

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Commerce and Industry; Culture; Human Resource Development; Labour and Employment; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Steel; Tourism; Tribal Affairs)

(वाणिज्य और उद्योग; संस्कृति; मानव संसाधन विकास; श्रम और रोजगार; सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम; पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस; कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता; इस्पात; पर्यटन; जनजातीय कार्य मंत्रालय)

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Vice-Chancellor of Visva Bharati

2991. DR. ANUPAM HAZRA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that any CBI inquiry is pending against the Vice-Chancellor of Visva Bharati in West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the present Vice-Chancellor of Visva Bharati was appointed on the recommendation of the dismissed Vice-Chancellor; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

RISPC

2992. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has implemented Revenue Insurance Scheme for Plantation Crops (RISPC) for protecting the growers from the risks like pest attacks and low rate from falling price of the product;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has initiated the Revenue Insurance Scheme in place of Price Stabilisation Fund Scheme; and

(d) if so, the number of growers benefitted under this scheme, State-wise?

Quality in Higher Education

2993. SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:
SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the higher education in the country is facing decrease in teaching quality over the years particularly in the higher education;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the teachers are not well trained and qualified for the job;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has any mechanism to check the quality of newly appointed teachers in colleges and universities; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Seizure of Stolen Parrot Lady Sculpture

2994. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of media reports wherein it has been stated that the Canadian investigators have seized the medieval era sculpture of a lady with a parrot, which is suspected to be an Indian-origin artifact as it is a common Indian motif and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any team of Indian Archaeological experts have been deputed to analyse the sculpture to find out its origin and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to retrieve the said sculpture?

Commissioning of ESIC Hospitals

2995. DR. BOORA NARSAIAH GOUD:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the proposal for commissioning four ESIC hospitals in Telangana are pending with the Government for quite long;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for such pendency, hospital-wise; and

(c) the time by which the Government is likely to clear the said proposals to ensure functioning of the said hospitals?

Integrated Tribal Development Project

†2996. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR HANSDAK:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the works done/undertaken under integrated tribal development project in Maharashtra and Jharkhand during the last three years;

(b) the funds allocated and utilized during the last three years for integrated tribal development project under the said scheme in Maharashtra and Jharkhand;

(c) whether any review has been done in this regard;

(d) if so, the outcome of the same; and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Cold Storage and Warehousing Infrastructure in Andhra Pradesh

2997. SHRI KONAKALLA NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has given approval supporting Andhra Pradesh with an outlay of Rs. 123 crore for strengthening the cold storage and warehousing infrastructure in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the project where these facilities are coming up in the State?

Reservation for SC/ST Faculty Posts

2998. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the implications of the judgment of Allahabad High Court on reservation for Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe (SC/ST) faculty posts in universities;

(b) whether it is true that the University Grants Commission (UGC) has issued an order on 5th March, 2018, asking all the Central, State and Deemed to be Universities getting grant-in-aid to implement SC/ST quota for teachers' posts, department-wise and not university-wise;

(c) if so, the details of each of the university which has prepared 100 Point Roster on the basis of March, 2018 order of UGC; and

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

Project for Identification and Restoration of Heritage Sites

2999. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement any project for identification and restoration of heritage sites and tourist spots in the country in order to attract more tourists;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State Government of Madhya Pradesh has submitted the names of any heritage sites or tourist spots for inclusion in the said project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Declaration of Monuments as Polythene Free Area

†3000. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of historical monuments/temples and other sites being conserved by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in the country, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra;

(b) the total budgetary allocation made and the amount utilized in this regard during each of the last two years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of revenue earned by the sale of tickets therefrom during the said period, monument-wise;

(d) whether the Government has declared all the monuments and sites as polythene free area; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Tea Garden Workers

3001. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to ameliorate the appalling working conditions of tea-garden workers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any steps have been taken/proposed to be taken to implement a uniform minimum wage for tea garden workers in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Funds for Eklavya Model Residential Schools

3002. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA: KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the budgetary allocation for tribal education has increased from Rs. 1,635 crore in 2017-18 to Rs. 1,936 crore in the current financial year;

(b) whether it is a fact that the literacy rate of STs has increased from 8.53 per cent in 1961 to 58.96 per cent in 2011; and

(c) whether the increased funds sought by the Government from the Ministry of Finance to improve the functioning of Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) was granted and if so, the details thereof?

Status to Institutions

3003. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has recently awarded Institution of Eminence (IoE) status to the institutions;

(b) if so, the parameters set by the Ministry to select these institutions and total number of institutions which applied in this regard; and

(c) the academic and financial assistance provided by the Government in this regard?

Funds allocated to Madhya Pradesh

†3004. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds allocated by the Union Government to Madhya Pradesh under Tribal Sub-Plan;

(b) the details of the works proposed to be carried out under the tribal sub-plan;

(c) the amount of allocated funds still lying unutilized so far along with the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any inquiry of construction works under the tribal sub-plan in Madhya Pradesh through any independent agency; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

KVC Project

3005. SHRI VENKATESH BABU
T.G.:

Will the Minister of CULTURE
संस्कृति मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to start Kashi Viswanath Corridor (KVC) Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Archaeological Survey of India has identified number of temples for worship and preservation under KVC project route;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the KVC project is likely to be started/opened for worship?

Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat

3006. DR. NARAMALLI SIVA
PRASAD:
SHRI ADHIR RANJAN
CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' scheme to promote cultural traditions,

national integrity and cultural awareness among the citizens of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including guidelines, objectives, salient features and budget allocated for the scheme;

(c) whether States have expressed their interest in being part of the 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' scheme;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to bridge the cultural gap in the country and enhance interaction between people living in different States?

Establishment of Defence Parks

3007. SHRI DEVUSINH
CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY
वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Governments for assistance to develop/establish defence parks in their States;

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

(c) whether there is any policy/scheme for assistance to promote/establish defence parks in State and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, whether the Government proposes to implement any scheme in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

National Mineral Development Corporation

†3008. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI
PAATLE:

Will the Minister of STEEL
इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) makes 80 percent of its total turnover from Chhattisgarh State only in the country and whether major iron ore mines are situated in Dantewada district of Chhattisgarh and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the representatives of Chhattisgarh Government have been included in the board of NMDC;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether the demand to set up the office/headquarters of NMDC in Bastar, Chhattisgarh is pending with the Government; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor and the follow-up action taken by the Government in this regard along with the time by which the pending demand is likely to be fulfilled?

Affordable Education

†3009. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN
BHATT:
SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the education policy today is based on accessibility, accountability, affordability and equity and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also true that even after all these steps by the Governments,

the education for some sectors of the society is still unaffordable;

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken up by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether the Government proposes to impart free education till class 12th and if so, the steps taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Funds for Tribal Development Area

†3010. SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL
AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether even half of the total funds allocated to the Ministry for development of tribal areas and tribal people, has not been spent for their development;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the funds allocated for the development of tribal people during the last four years and the current financial year along with the names of the schemes for which the funds have been allocated, State-wise?

Shortage of Hostels

3011. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an acute shortage of men and women hostels in proportion to the number of students in various Universities of the country;

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

(c) whether the education of students is being hampered due to the shortage of the hostels in Universities and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has provided infrastructure grants for creation/upgradation of hostels in State Universities and Colleges; and

(e) if so, the details of the grants provided by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, State, University and college-wise?

Skill Development in North Eastern Region (NER)

3012. SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government implements any programme/scheme for Skill Development of the unemployed youths of the North-Eastern Region (NER);

(b) if so, the details thereof including the salient features of the programme/scheme for the purpose along with the allocation of funds, category-wise;

(c) the number of such programmes organised by the Government in NER and

funds provided/utilized for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(d) whether the Confederation of Indian Industry has undertaken various programmes in coordination with his Ministry and other stakeholders for socio-economic development of the Region; and

(e) if so, the key features of the initiatives undertaken for the purpose and the success achieved as a result thereof?

Social Security to Contract Labourers

3013. SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA: SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has taken any steps or is considering any draft to provide social security to contract workers/labourers and unemployed people across the country so that their sense of insecurity could be mitigated;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the progress made in this regard;

(c) whether the Ministry proposes to provide facilities to contract workers/labourers by bringing them under the International Convention of Social, Economic and Cultural Rights, 1996;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be done and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether the Ministry has any data regarding the number of contract workers/labourers in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

Maintenance of Historical Sites in Maharashtra

3014. SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Archaeological sites in Maharashtra require major repairs and maintenance including Ajanta-Ellora in Aurangabad;

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

(c) the amount of funds sanctioned, released and utilised for maintenance of Archaeological sites in the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra?

Service Export Incentives

3015. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the institutes providing education to Non-Resident Indian (NRI) will be eligible to claim service export incentives under the Service Exports from India Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the Directorate General of Foreign Trade has received references from members of trade seeking clarification on eligibility of firms providing educational services to NRI students for benefits under the scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Patented Medicines

†3016. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of patented medicines for which mandatory licence has been issued by the Government in the country so far;

(b) whether the Government proposes to issue mandatory licence to certain other patented medicines also and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any proposals in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Fire at Petrol Pumps

3017. SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed/received reports of fire at petrol pumps caused by/due to use of Mobile Phones in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to install the jammers or other safety devices in the premises of petrol pumps, LPG and CNG stations across the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said proposal is likely to be approved/accepted by the Government?

Skill Development Training to Tribal Community

†3018. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has imparted Skill Development training to the students both Girls and Boys belonging to tribal community in TSP regions of Scheduled (V) during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details of the Girls and Boys students to whom training has been imparted, State/UT-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Acquisition of Overseas Assets

3019. DR. GOKARAJU GANGA RAJU:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved the acquisition of 23.9 per cent stake in JSC Vankorneft and 29.9 per cent in LLC Taas-Yuryakh from Rosneft Oil Company and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the acquisition would add 8.06 MMT0E to India's overseas oil and gas assets and also provide an opportunity to public sector oil and gas companies to

absorb newer technologies with Rosneft and British Petroleum and if so, the details thereof?

Maternity Benefits in KVS

3020. SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME

GOWDA:

SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH

YADAV:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite women comprises almost 50 per cent of total employees, the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has not formulated any policy for implementing the provisions of the Maternity Benefit Act, 2017 and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Maternity Benefit Act, 2017 mandates that every office/establishment with 50 and more employees is required to provide a child care facility for working mothers and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether lack of creche facility in Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) pose difficulties to women staff of KVs in maintaining balance of their family-office life and if so, the details thereof?

Higher Education

†3021. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR

HANSDAK:

SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

SHRI RAM TAHAL

CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has identified the educationally backward districts of Jharkhand and Bihar where the ratio of total registration for higher education is below the national average percentage;

(b) if so, the names thereof and the districts which had been identified on the basis of census 2011; and

(c) the efforts made/being made to improve the quality of higher education in these districts?

