to the said move which will also increase their burden on the trains running between Allahabad and New Delhi, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any alternate arrangement has been made by in this regard;

(e) if so, whether the Government will reconsider its decision to discontinue the service of this train; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Appointment of Chief Justices in High Courts

†4002. SHRI MOHAMMAD AZAM KHAN:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the collegium of the Supreme Court under the Chairmanship of Chief Justice of India has recently forwarded recommendations to appoint Chief Justices in High Courts of different States of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the persons who have been recommended for the posts of Chief Justice along with the names of States for which they have been recommended;

(d) the number of recommendations which have been accepted and those which have not been accepted along with the number of those which are lying pending;

(e) the reasons for keeping them pending and not accepting the recommendation; and

(f) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken with regard to them?

National e-Commerce Policy

4003. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated National e-Commerce Policy;

(b) whether Government proposes to allow foreign companies to operate in multibrand segment and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has received any complaints about the leakage of online shoppers/consumers data; and

(d) the mechanism adopted by the Government to protect the data of consumers using e-Commerce?

New Train to Kerala

4004. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to introduce a new train to the State of Kerala and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has noticed that about 40 lakh employees of other states are working in Kerala especially from Northern part of India and there are not enough trains available for them;

(c) if so, whether the Government is considering for a daily train service from Ernakulam to Guwahati and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of new trains proposed from Kerala to other states?

Uniform Civil Code

†4005. DR. RAMAPATI RAM TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement Uniform Civil Code throughout the country in the interest of national integration and unity;

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

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Coal Reserves

†4006. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether coal reserves are so big now that they are producing 1/6th part of their annual generation;

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

(c) whether the power companies have requested to cut down supply of coal for the last three years and if so, the details thereof?

New Train from Thawe

4007. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to start a new super-fast train between Thawe-Gopalganj to New Delhi to meet the requirements of the around 25 Lakh population;

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

(c) whether the weekly train between Thawe Junction to New Delhi has stopped due to single railway track and if so, the details in this regard; and

(d) whether the Government is planning to divert the trains from Siwan-Thawe-New Delhi and if so, the details thereof?

New Trains to Amritsar

4008. SHRI GURJEET SINGH
AUJLA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS
रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to introduce new trains to Amritsar from other parts of the country keeping in view Guru Nanak Dev 550 Parkash Purb in 2019 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is any plan to run special trains from Amritsar to Dera Baba Nanakpura, If so, the details thereof; and

(c) the new tracks in kilometers that have been laid by the Northern Railway during the last one year and the new tracks in kilometers that are going to be laid in 2019 along with the details thereof?

Passport Seva Laghu Kendra in Darbhanga

†4009. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:
Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS
विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any plan for upgradation of the Passport Seva Laghu Kendra situated in Darbhanga (Bihar) as main Passport Office/Regional Passport Officer is under the consideration of the Government;

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be finalized;

(c) whether the Government has any concrete proposal for setting up a visa centre also along with the Passport Seva Laghu Kendra situated in Darbhanga (Bihar); and

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

Separate Railway Zone for Andhra Pradesh

4010. SHRI RAM MOHAN
NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS
रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has constituted a Committee with an Executive director level official to interact with all stakeholders in creating a separate railway zone for Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details of the report submitted by the Committee?

Services of Foreign Consultancy Firms

4011. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:
Will the Minister of PLANNING
योजना मंत्री

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether NITI Aayog is hiring the services of foreign consultancy firms;

(b) if so, the details of the firms hired during the last three years along with the works/projects undertaken by each of them;

(c) the money spent by NITI Aayog on each of these firms, company-wise; and

(d) the manner in which NITI Aayog exercises oversight on the works undertaken by such firms?

National Policy on Official Statistics

4012. SHRI SRINIVAS KESINENI:
Will the Minister of STATISTICS
AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated a National Policy on Official Statistics and placed it in the public domain;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether the Government has received any feedback/suggestions from the public on the said proposed policy and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that Government is now contemplating to redraft the said policy; and

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

Legality of CBI

4013. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:
Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Governemnt is aware that a Division Bench of the Guwahati High Court on 6th November 2013 declared the CBI to be an illegal organization and quashed the Resolution, dated 01.04.1963, whereby CBI was constituted and held that CBI is neither an organ nor a part of the DSPE and as such, it cannot be treated as a 'police force' constituted under the DSPE Act, 1946;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Supreme Court stayed the said order on 9th November 2013 and the legality and constitutionality of the CBI hangs by the thread of a stay for the past five and a half years;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to expedite the matter; and

(e) whether the Government intends replacing the archaic DPSE Act, 1946 with a proper legal architecture for the CBI and bring it under proper Parliamentary oversight and if so, the details thereof?

