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Questions For Written Answers

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Production of Lacquerware

**3681 Sh. B.N. Chandrappa(Chitradurga) :
Sh. Doddaalahalli Kempegowda Suresh(Bangalore Rural) :
Sh. Nalin Kumar Kateel(Dakshina Kannada) :**

Will the **TEXTILES** be pleased to state that:-

: (a) whether the Government is taking any steps for setting up of Common Facility Centres with modern machinery for use by artisans in the production of lacquerware in the country including at Channapatna in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the status of the work in this regard;

(c) the programmes proposed to be conducted at the Common Facility Centres for the use of artisans;

(d) whether the Government is taking steps to allocate adequate funds for the said purpose; and 1150

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Improving Road Connectivity for Industrial Development

3682 Dr. Krishna Pratap (Jaunpur):

Will the **ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGH WAYS** be pleased to state that:-

(a) whether the Union Government has asked the State Governments to improve road connectivity to ensure industrial development;

(b) if so, the reaction of the State Governments thereto, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has provided financial assistance to Uttar Pradesh for

improving road connectivity during the last three years and the current year; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, yearwise?

CBI Investigation on HHECIL

3683 Sh. V. Panneer Selvam (Salem):

Will the **TEXTILES** be pleased to state that:-

(a) whether Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has sought information from Handicrafts and Handloom Export Corporation of India Limited (HHECIL) regarding availing of buyer's credit and passing on of undue benefit of difference amount between interest earned on FDRs, and interest charged by foreign banks for providing buyer's credit in respect of some bullion traders under investigation;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of such companies;

(c) whether CBI has also directed HHECIL to stop payments of those bullion traders having completed transaction with HHECIL in the year 2014 and have not indulged in any malpractices or violated any contractual obligations; and

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

Clean Toilets

3684 Sh. Advocate Jayasingh Thiyagaraj Natterjee (Thoothukkudi):

Will the **DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION** be pleased to state that:-

(a) whether the Government has rejected criticism of its ambitious sanitation programme by United Nation officials stating that lower caste communities had their rights violated by being left to clean toilets built in the nationwide drive;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there is any truth in such a comment; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Schemes for Expansion of Roads

**3685 Sh. Sunil Kumar Singh(Chatra) :
Smt. Santosh Ahlawat(Jhunjhunu) :
Sh. Sumedhanand Saraswati(Sikar) :**

Will the **ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGH WAYS** be pleased to state that (a) the details of schemes being run by the Government for the improvement and expansion of road networks in the States at present, State and scheme-wise; (b) the funds allocated, released and spent on above schemes, State/districtwise; (c) the details of work started to improve the road network in Jharkhand and Rajasthan during the last three years; and (d) the details of National Highways (NHs) constructed by the Government in

Jharkhand and Rajasthan during the last three years?

Developmental Works

3686 Sh. Sanjay Haribhau Jadhav (Parbhani):

Will the **TEXTILES** be pleased to state that:-

(a) the number of proposals regarding developmental works submitted by the Government of Maharashtra during the last three years;

(b) the scheme-wise amount of funds involved therein and the details of the action taken thereon;

(c) whether some proposals received from the State Government have been kept pending till now and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any time-frame has been fixed for disposal of the said proposals and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether developmental works are hampered due to delay in execution of proposals; and

(f) if so, the manner in which adjustment of cost overruns is done?

Operation of Flights

**3687 Sh. Bharta Singh(Ballia) :
Sh. Rodmal Nagar(Rajgarh) :**

Will the **CIVIL AVIATION** be pleased to state that (a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines to the airline companies to adhere to flight schedules in view of the frequent delay in flights departing from Delhi and Mumbai airports; (b) if so, the details of the companies to which these guidelines have been issued; (c) whether the Government has received complaints regarding delay in flights at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGI) and Mumbai International Airport; (d) if so, the immediate steps taken by the Government to address the said problem;

Fixation of Frequency Range for FM Radio

3688 Sh. Nihal Chand Chauhan (Ganganagar):

Will the **INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING** be pleased to state that:-

(a) the frequency range fixed by the Government for FM Radio along with the radio frequency range fixed for FM radio in the villages situated near border;

(b) whether the Government proposes to announce new FM radio stations in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise particularly the details of stations announced for Rajasthan?

Craft Clusters

3689 (Namakkal):

Will the **TEXTILES** be pleased to state that:-

(a) whether the Government has set up craft clusters in the country with innovative design, technology and capabilities for inclusive and sustainable growth and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of operational craft clusters in the country including in Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu along with the number of craftsmen operating in the said clusters;

(c) the details of financial and other assistance provided/utilized in setting up of craft clusters during each of the last three years and the current year;

(d) whether the Government has evaluated the sick and closed down clusters and their financial condition;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures taken for improving the financial condition of the said clusters and reviving the closed clusters; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Government to set up more craft clusters in the country?

Contract Workers in AIR/DD

3690 Smt. Kamla Devi Patle(Janjgir-Champa) :

Sh. Rajeev Shankarrao Satav(Hingoli) :

Sh. P.R. Sundaram(Namakkal) :

Dr. Jayakumar Jayavardhan(Chennai South) :

Sh. Vijaysinh Mohite Patil(Madha) :

Will the **INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING** be pleased to state that:-

(a) whether All India Radio and Doordarshan have engaged workers on contract basis for various posts and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the terms and conditions of their engagement, category-wise;

(c) whether many of the contract workers have given long years of their service in AIR and DD and denied regular employment and basic facilities and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to regularise them and if so, the details thereof including the time-frame for the same; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor along with the other steps taken by the Government to extend all facilities to deserving contract workers?