Compensation Policy of SAIL

3022. SHRI ABHIJIT

MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the compensation policy of SAIL and its allied units in the event of an operational casualty ;

(b) the amount (in rupees) spent towards compensation for operational casualties during each of the last four years and the current year; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to prevent operational casualties?

Centre of Excellence

3023. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi has decided to set

up a Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence (AI) to promote research in the technology and offer solutions to complex problems in fields such as medicine, finance and customer support and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether IIT, Delhi has plans to promote data driven researches through AI;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the modalities and methods of operations/functions of proposed AI; and

(e) the time by which the said AI would be functional?

Admissions in Kendriya Vidyalayas

3024. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish more Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) in Karnataka considering the fact that the demand for admissions in KVs in Karnataka is increasing heavily;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government intends to take any special steps to speed up the land acquisition process by the State Government for establishing KVs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Exploitation of Children through Advertisements

†3025. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that children are being exploited through the commercial advertisement and T.V. shows;

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

(c) whether exploitation of such children is covered under Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Setting up of ESIC Dispensary in Maharajganj

†3026. SHRI PANKAJ
CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received correspondence/letter No. MP/MRJ/1495/18 dated 17.10.2018 regarding setting up ESIC dispensary-cum-branch office in District Maharajganj of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(c) whether the Government proposes to establish ESIC dispensary-cum-branch office in Maharajganj district of Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be set up and if not, the reasons therefor?

Setting up ROs/Gas Agencies

3027. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of petrol pumps/gas agencies operating in the Indus Block of Bankura district of West Bengal;

(b) the details of the schemes under which the Government intends to extend benefits to West Bengal and particularly to Indus Block of Bankura district;

(c) the details of applications received for starting petrol pumps in Bankura district; and

(d) whether any quota has been fixed for the families of martyred soldiers in allocation of new petrol pumps and gas agencies and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Digital Board

3028. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the digital board across 15 lakh class rooms in the country in the next four years is likely to change the face of education in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the Government has taken the benefit of digital revolution to educate 15 lakh teachers and making education available online and offline; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Unclaimed Funds in EPFO

3029. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a huge amount belonging to the poor labourers of the country was lying unclaimed in the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) as on year 2014;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken necessary and appropriate steps to make available the aforesaid unclaimed funds to the rightful beneficiaries during the last four years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the amount of funds disbursed to/made available to the rightful beneficiaries so far and the time by which the remaining amount is likely to be provided?

Exploitation of Child/Women Labour

†3030. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding sexual exploitation of Child labourer including both male and female children in the country;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government to stop the growing incidence of such crimes in the country;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up a high level committee to punish people involved in such crimes; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Health Parameters of Tribal Population

3031. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Health parameters of tribal population have always been a concern for India's march towards Millennium and Sustainable Development Goals;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is near complete absence of participation of people from the Scheduled Tribes or their representatives in shaping policies, making plans or implementing services in the health sector; and

(d) if so, the details thereof State-wise?

Agri Export Zones

†3032. SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given approval for Agricultural Export Zones in the country;

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

(c) the details of the Agricultural Exports Zones which have been given approval but have not started functioning yet; and

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

Release of National Museum Research Bulletin

3033. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently released National Museum Research Bulletin after a gap of sixteen years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it will help to generate awareness about activities of National Museums and renew interest of people and inspire them to engage in conservation activities and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has established/proposes to establish any mechanism for regular releasing of issues of the said bulletin; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Plastic Export

3034. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's plastic exports grew 31.6 percent to US \$4.59 billion during April to September, 2018 as against US \$3.48 billion in the same period last year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the growth in India's plastics export has been primarily boosted by higher shipment of plastic raw materials, plastic sheet, film, plates and packaging materials; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Residential Schools

3035. DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up special residential schools for orphans, Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes students;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds allocated and being spent by the Government for this purpose, State-wise and year-wise?

Agreement with Panipat Refinery

†3036. DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:

SHRI SHER SINGH GHUBAYA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Panipat Refinery has given employment or any other facilities as per the agreement to the owners of land acquired for the refinery;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with time by which the agreement signed at the time of land acquisition is likely to be completed;

(c) whether the local refinery officers have reportedly hired vehicles from persons other than the land losers for commercial or other purposes and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to take action against such officers and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

National Skill Development Council

3037. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the National Skill Development Council's redeployment ratio has never crossed 50 per cent ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of employees in the last four years who have received the short duration Skill Development Training and have been re-deployed; and

(d) the details of effective steps taken by the Government in this direction?

Convocation Attire

3038. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has appealed to Universities across the country to replace their British inspired convocation attire with traditional Indian clothes as a tribute to Mahatma Gandhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether many institutions of higher education introduced traditional attire for convocation ceremonies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Tourism Projects for Chhattisgarh

3039. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Chhattisgarh for approval of tourism projects in the State;

(b) if so, the details and its status thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to develop the tourist sites in Chhattisgarh and if so, the number of tourism projects sanctioned by the Government for the State of Chhattisgarh during the last three years, project and year-wise; and

(d) the efforts made along with the funds allocated and expenditure incurred by the Government in this regard during the said period, project and year-wise?

Cashew Exports

3040. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that higher operational costs and tough competitions from Vietnam is putting pressure on Indian cashew industry with many processors and exporters facing adverse credit profile;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that while the Indian cashew exports recorded a marginal decline at a CAGR of 3 per cent between CY 2012 and CY 2017, the exports from Vietnam grew at a CAGR of 10 per cent during the same period; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Imposition of High Custom Duty on Steel and Aluminium Products

†3041. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has opposed the move of imposition of high custom duty on certain steel and aluminium products by the United States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has raised this issue at the World Trade Organisation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Training by SDC

†3042. SHRI BHAIKON PRASAD MISHRA:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Skill Development Centres aided by the State Government and the Union Government operating in Bundelkhand region of Uttar Pradesh particularly in Banda and Chitrakoot districts for imparting Skill Development Training of the people;

(b) the trades in which training is being imparted in the said centres; and

(c) the time by which imparting training in the rest of the approved trades is likely to be started?

Prices of Petroleum Products

†3043. SHRI RAM CHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State/UT-wise prices of petrol and diesel in the country at present; and

(b) whether the prices of the said products varies in different States/UTs and

if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Setting up of FSIS

3044. SHRI R.P. MARUTHARAJAA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has developed a foreign Students Information System (FSIS) in order to monitor the activities of foreign students studying in various educational Institutions/Universities in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

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

Industrial Projects in AP

3045. SHRI J.C. DIVAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of industrial projects sanctioned for Andhra Pradesh (A.P.) State particularly in Anantapur district post bifurcation of the State;

(b) the funds sanctioned/spent so far for each project; and

(c) the details of the pending industrial projects for sanction and the reasons therefor?

Delayed Payment to MSMEs

3046. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to empower Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) across the country to directly register their cases relating to delayed payments by Central Ministries/Departments/CPSEs/State Governments also providing them information about the pending payments with the said departments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any initiative to capture data regarding MSMEs online to help the Ministry in saving the expenditure incurred at the time of 4th All India Census, which was in range of approximately Rs. 200 cr.; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Protection of Women and Children Engaged in Beedi Rolling

3047. SHRI K.N. RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to ensure protection of women and children from hazardous health effects of beedi rolling;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to create awareness among

women regarding hazardous effects of beedi rolling and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any State specific training is given to grass root level workers about harmful effects of beedi rolling and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken for welfare of women engaged in beedi rolling in the country?

Innovation Council

3048. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Education has assigned the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) for developing Business, Idea and Creativity among the students;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof along with the amount of funds allocated for the purpose;

(c) whether the Government aims to expand the programme to schools and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the manner in which the Government is likely to incentivise other national organisations to join Institution's Innovation Council partnership?

Private Collection of Historical Objects

3049. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts lying vacant in Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) since 2014 and the details of steps taken to fill the said vacancies;

(b) the number of privately owned museums in the country, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of steps taken for ensuring maintenance and restoration of antiques held in private museums;

(d) the number of cases regarding illegal trade of antiquities registered during the last three years and the current year and the steps taken to combat the same;

(e) the Government's policy with respect to private collections of historical objects, since they are part of the wider community's history which are accessible to only a handful of wealthy individuals;

(f) whether the Government proposes on obligating private collectors to display artefacts to general public for a minimum number of days per year and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(g) the number of monuments in the country which were more than 75 years old demolished since 2014?

Growth of Education Sector

3050. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government would work on promoting the growth of the education sector to help increase the share of overall service sector in the country's economy;

(b) if so, whether the Government is working with different universities and institutions in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there was a need for increase in integration and collaboration between industry and universities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

SAIL Land

3051. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the unutilized land at disposal of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), Plant-wise;

(b) whether SAIL has transferred the land acquired by it to any other authority/agency in the recent past; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the total revenue earned by SAIL therefrom?

Development of Model Rocketry Industry

3052. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received various proposals regarding the development of model rocketry industry and ascertained potential benefits arising out of the same in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government undertook detailed assessment to explore the commercial, educational, experimental potential of model rocketry industry and its research and development in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) is considering to amend extant rules and regulations pertaining to the use of explosives to encourage model rocketry industry in the country and if so, the details thereof including the time frame by which the guidelines will be evolved to develop the industry?

Repatriation of Artefacts

3053. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:
SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that there is a long history of Indian antique objects finding their way into international museums and private collections, but only a few have made it back and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any data about the number of antiquities which are being currently exhibited in museums across the world;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has taken any measures to bring the said artefacts of Indian origin to our country; and

(e) if so, the details of the artefacts identified and actually brought back during the last three years and the current year?

Setting up of Petrol Pumps

3054. SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) proposes to set up petrol and diesel pumps in the rural areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the norms/guidelines laid down for the purpose; and

(c) the impact of the newly set up as well as the existing petrol pumps on availability and consumption of petrol and diesel in the rural areas?

GI Products

3055. SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the products under Geographical Indication (GI) in India and the steps taken by the Government to promote and increase the sales of GI products, State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that authorised user registration for different GI products has been very less and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that the application process for registering a product under geographical indication or getting

registered as an authorised user takes a very long time and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to make the GI registration process online and if so, the details thereof?

Financial Assistance to Old Aged Artists

3056. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the old aged artists and scholars in the country are leading a miserable life;

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

(c) whether the Government has introduced any scheme for betterment/welfare of old aged artists and scholars in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated/released/utilised in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year, scheme-wise and State/UT-wise including Karnataka?

Literacy Rate Between General and STs Girls

3057. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes being implemented to bridge the gap in literacy levels between the general female population and tribal girls along with the funds, released and utilised under such schemes during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(b) the steps taken for 100 per cent enrolment of tribal girls and reducing dropouts at the elementary level by creating the required ambience for education?

