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List of Ouestions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Earth Sciences; Environment, Forest and Climate Change; Health and Family Welfare; Information and Broadcasting; Science and Technology; Textiles; Women and Child Development)

(आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष); पृथ्वी विज्ञान; पर्यावरण वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन; स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण; सूचना और प्रसारण; विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी; वस्त्र; महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय)

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Jute Mills in Assam

3182. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the present condition of the jute mill at Gnagacha in the district of Barpeta in Assam State;
- (b) the number of jute mills in Assam and in the country;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for the benefit of the jute growers; and
- (d) whether the production of jute products is declining in the State of Assam for lack of proper market, if so, the details thereof?

Curbing Population Growth

3183. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM: SHRI AJAY BHATT: PROF. SAUGATA RAY: SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per United Nations reports India is set to be the most populous country by 2027 and expected to overtake China in the next three to five years in terms of population growth, if so, the details thereof indicating the rate of population growth, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether Government has taken any action on the report of Shri M.S. Swaminathan Committee constituted for formulating National Population Policy (NPP), if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for its non-implementation;
- (c) whether some social organizations/religious groups are opposed to Government's move to control the population, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Government has taken stern steps to control the constantly increasing population; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with other innovative measures/solution apart

from the existing schemes being implemented by the Government to control population growth?

New DTH Rules

3184. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that new DTH rules announced by TRAI are not being implemented by many DTH operators in accordance with the norms prescribed;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether TRAI has deferred the date of implementation of the DTH Rules, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the prices of DTH Channels are not being charged according to the norms, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the remedial measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

AIR Transmission in the Country

3185. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

स्चना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study to monitor the functioning of All India Radio (AIR) in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the radio stations that are working under AIR as of now, State-wise;

- (c) the total asset under AIR control;
- (d) whether the Government is contemplating any upgrade in content so as to enhance competitiveness with other private channels, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of employees that are working in AIR as of now, State/UT-wise?

Kyoto Protocol

3186. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India and China had jointly urged rich nations to ratify the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol (2013-2020) guiding their climate action for next three years to build trust in the multilateral process; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Biological Drugs

3187. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes promotion of medicine based on biologics keeping in view biological drugs are playing significant role for the unmet medical needs in particular for the non-communicable diseases like cancer and diabetes:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether the Government proposes to mark separate fund allocation for the growth in biologics; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Menstrual Health

3188. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE: SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any steps have been taken by the Government towards improvement in the menstrual health of women in rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to involve NGOs and other private organizations working in this direction and to provide them encouragement and support from the Government in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Packaged Foods

3189. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that carbonated soft drinks have high acidic tendencies

which can harm human body in long term and if so, the details thereof and steps taken by the Government in this regard;

- (b) whether majority of the fried packaged snacks has high cholesterol and can cause diabetes tendencies and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government has carried out any survey/research/report on the healthiness of processed and packaged food and its impact on human health and if so, the details and timings thereof; and
- (d) the corrective measures taken by the Government to regulate packaged snacks/foods?

Death caused by Wild Animals

†3190. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has any information regarding death of many citizens in the country due to violent attacks by stray and wild animals;
- (b) if so, the details of such deaths of people reported during the last three years; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to control stray animals?

Fast Track Special Courts

3191. SHRI P.

RAVEENDRANATH

KUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to set up 1023 Fast Track Special Courts to deal with pending cases under POCSO Act across the country, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether such proposal has been approved by the Government with a financial outlay of Rs. 767. 25 crores and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the further steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Cleaning up of Buddha Nalla in Ludhiana

3192. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sanctioned any funds for the cleaning up of the Buddha Nalla in Ludhiana and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to aid the State Government of Punjab for the purpose and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government intends to send a team to assist the municipal council of Ludhiana; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Rare Diseases

3193. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT: SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: DR. PRITAM
GOPINATHRAO
MUNDE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an estimated 72-96 million Indians are affected by rare diseases and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether it is a fact that India has not arrived at an official consensus on the definition of a rare disease and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto:
- (c) whether the Government is considering to formulate a national policy for treatment of rare diseases and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government has included rare diseases in its plan of action and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the funds allocated by the Government for rare diseases to each State during the last three years?

Pediatric ICU at SKMCH Hospital Muzaffarpur

†3194. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given approval for setting up of a 100 beded Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (P-ICU) at SKMCH hospital, Muzaffarpur keeping in view the cases of Acute Encephalitis Syndrome;

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- (b) if so, the total expenditure likely to be incurred along with the time by which it is likely to be completed;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to institute such P-ICU in all the district hospitals of Bihar; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Ayushman Bharat Yojana (ABY)

3195. SHRI RAJA
AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRIMATI HEMA
MALINI:
SHRI HANS RAJ HANS:
SHRI KANAKMAL
KATARA:
DR. SUKANTA
MAJUMDAR:
SHRI M. SELVARAJ:
SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:
SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR
SONKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some State/UT Governments have shown unwillingness to implement the flagship Ayushman Bharat Yojana (ABY);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government to bring those States/UTs within the ambit of the ABY; and
- (c) the measures proposed by the Government to serve the poor and vulnerable section of such States/UTs in case some of these States/UTs do not implement the scheme?

Weavers MUDRA Scheme

3196. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of weavers who have received financial assistance under the Weavers' MUDRA Scheme in the last three years, the details thereof State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the average loan amount disbursed to weavers across the country, under the Weavers' MUDRA Scheme in the last three years;
- (c) the total number of weavers in Thiruvananthapuram who have received financial assistance under the Weavers' MUDRA Scheme in the last three years, year-wise;
- (d) the average loan amount disbursed to weavers in Thiruvananthapuram under the Weavers' MUDRA Scheme in the last three years, year-wise; and
- (e) whether the Ministry has revised its target figure for distribution of loans under the said scheme, if so, the details thereof?

Deaths of Animals due to Heat Wave

3197. SHRI A.

GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether large number of animals and birds kept in zoos in many parts of the country died due to heat wave during the summer; (b) if so, the total number of animals and birds died during the last three years, zoo-wise:

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- (c) whether the Government has taken/ proposes to take any preventive measures to stop such deaths in the future; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Women Participation in Workforce

†3198. SHRIMATI RANJAN BEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to propose a policy to promote women empowerment and their safety to increase their participation in the workforce and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps in this direction; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Problem of Plastic Waste

†3199. SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:
SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH
JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the problem of plastic waste in the country and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether the Government has laid down norms for manufacturing and use of degradable and undegradable plastics and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken initiatives to set up waste/garbage management system using technology at hilly and religious locations and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether indiscriminate use of plastic is one of the reasons for environment degradation; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Health Facilities in Minority Areas

3200. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the facilities available in Government hospitals are not sufficient for the poor, helpless and pregnant women in minorities dominated areas due to which the women and the poor and the helpless face problem in getting admitted and proper treatment in hospitals:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to bring improvement in medical facilities and to construct enough hospitals in the minorities dominated areas, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether such areas have been identified which are minority dominated

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and faced acute shortage of medical facilities, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Vacant Posts of Scientists

†3201. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of posts of scientists lying vacant in top scientific institutes of the country, institute/laboratory-wise;
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government to fill up the said vacancies;
- (c) the details of the scheme formulated by the Government to encourage women scientists in the country along with the outcome of the said scheme during the last five years;
- (d) whether the Government has any scheme to provide opportunity through fellowship to the students of the schools and colleges in the country to work in top laboratories of the country on the lines of America and Europe, if so, the number of young scientists invited in this regard; and
- (e) the details of the laboratories which are participating in this work?

Group Workshed Scheme for Powerloom Sector

3202. DR. HEENA GAVIT:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI
SHARMA:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO
BHAMRE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:

DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of Group Workshed Scheme for Powerloom sector in the country along with the objective and scope thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has modified the existing Group Workshed Scheme for decentralized powerloom sector to organize powerloom units in a cluster and provide improved working conditions;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the eligibility and criteria to avail the facilities under this scheme;
- (e) the total number of powerloom units benefited under this scheme during the last three years, State-wise;
- (f) the total amount released and spent by the Government under this scheme during the said period; and
- (g) the other measures taken by the Government to improve the conditions of powerloom sector?

Discontinuation of ICDS

3203. SHRI BALLI DURGA PRASAD RAO:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds released under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme during the last three years, State/UT-wise; and (b) whether the Government has proposed to discontinue the ICDS scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Flow of Polluted Water into Rivers

3204. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that contaminated and polluted water is being fed into the main rivers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the effort being made by the Government to deal with the situation;
- (c) whether the pollution is effectively controlled by the industrial units across the country:
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of industrial units identified for non-compliance of pollution norms during last three years along with the action taken against these units?

Health Insurance Scheme for CGHS Beneficiaries

3205. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce Health Insurance Scheme for Central Government Health Scheme

- (CGHS) beneficiaries including for OPD treatment facilities;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Shortage of Ayush Doctors

3206. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the large number of posts of Ayush doctors/practitioners including Homoeopathy and Unani are lying vacant in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is a shortage of Ayush drug inspectors in the country and if so, the details thereof, stream and State/ UT-wise: and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to fill these vacancies along with the time by which these vacancies are likely to be filled?

