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Questions For Oral Answer

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Hostels for ST Girls and Boys

***101 Sh. Rahul Gandhi (Wayanad):**

TRIBAL AFFAIRS :-

(a) the details of assistance released under the Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Scheme, State-wise;

(b) whether the Ministry has received any proposals from the Government of Kerala for the construction of new hostels for ST boys and girls;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the list of operational hostels in Kerala; and

(d) the details of the funds sanctioned under the erstwhile scheme of 'Hostels for ST Girls and Boys'?

Shell Companies

***102 Sh. Pashupati Nath Singh(Dhanbad) :**

CORPORATE AFFAIRS :-

(a) the number of shell companies against which the Central Bureau of Investigation has registered cases during 2015-2018 along with the details of the number of cases registered;

(b) the details of irregularities detected during the investigation;

(c) the outcome of the action taken against the directors/operators of the said shell companies; and

(d) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Unfair Practices by Online Travel Agents

***103 Sh. P.P.Chaudhary (Pali):**

TOURISM :-

(a) whether the Government is aware of any instances of unfair business practices resorted to by online travel agents and hospitality service providers;

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

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to avoid exploitation of customers and partners by such entities?

Discrimination in Schools

***104 Sh. Ravikumar. D (Viluppuram):**

HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT :-

(a) whether the Government has any plan to eradicate caste discrimination in schools and if so, the details thereof;

b) the measures proposed in the New Education Policy to eradicate gender/caste/ religion based discrimination; and

(c) whether the Government has any plan to set up a high level committee of Academics to study the problem of discrimination in school campuses and if so, the details thereof?

Bharat Stage VI Fuel

***105 Dr. Kirit Premjibhai Solanki (Ahmedabad West):**

PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS :-

(a) whether Bharat Stage VI (BS VI) vehicles need different composition of petrol and diesel and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the refineries in India have been re-configured to make petrol and diesel compatible to BS VI, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether any changes have been made to petrol and diesel to reduce environmental pollution and if so, the details thereof?

Indian Institutes of Information Technology

***106 Sh. Ajay Misra (Kheri):**

HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT :-

(a) whether the Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIITs) propose to introduce Dual Degree Courses in view of the market demand;

(b) if so, the names of IIITs where these courses are likely to be introduced along with the details of such courses; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Kendriya Vidyalayas

***107 Prof. Ram Shankar (Etawah):**

HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT :-

(a) whether there is a special quota for the Members of Parliament and the Ministry for special concession in admission to the Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) and if so, the details thereof including the guidelines laid down in this regard;

(b) whether the Government proposes to provide coupons to the Members of Parliament through the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan for each KV keeping in view the number of KVs located in their Parliamentary Constituencies and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal to increase the number of coupons given to the Members of Parliament under special concession in admission to the KVs;

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

(e) the provisions made/to be made by the Government for those Members of Parliament whose constituency has no KV?

Conducting Board Examinations Twice a Year

***108 Sh. Rakesh Singh (Jabalpur):**

HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT :-

(a) whether the Government proposes to bring improvement in the assessment process under the New Education Policy in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the NCERT proposes to conduct board examinations twice a year for this purpose and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the outcome of the new process of assessment is advantageous to the students; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

School Infrastructure in Tribal Areas

***109 Sh. Vishnu Dayal Ram (Palamu):**

TRIBAL AFFAIRS :-

(a) the present infrastructure of schools in tribal areas of the country, Statewise including Jharkhand;

(b) whether there is any proposal of the Government for the development of school infrastructure in tribal areas;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and released during each of the last three years, State-wise;

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

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

Historical and Religious Fairs

***110 Sh. Mukesh Rajput (Farrukhabad):**

CULTURE :-

(a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to promote historical and religious fairs organised in different parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to promote Kalpvasis' 'Ramnagariya Mela' organized on the banks of the river Ganga during the month of Magha in Farrukhabad; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Stake Sale in HPCL

***111 Smt. Sajda Ahmed (Uluberia):**

PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS :-

(a) whether the Government has mooted a proposal for sale of its stake in the Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of the investment and profit by HPCL and BPCL during the last five years;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the employees of HPCL and BPCL have decided to go on one day all India strike on 28.11.2019; and

(d) if so, the action taken/being taken by the Government to negotiate with the concerned trade unions to address their concerns?