Basic Amenities for Rath Yatra

3058. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has allocated funds to the State Government of Maharashtra to provide basic amenities to the tourists participating in Rath Yatra organised in Puri, Odisha ;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the allocation has also been made for providing drinking water and other basic amenities to the tourists visiting Puri, Odisha; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Labour Market

3059. SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the three surveys on employment and unemployment conducted

by the labour bureau, the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO), and the survey on employment outcome of the Mudra loans;

(b) whether the current level of employment generation has not kept pace with the 12 million people entering the labour market every year;

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

(d) whether according to labour data in 2015, India's unemployment rate was 5% and joblessness among graduates and above in the 18-29 age group was 18.4% and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by Government to generate more employment in the country?

Export of Scented Rice

3060. DR. PRABHAS KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is exporting scented rice to International market in view of the steep rise in demand in the international market;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal to encourage export of scented rice to protect the Indian farmers; and

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

Community Development

†3061. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing the scheme of community development through polytechnics in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which this scheme is being implemented in Jharkhand;

(c) whether the Government is aware that persons employed for implementation of this scheme are given very meagre honorarium and consolidated remuneration;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to revise the present rate of honorarium; and

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

Impact of Trade Agreements

†3062. SHRI CHHOTE LAL:
ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV
SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether some domestic industries viz. Steel and Pharmaceutical Industries have been critical about existing trade agreements with ASEAN, Japan and South Korea;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India's trade deficit with these countries have widened after these pacts came into force and there was a little

left for the domestic industry to benefit; and

(d) if so, the manner in which the Government proposes to solve the problem?

Forest Rights Act, 2006

3063. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR
JENA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether plantation projects under compensatory afforestation can be taken up under the forest land without the approval of Gram Sabha, as given in Forest Rights Act, 2006 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has noted an incongruence with the stance of Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) on compensatory Afforestation on lands which are either held by communities or communities who have rights of collecting forest produces;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the definition of Gram Sabha in draft rules for implementation of the compensatory Afforestation Fund Act notified by the MoEF&CC is different/incongruent with the definition given in FRA 2006 and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the ministry raised this matter with the MoEF&CC and if so, the reasons for not raising the same?

Growth of Core Sectors

3064. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV
SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the data released by the Government reveals low growth rate in core sectors;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years;

(c) the extent to which the core sector would impact the Index of Industrial Production; and

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

Tribals evacuated from National Parks/Tiger Reserves

3065. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tribal Communities are gravely affected by various conservation initiatives like declaration of sanctuaries/national parks/tiger reserves;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of Tribals evacuated for declaration of Sanctuaries/National Parks/Tiger Reserves till date, State-wise and if so, the details of compensation paid for their resettlement;

(d) whether the rehabilitation packages are much delayed; and

(e) if so, the details thereof State-wise with reasons therefor?

Development of Tourism in Allahabad

†3066. SHRI SHYAMA CHARAN
GUPTA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote tourism in Allahabad;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the schemes envisaged regarding the scope and development of tourism in Allahabad; and

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

Tourist Amenities in Pilgrim Centres

3067. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing tourism infrastructure development plan for pilgrim tourism;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government provides financial assistance to the States for improving tourist amenities in pilgrim centres under the said plan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Central Sector Scheme for Rehabilitation of Bonded Labourers 2016

3068. KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:
SHRI OM BIRLA:
SHRIMATI KIRRON
KHER:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of budget allocated under the Central Sector Scheme for Rehabilitation of Bonded Labourers, 2016 during the last two years and the current year;

(b) the details of the States that have created a permanent corpus of Rs. 10 lakhs for each district under the said scheme during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of States that submitted proposals for reimbursement of financial demands by District Magistrates under the scheme during the said period along with the details of funds allocated and released by the Government therefor, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the details of States who have conducted surveys, awareness generation programmes and evaluator studies on bonded labourers under the said scheme during the said period?

Socio-Economic Condition of Tribals

3069. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the socio-economic condition of tribals has not improved adequately over the years in the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of various schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government for the socio-economic

development of the Scheduled Tribes (STs) and the funds *vis-a-vis* target fixed and achievements made thereunder so far during the last five years, scheme and State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the benefits of the schemes meant for the tribals have not percolated down to the intended beneficiaries and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to close or merge some schemes and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government and the mechanism put in place for effective implementation of the various schemes for socio-economic development of tribals in the country?

Export of Merchandise Products and Services

3070. SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH HOODA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the total export of merchandise products and services from the country has declined drastically during the last five financial year and the current financial year;

(b) the details of estimated loss to the economy in view of the slump in exports of merchandise and services during the said period;

(c) the details of measures taken by the Government to boost export of merchandise and services from the country and the results achieved therein; and

(d) the details of growth in export of 20 major export merchandise and services between 1st December, 2017 and 1st December, 2018?

Proposals under MADA

3071. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received proposals from Government of Maharashtra for inclusion of some Modified Area Development Approach (MADA) and mini MADA pocket to existing Tribal Sub-Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the present status of those proposals;

(d) whether there is any difficulty to consider proposals;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the time by which these proposals are likely to be sanctioned?

Employment under KVIC

3072. SHRI VIRENDER KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is generating employment through Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) the number of SC/ST/women who got employment under the said scheme during 2011 to 2014 and 2015 to 2018;

(c) whether the Government has started honey mission under KVIC and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is providing avenues to the self help groups under the scheme and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Trade Talks

3073. ADV. M.

UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and the United States (US) have commenced trade deal talks;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any understanding has been reached between India and the US in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Fellowship Programme

3074. SHRI K.R.P.

PRABAKARAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to recruit young graduates for a three year fellowship scheme to oversee better delivery of flagship programmes in backward and remote districts in the country;

(b) if so, whether the proposed fellowship programme would be dovetailed with the ongoing Prime Minister's Rural Development Fellows Scheme, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the salient features of this new fellowship programme?

Mismatch between Demand and Supply of Labour

3075. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that unemployment rate has risen to 6.9 percent in the country this year up to October 2018 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that after demonetization, unemployment stood at 48 per cent during November, 2016 to November, 2018 period and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that since 2014 there is a mismatch between demand and supply of labour and annually 12 million people have lost jobs during the last four years and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to create more jobs to meet the present demand of 29.5 million job seekers across the country?

Tribal People Displaced since Independence

3076. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of 8.2 per cent of the total population, the Scheduled Tribes (STs) constitute 55 percent of the people displaced since independence due to the construction of Dams, Mines, Industrial Development, the creation of Wildlife Parks and Sanctuaries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is planning for any special constitutional and legal provisions for safeguarding the rights of tribals to land and also special affirmative action provisions for the STs being the most displaced, most vulnerable and most impoverished of all groups in India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Ropeway for Swarnagiri Fort

†3077. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned funds for the Swarnagiri fort in Jalor district for making ropeway up to the fort;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the work has not been started so far;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government to start/complete the work expeditiously; and

(e) the time by which the ropeway project is likely to be started/completed?

Learning Skills

3078. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to enhance foundational learning at the school level;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating technology aided examination systems at the school level that enable students to take and retake exams and whether such a system holds the potential to reduce drop-out levels;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is contemplating any reforms for the governance mechanisms in the school education system to separate the functions of policy making, regulation and provision; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Steel Scrap Policy

3079. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced/proposes to introduce a steel scrap policy, which in conjunction with vehicle scrap policy, will lay out the rules and regulations for using scrap from old vehicles to produce steel and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the scrap policy will help to reduce dependence on imports and local

scrap reduces dependence on imports for secondary steel plants in India and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the demand and production level has been assessed for the next decade and if so, the details thereof along with the action plan initiated in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?

Reserved SME Products

3080. SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the frequency at which, the list of items reserved for exclusive manufacture by Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) sector, is revised;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal for including more items in the reserved list of items for SME sector, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Curriculum on Environment

3081. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government intends to introduce study of Climate Change as part of the school syllabus or give any directions to the State Governments to do so in the State boards and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there are any courses being offered by any State Government or private educational institution on Climate Change and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether there is a dedicated research wing for Climate Change within the Ministry and if so, the amount allocated for such research wing?

Ranking Systems

3082. SHRI DIBYENDU
ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce new marking and ranking systems for Joint Entrance Examination (JEE), Main from 2019;

(b) if so, the present system pattern *vis-a-vis* new systems of evaluation therefor;

(c) the details of new process and the manner in which the students would benefit from the percentile scoring thereof; and

(d) the details of expert committee report and the scope of employment therein?

Check on Ragging

†3083. SHRI ASHOK
MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any effective measures to prevent the brutal death of students resulting from ragging and inhuman treatment thereof in Engineering Colleges, Medical Colleges and in other higher educational institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Higher Studies and Research

3084. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB
SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of B.Tech/MS/Ph.D. students who went to the United States of America (USA) for higher studies and research during the last ten years from India;

(b) the number of students who have gone to the USA for above mentioned courses and have continued to work there during the last ten years;

(c) whether the Government has calculated the financial, technical and cultural loss to India as a consequence of that and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to incentivise Indian students to remain in India for their professional career post their higher education in foreign universities within last four years?

Central Universities

†3085. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA
KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of two Central universities being established in Bihar;

(b) whether the process of appointment including faculty department of the said two universities has been completed; and

(c) if so, the details of the amount spent on the said two universities so far and the provision for the total amount that can be spent on establishing them?

SC/ST trained under PMKVY

3086. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women and men from Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes trained by the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra under the Prime Minister Kaushal Vikas Yojana;

(b) the steps taken to provide incentives to small and medium size enterprises to provide employment to certified candidates; and

(c) whether there exists a monitoring and evaluation mechanism to ensure due diligence during the training sessions and if so, the details thereof?

Trade across Borders

3087. SHRI PREM DAS RAI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of trade done across all the land borders;

(b) the details of land trade with various countries and along different borders; and

(c) the quantum of sea trade taking place, especially with the countries with which India shares borders?

Vacancies in Labour Courts and Tribunals

3088. SHRI RADHESHYAM
BISWAS:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether some posts of presiding officers and judges are lying vacant in various Labour Courts and Tribunals in the country including North Eastern States;

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

(c) the time by which these posts are likely to be filled up along with the steps taken/being taken in this regard?

Kargil Museum

3089. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR
DIWAKER:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
SINGH:

SHRIMATI SANTOSH
AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to construct a Kargil Museum in Kargil and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has allocated any funds in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said museum is likely to be set up/inaugurated?

Safe Drinking Water in Schools

†3090. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA
DUBEY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide safe drinking water in all schools in the country by installing RO machines;

(b) if so, the time by which this proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Preservation of Sringverpur Dham

3091. SHRI PRAVEEN KUMAR
NISHAD:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of innovative measures/ steps adopted by the Government for the

conservation of heritage sites and forts of historical importance in the country; and

(b) the details of the works/projects sanctioned for the conservation/preservation of the "SRINGVERPUR DHAM" during the last decade along with the present status thereof?

Benefits of RCEP Agreement

3092. SHRI RAM MOHAN
NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of benefits which are likely to accrue to the country by signing the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership; and

(b) the manner in which the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership is different from Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation?