Mining Activities in Forest Areas

3207. SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether destruction of forests for mining purposes has its cascading effects on the depletion of rainfall and environment pollution and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether inhabitants of forest areas have been displaced due to mining activities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Cotton Production in Maharashtra

†3208. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of abundant production of cotton in Maharashtra, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has deviced any plan to set up textile hub for such regions of abundant production, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the current textile hub situated in Ichalkaranji in Maharashtra is in a dilapidated condition, if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether any funds are likely to be approved to re-establish such textile hub, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Share of States in Development of Textile Industry

3209. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Union Government has evaluated the share of various States including Gujarat in development of textiles industry/sector;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the measures taken/to be taken by the Union Government to boost textiles sector in the country and to compete globally in partnership with other international players in this regard;
- (d) whether Union Government proposes to restructure its textile policy to achieve growth target set for the sector in the coming years; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

Doordarshan/FM Transmission

†3210. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR: SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the population and areas in percentage of the country including Gujarat that have not been covered under Doordarshan network so far, if so, the reasons therefor along with the names of such areas, State-wise:
- (b) the measures that are being taken by the Government for coverage of Doordarshan network in that area:
- (c) whether the Government had made any effort to launch FM radio services in

Dahod district of Gujarat and if so, the details of the efforts undertaken;

- (d) whether the Government had invited tender to launch FM radio services in Dahod district of Gujarat, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government got any request for replacement of FM transmitter which was installed in Amreli district of Guiarat, if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the time by which the FM transmitter that was installed is likely to be replaced with higher capacity transmitter?

Desertification

†3211. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has convened a meeting in New Delhi to combat desertification, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether most parts of the country particularly Bihar have undergone desertification due to various reasons including excessive use of groundwater and excessive removal of sand from the riverbeds, and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any stringent laws to prevent exploitation of natural resources and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has gathered State/UT-wise details of the persons engaged in exploitation of natural

resources during the last three years and the current year; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against such persons engaged in exploitation of natural resources in violation of existing laws?

Spurious Pharmacies

3212. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cases of low quality medicines being marketed by spurious pharmacies have come to the knowledge of the Government during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) whether the Government is planning to develop any mechanism to check such spurious pharmacies and, if so, the details thereof?

Re-registration of Medical Professionals

3213. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that some foreign countries have

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compulsory re-registration method for medical practitioners at regular intervals to enhance their professional skills, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) the reasons for not introducing the same in our country for periodically updated knowledge of medical professionals; and
- (c) the number of medical practitioners registered with Medical Council of India (MCI) or State Medical Councils who have not submitted information within the stipulated time about their participation in professional meetings as a part of Continuing Medical Education (CME), during the last three years, State/UT-wise and year-wise, and the action taken against them?

Cancer Cases

3214. SHRI RAJESHBHAI
CHUDASAMA:
SHRIMATI PRATIMA
MONDAL:
SHRI KANAKMAL
KATARA:
DR. SUJAY
RADHAKRISHNA
VIKHE PATIL:
SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware about the increase in the number of cancer patients in the country and if so, the details thereof indicating the number of cancer cases reported during the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study to analyse the causes

of increasing cancer cases and if so, the details and findings thereof;

- (c) whether the Government had announced mandatory screening of oral, cervix and breast cancer, if so, the details thereof and the extent of success achieved in the first phase;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to expand the mandatory screening programme to other parts of the country barring the 100 districts of Phase-I and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps being taken by the Government to create public awareness about the disease and providing adequate latest facilities for its prevention, diagnosis and treatment?

Tree Plantation

3215. SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to increase tree plantation in the country including Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, Statewise;
- (c) whether the Government has achieved the target of covering 33 percent of its geographical area under forest cover;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Forest Cover

3216. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether according to a new study released by the World Resources Institute (WRI), India's forest cover stands at 21 per cent against global standard of 33.3 per cent;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any measures to analyze the alarming situation of India's declining forest cover;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the initiatives being taken by the Government to save our forests and increase the forest cover of the country?

Super Speciality Blocks under PMSSY

†3217. SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE: DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have sanctioned Super Speciality Blocks under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) in the country including Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

- (c) the details of the colleges in Maharashtra where Super Speciality Wings have been set up;
- (d) whether it is a fact that there is shortage of specialist doctors in the said Super Speciality Blocks; and
- (e) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the efforts made to meet the above shortage of specialist doctors?

Researches done in the Field of Science

†3218. SHRI AKSHAIBAR LAL:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to include researches done in the field of science within the country and abroad in the newly launched portal of the Government named 'sampurn':
- (b) if so, the details thereof and other science related information likely to be included in this portal;
- (c) whether patent facility is likely to be provided for researches being undertaken on different science subjects are also likely to be included on this portal; and
- (d) if so, the terms and conditions in this regard?

Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi

3219. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

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- (a) whether the Government is providing financial assistance to the poor patients under Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi (RAN) scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including number of patients benefited and quantum of assistance given during the last five years, year and State-wise; and
- (c) the details of criteria put in place for the financial assistance?

Schemes/Projects in Maharashtra

3220. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes or projects implemented or being implemented by the Government in Maharashtra along with the details of funds allocated in this regard during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any survey for continuous rising sea-level in coastal areas of Maharashtra; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the action being taken in this regard?

Air Purifying Plant

†3221. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether scientists have developed any plant with air purifying capabilities to clean polluted air in mineral, mining/ producing cities;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the use of such plants is likely to be made available to provide clean air to the people?

Newspapers and Magazines

†3222. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of registered newspapers and magazines in the country along with the number of such newspapers and magazines published on daily, weekly, fortnightly and monthly basis, name-wise;
- (b) the languages in which newspapers and magazines are published in various States of the country, State-wise;
- (c) the number of newspapers and magazines which have not filed annual returns during the last three years across the country, State-wise;
- (d) the total number of newspapers and magazines authorized to receive advertisements from DAVP in the country along with the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of newspapers and magazines which have deposited levy fees during the last three years, name-wise?

Greenhouse Gas Emissions

3223. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the increasing anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions in the country including Agriculture sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has made any assessment regarding impact of climatic change on small agricultural system in the country, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any initiatives for introducing climate smart agriculture techniques to reduce the impact of global climate change on the agriculture sector in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Consumption of Areca Nut

3224. SHRI DEVUSINH JESINGBHAI CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether consumption of areca nut reportedly has adverse impact on health and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) the provisions laid down by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) with regard to gutka, pan masala and other sweet/scented/flavoured areca nut products and chewing tobacco in the country;
- (c) whether certain States/UTs have imposed ban on the marketing and

- consumption of the flavoured areca nut products and chewing tobacco, if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to ban the same throughout the country;
- (d) whether marketing and consumption of the aforesaid areca nut products and chewing tobacco have been reported from certain parts of the country after ban and if so, the details of such products thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to regulate/curb the advertisements of such harmful products in the country?

Action Plan on Climate Change

3225. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has considered amending the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) given the record rise in temperature nationwide, especially in North and Central India;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the target set, budget allocated and funds sanctioned for the National Clean Air Programme in Karnataka till date?

Study on Pollution in Rivers

†3226. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवाय परिवर्तन मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the pollution control research institute has conducted any intensive study regarding rising pollution levels in various rivers including Yamuna and Ganga;
- (b) if so, the outcome thereof and the details of recommendations made in the said study; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Homes for Disabled and Destitute Children

3227. SHRI B.B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether homes for disabled and destitute children/women are being run by the Government and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) the number of such homes, State/UT-wise particularly in Telangana;
- (c) the nature of financial assistance being provided by the Government and other agencies for running these homes; and
- (d) the funds sanctioned and utilised for the construction of such homes during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Telangana?

Expenditure incurred on Government Advertisements

3228. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of expenditure incurred on advertisements by various Government Departments/Public Sector Undertakings during the last three years and the current year, year and State-wise; and
- (b) the details of newspaper and electronic media of various States in which the Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) issued advertisement during each of the last three years and the current year, newspaper and State-wise including Kerala?

Leprosy Eradication Programme

†3229. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the progress in leprosy eradication programme started in the country has been at a slow pace and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the estimated number of leprosy patients in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any survey to ascertain the socio-economic conditions of the leprosy patients in the country;
- (d) if so, the details and findings thereof; and
- (e) the measures being taken by the Government to eradicate leprosy from the country?

AYUSH Centres/Hospitals

3230. SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of AYUSH centres/ hospitals sanctioned, newly proposed, expansion of such centre, fresh demands received along with the action taken on them during the last three years, particularly in the State of Telangana and Andhara Pradesh; and
- (b) the total funds sanctioned/spent thereon?

ANM & GNM under NRHM

†3231. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recruited Auxiliary Nursing Midwifery (ANM) and General Nursing and Midwifery (GNM) workers on temporary/contractual basis to work for healthcare services in the country under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM);
- (b) if so, the details thereof, Statewise including Rajasthan;
- (c) the district-wise number of employees working on temporary/contractual basis particularly in Rajasthan;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to make such employees permanent; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Ayurvedic Treatment for Asthama

3232. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government recognizes the newly introduced Bathani Fish Prasadam to cure Asthama as an Ayurvedic treatment;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Environmental Upgradation of Cities

†3233. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI: SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme has been launched for environmental upgradation of cities:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the name of the States from which the Union Government has received proposals for environmental upgradation during the last two years;
- (d) the action taken on the said proposals so far; and
- (e) the number of such proposals pending with the Government?

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Misleading Advertisement

†3234. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL: SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of research data which suggests that a child by way of advertisements in television, print and online media watches about 8000 murder scenes before elementary school and 2,09,000 scenes of violence before turning 18:
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to ban such advertisements and programmes from being telecast/broadcast; and
- (c) the action taken so far against celebrities for endorsing such misleading/ vulgar/violent advertisements and others pertaining to alcohol consumption?

Schemes to Prevent Malnutrition

†3235. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of schemes being implemented by the Government in Jammu and Kashmir to prevent rising incidence of malnutrition among women;
- (b) whether the Government has fixed accountability of anyone to ensure proper implementation of these schemes: and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Increase in Forest Cover

3236. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI: SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether forest cover in the country has increased during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the reasons where forest/green cover has increased;
- (c) the best global practices that are currently being studied by the Government to increase forest/green cover in the country and if so, the details thereof: and
- (d) the other steps being taken by the Government to increase forest cover in the country?