Nagpur-Nagbhir Railway Line

†4014. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI
TUMANE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS
रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any decision to convert Nagpur-Nagbhir railway line into broad gauge line in the railway budget; and

(b) if so, the time by which the same is likely to be done along with the current status thereof?

Industrial Clusters

4015. SHRIMATI VANGA
GEETHA VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is developing industrial clusters in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana including incubation center with joint ventures in Kakinada, East Godawari district in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof and progress made; and

(b) the role of NASSCOM in setting up of warehouses in Vishakapatnam, Andhra Pradesh and progress made under Joint Venture with Andhra Pradesh Government?

Luxury Trains

4016. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many luxury trains are running below capacity and are hardly generating the revenue to meet their own working expenses; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's response thereto?

WTO

†4017. SHRIMATI REKHA
VERMA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the General Council of World Trade Organisation (WTO) has accepted India's demand to exempt it from the extant subsidy rules till the country gets permanent solution regarding its food stock;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the benefits received on this account;

(c) whether efforts have been made to find out a permanent solution to food security issue and thus to assess the agriculture subsidy and present the same in WTO meeting which is likely to be held in Nairobi and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether some countries have opposed the said exemption beyond 2015; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the efforts made to ensure the continuance of the exemption?

Tejas Train

4018. SHRI P.K.
KUNHALIKUTTY:
SHRIMATI JYOTSNA
CHARANDAS MAHANT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plans to connect Ranchi with other important cities by introducing Tejas train;

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

(c) the details of railway projects pending in the State of Chhattisgarh with the present status of each project?

Broadband Penetration

4019. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of
COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the broadband penetration in urban and rural areas of the country separately, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the broadband penetration in rural areas is quite less as compared to urban areas and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the National Digital Communications Policy, 2018 aims to provide universal broadband coverage with 50 Mbps speed to every citizen and 1 Gbps by 2022; and

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

Macroeconomic Indicators

4020. SHRI MANEKA SANJAY
GANDHI:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS
AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons as to why out of fifteen macroeconomic indicators ten are in red *i.e.*, below the five year average trend;

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

(c) the measures taken by the Government to restore the confidence in the economy if there is no such crisis?

Extension of Patna-Kolkata Express

†4021. SHRI RAM KRIPAL
YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating any scheme for the extension of Patna-Kolkata Express;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the East Central Railway has sent any proposal to the Ministry of Railways with regard to the extension of the said train;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the Government will consider the said proposal?

Pending Cases in Family Courts

4022. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of LAW AND
JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of pending cases in family courts in the country, State-wise;

(b) the reasons behind pending cases in courts; and

(c) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to ensure timely disposal of such cases?

Difficulties faced by Pensioners

†4023. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
PINTU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the pensioners in the country have to face several difficulties due to discrepancies in the pension of retired employees, social security pension and non-availability of a proper forum for timely redressal of their problem;

(b) if so, whether easy and simplified measures are being taken to resolve these discrepancies; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Computerized Registration in Post Offices

4024. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of
COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the post offices where computers have not yet been provided for computerized registrations in Chhattisgarh;

(b) the reasons therefor; and

(c) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Dependence on Coal

4025. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT
PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's reliance on coal will continue to be between 42% and 50% even in 2047;

(b) if so, whether this will have any impact on India's commitments under the Paris Agreement; and

(c) whether any steps have been taken to develop clean coal technologies and if so, the details thereof?

Death of Passengers due to Heat

4026. SHRI KODIKUNNIL
SURESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of four passengers succumbing to unbearable heat onboard Kerala express recently and if so, whether the Government has received complaints about passenger coaches being ill fitted and uninsulated to prevent extreme temperatures;

(b) if so, the details of steps taken to modernize the coaches with a view to making them more resistant to extreme heat and temperature and to provide comfort to the passengers;

(c) whether the Railways also intend to provide solatium to the immediate family members of the deceased; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Price Fixation of Coal

†4027. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is necessary to leave the fixation of coal price to the market;

Coal Mines Scheme

4030. SHRI SANJAY SETH:
SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH
CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether physical and financial targets *vis-a-vis* achievement of the conservative safety and infrastructure development in coal mines scheme has not been satisfactory for many States including Jharkhand in the last three years and if so, the details thereof, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has taken steps to significantly increase the physical and financial achievement of the said scheme in Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to significantly improve the existing monitoring mechanism at the Central level and increase the absorption capacity of Jharkhand under the said scheme?

(b) if so, whether the energy policy of the Government needs such fiscal policies which take care of the external factors; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Safety of Indian Citizens Abroad

4028. MS. LOCKET
CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken initiatives for ensuring the safety of Indian citizens abroad, especially in Gulf Countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the role of Pravasi Bhartiya Seva Kendras in suitably addressing and resolving the issues faced by the Indian workers abroad?

e-Ticketing Touts

†4029. SHRI JAI PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite several claims, e-tickets of railway is under the occupation of touts;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) if not, the number of touts nabbed during the last two years along with the number of e-tickets recovered from them; and

(d) the action taken against them?