Accidents in Mines

†3093. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of National Minerals policy regarding mine safety and safeguards for the labourers engaged in mining works;

(b) whether the aforesaid policy overlooks mining safety related activities along with the safety of mining labourers;

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

(d) the number of mine accidents which took place in the country during the last three years and the number of mine workers killed therein, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the number of mine workers out of the above who have not been provided any compensation till date?

Playgrounds in Schools

3094. DR. RATNA DE (NAG):
SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any multi billion proposal from a Korean MNC to provide support in the form of Sovereign BG for developing Government School playgrounds free of cost on no profit basis, especially in West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons for not providing the sovereign BG for such welfare project therefor; and

(d) the details about the status and the action taken by the Government in this regard, so far?

Development of Forest Dwellers Areas

†3095. COL. SONARAM
CHOUDHARY:
SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL
AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes being implemented for the development of Forest Dwellers Areas;

(b) the details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred each year in the last five years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government proposes to give a special package for Western States (Rajasthan-Gujarat) like Eastern States for development of such areas so that extremely backward tribals could come in the main stream; and

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

Skill Development of Women

†3096. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL
"NISHANK":
SHRI DEVUSINH
CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women to whom Government Skill Development Training has been provided during the last five years;

(b) the State-wise details thereof;

(c) the number of trained women provided with employment during the period;

(d) whether special efforts have been made by the Government for the Skill Development of women of hills, Himalayan, remote areas and backward, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribe areas; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of EODB

3097. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently decided to make "Ease of Doing Business" in every district of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the strategies to be adopted in this regard;

(c) whether "Ease of Doing Business" has shown any positive results since its implementation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Oil/Gas Exploration Projects

†3098. SHRI LALLU SINGH:
SHRIMATI REKHA
VERMA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the world wide Internal Rate of Return (IRR) of deep water Oil/Gas exploration projects;

(b) whether the IRR of joint ventures/private oil/gas exploration companies in India is comparatively higher;

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

(d) the IRR of the said joint ventures/private oil/gas producing company in the country?

Petrol Pump Distributors

†3099. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government/Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reportedly received complaints regarding illegal transfer of petrol pumps of various OMCs especially Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited in the country and particularly in Thane district of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the dates on which the Government/OMCs received such complaints; and

(c) whether the Government/OMCs have taken any action/are going to take any action on these complaints and if so, the details thereof, complaint-wise?

Development of Cultural Centres

†3100. SHRIMATI BHAVANA
PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI PATIL:
SHRI SATISH CHANDRA
DUBEY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up/proposes to set up various cultural centres in order to create awareness among the people about the rich cultural heritage of our country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra;

(b) the State/UT-wise details of the development of cultural centres in the country including Maharashtra;

(c) the details of the financial assistance provided to these cultural centres during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for development of more such centres to encourage traditional art, crafts and culture in the country particularly in Maharashtra?

Programme conducted by Central Board for Workers Education

†3101. SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated various programmes in different States including Uttar Pradesh through the Central Board for Workers Education (CBWE);

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

(c) the achievements made as a result of the implementation of the said programmes during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Sports and Physical Education

†3102. SHRIMATI DARSHANA
VIKRAM JARDOSH:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:
SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM:
SHRI KUNDARIYA
MOHAN BHAI
KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes the inclusion of Sports and Physical Education marks in aggregate marks along with Mathematics, Science and English for admission at the primary to secondary, higher secondary level or for higher studies to make sports a part of academics;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take steps to make a fixed duration for physical activity mandatory on daily basis in all the Government and private schools/colleges in the country in view of the decreasing health standards due to lack of physical activities among the children;

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

(e) whether the Government is aware that in many schools in the country there is no regular physical activity as was there in earlier days when it was mandatory in schools, especially in NCT of Delhi; and

(f) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto?

Fee Structure in Universities

3103. SHRI N.K.
PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that private deemed universities are charging exorbitant fee;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to regulate the fee;

(c) whether the Madras High Court directed the University Grants Commission (UGC) and Human Resource Development (HRD) Ministry to set up a regulatory body to fix the fee for MBBS, MD and MS and other courses offered by private deemed universities;

(d) if so, the details of the action taken thereon;

(e) whether the Supreme Court ruled that the State can regulate admission, fix fee and stipulate any other mechanism to enforce merit and curb commercialisation and if so, the action taken thereon; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to impose a regulatory authority to regulate the fees structure of private deemed universities and if so, the details thereof?

Gas Trading Hub

3104. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is in process of setting up a Gas Trading Hub for easy access of gas to suppliers and buyers and if so, the details thereof along with the details of its launching;

(b) whether the Government proposes to make around 300 billion dollars investment in the energy sector and if so, the details thereof along with the details of

the new projects proposed to be started with this investment in the country, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand; and

(c) whether the Ratnagiri Refinery & Petrochemicals Limited (RRPCL) project is stopped due to the land acquisition issue and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government to speed up/expedite the said project?

Welfare Schemes

†3105. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of the funds allocated by the Ministry for public welfare schemes being implemented especially in the State of Maharashtra;

(b) the number of voluntary organisations registered with the Ministry, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government is satisfied with the performance of the said voluntary organisations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of such voluntary organisations functioning in Maharashtra?

Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsava

†3106. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALIAS HARISH DWIVEDI:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM:

SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:
SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has organized Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsava recently in various States of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives of the festival;

(c) the details of the funds allocated and expenditure incurred during the said festival and its achievements, State-wise including Bihar;

(d) whether the Government has taken any policy decision for promotion of tourism in North Eastern Region and other remote areas of the country where there is huge tourist potential; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with funds allocated for tourism promotion and infrastructure development in North-Eastern Region and other remote areas during the last three years State/UT-wise?

National Policy to develop Religious Heritage

†3107. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:
DR. BHARATIBEN D. SHYAL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any national policy to promote

and develop the historical and religious heritage of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has identified new historical and religious sites in various States including Gujarat and Bihar during the last two years and the current year; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, location/State/UT-wise?

Welfare of Migrant Workers

3108. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:
PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any statistics/data on the number of migrant workers in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of specific schemes such as Awaaz Health Insurance Scheme launched by the State Government of Kerala for migrant workers in the State being implemented/proposed to be implemented by the Government for the welfare of migrant workers in the country;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the migration of unemployed youth from the rural areas of the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government intends to review the existing labour policy to check the migration of unemployed youths and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the minimum wages fixation policy for such migrant unemployed youths in the country; and

(f) the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government to prevent migration of unemployed youth and contain them near their native places?

Crude Steel Production

3109. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:
SHRI HARI MANJHI:
SHRIMATI SANTOSH
AHLAWAT:
SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
SINGH:
SHRI RAJESH KUMAR
DIWAKER:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's crude steel production grew at 3.8 per cent during the month of November, 2018 over the year 2017, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has set a target of producing 300 MT crude steel by the year 2030-31 with an investment of Rs. ten trillion, if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to achieve the said target;

(c) whether it is a fact that 26 TMT bar brands in the country had failed in sample tests for its quality parameters conducted by the industry council, if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether the Government proposes to make any changes in the current standard of TMT bars, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to make Bureau of Indian Standards Certification mandatory for various steel products in the country, if so, the details thereof?

Funds under Tribal Sub-Plan

3110. DR. KAMBHAMPATI
HARIBABU:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL
AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than half the funds earmarked for the current fiscal under the Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) have been unspent so far and if so, the details thereof, Ministry/department-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has mandated the submission of plans for spending of funds under the TSP, if so, details of plans submitted by different Ministries/departments and States; and

(c) whether the Government conducts any study to assess the amount of funds required for TSP for a fiscal year and if so, the details of study for the fiscal year 2018-19?

Export of Basmati Rice

†3111. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI
DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers are suffering huge financial hardship due to non-export of basmati rice;

(b) if so, the effective steps being taken by the Government to simplify export to benefit the basmati growing farmers;

(c) the names of countries where there is a huge demand of basmati rice; and

(d) the measures being taken by the Government for the export of basmati rice to those countries?

Conservation of Temples

3112. SHRI RAGHAV
LAKHANPAL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of temples conserved by the Government/Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in the country, State/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the amount of funds allocated and spent for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, temple-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps for the preservation and conservation of temples in Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Budget Allocation for Archaeological Sites

3113. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP
RUDY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise and UT-wise details regarding the number of archaeological sites and protected historical monuments in the country;

(b) the annual budget allocation for preserving and developing the archaeological sites during the last four years, year-wise and State-wise including Bihar;

(c) whether Chiran in the Saran district of Bihar is under consideration for being taken up by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of measures taken/being taken by ASI for the development of various tourist and archaeological sites along with tourist amenities in the State of Bihar and Saran district in particular?

Development of Historical Forts

3114. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:
SHRI RAGHAV
LAKHANPAL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has started development activities in historical forts to develop them as tourist centres and if so, the historical forts selected for this purpose, State/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred for the purpose during the last four years, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether Archaeological department has given clearance for such activities and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering to amend NOC rules for such work; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Encroachment of Monuments

†3115. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR
PATIL:
SHRI KALIKESH N. SINGH
DEO:
SHRI RAJESHBHAI
CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has adopted any method to prevent urban sprawl and encroachment in and around areas adjacent to the heritage sites in the country and damage caused to them due to illegal construction and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of monuments acquired by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) along with the details of monuments encroached upon;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to prevent encroachment and illegal construction in and around these sites/monuments along with the details of security arrangements put in place for all such sites/monuments;

(d) whether all the heritage sites and monuments under ASI are well equipped with basic facilities including accommodation and refreshment facilities for tourists; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the steps taken by planning of ASI to provide these facilities to tourists including refreshment and accommodation?

Establishment of Manufacturing Hubs

3116. DR. KULAMANI SAMAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is helping States in establishment and running of manufacturing hubs in the country and if so, the details thereof along with key objectives and its achievement during the last four years and the current year, State-wise including Odisha;

(b) the number of manufacturing hubs have come up in different States and the number of employment generated therefrom in the country during the said period, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure even establishment of industries across all States in this regard?

Tariff Concessions under APTA

3117. SHRI PONGULETI
SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved a move for exchange of tariff concessions under the Asia Pacific Trade Agreement (APTA), towards expanding trade ties with five nations in the region including China; and

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

Tribal Schools in Forest Areas

†3118. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL
RAM:
SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL
AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the existing infrastructure of schools of tribal areas in the country, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal/proposes to develop school infrastructure in the tribal areas;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the UT/State-wise details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and released during each of the last three years for the said purpose;

(d) whether the Forest Department has registered its objection against development/setting up of schools in forest areas; and

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

India's Share in World Trade

3119. SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
SHRI VINAYAK
BHARAO RAUT:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to raise its share in world trade from 2.52 per cent at present to 3.5 per cent by 2020;

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

(c) whether it is a fact that Indian goods are less competitive in the world markets as logistics costs of exports are very high in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is planning to form a separate logistics department to deal with the issues such as rising costs in the sector which impacts global competitiveness of exporters;

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard; and

(f) whether the Government has taken steps to create trade zone in Bundelkhand and if so, the details thereof?