Dual Role of Nurses as Educator and Practitioner

3237. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce 'dual role' of nurses as educator and practitioners in the country, if so, the details thereof along with the reason behind the move to introduce 'dual role' in the medical system;
- (b) whether the Government has taken views/suggestions from those concerned in

this regard and if so, the details thereof and impediments faced in implementation to the said move; and

(c) whether the Government has made any pilot project in this regard, if so, the details and the success rate thereof?

Pollution in Rivers

3238. SHRI GIRISH
BHALCHANDRA
BAPAT:
SHRI SRIRANGA APPA
BARNE:
DR. PRITAM
GOPINATHRAO

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

MUNDE:

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has formed a Central Monitoring Committee to prepare and enforce a national plan to make over 350 rivers' stretches across the country pollution free;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the composition of the Central Monitoring Committee:
- (c) whether the tribunal has also directed the Ministry to consider a policy for giving environmental awards to outstanding persons (natural and juristic) and institutions or states and introducing "dis-incentives" for non-compliant states:
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Union Government in this regard;
- (e) whether the Central Monitoring Committee has prepared any action plan

for the safety of water and environment and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Union Government to control the pollution in the country?

Rebate of State/Central Taxes and Levies

3239. SHRI H. VASANTHAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is aware that a pilot scheme for Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies on ready made garments exports is presently operational in textile business;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government for operationalisation of this scheme for RoSCTL; and
- (c) the time likely to be taken for operationalisation of this scheme?

Retesting of Samples of Drugs

3240. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) the details of the safeguards provided under the Drugs and Cosmetic Rules available in case the report of a Government Analyst is to be challenged;
- (b) whether there is a provision for retesting of samples of Drugs in the presence of the manufacturers;

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- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the revised guidelines issued by the Drug Controller of India in this regard?

Technologies to Control Flood

3241. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any measures to promote research and development to control the flood in flood affected areas in the State of Bihar;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to promote the technologies for flood control specially in Gopalganj district of Bihar and the outcome thereof?

Environmental Clearance for Airports in Andhra Pradesh

3242. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sanctioned environmental clearances for proposed/ongoing airports in Andhra Pradesh:
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof, airport-wise; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

All India Institute of Ayurveda at Tirupati

3243. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHANA RAJU:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to set up All India Institute of Ayurveda at Tirupati as per the terms of Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the funds allocated for it and the time by which it is likely to be set up?

AYUSH Hospitals By PSUs

3244. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposed that the Public Sector Units (PSUs) have to open hospitals exclusively providing for traditional systems of medicine including Ayurveda across the country:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) has agreed to open five such hospitals including Kayamkulam in Kerala; and

(d) if so, the details and the present status thereof?

Air Pollution

3245. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR: SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that various surveys put 14 cities from India in the list of top 20 most polluted cities in the world and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government has held a meeting with the stakeholders to discuss measures to control the rising levels of air pollution;
- (c) if so, the details thereof indicating the names of States/officials which participated therein along with the issues discussed and response of the State Government thereon;
- (d) the details of meetings held in past three years to control pollution in Delhi/ National Capital Region along with its reports and outcome thereof; and
- (e) the details of policy measures and steps taken by the Government to control rising pollution along with the estimated time taken for implementation of such policy measures?

District Hospitals

3246. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and number of district hospitals presently functioning in the country as on date, State/UT-wise including Punjab;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal/received any proposals from the States/UTs for upgradation of their district hospitals into medical colleges; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Death of Wild Animals

†3247. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of death of wild animals including lions due to recent excessive rains and floods in some areas of the country:
- (b) if so, the total number of such death of animals reported, State and Species-wise;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether some wild animals including lions have escaped from forests/wild animal reserves including Gir forest and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to save animals from the dangers of such natural disasters?

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

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Unavailability of Organs

†3248. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether around five lakh people die every year in the country due to unavailability of organs and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether lack of knowledge, awareness and infrastructure are the major reasons to discourage organ donation in the country;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the number of patients needing kidney transplant each year in the country along with the number of kidneys available for such transplants; and
- (e) the details of steps being taken by the Government to ensure availability of organs for people?

Participation of Women in Economic Activities

3249. SHRI B.Y.
RAGHAVENDRA:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR
KATEEL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the participation of women in economic activities has increased in the recent times and if so, the details thereof:

- (b) whether the Government has any data to estimate the number of women participating in various sectors of the economy including rural economy, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government is aware that the increased participation of women in economic activities has led to exploitation of women and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) the number of cases or incidents of exploitation of women reported during the last three years including the current year, State/year-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has taken any measure to prevent such exploitation against women and to encourage them to participate in economic activities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the response of the Government in this regard?

National Homoeopathy Institute

†3250. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up a National Homoeopathy Institute at Narela in NCT of Delhi by the year 2020;
- (b) if so, the present status of the said institute; and
- (c) the time by which the said institute is likely to start operating properly?

Availability of Medicines

†3251. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether free medicines are available in stores for treatment of malaria, dengue, swine flu, leprosy etc. in the Government hospitals and dispensaries in rural areas of Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details of the medicines provided to patients during the last three years:
- (c) the number of patients whose medical tests were conducted in the Government hospitals in Madhya Pradesh for diagnosis of malaria, swine flu and other diseases; and
- (d) the number of patients died of swine flu in Madhya Pradesh during the last two years, district-wise?

Legislation for Medical Devices

3252. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government had planned to bring in a new legislation for governing the medical devices, and it was scrapped later on;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the laws governing medical devices in the country at present;

- (d) whether inspections or audits are carried out on imported as well as indigenous medical devices and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether grievance redressal mechanism is available under these laws for a patient if a medical device/implant turns out to be faulty and whether provision for compensation is being included in the Medical Devices Rules, 2017 therein and if so, the details thereof?

Assaults on Doctors

3253. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE: SHRI KHAGEN MURMU: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONK AR: SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR: SHRI B.B. PATIL: SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI: SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether assaults on doctors and hospital staff have been reported in various Government hospitals across the country including recent incidents in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details of such cases reported during the last three years, hospital and State/UT-wise;

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- (c) whether Indian Medical Association (IMA) has directed all its States the members to stage protests against such attack on docters across the country which led to the shutdown of OPD, Emergency services which resulted into death of patients, if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government has implemented the recommendations of the Inter-Ministerial Committee constituted in the Ministry to review various issues including issue of assault on doctors, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there is urgent need for a specific legislation to protect doctors/health professionals; and
- (f) if so, the preventive steps taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard?

Doordarshan and Akashvani Channels in Nepali Language

3254. SHRI RAJU BISTA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of any dedicated 24-hour Nepali language service being run on national broadcast, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government has received any proposals or plans to start a dedicated channel *via* Doordarshan or Akashvani for Nepali language, one of the 22 languages recognized under the 8th Schedule of the constitution, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

State Health Societies

3255. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Committee has observed that the transfer of funds/grants to State Health Societies through the Treasury mode adopted in 2014-15 has been causing a lot of delay instead of the implementation capacity of States;
- (b) if so, the action being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is considering switching to Society mode of transfer of funds; and
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented in the States and if not, the reasons therefor?

Reduction in Carbon Emissions

3256. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the rate at which global carbon emissions are rising during the last five years;
- (b) the details of the steps/efforts undertaken by India to reduce the carbon emissions globally and in our country;

- (c) whether the steps taken by the Government so far have been successful in reducing carbon emissions, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the total fund allocated by the Ministry to reduce carbon emissions during the last five years?

Effect of GST on Textile Sector

3257. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that large number of textiles/garment factories have shut down in Tiruppur after the introduction of GST, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is also aware that the volume of export of garments has drastically decreased:
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any remedial steps have been taken or proposed to be taken to improve the textile business in Tiruppur;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Vacant Posts of Doctors

†3258. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH: SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of registered medical practitioners in the country;
- (b) the State-wise details of the number of posts of doctors lying vacant in the country including Haryana and the time by which these posts are likely to be filled up;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that the number of patients is increasing daily whereas the number of hospitals is quite less due to which the disease does not get treated on time and the patients die on many occasions;
- (d) the details of the concrete steps being taken to prevent it; and
- (e) the total number of AIIMS hospitals announced during the last five years and those on which the construction work has started?

Deficiency in Monsoon Rainfall

3259. DR. M.K. VISHNU PRASAD:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

- (a) whether there is deficiency in monsoon rainfall in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the extent of such deficiency;
- (c) the States/UTs which are likely to experience deficiency in monsoon rainfall;
- (d) whether El Nino factor has any impact on the monsoon rainfall, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the mechanism put in place to predict the current monsoon rainfall along with cyclone and other natural calamities in the near future?

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

O-SMART Programme

3260. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of Ocean Services, Technology, Observations, Resources Modelling and Science (O-SMART) Programme;
- (b) the extent to which the above programme help user communities in coastal areas like Machilipatnam in Andhra Pradesh (AP);
- (c) the estimated cost of the said project and the time by which it is likely to be completed;
- (d) whether the desalination plants are going to be set up under O-SMART Programme, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to set up the same in the huge coastal areas of AP; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Integrated Child Protection Scheme

3261. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR: SHRI P. RAVEENDRANATH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has come out with any report on Child Care Institutions (CCIs) being run by various NGOs and the condition of children living therein and if so, the details thereof:

- (b) whether the Government has regular monitoring mechanism in place to ensure the protection of child rights;
- (c) whether the Government is providing financial assistance to these CCIs/Homes as per the Centrally Sponsored Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of financial allocations made by the Government during the last three years, State/year-wise including Tamil Nadu?