BRGF in Madhya Pradesh

3691 Smt. Savitri Thakur (Dhar):

Will the **PANCHAYATI RAJ** be pleased to state that:-

- (a) the names of the districts included by the Government under the Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) in Madhya Pradesh by the Government;
- (b) the amount of funds allocated to State Governments under the BRGF fund;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to amend the instructions for inclusion of backward regions of Madhya Pradesh; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of SAGY

- 3692 Sh. Ramachandran Mullappally(Vadakara) :**
Dr. Anirudhan Sampath :
(Attingal) :
Sh. Dushyant Chautala(Hisar) :
Sh. Parvesh Sahib Singh(West Delhi) :
Sh. Konakalla Narayana Rao(Machilipatnam) :

Will the **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state that:-

- (a) the total number of villages included under the Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) along with their population and the number of Members of Parliament (MPs) yet to identify any village under SAGY, phase-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has reviewed the implementation of the said Yojana and if so, the details and the outcome thereof indicating the achievements made thereunder including the targets fixed and the number of villages developed with all facilities including banking and postal services;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide any Central assistance for successful implementation of the said Yojana and if so, the details thereof indicating the number of projects underway and the money spent thereon so far;
- (d) the impediments identified in the implementation of the said Yojana along with the steps taken to overcome the impediments and to ensure its proper implementation; and
- (e) the mode of financing and the operational guidelines directing the Yojana?

Ken-Betwa River Linking Project

- 3693 Dr. Kirit Somaiya (Mumbai-north-east):**

Will the **WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION** be pleased to state that:-

- (a) the current status of inter-linking of river projects in the country;
- (b) whether a meeting was held some time back with the Chief Ministers of Maharashtra, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh to discuss interlinking of rivers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Ken-Betwa Project has been discussed; and

(e) if so, the current status of this project?

Collection of Funds under DMFs

3694 Smt. Poonam Mahajan (Mumbai-north-central):

Will the **MINES** be pleased to state that:-

(a) whether District Mineral Foundations (DMFs) have been established in Maharashtra as per the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2015 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether DMFs implement the Pradhan Mantri Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana (PMKKKY) in Maharashtra;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the current number of beneficiaries of PMKKKY in each district and the funds collected under DMFs; and

(d) the details of mechanism put in place by the Government to monitor the utilisation of funds collected under DMFs as per the provisions of PMKKKY?

Damaged Rural Roads and Bridges by Floods

**3695 Sh. Tejpratap Singh Yadav(Mainpuri) :
Smt. Anju Bala(Misrikh) :**

Will the **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state that (a) whether several rural roads/bridges have been damaged and washed away due to floods in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh; (b) if so, the details thereof including Sugauli-Piparpati road in Champaran district of Bihar; (c) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from Bihar and Uttar Pradesh for funds to repair/rebuild such flood damaged rural roads; and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Union Government thereto; (d) the details of funds made available to Bihar and Uttar Pradesh during the last three years District-wise; and (e) the steps taken by the Union Government to repair/rebuild the roads/ bridges damaged due to floods in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh?

Development and Construction of Highways

3696 Sh. Rakesh Singh (Jabalpur):

Will the **ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS** be pleased to state that (a) the details of the schemes formulated for the development and construction of Highways in the country; (b) the details of such ongoing highway projects in Madhya Pradesh; (c) whether the construction of these projects is being delayed; and (d) if so, the details thereof and the extent of work completed in these projects and the time by which the remaining work is likely to be completed?

Central Assistance Allocated to Kerala

**3697 Smt. P.K. Sreemathi(Kannur) :
Sh. Parayamparambil Kuttappan Biju (Alathur) :**

Will the **ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGH WAYS** be pleased to state that:-

- (a) the amount of Central assistance allocated to the Kerala Government during each year of the Twelfth Five Year Plan for maintenance of roads and development of highways;
- (b) the targets fixed by the Government during the period for this purpose;
- (c) whether these targets have been achieved; and
- (d) if not, the status of every target at present and the reasons for nonachievement of targets?

Assessment of MGNREGS

3698 Dr. K. Gopal (Nagapattinam):

Will the **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state that:-

- (a) whether currently out of the 260 permissible works under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), 164 are related to agriculture and allied works;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether in 2017-18, out of the Rs. 64,000 crore which were spent on MGNREGS by both the Union and the States, more than half, that is Rs. 39,000 crore was spent on such works; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Urban Amenities in Rural Areas

3699 Sh. M. Chandrakasi (chidambaram):

Will the **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state that:-

- (a) the status of the Provision of Urban Amenities in Rural Areas (PURA) scheme at present and the percentage of villages where urban amenities have already been provided;
- (b) the details regarding changes and amendments in the implementation of the said scheme or the current operational scheme;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to involve private sector in the implementation of the said scheme and the current operational scheme;
- (d) whether the States may be allowed to modify the scheme and converge it with their similarly placed schemes; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

De-Addiction Centre

3700 Sh. Alok Sanjar (Bhopal):

Will the **PANCHAYATI RAJ** be pleased to state that:-

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up de-addiction centres at Gram Panchayats level in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, Statewise including Madhya Pradesh;

(c) whether new deaddiction centres have been set up in the country including Madhya Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;

(d) if so, the details thereof, Statewise; and

(e) the details of the achievements of the said centres during the said period?

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SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA,

Secretary General.