Revenue Earned from Medical Tourism

3120. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN
MAADAM:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of figures of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in the country on Medical Visa during the last three years;

(b) the countries from where such Medical Tourism was witnessed; and

(c) the details of total revenue earned through medical tourism during the said period?

Model Tribal Research Institute

3121. SHRI R. DHRUVA
NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL
AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that the Government is planning to conduct a review of operational conditions of the existing Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) across India, if so, the details thereof along with the number of TRIs operational in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that the conditions of the TRIs need to be improved and if so, the details of the TRIs and the action to be taken by the Government to improve the conditions of the TRIs;

(c) whether Government has any plan to make model TRIs and if so, the details thereof along with the list of TRIs which are going to Model ones; and

(d) whether Government has any plan to increase the number of TRIs in the country and if so, the State and UT-wise details where New TRIs are going to be opened?

Female Participation in Labour Force

3122. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH
CHAUDHARY:
SHRI PREM DAS RAI:
SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the present trend of female participation in Labour Force in the country and whether it has registered a decline during the last three years, if so, the

details thereof along with the details of the labour force participation rate of women in the country;

(b) the reasons for such a trend and the steps being taken by the Government to reverse the trend and boost female participation in the workforce;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the reasons for declining female labour force and if so, the details and the findings thereof;

(d) the measures taken to ensure equal pay for equal work for both men and women as envisaged in the Directive Principles; and

(e) the steps taken to provide crèche facilities to cater to young mothers who contribute a sizeable number of the women labour force in the country?

MPEDA

†3123. SHRIMATI REKHA
VERMA:
SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) is paying less attention towards the export of marine products;

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

(c) whether MPEDA proposes to venture into other areas and is trying to make a big organisation through expansion;

(d) if so, whether the Government propose to bifurcate MPEDA and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken for careful scrutiny of new suggestions pertaining to MPEDA policy?

Global Oil Demand

3124. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:
SHRI VINAYAK
BHARAO RAUT:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the report of the International Energy Agency (IEA), India will be the centre of global oil demand growth until 2030 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the country expects to double gasoline and diesel consumption by 2030 even as it aspires to sell only electric vehicles in 2030 and if so, the facts thereof and the efforts made by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether India's oil consumption grew at fastest pace during the last two years, if so, the details thereof and the total oil consumption expanded during the said period along with any assessment made by the Government to determine/ascertain the reasons for growth in consumption of oil; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to meet the growing demand of oil indigenously?

Social Security to Workers in Unorganised Sector

3125. SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government to provide social security to workers employed in Unorganized Sector along with the number of their beneficiaries across the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and scheme-wise;

(b) the details of the funds provided by the Government under the said schemes/programmes during the said period along with its utilisation, scheme/programme-wise;

(c) whether the cases of irregularities/corruption in implementation of the said schemes/programmes have come to the notice of the Government during the said period;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and Scheme/Programme-wise and the reasons therefor along with the action taken/being taken by the Government in such cases so far; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for effective implementation of the said schemes/programmes across the country?

Education Status of STs

3126. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of education of Scheduled Tribes in the country;

(b) the number of students from tribal communities enrolled for primary, secondary and higher education;

(c) the district-wise details of the areas with high tribal population in the country which do not have a primary and/or secondary school;

(d) the number of children from tribal communities who are unable to go to schools primarily because there is no schools within radius of 1 km; and

(e) the initiatives taken by the Government to improve the education of children from tribal communities?

Monitoring of Government Schools

†3127. SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted any mechanism for the monitoring of quality of education in Government schools;

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

(c) if not, the scheme of the Government in this regard?

Conservation of Archaeological Sites in Uttar Pradesh

†3128. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

DR. BHARATIBEN D.

SHYAL:

SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a need to repair and conserve a large number of archaeological sites in Uttar Pradesh;

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

(c) the amount of funds sanctioned, released and utilized for conservation of archaeological sites across the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

NIOS Consultants

3129. SHRI VINOD LAKHAMASHI CHAVDA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government pays same salary to all the contractual persons and consultants at National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of the contractual staff at NIOS in different projects, State/UT-wise?

Implementation of Agricultural Export Policy

3130. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

SHRI ASADUDDIN

OWAISI:

SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the implementation of new agricultural export policy will have a financial implication of over Rs. 1,400 crore and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the new export policy will promote cluster approach where identified districts would be developed as cluster to promote export through setting up of entire value chain for particular area specific farm products and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has approved a proposal for establishment of monitoring framework at the Centre to oversee implementation of agriculture export policy and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether steps will be taken to mitigate the impact of new agriculture export policy on inflation in the domestic agriculture market and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has minimized export curbs on agricultural products to keep the domestic price under check and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government is considering to remove or has removed all kind of restrictions on export of organic products including organic farm products and if so, the details thereof along with the extent to which this step of the

Government is likely to boost agricultural export and help farmers in the country?

Education for Minorities

3131. SHRI P.K. KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that education for minorities has been relegated during the past;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, the details of new steps taken and the ongoing schemes strengthened to promote education of minorities?

Digitisation of Manuscripts

†3132. SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether our country is home to the largest collection of manuscripts in the world;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the present policy for the conservation/safety and digitalisation of manuscript heritage of the country;

(c) the number of manuscripts documented, digitalized and conserved till date; and

(d) the details of the funds allocated in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Impact of Demonetisation and GST on Employment

3133. SHRI ASADUDDIN
OWAIS:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assessed the impact of demonetisation and GST on the workers engaged in organized/unorganized sector, agricultural and contractual labourers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent to which the labour force has been affected due to NGT norms in the country;

(d) whether the Government has any policy to provide alternative employment to those labourers who were affected due to above reasons; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the other measures taken or being taken by the Government to provide employment to such labourers in the country?

CSR Amount

3134. SHRI MALLIKARJUN
KHARGE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM
AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount sanctioned to different States under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), State-wise; and

(b) the total amount sanctioned to different organizations, institutions, associations, individuals and other bodies

in Odisha since 2014 till date, district/
project-wise?

Fake Degrees/Certificates

3135. DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM:
SHRI KUNDARIYA
MOHAN BHAI
KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of State/UT-wise break-up of Private Universities which have been established in the country through a State Legislation;

(b) whether these Private Universities are indulging in large scale malpractices by awarding the degrees without imparting the requisite education up to the required standards earmarked for the studies in the relevant subjects, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure the adherence to the prescribed regulations;

(d) whether the Government is aware of fake degrees/certificates of various private universities secured by the students through illegal means; and

(e) if so, the number of such cases unearthed in the country during the last three years and the current year, University-wise?

Fixed Term Employment

3136. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED
BASHEER:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that extending fixed term employment in various sectors has created threat to job security of permanent workers;

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

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

Restoration of Monuments

3137. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of archaeological monuments/sites in the country which have been taken up for restoration by the Government/Archaeological Survey of India during each of the last three years and the current year, monument/site-wise and State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of expenditure incurred in this regard during the said period, monument/site-wise; and

(c) the sites which the Government intends to take up for restoration in near future?

DBTL

3138. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU
JADHAV:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM
AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has relaunched the Direct Benefit Transfer of LPG Scheme (DBTL)/PAHAL for LPG

consumers to get/provide LPG subsidy directly into their bank accounts along with the mechanism/guidelines prescribed for the purpose and if so, the details thereof along with number of districts covered so far and the extent to which the scheme has been successful in achieving its aims and objectives, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether linkage of Aadhaar Card with consumers bank accounts is mandatory under the Direct Benefit Transfer of LPG (DBTL) Scheme for all the LPG consumers to avail LPG subsidy and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the number of LPG consumers who have linked Aadhaar number to their bank accounts so far, State/UT-wise;

(c) the action being taken by the Government to maintain the approved weight of the LPG cylinders in view of the large scale irregularities found in the weight of LPG cylinders in the country; and

(d) company/year/State/UT-wise number of cases of under weight LPG cylinders reported in the country including Maharashtra during the three years and the current year along with the remedial steps taken in this regard?

Medical and Maternity Benefits to Casual Labourers

3139. SHRI MD.
BADARUDDOZA
KHAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite labour laws the casual labourers in the country are not getting medical and maternity benefits;

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

(c) the details of the sectors where the casual labourers are reportedly deprived from their due social status;

(d) whether it is also a fact that casual workers are not getting all national and State holidays as per labour Act, 1970 and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to extend all such facilities to the casual labourers in the country; and

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

Import of CNG

†3140. SHRI HARINARAYAN
RAJBHAR:
SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether import of CNG and LNG is essential to fulfil their demand in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the quantum and percentage of gas imported during the last three years and the current year, country-wise;

(b) the year-wise expenditure of foreign exchange on the said import during the said period and value of that foreign exchange in terms of Indian currency;

(c) the year-wise production of LNG and CNG indigenously during the said period; and

(d) whether the imported gas is costlier as compared to domestic gas and if so, the details thereof along with the comparative average cost of both sources of gases?

Bio Gas Plants

3141. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:
SHRIMATI DARSHANA
VIKRAM JARDOSH:
DR. C.
GOPALAKRISHNAN:
SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:
SHRI JANARDAN SINGH
SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched SATAT initiative to promote Compressed Bio-Gas as an alternative, green transport fuel for efficient municipal solid waste management and produce bio-fuel for commercialisation for the use of four-wheelers and trucks to minimise the use of petrol/diesel and bring down dependency on crude oil imports and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the quantum of bio-fuels and bio-diesel produced and available for consumption in the country as on date, State/UT-wise along with steps being taken to increase the production of bio-fuels in the country;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up five factories to produce ethanol from the straw/hay of paddy and wheat and sugarcane wastes and if so, the details thereof along with the places identified for the purpose and the time by which the production is likely to start in these plants;

(d) whether the Government has approached the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare to increase cultivation of bio-fuel crops and if so, the details thereof along with the updated status of introduction of bio-fuels and bio-diesel as

a suitable alternative to the petroleum products;

(e) the quantity of ethanol produced in the country during the last three years and the current year along with the projected demand and supply of ethanol by the end of current financial year including its cost of production in the country; and

(f) whether the Government has received certain complaints against the owners/operators of sugar industries and OMCs relating to the pricing of ethanol blended petrol and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken in this regard and measures taken to augment production and use of ethanol in the country?

Restoration of Facilities under Social Security

3142. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to restore the withdrawn facilities under the social security to the labour sector;

(b) if so, the details of the facilities restored and the extent of benefits likely to accrue to the labourers in the country therefrom; and

(c) the total funds required for the project and the details of the funds being allocated for the purpose including its funding sources?

Manufacturing Units under MII

3143. SHRI RAJESH PANDEY:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 'Make in India' scheme has progressed as per projections made in 2014;

(b) if so, the details thereof including major areas which have attracted the investors with sophisticated technology to set-up manufacturing units in the country; and

(c) the number of manufacturing units set-up so far since the launch of the scheme, State-wise?