Doubling/Electrification of Delhi-Alwar Railway Line

4031. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of long pending work of doubling and electrification of Delhi-Alwar railway line and the reasons for delay, if any;

(b) whether any funds are being/have been allocated to this project and if so, the details thereof and the time by which this line is likely to be completed; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to run EMU between Alwar and Delhi Cantt. and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Electrification of Tracks in Maharashtra

†4032. SHRI GIRISH
BHALLCHANDRA
BAPAT:
DR. PRITAM
GOPINATHRAO
MUNDE:
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has prepared an Action Plan to electrify 24,400 RKM in five years (2016-17 to 2020-21);

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

(c) whether the Government has been progressively electrifying its rail routes;

(d) if so, the details of the rail routes electrified since April, 2017, Zone and State-wise particularly in Maharashtra;

(e) whether Railways has saved fuel cost on electric traction; and

(f) if so, the extent to which the fuel cost has been saved by electrification of tracks?

New Railway Line between Namakkal-Ariyalur

4033. DR. T.R.
PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to lay a new railway line to Namakkal-Ariyalur and Thuraiyur in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the total number of new railway line projects that has been proposed during this year across the country; and

(c) the total amount earmarked for these projects, project-wise?

Over Bridge at Katihar City

†4034. SHRI DULAL CHAND
GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken a decision to build over bridges or under passes at all the railway crossings in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the railway crossing in the middle of Katihar city causes traffic jam for hours which leads to chaotic situation in the city;

(d) if so, whether the Government proposes to build an over bridge at this railway crossing; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Reduction of Travel Time

4035. PROF. SAUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to reduce the travel timings from Delhi to Howrah and Mumbai;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the estimated cost of the project and the expected tenure of completion;

(d) whether such travels are costlier than the existing fares; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

PSKs in the Country

†4036. SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) opened in the last three years and the current year by the Government in the country, State-wise including Gujarat;

(b) the details of funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized, State-wise including Gujarat;

(c) whether the demand for passport is rising in the country;

(d) if so, the current details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is planning to make some changes in the passports currently being issued;

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

(g) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

CCTV in Trains

4037. SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways has decided to install CCTV cameras in some trains and if so, the details thereof, train-wise;

(b) whether the Government has also decided to provide internet facilities in long distance trains and if so, the details thereof, train-wise;

(c) the time by which CCTV and internet facilities are likely to be provided in these trains;

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide better facilities to the train passengers; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of ladies compartments/coaches to ensure adequate safety of women passengers in trains and if so, the details thereof?

Rollout of Shatabdi Train

4038. SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to rollout Shatabdi Train to Chennai and Cuddalore in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the time by which Shatabdi Train between Chennai and Cuddalore is likely to be made operational?

Second Line between Lumding and Badarpur

4039. DR. RAJDEEP ROY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways have any plan to start in second line between Lumding and Badarpur of North East Frontier Railways; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

e-Ticketing

†4040. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the year in which the Railways launched e-ticketing;

(b) the amount of revenue collected through e-ticketing during last two years and the current year;

(c) the total number of cancelled tickets along with the percentage of cancelled e-tickets;

(d) whether the Railways is proposing to prepare any new policy to avoid unnecessary cancellation of e-tickets; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Indians Killed Abroad

†4041. SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether thousands of Indians have been killed during the last three years in various foreign countries and if so, the details thereof, country-wise;

(b) whether the Government provides any financial or other kind of assistance/help to the families of the victims and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any committee/agency has been formed by the Government to assist the affected families; and

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

Funds for Development of NER

4042. SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA:

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds that were allocated for the development of the North Eastern Region (NER) from 2010-11 to 2018-19;

(b) the amount of funds actually spent during these years;

(c) the major projects on which these funds were spent;

(d) whether any outcome-based assessment has been carried out on this expenditure over the last nine years;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Linking of Aadhaar and Driving Licence

4043. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to make it compulsory to link Aadhaar Card with Driving Licence;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Unauthorised Use of Defence Land

4044. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA
KUMARI SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of unauthorised use of defence lands for golf, parks, clubs, hotels, etc. and of the poor management of leases and huge variation of records across the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether defence authorities have failed to set things right on the land management front;

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

(d) the steps taken by the Government to fix responsibility on various defence authorities?

Welfare of Tea Growers

4045. DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme to increase the production and income of the tea growers in West Bengal, especially Jalpaiguri and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is planning to connect these farmers with the banking sector for ease of loans and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the quantum and value of export of tea during the last year, State/UT-wise; and

(d) whether the Government proposed to set up any research institute related to innovation in tea in North Bengal, especially in Jalpaiguri and if so, the details thereof?