Nirbhaya Act

3262. SHRI P.R. NATARAJAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government maintains any data regarding number of sexual assault cases that have been registered and tried during each of the past five years, State/year-wise including Tamil Nadu:
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the financial assistance/compensation/relief measures provided to victims of sexual harassment which were enshrined in Nirbhaya Act along with the total number of beneficiaries registered thereunder; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR)

3263. SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether education, health and nutrition and basic infrastructure directly come under the monitoring mandate of the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Union Government has identified districts reeling under distress across the country, if so, the details of those districts, along with the criteria adopted for identifying such districts and Statewise:
- (c) whether NCPCR has proposed to reach out to children in distress and those being denied necessary health, nutrition, education and basic infrastructure in the aspirational districts, and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) the plan prepared by the Union Government in this regard; and
- (e) the steps taken so far by the Union Government to redress the grievances faced by the children across the country and the success achieved therein so far?

NaMo TV

3264. SHRI BALUBHAU *ALIAS* SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the TV channel namely NaMo TV is listed on the channel list of Information and Broadcasting Ministry;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the details on how the TV channel was aired during general election 2019?

Textile and Handicraft Policy

3265. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any Textile and Handicrafts Policy during the last three years and if so, the salient features thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has set up textile and handicraft clusters at various places to boost such industries, and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government proposes to boost textile/cloth industries in Gujarat and other States of the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Regulatory Mechanism for Ayurvedic Medicines

3266. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

- (a) whether the regulatory mechanism for Ayurvedic medicines is quite weak in the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) the details of the action being taken by the Government to increase the popularity of Ayurvedic medicines;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to make the clinical trials of Ayurvedic medicines mandatory; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

National Wildlife Action Plan 2017-2031

3267. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण,वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in order to enhance conservation efforts in and around natural parks and sanctuaries, the National Wildlife Action Plan 2017-2031 has stressed on the importance of involvement of people and use of technology including e-surveillance through drones;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Plan has a road map to deal with poaching and illegal trade of animals/animal parts and management of tourism in wildlife areas and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the said action plan will be the third such plan and if so, the details thereof?

Upgradation of CCIs

3268. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to upgrade or introduce a new scheme to improve the condition of abandoned, orphaned or rescued children living in Child Care Institutions;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Polio Virus

3269. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has completely eliminated polio virus from the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government proposes to continue the polio immunization progress and keep a constant vigil to ensure that the virus does not reappear in the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Medical Education Bill

3270. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has amended the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Bill, 2019 recently and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure transparency, accountability and quality in the governance of medical education in the country;
- (c) whether the new Bill provides for supersession of Medical Council of India (MCI) for a period of two years, if so, the details thereof and the reasons for superseding the MCI;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to constitute National Medical Commission to replace the MCI, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to constitute four autonomous boards for undergraduate medical education and if so, the details thereof?

Health Mela Scheme

†3271. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the main objective of the Government to launch Health Mela Scheme under National Health Mission (NHM);
- (b) the names of the States where Health Melas organised under NHM including the number of persons benefited therefrom; and
- (c) the names of the serious ailments detected during the said Health Melas and

the details regarding the types of treatment provided to the patients?

Functioning of AIR/DD Centre

†3272. SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA: SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan regarding transferring the set up of Doordarshan Kendras across the country that are presently not broadcasting anything to the Akashvani Kendra located therein, in the event of their closure;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the future plan for effective broadcasting by filling the staff vacancy at every All India Radio Centre in the event of the said transfer?

Sericulture in Jammu and Kashmir

3273. SHRI HASNAIN MASOODI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

- (a) the steps taken by the Ministry for development of Sericulture and silk production in Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) the details of functioning of Central Sericulture Research and Training Institute, Pampore in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K); and
- (c) the other initiatives taken by the Ministry for J&K?

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Suicide Rate among Women

3274. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noted that the suicide rate among women has increased in the country and is one of the highest in the world;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has established crisis redressal centres especially for providing counselling to depressed women, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to help these women to overcome the problems faced by them like gender discrimination and domestic violence?

Public Health Centres in Tribal Areas

3275. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Public Health Centres and sub-centres in Tribal areas, State-wise:
- (b) whether a number of tribal population do not have access to Public Health Centres/facilities in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the posts of doctors and other medical personnel are vacant in tribal areas: and

(e) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor along with the corrective steps taken by the Government?

Comprehensive Legislation on Child Abuse

3276. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to draft a comprehensive legislation to deal with the menace of child trafficking, missing children, sexual exploitation, slavery and employment of trafficked children:
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which such legislation is likely to be introduced;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has received any suggestions from the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and other experts in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken/being taken by the Government on such suggestions?

Cashless Treatment of Farmers

3277. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide cashless treatment

facility to the farmers in Government and private hospital; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Textile Training Centres

†3278. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of textile training centres functioning in the country at present, State-wise including Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to open more such centres in the country;
- (c) if so, whether any proposal has been received from Madhya Pradesh in this regard; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Tuberculosis Cases

3279. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether two thirds of estimated 2.74 million new tuberculosis cases in the country are being handled by the hospitals in the private sector, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (b) whether only 35 percent of TB cases were treated properly by the private sector and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to intervene in the matter and ensure better treatment for TB by hospitals in the private sector; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

National Nutrition Mission

†3280. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI: SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of districts covered under the National Nutrition Mission (NNM) at present;
- (b) the number of people trained so far to strengthen implementation and operational preparedness under the said Mission; and
- (c) the details of funds spent for the publicity of the NNM during the last two years?

Traditional Medical Knowledge

3281. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

- (a) whether the Ministry has acknowledged during the inter-ministerial meeting with Ministry of AYUSH that the Indian entities are the repositories of traditional medical knowledge;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry has issued any order to exclude Indian entities from manufacturing/selling AYUSH products and from paying any Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) fee under the Biological Diversity Act 2002;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and

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(e) the time by which any such gazette notification regarding the exclusion of above mentioned entities from paying ABS fee under the Biodiversity Act. 2002 will be issued?

Air Quality

3282. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will ofthe Minister ENVIRONMENT. FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

- be pleased to state:
- (a) whether according to the UN World Health Organization (WHO), about 90% of the global population living in cities was exposed to particulate matter (PM) that exceeded the WHO air quality guidelines;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether planting trees is a costeffective way to tackle urban air pollution;
- (d) whether the Government is preparing any policy to mandate the planting of trees in urban cities in and around residential areas: and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Environment Clearance for Projects

3283. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has imposed certain standards/conditions for the projects seeking environment clearance in the past three years;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to bring uniformity for the projects seeking environment clearance?

Welfare Schemes for Handloom Weavers

3284. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES

be pleased to state:

वस्त्र मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to revive, promote and develop handloom and handicrafts sectors in Jharkhand and other parts of the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of the funds allocated. released and spent under various welfare schemes for handloom weavers during the last three years, State-wise including Jharkhand: and
- (e) the success achieved so far in providing marketing facilities to the weavers and the total number of weavers benefited during the said period, State-wise?

Cases of Heat Wave

†3285. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV.

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the measures being taken by the Government for undertaking treatment of persons affected from heat wave:
- (b) the number of deaths took place till date from heat wave in the country, State/UT-wise including Bihar;
- (c) whether the Government extended financial assistance to the families of the deceased; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Creation of Medical Seats

3286. SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.: SHRI PINAKI MISHRA: SHRI M. SELVARAJ: SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has created/ proposes to create 2750 medical seats in 25 new Government medical colleges thereby increasing the Medical seats by 4500 in the country for the academic year 2019-20, if so, the details thereof, the number of existing seats and those newly created additional seats, college, State/UTwise:
- (b) whether Government is aware that there is a shortage of faculty in the existing colleges and the increase of seats would add to this shortage thereby affecting the standard of education for the new medical colleges and if so, the details thereof and the estimated requirement of faculty for the existing as well as the newly added colleges and the manner in which the

problem of demand supply ratio is likely to be solved;

- (c) the criteria adopted by the Medical Council of India (MCI) for the distribution of these seats amongst the existing Medical colleges and hospitals cum Medical Colleges and the number of district hospitals that have been included in the list for enhancement of Medical seats;
- (d) whether the Government has increased the retirement age of doctors in the country to 65 years of age and proposes to depute or shift surgeons over 60 years of age from hospitals to colleges i.e. technical staff to administrative staff thereto: and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

Ayurveda Colleges and Medicinal **Plants**

†3287. SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT: SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA. YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open Government Ayurveda Colleges in the most backward areas of the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to develop special medicinal plants/herbal parks in the country with the cooperation of multinational companies. if so, the details thereof; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

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Earthquake Prone Regions

†3288. SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of earthquake prone regions in the country along with the number of earthquakes that occurred in the country during the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether scientists have studied the phenomenon of non-release of earthquake energy during earthquakes, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether scientists have suspected the occurrence of major earthquakes due to the said reason and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is likely to make disaster management more effective and strong in earthquake prone areas, if so, the details thereof?

Asiatic Golden Cats

3289. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV RAO MANDLIK: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether scientists have discovered a nearly threatened, six different 'Coloured Morhpis' of Asiatic Golden Cats in Arunachal Pradesh and if so, the details thereof:

- (b) whether the Government is aware of a study carried out by scientists from the Zoological Society of London and University College of London in Dibang valley of Arunachal Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the details and the findings thereof along with the inferences drawn by scientists from the above said discovery;
- (d) whether the Government has taken note of threatened/endangered species which are on the verge of extinction; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to prevent such extinction?

Displaying Contents on Tobacco Packets

†3290. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH *ALIAS* PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made a provision to display the contents of tobacco/nicotine and other substances on the packets of cigarettes and other tobacco products being sold in the country, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government have notified the above mentioned provisions, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the current infrastructure is adequate for testing the tobacco products, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the steps being taken by the Government to augment the required institutional capacity for testing of tobacco products in the country, State/UT-wise?