Facilities in Kendriya Vidyalayas

†3144. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Kendriya Vidyalayas equipped with smart and modern facilities in the country in view of providing quality education and proper environment during last three years particularly in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and school-wise?

HTTs

†3145. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Industrial Training Institutes in the country at present State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government is satisfied with the quality of training being given by the present Industrial Training Institutes;

(c) if not, the steps being taken by the Government to improve the quality;

(d) whether the Government proposes to open more Industrial Training Institutes in the country;

(e) if so, the details thereof, UT/State-wise including Rajasthan; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Renovation of Jagannath Temple

†3146. SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Jagannath temple in Odisha is on high risk and if so, the details thereof along with the nature of such risk;

(b) whether repairing work of Jagannath temple has been completed and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken to address the problems being faced by the tourists due to on going maintenance and repair work of Jagannath temple;

(d) the existing rules for devotees to reach the sanctum sanctorum of the temple; and

(e) whether these rules have been amended/proposed to be amended and new rules have been adopted for entry of devotees in the temple and if so, the reasons therefor?

Welfare of Beedi Workers

3147. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the beedi workers engaged in beedi rolling industry in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoLE) launched the programme for Skill Development Training of Beedi rollers to engage them in alternative jobs for their livelihoods across all beedi rolling States and Districts;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government for providing alternate source of livelihoods to people involved in beedi industry in the country;

(d) the number of workers shifted to alternative livelihoods so far, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether any analysis has been/is being made to assess that their total earnings have increased; and

(f) if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the achievement made so far in the welfare measures for the beedi workers?

Schools in Andhra Pradesh

3148. DR. RAVINDRA BABU:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds sanctioned for establishment of new schools under the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Model School Scheme during the last three years in the State of Andhra Pradesh including in East Godavari district; and

(b) the number of schools planned to be established during 2018-19 in the State including the East Godavari district along with the progress thereof?

Demand of Spices

3149. PROF. RICHARD HAY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demand for spices and its products are increasing in the internal and external markets;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken by the Government to support the marketing, supply chain, exports and Pre and Post harvesting activities of spices in different States;

(c) the details of new schemes open to the producers of spices and exporters to increase the production and supply of spices; and

(d) the details of facilities provided to exporters to test the quality of their products with that of American Spice Trade Association, International Pepper Community and Eurofins Lab Standards?

10 Million Jobseekers by 2020

†3150. SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had begun the process of training of 10 million potential jobseekers by 2020 under its Skill India Mission and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the dearth of quality trainers, inadequacies in training programmes and high dropout rates remain hurdles to skill development and if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether industries and the Government partnerships can go a long way in trapping the immense potential that India's young and vibrant workforce has and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether some companies have collaborated with the Ministry for launching Diploma Courses to make the next generation skilled enough to take up future jobs and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether there is a need for working closely with the industries and academia to expand and scale the skill development programmes; and

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

**Tourism Projects under
Make in India Scheme**

3151. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the projects initiated by the Government in the Tourism and Hospitality industry under the Make in India scheme in the country including the State of Odisha;

(b) the number of jobs created under such projects in the industry during the last four years, State/UT-wise including Odisha;

(c) whether the Government proposes to create more job opportunities under such schemes and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up new institutes to promote the education of tourism and hospitality industry in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Odisha; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Higher Education

†3152. SHRIMATI NEELAM
SONKER:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposals from the Government of Uttar Pradesh to promote higher education and technical education in the rural areas of the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the progressive programmes and schemes being

implemented by the Government to promote higher education in rural areas ; and

(d) the State-wise amount of funds released for the said purpose?

**Living Condition of STs in North
Eastern States**

3153. SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL
AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken/proposes to undertake any study to assess the living conditions of the Scheduled Tribes in the North-Eastern States of the country;

(b) if so, the details and the findings thereof along with the follow up action taken by the Government thereon; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to further improve the living conditions of Scheduled tribes in the NE States?

National Mission on GeM

3154. SHRIMATI KAVITHA

KALVAKUNTLA:

SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME

GOWDA:

SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH

YADAV:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up the National Mission on Government e-Market (GeM) portal;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of transactions in terms of volume and value through the Government e-Market platform during the last three years;

(c) whether the portal has had any impact on the annual procurement costs of Government and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether startups want Government e-Market to list their services and give business; and

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

Subsidy on Kerosene

3155. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM
AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to take steps to reduce or eliminate the subsidy on Kerosene;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that subsidized kerosene is essential for the livelihood of fishermen, especially in coastal States like Kerala and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of measures taken/proposed to be taken to ensure that fishermen will not be adversely affected by cutting subsidy on for kerosene?

Less Wages to Female Workers

†3156. PROF. PREM SINGH

CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the report recently issued by the International Labour Organisation in which it has been stated that the female workers are getting 34 per cent less wages in comparison to their male counterparts in India;

(b) if so, the facts thereof along with the gap in the above-stated wages on the basis of assessment conducted by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether concrete steps have been taken by the Government to mitigate these differences; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Export Promotion Cell for MSMEs

3157. KUNWAR

BHARATENDRA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL
AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish Export Promotion Cell for the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the country;

(b) if so, the details and the current status thereof;

(c) the details of the benefits likely to accrue to the MSMEs from the said Cell and the current status of exports from the MSME sector; and

(d) the details of the authority/body entrusted with the task of overseeing the implementation and functioning of the said Export Promotion Cell?

Schools with Facilities for Differently Abled Students

†3158. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH
JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the Government schools where lift/escalator facility has been provided for the differently-abled students, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to issue instructions to all concerned for arranging adequate number of lifts or escalators in Government/educational institutions/schools; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Sakshar Bharat Mission

†3159. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts where 'Sakshar Bharat Mission' has been implemented, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether Public sector undertakings and financial institutions have expressed their desire to be a part of the above mentioned scheme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Nutritious Food to Tribal Community

3160. SHRI GODSE HEMANT
TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a programme for providing nutritious food for the tribal community particularly to women and children in the tribal areas and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has also conducted study regarding the health condition of tribal population and if so, the details of such survey; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to provide sufficient funds for distribution of nutritious food to the tribal community in order to address the issue of chronic under nutrition among them?

Providing Benefits of ESI Dispensaries/Hospitals to Unorganised Workers

†3161. SHRI MANSHANKAR
NINAMA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to extend the benefits of ESI dispensaries and hospitals to the workers of unorganized sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the special measures taken by the Government during the last three years to ensure that the benefits of various welfare schemes meant for the workers in the unorganized sector actually reach the intended beneficiaries?

Polytechnics in Odisha

3162. SHRIMATI RITA TARAI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are 13 Government Polytechnics and 103 Private Polytechnics existing in Odisha;

(b) whether the Ministry has sanctioned financial assistance to the tune of Rs. 270.60 Cr. and released Rs. 212.47 Cr. to State Government for setting up of 22 new Polytechnics under the scheme of Sub-mission of Polytechnics under the Coordinated Action for Skill Development covering all the 30 districts with atleast one Government Polytechnic in Phase-I in (1) Gajapati, (2) Boudh, (3) Sambalpur, (4) Malkangiri in Phase-II (5) Deogarh, (6) Nabarangpur, (7) Jajpur, (8) Nayagarh, (9) Kalahandi, (10) Nuapada, (11) Soepur, (12) Kendrapara, (13) Jagatsinghpur, (14) Puri and in Phase-III (15) Angul, (16) Bolangir, (17) Mayurbhanj, (18) Bargarh, (19) Koraput, (20) Bhadrak, (21) Balasore and (22) Kandhamal;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether 17 out of 22 new Polytechnics have been operationalized during 2015-17; and

(e) if so, the details of these operational polytechnics?

Food Craft Institutes

3163. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Food Craft Institutes which are fully functional in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the present status of Food Craft Institute at Deoghar in Jharkhand;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to start teaching session at Food Craft Institute, Deoghar; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Buildings for Kendriya Vidyalaya

3164. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of setting up/ construction of buildings for Kendriya Vidyalayas in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the availability of land is a big problem for setting up of new Kendriya Vidyalayas;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether a lot of requests for setting up of new KVs are pending with Government; and

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

Construction of Cultural Halls

3165. SHRI BAITE THANGSO:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Culture has taken up any scheme/project in the hilly area of Manipur during the last four years;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the work and plans under taken therein so far;

(c) whether steps have been taken up for the development of culture activities like Construction of Culture Halls, Training Institute etc. in tribal areas of Manipur; and

(d) if so, details thereof?

Token System at Tourist Places

†3166. SHRI JANAK RAM:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement token system at all the tourist places and heritage sites in the country in order to check the forgery of tickets;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the arrangements being made in this regard and the tourist places/sites where the said system is likely to be implemented; and

(c) the facilities likely to be provided to the tourists on implementing the said system?

Exemption for NEET

3167. SHRI FEROZE VARUN
GANDHI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to remove the exemption on institutions established through Acts of

Parliament to be a part of National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET);

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

(c) whether the Government is planning to undertake a study to explore the method in which NEET is affecting students from State Boards of Education in States such as Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka, West Bengal and Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is aware that many coaching institutes for NEET have opened up across the country, charging exorbitant fees which students from disadvantaged backgrounds cannot afford;

(e) if so, whether the Government is planning to conduct free coaching for NEET examination in cooperation with States; and

(f) if so, the steps taken by the Government to help students for preparation of the said examination from State Boards?

Religious Tourism in Himachal Pradesh

†3168. SHRI RAM SWAROOP
SHARMA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has envisaged/proposes to envisage any scheme to promote religious tourism in Himachal Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether pilgrimage sites/Shakti Peethas of Himachal Pradesh have been covered under the scheme;

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

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Implementation of Right to Education

3169. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government tracks implementation of the Section 12(1)(c) of Right to Education (RTE) Act [quota for children from Economically Weaker Sections of society] and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) Whether any online grievance redressal mechanism under the said Act is in place and if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) Whether any Notification for admission under the said Act has been issued by the State Governments and whether some States still haven't issued the Notification and if so, the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;

(e) the details of per-child cost as notified under the Act and whether some States still haven't notified the per-child cost and if so, the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;

(f) whether the Government ensuring that every eligible child is able to take advantage of this provisions and if so, the steps taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(g) the role of the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR) in the States/UTs to resolve complaints registered in online grievance redressal portal?

ESIC Hospitals in Kerala

3170. SHRIMATI P.K.
SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ESIC hospitals in the State of Kerala location-wise;

(b) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Kerala to start or shift ESIC hospitals in Kannur district of Kerala; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the current status of the said proposal?