Employment Opportunities in Manufacturing Sector

†4046. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken by the Government to create more employment opportunities in manufacturing sector during the last three years;

(b) whether the Government has such plans under which incentive amount is provided to the manufacturing companies for providing employment to the people belonging to economically weaker section or backward class; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Selected Areas for SEZs

†4047. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the selected areas under special economic zones in the country, State-wise and the present status of the above zones;

(b) whether the Government plans to identify and develop any area under Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in Bihar keeping in mind the backwardness of the State and if so, the details thereof, place-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the revenue received by the Government from developed SEZ area under this rule during the last five years; year-wise?

Establishment of Startups

4048. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently called on firms of foreign countries to attract foreign capital of the largest startup base in the country and if so, the details thereof along with its key objectives;

(b) the details of the States wherein these startups are likely to come up, State-wise including Jharkhand;

(c) the details of the startups established in different States along with the employment generated therefrom during the last three years, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure even employment opportunities are generated across all States in this regard?

Women Entrepreneurs under Startup India Campaign

4049. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed a target for women entrepreneurs under startup India campaign in the country;

(b) if so, the bank-wise names of the branches which have achieved the said target including the names of the branches which have not achieved the target so far;

(c) the number of such districts in the country where startup India campaign has been started;

(d) whether the startup India campaign is being reviewed by the Government and if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of such bank branches which are not taking interest in this regard and the action taken against these branches; and

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

Women Reservation Bill

4050. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bill for providing 33 percent reservation for women is pending in Parliament for a long time;

(b) if so, whether the Government would call on all party meeting on the issue for amicable passing of the bill; and

(c) the time by which the bill would be brought before Parliament for consideration and passing?

Portable Sensor for Detecting Explosive

†4051. DR. SWAMI SAKSHIJI MAHARAJ: SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the scientists have developed a compact and portable sensor that can detect explosives like DNT and TNT;

(b) if so, the details and the main features thereof;

(c) whether it is likely to help in detecting explosives at large scale used in terrorist activities;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to use it in public places like airports, railway stations, shopping malls, etc. and if so, the details thereof?

Radioactive Waste

4052. SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

SHRI MANICKAM

TAGORE B.:

SHRI RAJA

AMARESHWARA NAIK:

SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been incidents of exposure to radioactive waste causing public health hazard and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether guidelines to set up Chemical Biological Radiation and Nuclear Cell in hospitals has not been heeded to and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) has developed a low-cost handheld 12-channel Tele-ECG machine which records all 12 ECG channels simultaneously and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether International Panel on Fissile Materials reported that liquid sodium cooled FBRs experienced sodium leaks resulting in fires and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether lack of container security poses threat of nuclear smuggling in the country and if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard;

(f) whether the Government has upgraded technicality for dumping of nuclear waste within the country and

undertaken any study on the possibility of radiation in case of dumping nuclear waste and if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government for application of atomic energy in social welfare?

Representation of Reserved Categories

4053. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:
DR. SUKANTA
MAJUMDAR:
SHRI RAJA
AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR
SONKAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether representation of SCs, STs and OBCs in Central Government Services is quite less compared to the percentage of reservation for them;

(b) if so, the current status thereof, Ministry/Department-wise and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether several Ministries/ Departments have failed to submit Annual Returns about their representation in services within time;

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

(e) whether Government has failed to fill up the large number of backlog vacancies for SCs, STs and OBCs through special recruitment drives so far;

(f) if so, the current status thereof, Ministry/Department-wise and the reasons therefor;

(g) whether there is an urgent need for linking the release of funds to Ministry/ Departments subject to filling up of backlog vacancies; and

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

Integrated Legal Division

4054. DR. HEENA GAVIT:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO
BHAMRE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI
SHARMA:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY
TATKARE:
SHRI MOHANBHAI
KALYANJI
KUNDARIYA:
DR. AMOL RAMSING
KOLHE:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has planned an Integrated Legal Division (ILD);

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

(c) whether such a move would reduce the number of pending cases and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) the challenges being faced by the Government in the implementation of ILD and the steps being taken to remedy the same; and

(e) whether the Government would clarify if such a mechanism is intended to be established at the State level and if so, the details thereof?

Underground and Opencast Coal Mines

4055. SHRI KULDEEP RAI
SHARMA:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY
TATKARE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
DR. AMOL RAM SING
KOLHE:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of functional and non-functional underground and open cast coal mines in the country, location and State-wise;

(b) the quantity of coal extracted from the functional coal mines during the last three years and the current year and the details of the revenue earned by the Government from these mines;

(c) whether the Government proposes to revive the non-functional coal mines;

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

(e) whether the Government proposes to open new coal mines and start mining in some new coal blocks during the current year and the next five years; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, mine/ location/State-wise along with the names of the companies, public and private, to whom these mines are likely to assigned for development?