Excessive Alkaline Content in Water

†3291. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether kidney diseases are increasing among people in various parts of the country particularly Buldhana Parliamentary constituency in Maharashtra due to excessive alkaline content in water;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken/ proposes to take any steps for deploying specialist doctors and establishment of Dialysis Centre at district level to tackle the increasing incidents of kidney disease due to excessive alkaline content in water in the said constituency;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the funds allocated to the Maharashtra Government in this regard?

Self Help Groups

†3292. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to promote women Self Help Groups (SHGs) for realization of the concept of socio-economic development under the guidance of women and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to provide special financial

assistance to women SHGs to make them economically more empowered and if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether the Government proposes to make special provision to set up women SHGs in the rural areas of the country to provide a platform for their economic prosperity; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Healthcare Services in Rural Areas

†3293. SHRI AJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to provide adequate healthcare services in the Government hospitals of the rural areas; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Promotion of Ayurveda and Yoga

†3294. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open colleges and yoga therapy centres in every State/UT to promote Ayurvedic and Yoga systems of medicine; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

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Doctor-Patient Ratio

3295. SHRI KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Government hospitals in the country and the number of doctors appointed in each hospital especially in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) whether it is a fact that a number of patient/children had died due to lack of doctors and other facilities in Government hospitals in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) the number of patient/children died during the last five years in the country, especially in Uttar Pradesh; and
- (e) the corrective steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Virology Department

3296. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is ready to allocate a virology department in Thrissur Medical College; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Vacancy of Physiotherapists in CGHS

3297. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of posts of physiotherapists in Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) are vacant, if so, the details thereof along with the number of physiotherapists posted in the CGHS;
- (b) whether recruitment rules for physiotherapists were framed/amended recently in accordance with the guidelines of the Department of Personnel and Training;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to appoint physiotherapists to the CGHS dispensaries keeping in view of rising demand for physiotherapy and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Environment Performance Index

†3298. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that India is amidst a deep environmental crisis as the country was ranked among the bottom five countries in the list of Global Environmental Performance Index, 2018:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether public awareness campaigns are being organized by the Union Government to tackle environmental crisis and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the success of campaigns so far is as per targets and expectations of the Government: and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Women Awareness Programme

3299. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of women rights awareness programmes being implemented by the Government;
 - (b) the outcome of such programmes;
- (c) the measures taken to make aware women about extant schemes, especially in rural India; and
- (d) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to empower rural women and enabling them to know their legal rights?

Conservation of Land

†3300. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR: SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any scheme for the protection and conservation of land from turning into fallow and barren land:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the measures undertaken for land conservation in the wake of depleting water levels and exploitation of forests in the country?

Implementation of Ayushman Bharat Yojana in NE Regions

†3301. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA: SHRI DILIP SAIKIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of Ayushman Bharat Yojana;
- (b) the State-wise amount of the funds allocated in this regard;
- (c) the name of the States which are spending the allocated funds properly;
- (d) whether the said scheme is being implemented in North-East States including Assam on a large scale; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Extreme Weather Phenomena

3302. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL: SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

- (a) whether at present India's capacity to predict extreme weather phenomena is restricted to the district level which elude the benefit to farmers and citizens, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) is going to extend its high tech forecast facilities down to block and village level by extending its SMS alert system to 21 million farmers, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government proposes to commission Mihir a high performance computer for weather forecast, if so, the details thereof:
- (d) the time by which its benefits are likely to be derived to give boost to farmers and citizens; and

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(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for accurate weather forecast?

Textile Production

†3303. SHRI GIRIDHARI YADAV: SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether textiles produced by Indian textile industry is lagging behind in competition with textile produced by other countries in the world;
- (b) if not, the response of the Government thereto;
- (c) the share of India in overall textile production in the world as on date; and
- (d) the response of the Government on the aforementioned position?

Waste Management

3304. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the observations of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) on the eve of World Environment Day that no State in the country is complying with the rules and regulations of waste management;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is also aware that six lakh people die every year in

India due to air pollution, causing diseases ranging from asthama to cancer;

- (d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and
- (e) the details of action proposed by the Government to improve the situation?

Anganwadi Sevikas

3305. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Anganwadi Sevikas and their distribution across the States:
- (b) the details of salaries and allowances payable and other terms of conditions of services, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether these Anganwadi Sevikas are being trained to provide efficient services and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the rate at which Sevika are being recruited in each State; and
- (e) the ratio of Sevikas to children in Anganwadis, State/UT-wise?

Violation of Medical Ethics

3306. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study on the inducements to doctors and dubious deals with hospitals by pharma companies in the country and if so, the details and findings thereof;

- (b) whether the Indian subsidiary and dealers of major MNCs have violated major ethics of the medical sector:
- (c) if so, the details of these alleged violations including dodgy records, rigging bids inflated invoices etc.:
- (d) whether the faulty orthopaedic implant devices are being used resulting in major physical deficiency to the implanted patients and if so, the measures taken to help and compensate such patients; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to come out with a regulator to control the otherwise unregulated medical bazar and if so, the details thereof?

Consumption of Aerated and Energy Drinks

3307. MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether certain cases of death due to consumption of aerated and other energy drinks have been reported from various parts of the country, if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has taken note of a number of studies which state that consumption of aerated and energy drinks leads to various health ailments including cancer, diabetes and other health problems and if so, the details thereof along with the standards and regulations laid down in respect of these drinks in the country; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for proper compliance of the above standards and regulations and spread awareness about the ill effects of consumption of aerated and energy drinks?

Strike by Doctors

3308. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN
MAADAM:
SHRI SU.
THIRUNAVUKKARASAR:
SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) the details of the strikes held in Central Government hospitals and the number out of them caused by altercation between attendants and doctors during the last five years;
- (b) whether the Union Government has taken note of nation-wide agitation and strike by doctors in Government hospitals resulting in suffering and death of many patients due to non-availability of timely medical treatment recently, if so, the details thereof and the number of patients who died due to strike in Government hospitals in various parts of the country;
- (c) whether the Union Government has found particularly insensitive approach by the State Governments towards the agitating doctors, if so, the response of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether the Union Government has taken any action to halt the doctors strike including intervention to bring the situation under control in certain States and issue instruction to take action on doctor's demands, if so, the details thereof; and

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(e) the other steps taken by the Union Government to ensure that no strike is held causing inconvenience/suffering to the patients in the future?

Upgradation of District Hospitals and Maternity Centres

†3309. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- be pleased to state:

 (a) the parameters for upgradation of district hospitals and maternity centres;
- (b) whether the Government accords preference to the upgradation of hospitals located at minorities and dalit (SC/ST) dominated areas:
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has received any proposal for upgradation of district and maternity centres; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Tuberculosis in India

3310. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO
BHAMRE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI
SHARMA:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING
KOLHE:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY
TATKARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken assessment to ascertain the main contributors to tuberculosis in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the Government has undertaken study to prove the effectiveness of tobacco cessation counseling to TB patients and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government is considering to establish tobacco cessation centres in each district to regulate and monitor tobacco usage among citizens, and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to control tuberculosis in the country?

HIV Drugs

3311. MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the reports of non-payment of dues by his Ministry resulting in manufacturers of child doses of HIV drugs refusing to supply drugs and to participate in bids;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon;
- (c) whether there is only one manufacturer for Lopinavir syrup in the country, and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government has instructed State AIDS Control Societies to purchase said from local markets; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and action taken by the Government to address the issue?

Elephant Census

3312. SHRIMATI PRATIMA BHOMIK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the total elephant population as per the last synchronized elephant census undertaken in the country;
- (b) whether there is any increase or decline in the elephant population in comparison to the previous census, and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the State-wise elephant population enumerated in all the seven North-Eastern States during this census:
- (d) whether the elephant population has been found commensurate with adequate sightings/enlistments of infant & sub-adult population during the census operations and if so, the details thereof and the expenditure involved in undertaking synchronized population census:
- (e) the number of casualties reported in straying of elephants in seven North-Eastern States during the last five years along with the steps/actions taken in mitigating the casualties due to straying of the elephants; and
- (f) whether there is any risk of in-breeding of Indian elephants in the North-Eastern States and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to resolve the said issues?

Quality Control Process for Ayurvedic Products

3313. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that lack of documented validation and quality control procedures for Ayurvedic product are adversely affecting the development of this sector;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the action taken by the Government for completing documented process validation and regulating batch to batch variation in product; and
- (d) whether the quality assurance protocol is properly designed and if so, the details thereof and the action taken to improve the design?

Arogya Centres

3314. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Arogya Centres operational across the country, State/UT-wise including Gujarat;

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- (b) whether the need of Ayush doctors are increasing at these centres in the country, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is in the process of identifying some Arogya Centres to deliver traditional medicinal services at the grass-root level; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise and the time by which these are likely to be identified?

Undernourished Children in Karnataka

3315. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of undernourished children in the country, State/UT-wise including Karnataka;
- (b) whether the State Government have taken any special measure in this regard; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Private Satellite Television Channel

3316. SHRI SU.

THIRUNAVUKKARASAR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any advisory recently to private satellite television channels asking them to avoid indecent, suggestive and inappropriate representation of children in dance reality shows or other such programmes;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, whether the Government is proposing to appoint a supervisory body to check/supervise the advisory being properly followed and implemented by all private satellite television channels;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Compensatory Afforestation Programme

3317. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of irregularities in compensatory afforestation programme;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether concerns have been raised by the environmentalists regarding dependence of monoculture plantations threatening the indigenous ecological diversity;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government to address the said issues?