Primary Teachers

†3171. SHRIMATI TABASSUM
BEGUM:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Governments can engage the primary teachers in activities of other Departments under the Right to Education Act, 2009;

(b) if not, whether the State Governments are acting in compliance with the provision of the said Act; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana

3172. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana;

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned/proposed to be sanctioned under this yojana;

(c) the details of the target set thereunder along with its criteria;

(d) the number of States/UTs including West Bengal and Maharashtra proposed to be covered initially under the said scheme along with the number of subscribers likely to be covered thereunder; and

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

Social Security to Women under National Aarogya Mission

†3173. SHRI PRATAPRAO
JADHAV:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any step to provide to women daily wages earners/employees their wages, provident fund, ESI and other social security under Woman and Child Development Scheme and National Aarogya Mission;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Campus of IIT

3174. SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to establish satellite campus/branches of Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) in different parts of the country especially in NCR region in near future;

(b) if so, the details thereof, along with the tentative locations, plan outlay and time frame;

(c) whether this project would be completed on Public Private Partnership (PPP), Built Operate Transfer (BOT) or existing conventional model, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any proposal to establish the satellite campus/branches of some other premier institutes like Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) or Indian Institute of Management (IIM) in different parts of the country and especially in NCR area; and

(e) if so, the details of the action taken/being taken by the Government thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Appointments of VCs/Teachers

3175. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed any irregularities and malpractices

in financing and appointments of Vice Chancellors (VCs) and teachers in the various Central and State Universities along with Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), Banaras Hindu University (BHU), Delhi University (DU) and Kerala during the last five years;

(b) if so, the details of each of such irregularities and malpractices being noticed by the Government, date-wise and university-wise;

(c) whether the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) conducts annual audit on financial, administrative and establishment matters of the Universities;

(d) if so, the details of the audit observations reported thereto;

(e) whether any investigating agency has examined and found flaw of irregularities and malpractices going on in financing and appointments of VCs and teachers throughout the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto along with the corrective steps/action taken by the Government in this regard?

Female Workforce at Risk of Job Displacement

3176. KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a disproportionately large share of the female workforce is at risk of

job displacement due to automation as women are under represented in managerial and professional positions and if so, the details and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) the steps taken to endow women with required skills, close gender gaps in leadership positions and bridge digital gender divide that could confer greater flexibility in work, benefiting women;

(c) whether India has one of the lowest female Labour Force Participation rates (LFPR), among BRICS countries, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) the steps taken to generate awareness to espouse a positive attitude towards women among the public, since it is one of the most important impediments in women's participation in economic activities; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to make it incumbent upon Private Companies to disclose gender diversity in hiring employees, if so, the details thereof?

Quality of Education

†3177. SHRI SUNIL JAKHAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts being taken by the Government to check the quality of education in technical and agricultural educational institutions in the country;

(b) whether the recognition of any institution has been cancelled due to lack of quality of education during the last four years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Export of Oilmeal and Oilmeal Products

3178. SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of oilmeal and oilmeal products exported to major countries, quantity and country-wise during the last three years and the current year indicating the share of India's oilmeal exports in global exports;

(b) whether the export of oilmeal products from the country has declined during the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has assessed the impact of decline in export of oilmeal, if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering to implement any special incentive scheme to encourage oilmeal production in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to boost the export of agricultural products including oilmeals?

Export/ Import of Marble

3179. DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of policy framed/being followed for export/import of marble;

(b) the quantum and value of marble exported from and imported to the country during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise along with the quantum of foreign exchange earned;

(c) whether the export of marble has declined sharply recently, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has assessed the impact of decline in export of marble; and

(e) if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the corrective measures taken by the Government to improve quality of marble and to boost its export?

Lab Facilities in Kendriya Vidyalayas

3180. SHRI RAJESHBHAI
CHUDASAMA:
SHRI S.P.
MUDDAHANUME
GOWDA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has made any assessment of problems in science laboratories in its schools including lack of sufficient space, safety, modern equipment, vacancy of attendants, etc.;

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

(c) whether the science laboratories of KVs in Karnataka have been without Lab Attendants during the last three years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government to fill them up, school-wise?

Revamping of SFURTI

3181. SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:
SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME
GOWDA:
SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH
YADAV:
SHRIMATI KIRRON
KHER:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has revamped/proposes to revamp the Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI) with respect to the Khadi industry in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of clusters set up along with the expenditure incurred thereon and the number of persons employed/benefited under the said scheme during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government for monitoring the effective implementation of the said scheme;

(d) the details of the activities that have been taken up under the two thematic interventions of 'Research and Development' and 'Developing institutional linkages with the existing and proposed clusters' under the SFURTI scheme; and

(e) the extent to which the scheme has leveraged resources from CSR and Multilateral Development Banks?

Vocational Training

3182. SHRI DODDAALAHALLI
KEMPEGOWDA
SURESH:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR
KATEEL:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that vocational training plays a vital role in creating job in the country;

(b) if so, the steps taken to bring the vocational training into mainstream in the country;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to chalk out a strong policy roadmap for job creation and vocational training in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the response of the Government in this regard?

Kala Utsav in Schools

3183. SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has organized Kala Utsav recently to promote arts in education;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives thereto;

(c) the number of schools children from different States that participated in the Kala Utsav, State-wise;

(d) the benefit that the school children got out of this Utsav; and

(e) whether the Government has organized similar Utsav in the past and if so, the details thereof along with the achievement in organizing such Utsav?

Oil Storage Bunkers

3184. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR
SINGH:
DR. C.
GOPALAKRISHNAN:

SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
SHRI DIBYENDU
ADHIKARI:
KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM
AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Strategic Petroleum Reserves (SPRs) built/constructed in the country in Phase I of SPR, State-wise along with the capacity of each reservoir including the number of days it would be utilised to offset supply constraints in emergency situation;

(b) whether the Government has increased/proposes to increase the size of SPRs to 87 days' worth of the country's net crude oil imports by 2020 with the objective to cushion the impact of volatile world oil prices and to ensure energy security;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the number of sites identified for setting up of SPRs including Chandikhol in Odisha and the amount of funds earmarked/sanctioned for the same;

(d) whether any proposals have been received from foreign countries to set up SPRs under PPP model in Phase II and has also considered experts opinion with regard to fund management and if so, the details and outcome thereof; and

(e) whether Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC), Saudi Aramco and other companies have signed various agreements with the Indian Strategic Petroleum Reserves Limited (ISPRL), the designated agency that manages the SPRs

to store oil at current reserve facilities in the country and if so, the details and the salient features of the said agreement?

LPG Connections under PMUY

†3185. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:
SHRIMATI BHAVANA
PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI PATIL:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI
TUMANE:
SHRI VISHNU DAYAL
RAM:
SHRIMATI POONAMBEN
MAADAM:
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
SHRI JANARDAN
MISHRA:
SHRI CHANDRAKANT
KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM
AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the districts covered in the country under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) along with new LPG connections issued in each month under PMUY and the time by which this facility would be provided in the remaining districts, State/UT-wise;

(b) the number of people who have not been covered under PMUY and the steps taken by the Government to cover these people under the said scheme in a time bound manner;

(c) the number of complaints received regarding charging excess amount by gas distributors than the stipulated amount *in lieu* of connection provided under PMUY along with the steps taken by the Government to resolve the said complaints, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether problems have been reported/noticed by the Government in implementation of PMUY in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the natures of such difficulties faced by the Government and action taken to remove these hurdles in a time bound manner, State/UT-wise; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of LPG dealerships and set up more LPG plants in view of increasing consumers and also proposes to lay emphasis on the use of any other alternative fuel and if so, the details thereof?

Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA)

3186. SHRIMATI SANTOSH
AHLAWAT:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
SINGH:
SHRI R. DHRUVA
NARAYANA:
SHRI RAJESH KUMAR
DIWAKER:
SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government is going to start three new Professional courses with an aim to reduce curriculum overload and if so, the details thereof along with the salient points of the Course;

(b) whether it is likely to reduce the curriculum overload and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the Government is going to conduct tests like the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) which evaluates school students scholastic performance in Math's, Science and Reading and if so, the details thereof?

Steps to Improve Working Conditions of Beedi Workers

3187. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:
SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME GOWDA:
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that majority of the beedi workers are suffering from multiple illness due to continuous exposure to tobacco and other hazardous substances and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the estimated number of employees associated with beedi industries during the last three years, State-wise and the names of countries to which beedi is being exported, quantity, value and country-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps/concrete measures to improve the working conditions, health and other benefits of the employees particularly women associated with the beedi industries, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of funds allocated to different States for providing alternate livelihood for beedi workers during the last three years, State/UT-wise?

Setting up of Mega Refinery

†3188. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:
SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:
SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:
SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the deadline for commissioning of the 44 billion mega refinery on the west coast has been extended by three years and if so, the details thereof along with the status of land acquisition for the said project and the steps taken by the Government to clear the hurdles in land acquisition;

(b) whether the Government proposes to open new petro refineries in view of increasing demand of petroleum products in Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof, location-wise;

(c) the total number of oil refineries functioning in the country, refinery/company-wise along with total number of by-products being produced while processing the crude oil by the refineries and the total income earned by the refineries by selling these by-products during the last three years, refinery-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up new refineries in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has started outsourcing of refining process in the country and received any proposal in this regard and if so, the details thereof along with the criteria fixed for selection of works to be outsourced; and

(f) the extent to which the working of the refineries is likely to improve by such outsourcing?

Ethanol Blending

3189. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:
SHRI RAJU SHETTY:
SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:
SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:
SHRI V. ELUMALAI:
ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:
DR. P. VENUGOPAL:
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ethanol Blending Programme (EBP) has been implemented in all States/UTs identified for the purpose and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received proposal from any of the States including West Bengal to increase the percentage of ethanol in petrol and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon;

(c) whether the Government/OMCs have fixed 8 per cent target for Ethanol Blending Programme (EBP) during 2018-19 and placed order in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has approved Rs.4440 crore soft loans or interest subvention scheme for setting up ethanol plants in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the criteria laid down/modalities worked out by the Government in this regard?

Implementation of JRP Scheme

3190. SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has implemented a Joint Research Programme (JRP) between higher education institutions in India and foreign education institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of foreign institutions involved in research and academic collaboration;

(c) the manner in which Indian students have benefited through said JRP;

(d) whether the Government has initiated any steps to increase the representation of female students in JRP;

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide affordable and quality education to the eligible population in the country in Government and private sector institutions?

Courses under Swyam Platform

3191. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Universities which have come on board in accepting credit transfer for courses done through Swayam platform;

(b) the number of courses offered under Swayam during the current academic year;

(c) the number of students who have registered under Swayam during the current academic year; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide best quality education to students *via* online platform?

**Particularly Vulnerable
Tribal Groups**

3192. SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL
AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various parts of the country where Particularly Vulnerable

Tribal Groups (PVTGs) population are residing, community-wise;

(b) whether the Government is aware that the PVTGs population is declining rapidly in the country;

(c) if so, the details of their population and the reasons for the decline, State/UT and community-wise;

(d) the details of various schemes being implemented by the Government for the welfare of these communities;

(e) the details of funds allocated by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year for initiating welfare activities in various sectors including education, health and social security; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to check decrease in their population and improve their lifestyle?