Coking Coal Reserves

4056. SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY
TATKARE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
DR. AMOL RAMSING
KOLHE:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of coking coal reserves in the country, State-wise;

(b) the quantity of coking coal imported into the country during the last three years and the current year;

(c) the impact of the cost of coking coal on the steel industry;

(d) whether the Government proposes to acquire coking coal reserves sites in foreign countries and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) the time by which they are proposed to be acquired along with the amount of funds earmarked for the said purpose; and

(f) the steps being taken by the Government to improve the supply of coking coal in the country?

Guidelines for Installation of Mobile Towers

4057. MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:
SHRI SUDHAKAR
TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to frame any new guideline to prevent unbridled installation of mobile phone towers to protect common people from EMF radiations therefrom and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to limit tower density across the country keeping in mind the hazardous health effects of EMF radiation; and

(c) the present mobile tower density and average EMF radiation in the country, State/Union Territory-wise?

Time Lag between Auctions and Mineral Extraction

4058. DR. PRITAM
GOPINATHRAO
MUNDE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI GIRISH
BHALCHANDRA
BAPAT:
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the time lag between auctions and actual mineral extraction would run into about three years or more given the historical delays in obtaining statutory approvals and if so, the facts thereof;

(b) whether non-extension of leases would lead to disruption in raw material supplies to steel and other industries, resulting in chaos and litigation;

(c) if so, whether there is a need to extend the validity of merchant mining lease to lapse by March 2020;

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government is staring at a revenue loss if merchant mines are granted extension and if so, the response of the Government thereon?

Spectrum Auction and Public Wi-Fi

4059. MOHAMMED FAIZAL
P.P.:
SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of spectrum auction held during each of the last three years;

(b) whether the Government proposes to roll out five lakh public Wi-Fi hotspot on priority basis and if so, the details and the benefits thereof; and

(c) whether the Government is planning to set up one lakh digital villages in coordination with the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and if so, the details thereof?

Families Living in Unsafe Areas of Coal Mines

†4060. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:
SHRI PRAVEEN KUMAR
NISHAD:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to find out the

number of families living in unsafe areas of coal mines of each subsidiary unit of Coal India Limited recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of families rehabilitated including funds spent subsidiary unit-wise during each of the last three years; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to provide sufficient compensation to these families?

Crime in Trains

4061. SHRIMATI DARSHANA
VIKRAM JARDOSH:
SHRI RAKESH SINGH:
DR. SUKANTA
MAJUMDAR:
SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI
DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR
SONKAR:
SHRI RAJA
AMARESHWARA NAIK:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of crimes like robberies, rape, drugging of passengers, etc. during train journey/railway premises have alarmingly increased in the recent years and if so, the details thereof during the last two years and Zone/State-wise;

(b) whether several railway employees, workers like vendors/coolies and security personnel have been allegedly found to be involved in such crimes, if so, the details thereof during the last two years, Zone/State-wise;

(c) whether there is lack of coordination between RPF and GRP in dealing with railway crimes, if so, the steps

being taken by the Government for the safety and security of railway passengers in the country;

(d) whether the Government is likely to equip railway cyber system with modern technology and equipments to check such crime and if so, the steps taken in this direction; and

(e) whether the Railway Protection Force (RPF) is empowered to register such cases of crime and if so, the details thereof?

New Export Incentive Scheme

4062. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Government is considering a new World Trade Organisation-compliant export incentive scheme of goods shipments to replace the existing Merchandise Exports from India Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the exporters were not very happy with the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS); and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Setting up of Nuclear Plants/Reactors

4063. SHRI SELVAM. G.:
SHRI A.

GANESHAMURTHI:
SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) total number of Nuclear Power Plants/reactors operating as on date,

State-wise along with the quantum of energy produced by each plant/reactor;

(b) the total number of new nuclear power stations/reactors proposed to be set up, State-wise along with the total quantum of power likely to be produced from these proposed new nuclear power stations/reactors;

(c) the fund earmarked and allocated for these new projects during the current year and the time by which the power production is proposed to be commenced and commercialised from these plants/reactors;

(d) whether the nuclear reactors set up in the country are safe according to the international nuclear standard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the frequency of security tests conducted in nuclear reactors and the authority responsible for such tests?

Branches of IPPB

4064. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified places to set up branches of India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) in the country including State of Karnataka and if so, the details thereof along with the criteria laid down by the Government for identifying such places; and

(b) the funds allocated/utilised/spent by the Government in this regard?