Damage to Farm Land by Wild Animals

3318. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps to prevent/deter the wild animals from reaching the farm land;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any statutory mechanism instituted to pay compensation to farmers within 48 hours if any wild animal/animals destroy the crops; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Forest Villages

†3319. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of forest villages in the country including Rajasthan, State-wise;
- (b) the details of criteria for recognizing any village as the forest village;
- (c) whether development works are being undertaken by the Government in the said forest villages; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the funds utilized in this regard during the last three years, State-wise?

Kaziranga National Park

3320. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether areas of Kaziranga National Park under the first to sixth additions have been free from encroachment and handed over to the Kaziranga National Park authority as per the order of the Hon'ble Guwahati High Court;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the details of present status of encroachment in the 'six additions' of the park; and
- (d) the time-frame fixed by the Government to hand over all the 'six additions' areas to the Kaziranga National Park authority?

Women in Scientific Institutions

3321. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of women in areas of Scientific Research and Development (R&D) and in Scientific Institution under the Ministry in the country; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to improve the number of women participation in the Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) field of education and to increase the number of women as STEM experts in the country?

Forest Fires

†3322. SHRI TIRATH SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated/proposes to formulate any permanent policy to check forest fire in the hilly districts of Uttarakhand so as to safeguard the damage caused to forest resources, wildlife and environment, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government is aware that wild animals like pigs, monkeys, bears etc. are damaging the horticulture and agricultural products in the hilly districts of Uttarakhand forcing small farmers to quit agricultural work and migrate from the region and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is formulating any policy/action plan in the interest of the marginal/small farmers of the hilly regions; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Pollution by Industries

†3323. DR. RAMAPATI RAM TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT. FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवाय परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Industrial development plays a major role in the air, water and noise pollution;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;
- (c) the details of such industries/ power plants identified by the Government as being responsible for pollution in the country, State/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh:
- (d) the action taken against the said polluting units/establishments; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to prevent pollution by industrial units?

Rehabilitation of Minor **Rape Victims**

3324. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has considered introducing any policy/ programme for relief and rehabilitation of minor rape victims;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the Government is mulling to bring about any such policy/ programme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the time frame within which it is likely to be implemented?

Utilization of Fly Ash

3325. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister ofENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवाय परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that utilization of fly ash has increased from 66.6 million tonnes(mt) in 2008-09 to 132 mt in 2017-2018 in the infrastructure sector:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increases utilization of fly ash in the infrastructure sector:
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Medical College and Hospital in MP

†3326. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any scheme of the Government to set up a medical college and hospital in almost each headquarter or district:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of new medical colleges sanctioned for Madhya Pradesh (MP) along with the details thereof, districtwise:
- (d) whether the Government has received proposals from other institutions of Madhya Pradesh for setting up of medical colleges: and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Declining Child Sex Ratio

†3327. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a declining trend has been registered in the Child Sex Ratio (CSR) in some States/Union Territories of the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any survey of the areas/districts where a decline has been observed in the CSR and if so, the details thereof:

- (d) the impact of the 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' (BBBP) scheme on the CSR of the country: and
- (e) the effective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

MCI Recognition of Medical Colleges

†3328. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and names of Medical Colleges recognised by the Medical Council of India (MCI) in the country during the last three years;
- (b) the amount of funds allocated by the Government for providing facilities in these colleges after being recognised by the MCI:
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the progress/improvements made in the building facility, Medical equipments and teaching faculty after the utilisation of above funds for the upgradation of the colleges: and
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

Afforestation Programmes

†3329. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT. FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing any special scheme to

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promote afforestation programmes in private sector;

- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount being provided by the Government under the said scheme, State/ UT-wise:
- (c) if not, the time by which the said scheme to promote afforestation in private sector is likely to be started;
- (d) whether the Government is implementing any special scheme to promote bamboo plantation; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the amount being given to States by the Government for the purpose during the last three years?

Impact of Climate Change

†3330. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR PINTU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any measures are being taken to prevent the adverse impact of climate change across the country particularly in flood affected districts namely Sitamarhi, Sheohar and Muzaffarpur of Bihar;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Demarcation of Hazard Line

3331. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has ignored the demarcation of hazard line to allow commercial establishments in the coastal areas under the Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 2018;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the available environment safeguards for fishing communities in the CRZ notification; 2018?

Indian Jute Industries' Research Association

3332. DR. PRITAM
GOPINATHRAO
MUNDE:
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRIMATI POONAM
MAHAJAN:
SHRI GIRISH
BHALCHANDRA
BAPAT:
SHRI SRIRANGA APPA
BARNE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working towards promoting the use of indigenous raw material, Jute for the production of sanitary napkins instead of imported wood pulp, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government believes that the use of Jute instead of imported wood pulp would aid farmers and produce jobs for women, thus helping to boost the Indian economy, if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether most sanitary napkins available in the market are derived out of wood pulp which is imported from the China or the United States, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Ministry of Textiles earlier sponsored a project of the Indian Jute Industries' Research Association (IJIRA) to develop jute-based, low-cost sanitary napkins, if so, the facts thereof;
- (e) whether the Central Government envisaged a pilot project for jute sanitary napkins, if so, the facts thereof; and
- (f) whether the project will assist jute farmers in getting remunerative price and will enhance women employment generation and if so, the details thereof?

Financial Assistance to Handicraft and Textile Industry

†3333. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide financial assistance and raw material to handicraft/textile industry to make it competitive globally;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to set up textile clusters to generate employment opportunities in textile industry:
- (c) if so, the details thereof, Statewise:
- (d) the details of concession and incentives being provided by the Government for the said purpose; and

(e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Government Hospitals

†3334. SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Government hospitals in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of Central Government hospitals in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the number of doctors for every thousand people in the country, State/UTwise:
- (d) whether the Government has considered the shortage of basic facilities like beds, ventilators, medical equipments including doctors and para medical staff in Government and Central Government hospitals in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken by the Government to tackle this situation?

Sea Erosion in Kerala

3335. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that sea erosion is creating havoc in the coastal areas of Kerala;

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- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any programme for constructing sea walls in coastal areas of Kerala; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of Climate Change

3336. DR. SUJAY
RADHAKRISHNA
VIKHE PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study to assess the impact of climate change on different eco-systems including agriculture in India during the last two years,
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any action plan has been chalked out by the Government to combat ill effects of climate change in coordination with other global agencies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the salient features of such action plan?

Super Speciality Hospital

†3337. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the construction of Super Speciality Hospital in Darbhanga, Bihar has been completed:

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by when the said Super Speciality Hospital is likely to be made operational and opened for public?

Yoga University

†3338. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open Yoga Universities across the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan; and
- (b) whether Tonk and Sawai Madhopur districts of Rajasthan are also included in it, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

New Virology Institutes

3339. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified the places to set up/start new virology institutes and testing laboratories in the country, State/UT-wise and locationwise including Karnataka;
- (b) the criteria adopted for selecting these areas; and
- (c) the funds allocated and utilized so far for the purpose?

Technology to Curb Heat and Water Depletion

3340. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted or proposes to conduct detailed study of rising heat and depleting source of water due to global warming; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the modern technologies proposed to be used for the said purpose?

Organic Food Products

†3341. SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHAWAHA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prescribed any guidelines for standardization, certification and testing of organic food products being sold in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure that the organic food products available in the country is safe and genuine?

Health Indicators in Tribal Areas

3342. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the relatively weak health indicators among the tribal communities in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government to address the issue?

Set Top Box Interoperability

3343. SHRI SRINIVAS KESINENI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to implement Set Top Box (STB) interoperability, wherein consumer can switch between different service providers without changing the set top box;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has initiated consultations with industry and other stakeholders for an acceptable solution for STB; and
- (d) the time frame by which the STB will come into effect?

Employment Generation in Textiles Sector

†3344. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS: SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any target has been set to provide employment in the textiles industry

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in the next three years, if so, the details thereof:

- (b) whether the Government has chalked out any plan to ensure availability of skilled human resources to meet the requirement of employment creation in textiles industry in the future, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the existing resources will meet the requirement of human resource in the textile industry in the country; and
- (d) if not, the detailed reaction of the Government thereto?

TRAI's Recommendation's on Monopoly/Market Dominance in Cable TV Services

3345. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the Status of the TRAI's recommendation's on Monopoly/Market dominance in Cable TV services on dated 26th November 2013;
- (b) whether the Government have an issue with the Herfindahl-Hirschmann Index (HHI) to measure the level of competition as recommended by the TRAI and accepted by the Inter Ministerial Committee in its meetings on 17th and 22nd January 2014, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reasons because of which Government made a recommendation to the Competition Commission of India on the recommendations of TRAI;
- (d) whether this constituted a violation of the 4th proviso to Section 11(1) D of the TRAI Act whereby the Government is statutorily mandated to refer

the recommendations back to the TRAI in case of any disagreement, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government agree with the spirit of the TRAI's recommendations that monopolies in the Media Industry whether content or distribution need to be curbed, if so, the details thereof?

User Charge Policy/Package System in AIIMS/NEIGRIHMS

3346. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the User Charges Policy/ Package System is available in AIIMS, New Delhi and NEIGRIHMS, Shillong for various surgical and International procedures, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Standing Finance Committee of NEIGRIHMS has recommended for the implementation of User Charges Policy/ Packages System in the Institute:
- (c) if so, the details of implementation for the same: and
- (d) whether an On-Site Inventory for Cathlab is available in all the departments of AIIMS and NEIGRIHMS, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Empowerment of Women in Rural Areas

3347. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any steps have been taken by the Government for empowerment of women in the rural areas of the country in the last three years;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to involve NGOs and other private organizations working in this direction and to provide them encouragement and support from the Government in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Miserable Condition of Children

3348. SHRI NALIN KUMAR
KATEEL:
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:
DR. PRITAM
GOPINATHRAO
MUNDE:
SHRI GIRISH
BHALCHANDRA
BAPAT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the miserable condition of children who have been victim of malnutrition, child marriage, child labour, trafficking and illiteracy;

- (b) if so, the estimated number of such children, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Union Government has evaluated the schemes/programmes implemented for the development, protection and welfare of these children, if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Union Government is considering to enhance the financial assistance under the said schemes/ programmes to overcome the prevailing problems, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Union Government to protect the interests of such children and improve their condition?