Reforms in Oil and Energy Sector

***112 Smt. Raksha Nikhil Khadse(Raver) :**

PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS :-

- (a) whether India is developing energy infrastructure worth \$100 billion;
- (b) if so, the details of the major investments which are in the pipeline;
- (c) whether there is a need to bring policy reforms to make it conducive for foreign players to invest in this development;
- d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to bring reforms in the oil and energy sector such as opening of retail outlets and exploration licensing policy to make the country the new destination for global energy players and if so, the details thereof?

Purchase of LNG

***113 Sh. M. Selvaraj (Nagapattinam):**

PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Petronet LNG Limited, a firm promoted by GAIL, IOCL, ONGC and BPCL has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the US firm Tellurian to purchase 5 million tonnes per annum of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) from Driftwood, concurrent with its equity investment and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Petronet LNG Board had not favoured such a deal in April/May this year; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for going for such a deal now?

Budget Hotels

***114 Sh. Shrirang Appa Barne(Maval) :**

TOURISM :-

- (a) whether there is a huge shortage of hotel rooms, especially in the budget hotels in the country due to huge inflow of foreign and domestic tourists and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up any new budget hotels and if

so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and the amount allocated and spent by the Government in setting up the tourist centres/budget hotels during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise along with the progress made in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has asked State Governments to follow tourism friendly policies for augmenting budget hotels and if so, the response of the State Governments thereto;

(d) whether the Government is also giving incentives to encourage the growth of budget hotels and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has conducted any review on the working of budget hotels to remove their shortcomings and if so, the details thereof?

Financial Assistance for Museums

***115 Sh. Bidyut Baran Mahato(Jamshedpur) :**

CULTURE :-

(a) whether he held any bilateral meeting with a German Delegation recently and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) regarding cooperation between the Museums of India and Germany has been signed in the said meeting and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is also considering to explore the possibilities to translate classics belonging to both countries into German and Indian languages and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the museums situated in various cities across the country have sought any financial assistance in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the amount of funds sanctioned and released by the Government in this regard?

Structural Reforms

***116 Sh. Nama Nageswara Rao (Khammam):**

FINANCE :-

(a) whether the Government is considering to bring out a White Paper on economy and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of structural reforms initiated during the last two years in the country to bring out the economy from agricultural and industrial distress, improve employment opportunities in different sectors and help the unorganised sector, particularly after demonetisation;

(c) the details of employment promised by the Government and the employment provided in both Government and private sectors, separately, during the last three years; and

(d) the comments/views of the Ministry on demonetisation and its impact on society and unorganized sector?

Workforce in Unorganised Sector

***117 Smt. Aparajita Sarangi (Bhubaneswar):**

LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT :-

(a) whether the Government has defined the unorganised sector and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the total percentage of Indian workforce in the unorganised sector, State/ UT-wise, particularly in Odisha;

(c) the reasons that are identified by the Government for a large presence of the unorganised sector; and

(d) whether it is viable at present to transform the unorganised sector into an organised sector, if so, the manner in which it can be done and the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Sale of Adulterated Fuel

***118 Smt. Pratima Mondal (Jaynagar):**

PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS :-

(a) whether the Government is aware of the problem of adulteration of fuel and sale of the said adulterated fuel and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to restrict/end the said problem; and

(b) the number of cases/complaints lodged during the last five years and the current year in this regard?

Opening of Bank Branches

***119 Dr. Sujay Radhakrishna Vikhepatil (ahmednagar):**

FINANCE :-

(a) the details of branches of the Public and Private Sector Banks opened during the last three years in the country, particularly in Maharashtra, District-wise;

(b) whether the Government has laid down any criteria for opening of branches of PSBs and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of Gram Panchayats and villages in the States of Maharashtra and Kerala which do not have any banking facilities; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to open bank branches in areas which are not having banking facilities?

Skill Development Centres

***120 Sh. Basanta Kumar Panda(Kalahandi) :**

SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP :-

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up Skill Development Centres in Haryana including Kurukshetra and Odisha including Kalahandi;

(b) if so, the total number of Skill Development Centres being set up in Haryana and Odisha including Kurukshetra and Kalahandi;

(c) the centre-wise details of the budget allocated by the Government for this purpose along with the time-limit fixed in this regard; and

(d) the number of youth imparted skill development training at Kalahandi?