**Setting up of ROs/Gas Agencies
for SCs/STs**

3193. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
SHRI SANTOKH SINGH
CHAUDHARY:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:
SHRIMATI KAVITHA
KALVAKUNTLA:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:
SHRI VINAYAK
BHAURAO RAUT:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM
AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Retail Outlets (ROs), Gas Agencies and CNG Pumps reserved for SCs/STs in each division of Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs), State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of responses received, rejected and not received from SCs/STs against advertisements of OMCs at each reserved location, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of letters written by the Minister to OMCs and State Governments to provide lands in this regard and progress made in respect of allotment of land to clear backlog, pending due to non-availability of land with SCs/STs along with the response received from the district/other concerned agencies at each location;

(d) the location-wise list of ROs, Gas Agencies and CNG Pumps commissioned and operational under the category of Company Owned and Company Operated (COCO) along with annual sales volume during the last three years and the current year at each COCO unit; and

(e) the list of COCO ROs, Gas Agencies and CNG Pumps contracted/subletted to SCs/STs and others as on date along with the attempts made to sublet/award the contract of COCO ROs, Gas Agencies and CNG Pumps to persons belonging to SCs/ST category?

**Violation of Guidelines of
UNESCO**

3194. SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of violation of guidelines of United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) pertaining to protection of monuments/sites declared as World Heritage have come to the notice of the Government across the country during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and the reasons therefor along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has provided adequate funds to conserve such protected monuments/sites across the country during the said period;

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

(e) the details of the sites proposed by the Government to be included in the protected sites during the said period along with their status thereof, State/UT-wise?

**Steps for Speedy Disposal of
Claims by EPFO**

3195. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND
EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of cases of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) settled by the Employee' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the total number of cases of EPF pending for settlement during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the prescribed norms have been followed in processing and settlement of the said claims during the said period across the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the rate of settlement and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government proposes to reduce the period of settlement of claims and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for speedy disposal of the pending claims along with achievements thereof?

Allocation of SKO

3196. SHRI BALABHADRA
MAJHI:
SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of reforms brought by the Government in allocation and distribution of PDS SKO distribution system for better subsidy management and also for reducing subsidy outgo by means of curbing diversion of subsidised kerosene;

(b) whether there are no outlets or channel for dispensing non-PDS SKO in the country at present and if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government to create such facility; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to share the data of LPG consumers with the State Governments for the targeted distribution of kerosene and Direct Benefit Transfer for Kerosene and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said proposal is likely to be implemented?

Development of Public Libraries

3197. SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
DR. SHASHI THAROOR:
SHRI KUNDARIYA
MOHAN BHAI
KALYANJI BHAI:
SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of functional and non-functional public libraries in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the annual expenditure made on such libraries during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to revamp, develop and strengthen the public libraries in the country including

those which are closed and lying in dilapidated condition and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to rope in private sector or social organisations for digitalization and proper maintenance of such historical libraries and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Public Library in the city of Thiruvananthapuram in one of the oldest public buildings in the State and has a multitude of priceless books of great historical significance and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government would consider the allocation of urgently needed funds for the renovation of the building and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Number of Colleges

3198. SHRI MOHD. SALIM:
SHRI MD.
BADARUDDOZA
KHAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and the number of colleges and universities set up during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) the funds spent for this purpose; and

(c) the proposals pending in this regard from States and the action taken so far by the Government in this regard?

Quality Education in Government Schools

3199. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:
SHRI MD.
BADARUDDOZA
KHAN:
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the quality of education in Government schools is declining due to which parents are enrolling their children in private schools;

(b) if so, the details of gap between the number of enrolment in private and Government schools during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government is conducting frequent workshops/ trainings for teachers in order to improve teaching methods using innovative tools and technology and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the types of schools being run by the Government in the country, category-wise?

Visva Bharati University

3200. DR. ANUPAM HAZRA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the instances of irregularities/ malpractices that come to the notice of the Government with regard to administration/ finance appointments, academics, etc., during the period 2015-17;

(b) the details of the steps taken by the Government for eradication/minimisation of malpractices/irregularities in the administration of Visva Bharati, Central University;

(c) whether the Government has received any representations/communication from public representatives such as Member of Parliament etc. in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to remove irregularities/malpractices occurred during the period 2015-17 in administration of Visva Bharati?

Sex Education in Schools

3201. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of programmes which impart comprehensive sex education to adolescent boys and girls, aside from menstrual health and sanitation education both inside and outside formal schools; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

Archaeological Expedition in Ukkirankottai in Tamil Nadu

3202. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Archaeology is carrying out excavations in

Ukkirankottai village in Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the excavations have revealed that the site of excavation was an important town in the early Pandya Period between 600 and 1000 AD and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any Chinese-made artefacts or articles were recovered at the excavation site suggesting of trade links between the Pandya kingdom and the Chinese and if so, the details thereof?

Setting up of Libraries in Telangana

3203. DR. BOORA NARSAIAH GOUD:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds provided for archives, Government libraries and museums in the State of Telangana during the last five years and the current year, year-wise and scheme-wise;

(b) whether any special assistance has been provided under the National Mission on Libraries for setting up of libraries in Telangana and, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that the Government has provided only Rs. 79 crores for establishment/development of museums in various States of the country for the current year and if so, the details therefor;

(d) whether any additional funds have been sought from the Finance Ministry for enhanced allocation; and

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

University Status to Institutions

3204. SHRI KONAKALLA NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to accord Central University status to Sanskrit Institutions which are called as deemed universities in the country;

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

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

Land to IIPE

3205. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has given 200 acres of land for Indian Institute of Petroleum Energy (IIPE) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Rs. 68 crores have been given for land acquisition and construction of boundary wall and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which the Government is likely to complete the construction of its own campus and provide other infrastructure therein; and

(d) the status of faculty, allocation, sanction and release of funds for the said project?

Grants for Conservation-cum-Development Plan

3206. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal of the Government of Maharashtra regarding Conservation-cum-Development (CCD) plan for Particularly Vulnerable Tribals Groups (PVTGs) for release of grant to the tune of Rs. 16.35 crore has been received by the Union Government;

(b) the details of the sanctioned grant of Rs. 16.35 crore, the Union Government has given grant of Rs. 12.26 crore (75 per cent of the sanctioned grant) and Rs. 4.08 crore is remaining (25 per cent of the sanctioned grant) to be sanctioned and released to the State Government; and

(c) the time by which the remaining amount of the sanctioned grant *i.e.* Rs. 4.08 crore is likely to be sanctioned and released to State Government?

Motor Transport Workers Act

3207. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government undertakes periodic reviews of The Motor Transport Workers Act, 1961;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time when such last review was undertaken;

(c) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to spread awareness

among motor transport workers about the provisions of The Motor Transport Workers Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

IFLADP Scheme

3208. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved implementation of the Central Sector Scheme 'Indian Footwear, Leather & Accessories Development Programme (IFLADP)' recently and if so, the details thereof including its objectives and outlay;

(b) the details of projects approved to facilitate upgradation of infrastructure, job creation and environmental sustainability;

(c) whether the Government has given in-principal approval for setting up of Mega Leather Clusters in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(d) the number of persons employed in leather and footwear industry under Human Resource Development sub-scheme of Indian Leather Development Programme during the last three years and the impact of "Make in India" initiative on leather sector; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for employment generation in this sector?

Heritage Circuit for Telangana

3209. SHRI PRABHAKAR
REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of centrally sponsored projects approved for the Telangana State during the last four years;

(b) whether the financial assistance have been released for the projects already sanctioned during the said period; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the progress of the Medak - Mehaboob Nagar heritage circuit including the amount released in this regard?

Export/Import of Metals and Minerals

3210. SHRI DEVUSINH
CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE
AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum and value of minerals and metals including iron ore and their products exported from and imported to the country during the last three years, country-wise along with the country's share in world trade of such minerals and metals;

(b) the percentage of export of minerals *vis-à-vis* their production in the country;

(c) whether instances of illegal export of some minerals, particularly iron ore have come to the notice of the Government and if so, the number of such cases reported during the said period along with the follow-up action taken by the Government thereon; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to review the existing policy with respect to minerals and metals, particularly iron ore so as to protect the domestic industry and if so, the details thereof?

Literacy Rate of Tribal Communities

†3211. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL
AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to utilise in Madhya Pradesh for the education of tribal population during the last three years and the current year; and

(b) the measures taken/being taken by the Government for improving the literacy level of tribal communities?

Promotion and Development of Regional Culture

†3212. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI
PAATLE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes of the Government for promotion and development of national and regional culture of various States in the country including Chhattisgarh;

(b) the assistance provided for these schemes during the last three years and current year, State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh;

(c) whether the Government proposes to enhance the financial assistance in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

No Detention Policy

†3213. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN
BHATT:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Governments propose to make changes in the no detention policy in schools;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government has considered their demands so far; and

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

Sakshar Bharat Abhiyan

3214. SHRI BADRUDDIN
AJMAL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has abolished the Sakshar Bharat Scheme which was launched to educate adult people of the country and which was giving a good result;

(b) if so, the reasons for abolishing the scheme;

(c) whether the Government is aware that this decision caused unemployment to the thousands of teachers who have been working under the scheme and if so, the details thereof;

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(d) whether these teachers were not paid their salaries for several months and scheme was abolished without any prior information;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which all these teachers are likely to get their payment; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to reconsider its decision and continue the scheme?

Development of Logistic Hubs

3215. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has chosen many places across the country to develop them as logistic hub;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is preparing a blue print and the State Governments concerned will be made a part of it; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Skill Development through ITIs

†3216. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of sectors identified for industrial partnership for Skill Development through ITI;

(b) industrial houses which have come forward for such partnership and details of capacity building under such programmes;

(c) whether the curriculum of ITI is proposed to be restructured to comply with the norms of industries;

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

(e) if not the reasons therefor?

Cleanliness in Government Schools

†3217. SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are making any special efforts to promote cleanliness in schools and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is any accurate provision to inspect the schools cleanliness in toilets and other places which are not being taken care of and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any proposal is under consideration to impose penalty where it is violated frequently and if so, the details thereof?

Tourism Circuits in Rajasthan under Swadesh Darshan Scheme

†3218. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide administrative and financial approvals to develop eco-adventure circuit, tribal circuit, desert circuit and eco-tourism circuit in Rajasthan under Swadesh Darshan Scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to issue guidelines regarding special tourism zone for the above projects; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which these guidelines are likely to be issued and if not, the reasons therefor?

Export to Iran

3219. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is exporting any commodities to Iran;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the quantum of commodities exported from India to Iran during the last three years, commodity-wise?

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Steel Prices

†3220. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any fluctuation in the domestic prices of steel during the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether there is an increase in the price of steel despite the low price of raw material in the domestic market and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the profit of steel manufacturers has increased due to the hike in the price of steel and if so, the details thereof, Plant-wise;

(d) whether the information of cartelization in the steel sector has caused/ led to hike in the price of steel and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective steps being taken by the Government to check the rise in prices of steel and to maintain balance in demand and supply?

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