Attacks on Journalists

3349. DR. SUKANTA
MAJUMDAR:
SHRI RAJA
AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR
SONKAR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

- (a) whether incidents of attacks on journalists have been on the rise in the country, if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the measures adopted/steps taken by the Government to ensure the safety and freedom of journalists and freedom of press:
- (c) whether India has dropped down by two ranks to 140 in the World Press Freedom Index, 2019, compiled by 'Reporters without Borders';

- (d) whether Press Council of India has constituted any committee to study rising incidence of attacks on journalists, if so, the details thereof and the findings/recommendations of the committee along with the action taken thereon; and
- (e) whether Government has any scheme for welfare of Journalist/Media personnel, if so, the details thereof?

Crisis in Jute Industry

3350. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:
SHRI RAJA
AMARESHWARA NAIK:
DR. SUKANTA
MAJUMDAR:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR
SONKAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of crisis in Jute Industry including closure of Jute Mills, loss of jobs, intense competition and cheap imports from Bangladesh;
- (b) if so, the total quantity and value of jute/jute products produced and imported/exported during the last three years, product/country-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has received any representations from some jute mill owners requesting intervention in the matter:
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the other steps being taken by the Government for welfare of jute workers and development of Jute Industry in West Bengal;
- (e) the details of schemes being implemented by the Government to increase the production and export of jute;

- (f) the steps taken by the Government to resolve the problems of jute producers in the country; and
- (g) the details of jute mills modernised by the Government during the said period, mill and State-wise?

Shortage of Vaccines

3351. SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATK ARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of the Government controlled units engaged in the production of vaccines along with the production of each unit during each of the last three years and the current year, vaccine and unit-wise;
- (b) whether there is any shortage of certain vaccines against the usual requirements under various health programmes including the Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP), if so, the details of the demand and supply during the above said period and its impact on various health programmes run by the Government:
- (c) the quantum and types of vaccines imported as well as purchased from private companies for various health programmes along with the funds spent for the purpose during the above said period, vaccine-wise; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure adequate availability of all the vaccines for the UIP and also their availability in market at affordable prices in the country?

Average Life Expectancy

3352. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI
SHARMA:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO
BHAMRE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING
KOLHE:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY
TATKARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the life expectancy in the country has increased over the last two decades, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) the details of factors responsible for the same indicating the average life expectancy of the people during each of the last three census and the current census, gender and State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether the Government has identified the health challenges to be faced by the country in the coming years with the increased life expectancy of people;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/proposed by the Government to meet these challenges; and
- (e) the other measures taken/proposed by the Government for providing better health services to ensure healthy life and to further improve the average life expectancy of people in the country?

Universal Immunization Programme

3353. DR. AMOL RAMSING
KOLHE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI
SHARMA:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO
BHAMRE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY
TATKARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether Government has taken steps to effectively implement Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) especially in tribal and remote areas of the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of vaccines administered under the said programme in the tribal and remote areas during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether the Government periodically assess the progress achieved under UIP in the country and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that a majority of children have not been covered under UIP and if so, the details and the reasons thereof along with necessary steps taken in this regard;
- (e) whether the Government has introduced pneumonia vaccine under this programme, and if so, the number of States/ UTs covered; and
- (f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure complete

immunization of all the children in the country?

Textile Export Clusters

3354. SHRI CHIRAG PASWAN:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR
DUBEY:
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:
SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to establish dedicated textile export clusters in different parts of the country in near future, especially in Delhi, Jamui, Kushinagar, North East, Purnea and nearby areas;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of textile units approved by the Government so far?

Hospitals under PMSSY

†3355. DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR: SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether panel of hospitals has been formed in Maharashtra to provide treatment under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether any funds have been released in Maharashtra under the said scheme;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof till date;
- (e) whether the Government has fixed any discretionary quota for the public representative in this regard, if so, the details thereof: and
 - (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Development of Textile Sector in Tamil Nadu

3356. SHRI M. SELVARAJ: SHRI SELVAM. G.: Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the various schemes undertaken by the Ministry in the State of Tamil Nadu during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Government is implementing various schemes/projects pertaining to development of textile sector in Tamil Nadu:
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated and released during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) the share of State Government under these schemes/projects;
- (e) the current status of all these schemes/projects; and
- (f) the total number of people engaged in the textile industry benefited by the implementation of these schemes?

Food Adulteration

†3357. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA: SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether adulteration has been detected/reported in milk products, edible oils, vegetables, sweets and other food products resulting in adverse impact on the health of the people of the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the quantum of adulteration in percentage in various food products that came to light in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of the action taken against the culprits involved in such activities;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to set up centres to monitor the safety of food, fruits, etc. in various parts of the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of the remedial action being taken by the Government in this regard?

Acute Encephalitis Syndrome 3358. PROF. SAUGATA RAY:

SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
DR. ALOK KUMAR
SUMAN:
SHRI RAM KRIPAL
YADAV:
SHRI PANKAJ
CHAUDHARY:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV
RAO MANDLIK:
SHRI SU.
THIRUNAVUKKARASAR:
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR
SINGH:

SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI M. SELVARAJ: SHRI BHOLA SINGH: SHRI ANTO ANTONY DR. SWAMI SAKSHIJI MAHARAJ: SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI: SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN: SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether cases of Acute Encephalitis Syndrome (AES) and Japanese Encephalitis (JE) have been reported in the country, particularly in Bihar and if so, the details thereof indicating the number of AES and JE related cases along with deaths reported in the country during the current season, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether any study/research has been carried out by the Government on various aspects of AES/JE including the reasons for their manifestation and if so, the details and the findings thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has constituted a seven member team to monitor the outbreak of AES in Bihar and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether there is any proposal to provide financial and technical assistance

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to Bihar to combat the said diseases and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the further measures being taken by the Government to prevent the said diseases and the amount of financial as well as other assistance given to the families of affected persons?

World Environment Day

3359. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV RAO MANDLIK: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister ENVIRONMENT. FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the World Environment Day, 2019 was celebrated in the country recently:
- (b) if so, the details and main theme thereof:
- (c) the details of programmes organized on the occasion of World Environment Day;
- (d) whether excessive use of plastic is polluting our oceans, damaging marine life and threatening human health:
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to generate awareness and public participation towards a cleaner environment?

Average Time for Adoption Process

3360. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study/assessment to ascertain the average time taken to process adoption application by childless couple in the country, if so, the details and outcome thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the number of complaints of corruption against Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAAs) received by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and SAA-wise:
- (c) the details of the deaths of children reported in SAA across the country during the said period, State/UT-wise and SAAwise: and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to simplify the procedure to provide a definite time period for adoption process by the childless couple in the country along with achievements thereof?

Avush Treatment Facilities in Rural Areas

†3361. SHRI MAHABALI SINGH: SHRI B.B. PATIL: SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA. YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, युनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether adequate Ayush treatment facilities are available especially in rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the funds made available for the same during the last three years and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) the measures being taken by the Government to augment these facilities in such areas and the time limit fixed for opening a large number of Ayurvedic hospitals in such areas;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to promote Indian system of medicine because it is not only effective in chronic disease but also very affordable in comparison to allopathy, if so, the details thereof: and
- (e) whether the Government has made any effective effort to increase the availability of Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic doctors particularly in the rural areas in view of the shortage of medical facilities there and if so, the details thereof?

Textile-Apparel Manufacturing

3362. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: SHRI VINAYAK RAUT: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL: SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether textile-apparel manufacturing cost has increased and hence manufacturers are not able to compete with low cost destinations in low value products. if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Indian Texpreneurs Federation (ITF) has conducted any survey in this regard, if so, the findings thereof and the response of the Government thereon:
- (c) whether the ITF has submitted a 11-point appeal and suggestions to the Ministry of Textiles for consideration, if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereon; and
- (d) whether ITF urged the Government, firstly, to consider forming a task force with industry stakeholders in order to identify the short term and long term solutions to trigger the growth of exports and if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Untimely Death of Children

†3363. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE: SHRI RAVI KISHAN: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

- (a) the rate of untimely death of children in the age group of 0-10 years during the last 10 years, State/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra:
- (b) whether death rate of children has increased over the years and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise;

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- (c) the efforts made by the Government to check or avoid the untimely deaths of children during the last five years; and
 - (d) the details thereof?

Rehabilitation of Orphan and Destitute Children

†3364. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of children rendered orphan or destitute in various communal, castes violence or climate related disaster in the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the welfare measures taken by the Government for the rehabilitation of such orphan and destitute children;
- (c) whether the Government has received foreign assistance for this purpose during the said period; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Handicraft and Handloom

3365. SHRI P.K. KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) is investigating cases of corruption against firms who have entered into agreements for import of bullion with Handicrafts and Handloom Exports Corporation of India Limited (HHEC) under the Ministry of Textiles;

- (b) if so, the status of these cases and reasons for not filing chargesheets even after a period of four years of investigation;
- (c) whether HHEC have asked the views/clarification from CBI with regard to settlement of dues of bullion parties where there is no cases or enquiry is pending; and
- (d) if so, complete details of views/ clarifications given to HHEC by the CBI?