Manufacturing of Plough

†4065. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether plough manufacturing work awarded to the vehicle factory, Jabalpur has now been assigned to grey iron foundry and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the shortcomings/difficulties which could not be sorted out timely has forced to assign the work to other factories; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Frequency of 22451/22452

†4066. SHRI ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to run train number 22451/22452 connecting Mumbai to Haryana and Rajasthan on daily basis; and

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

Defence Land in J&K

4067. SHRI HASNAIN MASOODI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the district-wise total land in Jammu and Kashmir with the

different Defence Departments/Wings Organisations;

(b) whether any rent is paid against the abovementioned land to land owners/State Government of Jammu and Kashmir by the Union Government and if so, the details thereof, year and district-wise;

(c) the details of outstanding rent of the abovementioned land to land owners in Jammu and Kashmir; and

(d) the total land belonging to State of Jammu and Kashmir in other States of the country presently with the different Departments/Wings/Organisations of Defence Ministry?

Setting up Workshops in Kurnool District

4068. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up workshops in Kurnool and Tirupati districts and also wagon over-hauling facility in Vishakapatnam in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and progress made in this regard?

Recruitment in Southern Railways

4069. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details about the Recruitments made by the Southern Railways for the

past five years and the total number of candidates selected during this period;

(b) whether any criteria is being followed by Southern Railway or any other zone of Indian Railways regarding domicile of the candidate; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Filing of Petition in Hindi

4070. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to take steps for relaxing Article 348 that hinders filing of petition and its hearing in Hindi in Supreme Court so that petitions could be filed in Hindi without any hesitation; and

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

Overburdened Railway Network

4071. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the railway network is overburdened and is inadequate to meet the new challenges of a fast developing economy;

(b) if so, the main challenges being faced by the Railways at present;

(c) whether some regions are beyond the reach of Railways due to unfavourable geographical conditions and these areas need to be opened to Railways for removing regional inequalities in economic growth, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether due to lack of modern management, Railways failed to attract adequate incentives and suitable talent;

(e) if so, whether it is a fact that in addition to it, it could not make economic analysis for perspective planning tariff; and

(f) if so, the response of the Government thereto and the steps taken to combat the situation?

Accidents Due to Overcrowding

4072. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that there are large number of deaths being caused in local sub-urban trains in mega cities due to overcrowding and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to reduce accidents due to over crowding in local sub-urban trains during the last five years, year and city-wise;

(c) whether the Ministry has identified railway bridges across India that requires repair or re-construction so as to avoid accidents and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

S-400 Missile Defence System

4073. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:
SHRI ASADUDDIN
OWAISI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of S-400 deal with Russia and total cost involved therein;

(b) the time by which S-400 deliveries are likely to be made;

(c) whether USA has threatened India with its Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (CAATSA) to pressure on India to purchase its Terminal High Altitude Area defence; and

(d) if so, the response of the Indian Government thereto?

Import of Soybean

†4074. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's soybean imports have hit a record high during the last three years and more buying is expected as domestic supplies tighten following lower production last year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether traders have signed any deals to sell soybeans mainly for shipping from the African countries as well as from other countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Regulation of Legal Profession

4075. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Governments attention is drawn to the direction from the Supreme Court of India to the Law Commission of India to review/examine all the relevant issues regarding regulation of legal profession particularly in view of declining standards and increasing intolerance in the legal profession in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Law Commission/ Government thereto;

(c) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to bring reforms in legal education to curb inefficiency in the profession; and

(d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve the quality of legal education/profession in the country?

Export of Marine Products

4076. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether major part of Indian marine products are exported to the European Union (EU);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether countries of European Union have placed/proposes to place some procedural ban on export of marine products from India;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether Indian marine products export sector would have to face problems due to the same; and

(f) if so, the action being taken by the Government in this regard?

Industrial Clusters

4077. SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether China is interested in developing clusters in Telangana including incubation centre with Joint Ventures; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and role of NASSCOM in this regard in Telangana?

Medical Facilities in Trains

4078. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to provide medical facilities to ailing passengers in moving trains; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the rationale behind it?

Non-permanent UNSC Seat

4079. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV
RAO MANDLIK:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Asia Pacific Group, one of the five regional bodies of the United Nations (UN) has unanimously endorsed India's candidature for the non-permanent seat of the Security Council for two years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this unprecedented support from various countries would give fresh impetus to India's claim for permanent membership of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India sought urgent reform of the UN including the expansion of Security Council for permanent membership to reflect correctly the global reality and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether India's claim has been supported by many non-permanent and permanent members of the UN and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the further steps taken/proposed to be taken to augment the efforts to garner enough support from other countries including China?

Construction of Nilambur-Nanjangud Rail Line

4080. SHRI THOMAS
CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal was given to the Government in 2017 for construction of Nilambur-Nanjangud railway line without disturbing the wild life in the Bandipur Wildlife reserve;

(b) if so, the 11km underground stretch passing through the Bandipur Wildlife sanctuary can be constructed with the use of tunnel boring machines which would cause minimum impact to surrounding areas;

(c) if so, the details thereof and whether the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation was entrusted by the Kerala Government to prepare a detailed project report and if so, the progress, if any, in this regard;

(d) the reduced distance between Bangalore and Trivandrum after completion of the said rail line; and

(e) the present status of this proposal and the action taken by the Government to expedite its construction?

Delay in Jolarpet-Krishnagiri Railway Project

4081. DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposed Jolarpet-Krishnagiri railway project is getting delayed resulting in huge cost overrun;

(b) if so, the details of the project and the reasons for the delay in its execution;

(c) the details of funds spent so far on this project; and

(d) the steps taken by the railways to expedite the execution of this project to check any further cost escalation?

Pending Projects in North-Eastern Region

4082. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN
AJMAL:

Will the Minister of
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH
EASTERN REGION

उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the pending projects for the last three years in the North Eastern region;

(b) the allocation made during this period till date; and

(c) the cost overrun due to non-completion of the said projects in the stipulated time-frame along with the details and reasons therefor?

Anti-India Activities in Foreign Countries

4083. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH
SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has raised the issues with the Governments of Bangladesh and Bhutan regarding anti-India activities which are going on from their soil;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the progress made so far in this regard;

(c) whether India and Bangladesh have signed any agreement to take joint action against terrorism;

(d) if so, the details and salient features thereof; and

(e) the other measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Manufacturing of Modern Defence Products

4084. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the policies and the steps taken for manufacturing of state-of-the-art defence products;

(b) whether the Government has signed any strategic agreement with private companies regarding the manufacturing of defence products in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the efforts made by the Government for the transfer of state-of-the-art defence technology to India in defence procurement agreement with foreign countries and companies?

Submarines under Make in India

4085. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:
SHRIMATI POONAM
MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has invited proposal from Indian companies to partner with foreign firms for manufacturing six new submarines under 'Make in India' initiative and issued the Expression of Interest (EoI) to shortlist Indian companies as strategic partners in it;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of EoI been received from Indian companies on this project;

(d) whether the Government has shortlisted companies based on their capability for integrations of system of systems, expertise in shipbuilding domain and the financial strength; and

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

Restructuring of Army

4086. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to reform and restructure the Indian Army;

(b) if so, the details of reforms/restructuring that the Government is likely to bring in the Indian Army;

(c) whether the Government is going to bring down one lakh posts of Army as a part of the reform process; and

(d) if so, the details and the reasons therefor?

Incentives to Electronics Industry

†4087. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the incentives given by the Government to the electronics industry under the National Electronics Policy;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating to announce a special package to promote the electronics export from the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government is taking any steps to do away with the problems faced in electronics exports from the country to provide ease of doing business and if so, the details thereof?

Broadband Coverage in Rural Areas

†4088. SHRI RAJENDRA

AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of broadband coverage in rural areas in comparison to total broadband coverage in the country;

(b) the percentage increase of broadband coverage in rural areas during each of the last three years;

(c) whether desired progress in broadband services has not been made in rural areas despite the large scale progress made in the telecom sector;

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

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

Decline in Manufacturing Sector

4089. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether manufacturing, capital goods and consumer goods are problem areas and whether the Government has taken note of the decline in the manufacturing sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the reasons for the decline in the manufacturing sector and problem areas of capital goods and consumer goods; and

(c) the remedial measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to boost/improve the manufacturing sector in the country?

Fast Track Courts

†4090. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases related to women filed in Maharashtra along with the number of fast track courts functioning in Maharashtra to dispose these of; and

(b) whether the Government proposes to make any provision to increase the number of fast track courts to dispose of the cases related to women and if so, the details thereof?

Fire near Mazagon Dock

4091. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a fire broke out recently at an under construction warship of the Indian Navy near Mazagon dock;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of casualties reported;

(c) whether the Government has ascertained the reasons for the fire break out; and

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

PhDs in ESDM and ITES Sectors

4092. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 3,000 PhDs are being supported by the Government under the Scheme to enhance the number of PhDs in the Electronic System Design and Manufacturing (ESDM) and IT/IT Enabled Services (ITES) sectors;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure that its goal of supporting 3,000 PhDs is fulfilled?

Order Status of HAL

4093. SHRI SUDHAKAR
TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current order status of various divisions of Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. (HAL) at various locations, division-wise;

(b) the reasons for depleting order books of HAL; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by the Government to ensure adequate work orders for various divisions of HAL to avoid prospect of its employees sitting idle?

National Policy on Software Products

4094. SHRI B.Y.
RAGHAVENDRA:
SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS
AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved the National Policy on Software Products 2019;

(b) if so, the details, the salient features and the objectives thereof;

(c) whether the Government has set any target to achieve the growth of IT industry under the policy; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Incentive to Industries using Artificial Intelligence

4095. SHRI S.
JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government would consider providing incentives to the industries and institutions using artificial intelligence, robotics etc., in the proposed new industrial Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any steering committee would be formed to effectively implement the policy and if so, the details thereof?

Contractual Labour in BSNL

4096. SHRI P.R. NATARAJAN:

Will the Minister of
COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any decision to downsize the strength of contractual labour in BSNL and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to overcome the shortage of contractual labour and clear the wages due to them?

New Trains to Bhavnagar

†4097. DR. BHARATIBEN
DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a new train to link two religious places in Bhavnagar district of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Level of Unemployment

4098. SHRI DIBYENDU
ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of
STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME
IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has a detailed report and statistics of current levels of unemployment, State, gender and age-wise of the country;

(b) if so, the comparative study of five years average since 1995 therein;

(c) whether the Government has failed to publish 2014-2019 statistics of the country;

(d) the reasons for delay in releasing the official figures on the basis of 1990 as a base year; and

(e) the response of the Government to the growing global disbelief for quality, reliability and accuracy of macroeconomics data that are coming out in different publications and media in this regard?

Setting up of IWRC

4099. SHRIMATI KIRRON
KHER:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme to set up Indian Workers Resource Centre (IWRC) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received any proposal for setting up some more IWRCs; and

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

Nuclear Power

†4100. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR
PATIL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of nuclear power generation capacity enhanced during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the targets fixed for power generation during the current year along with the progress made in this regard;

(c) the details of funds utilised in the maintenance and upgradation of the nuclear power plants during the last three years and the current year along with the per unit cost of power generation;

(d) whether the Government proposes to enhance the power generation capacity of the existing plants and set up new plants to enhance power generation capacity to the increasing energy demand of the energy; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

proposal to mandate only electric vehicles in the sub-150cc category from the year 2025;

Proposal to Mandate Sale of Electric Vehicles

4101. SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the NITI Aayog's

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether top two-wheeler makers in the country have raised concern on the proposal and termed it unrealistic and ill timed as it comes just when the industry is preparing for a transition to BS6; and

(d) if so, the details and the Government's reaction thereto?

SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA

Secretary General

NEW DELHI;

July 11, 2019

Ashadha 20, 1941(Saka)

INDEX
(Ministry-wise)

<i>Prime Minister</i>	:	
<i>Atomic Energy</i>	:	3926, 3929, 3960, 4052, 4063, 4100
<i>Coal</i>	:	3883, 3884, 3897, 3935, 3966, 4006, 4025, 4027, 4030, 4055, 4056, 4060
<i>Commerce and Industry</i>	:	3872, 3874, 3899, 3902, 3906, 3908, 3910, 3916, 3918, 3932, 3937, 3947, 3952, 3954, 3961, 3978, 3980, 3985, 3999, 4003, 4015, 4017, 4045, 4046, 4047, 4048, 4049, 4062, 4074, 4076, 4077, 4089, 4095, 4101
<i>Communications</i>	:	3881, 3889, 3891, 3924, 3927, 3928, 3934, 3963, 3965, 3972, 3977, 3982, 3984, 3993, 4019, 4024, 4057, 4059, 4064, 4088, 4096
<i>Defence</i>	:	3879, 3888, 3890, 3892, 3894, 3907, 3956, 3971, 3975, 3998, 4044, 4051, 4065, 4067, 4073, 4084, 4085, 4086, 4091, 4093
<i>Development of North Eastern Region</i>	:	3878, 3905, 4000, 4042, 4082
<i>Electronics and Information Technology</i>	:	3873, 3877, 3885, 3950, 4043, 4087, 4092, 4094
<i>External Affairs</i>	:	3880, 3886, 3931, 3942, 3945, 3949, 3955, 3958, 3974, 4009, 4028, 4036, 4041, 4079, 4083, 4099
<i>Law and Justice</i>	:	3893, 3904, 3915, 3944, 3953, 3991, 4002, 4005, 4022, 4050, 4054, 4070, 4075, 4090
<i>Mines</i>	:	3882, 3948, 3992, 4058
<i>Parliamentary Affairs</i>	:	
<i>Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions</i>	:	3887, 3895, 3976, 3979, 3983, 3994, 4013, 4023, 4053
<i>Planning</i>	:	3900, 4011

1215

Railways

: 3875, 3876, 3896, 3898, 3901, 3903, 3909,
3911, 3912, 3913, 3917, 3919, 3920, 3922,
3930, 3933, 3936, 3938, 3939, 3940, 3941,
3943, 3946, 3951, 3957, 3959, 3962, 3964,
3967, 3968, 3970, 3973, 3981, 3986, 3987,
3988, 3989, 3990, 3995, 3996, 3997, 4001,
4004, 4007, 4008, 4010, 4014, 4016, 4018,
4021, 4026, 4029, 4031, 4032, 4033, 4034,
4035, 4037, 4038, 4039, 4040, 4061, 4066,
4068, 4069, 4071, 4072, 4078, 4080, 4081,
4097

Space

: 3921, 3925, 3969

Statistics and Programme Implementation

: 3914, 3923, 4012, 4020, 4098.