Irregularities in Distribution of ABY Cards

†3366. DR. SWAMI SAKSHIJI MAHARAJ: SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether cases of gross negligence have been reported in card distribution under the Ayushman Bharat Yojana (ABY), if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether ABY cards have been reported to be found in dustbins in different parts of the country including at local sub-divisional hospital in Champaran, Bihar and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Union Government has directed the State Governments to take appropriate action against the guilty in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

AYUSH Research Centres

3367. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether his Ministry is in the process of setting up AYUSH Research Centres across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise particularly in State of Kerala;
- (c) whether the Government is focusing on cure for specific diseases in the AYUSH Research Centres; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Local Purchase System in Siddha Wellness Centres

3368. SHRI A.
GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the local purchase system is not permitted in Siddha Wellness Centres which are functioning under CGHS but the same is allowed in Ayurveda, Unani and Homoeopathy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for not permitting local purchase in Siddha Unit;
- (c) whether the Government is likely to take necessary steps to permit local purchase system in Siddha; and
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented and if not, the reasons therefor?

Effects of Climate Change

†3369. SHRIMATI RANJAN BEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether food supply in the country is likely to be affected due to effects of climate change and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether certain crops like maize, beans and cassava respond to rising temperature by pumping out dangerous chemicals such as nitrate and hydrogen cyanide and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

National Bamboo Mission

3370. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware about failure of National Bamboo Mission with regard to conservation of forest reserves in Assam:
- (b) if so, the details of diminishing rate of forest reserves per year for last three years;
- (c) whether the Government has proposed any Central Team to enquire into such decline of forest reserve and if so, the details thereof:

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- (d) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Assam for conservation of forest reserves; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of NHM in Rajasthan

†3371. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of programmes and health schemes being implemented in Rajasthan under the National Health Mission (NHM) along with the names of the programmes and schemes for which the Government has allocated funds during the last three years and the details thereof;
- (b) the percentage share of the funds contributed by the Union and the State Governments under the National Health Mission; and
- (c) whether the right to change eligibility of personnels to be recruited/ appointed under the NHM lies with the Nodal Officer of the concerned State Government or Mission Director of the State, if so, the details thereof?

Zoos in Rajasthan

†3372. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of functional zoos in Rajasthan along with the zoo-wise details of the number of animals in it;
- (b) whether new animals have been brought in to such zoos during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to increase the number of new animals every year and for the upgradation of these zoos:
- (d) whether the Government has chalked out any plan for the upgradation of zoos of Rajasthan and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to transfer animals from zoos of Rajasthan to other places or other zoos and if so, the details thereof?

Shortage of Beds in Hospitals/ Medical Colleges

3373. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:
MS. LOCKET
CHATTERJEE:
SHRI N.K.
PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the availability of beds in the hospitals/medical colleges of the country is much less as compared to the population and not in accordance with the norms prevalent at international level consequently the patients are forced to lie down on the floor;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the number of hospital/medical college beds available in the country particularly in the Central

Government hospitals and its associated hospitals including All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and other medical colleges:

- (c) the funds allocated during each of the last three years and the current year for this purpose, hospital/medical college-wise and the steps taken/being taken by the Government to meet the norms prevalent at international level and improve the bed population ratio;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to introduce programme to develop the health infrastructure facilities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for providing special financial assistance for increasing the bed capacity in Government medical colleges and General Hospitals?

Health Insurance

3374. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether only 31 per cent of the total Indian population has Health Insurance and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Health Insurance has low penetration in Indian society despite so many insurance companies working on health insurance, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to popularise Health Insurance among the masses in India and if so, the details thereof?

Morquio A Syndrome

3375. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH.

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cure and treatment for Morquio A syndrome (MPS IV A) is available in India and if so, the details of types of treatment and places/clinics/hospitals where such treatment is available;
- (b) if not, whether the Government plans to bring the cure by international agreements/MoUs/Inter-Governmental cooperation with other countries like USA and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the cure and treatment for Morquio A syndrome (MPS IV A) is too costly to be affordable by all people in India and if so, the details thereof indicating the average cost for the treatment of the above mentioned disorder in India; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes any financial assistance for the patients of rare genetic disorder like Morquio A syndrome (MPS IV A) and if so, the details thereof?

Commission for Protection of Child Rights

†3376. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that all the States have not notified the constitution of the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR);

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- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of such States: and
- (c) whether the Government is planning to make the constitution of such commissions mandatory and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Ayush Wellness Centres

3377. SHRI P.
RAVEENDRANATH
KUMAR:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to establish Ayush Wellness Centres in the country including the State of Tamil Nadu under National Ayush Mission:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the fund allocated by the Government for this purpose during the last five years to Government of Tamil Nadu under this mission; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the number of Ayush Wellness Centres?

Obesity

3378. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the incidence of obesity is increasing among not only middle-aged persons, but also among the youth in urban areas;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is planning to formulate any policy or guidelines to tackle the increasing incidence of obesity among the urban population and if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Yoga Teacher

†3379. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to appoint yoga teachers in each Ministry/Department and also proposes to set up yoga centres in each district of the country including Bihar; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

NGOs Implementing Ujjawala Scheme

3380. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) implementing the

- Ujjawala Scheme for rehabilitating victims of trafficking during the last three years, year and State-wise;
- (b) the number of NGOs that have withdrawn their approval from the scheme during the same period, year and Statewise:
- (c) the quantum of funds sanctioned, released and utilized under the scheme during the last three years, year and Statewise; and
- (d) the number of beneficiaries covered under the scheme during the said period, year and State-wise?

Autism Spectrum Disorder

3381. SHRLD.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that Autism is a serious developmental disorder that impacts the nervous system and affects one's cognitive, emotional and physical health, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that in India alone, one in 68 children is reportedly diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and yet not many people are aware of this mental condition;
- (c) if so, whether the Government is taking any measure to create awareness among parents about the said disorder;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has taken any measures to put necessary mechanism in place to treat the ASD at an early stage and if so, the details thereof?

Live Telecast of Court Proceedings

†3382. SHRI AKSHAIBAR LAL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

स्चना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to make an arrangement for live telecast of the court proceedings;
- (b) if so, the time by which such an arrangement is likely to be made operational in the State of Uttar Pradesh: and
- (c) the details of the additional financial implications to make such an arrangement operational?

Infant Deaths due to Diseases

3383. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has any statistics regarding number of children who died below the age of six due to various epidemics/diseases;
- (b) if so, the number of children who died during the last five years, year and State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether malnutrition is one of the reasons for the diseases causing death among children;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the major reasons for malnutrition along with the steps taken by the Government to eradicate malnutrition and the amount earmarked in this regard for the aforesaid period; and

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(e) whether poverty is one of the reasons for malnutrition, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to eradicate poverty?

YouTube News Channels

†3384. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

- be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of registered YouTube news channels in the country as on date;
- (b) whether the Government has prepared any guidelines in this regard, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the journalists of the said YouTube news channel have been given recognition, if so, the details thereof including their names;
- (d) the number of journalists who have been given recognition by the Press Information Bureau in the country so far; and
- (e) the facilities given to the said journalists?

NRHM

3385. SHRI DEVUSINH JESINGBHAI CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM)

- and strategies worked out for its implementation;
- (b) the details of the key goals of NRHM and achievements made thereunder. State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether few programmes are lagging behind in terms of performance under NRHM and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the corrective measures taken/ being taken by the Government to achieve the targets?

Environmental Guidelines for Thermal Power Plants

3386. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Environmental guidelines for Thermal Power Plants, 1987 does not consider the aspect of water stress;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has ascertained the loss caused by water scarcity/drought to the coal based thermal power plants across the country and the consequent environmental degradation;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether a number of upcoming, or almost ready-to-commission plants are also likely to be affected by water shortages;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether there is any proposal to amend the guidelines and prohibit the establishment of such plants in water scarce areas and if so, the details thereof?

TV Transmission in Backward and Rural Areas

†3387. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT[.]

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of TV transmitters set up and working in the country especially in the backward and rural areas as on date:
- (b) whether various projects are pending for want of financial and technical sanction;
- (c) if so, the State-wise details thereof especially for backward and rural areas of the country;
- (d) the time by which these projects are likely to be granted sanction; and
- (e) the time by which the construction work is likely to be started, location-wise?

Availability of Health Supplements in CGHS Wellness Centres

†3388. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE: SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the supply of several medicines including the health supplements such as Chyawanprash, Aloe vera and many other tonics have been discontinued in the CGHS Dispensaries/Wellness Centres;
- (b) if so, the details and reasons therefor:

- (c) whether any corrective steps have been taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to restart the distribution of these health supplements; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Awareness Campaigns on Pollution in Rivers

3389. SHRI B.B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any awareness campaigns were conducted to study effects of pollution in rivers, dying marine ecosystem and degradation of environment in urban areas;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures being taken for reducing water pollution of rivers in urban areas?

Ban on Plastic Carry Bags

3390. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that ban imposed on plastic carry bags and other items in Delhi and some other States remain unheeded to, and the menace of plastic garbage has increased manifold;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and reasons for not enforcing the ban strictly; and
- (c) the comprehensive measures the Government propose to take, to make India a plastic free nation within a specific time frame?

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Family Planning Schemes for Young Age Group

3391. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether according to 2011 census, 19.15 per cent of our total population is young, in the age group of 15-24 years;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to launch any specific scheme for promotion of spacing methods of family planning for this young population; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Facilities to Anganwadi Workers

3392. SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA: SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Anganwadi staff is being provided adequate salaries/remuneration, smart phones, medical facilities and nutritional food across the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;
- (b) whether the Government is in the process of developing a software with the help of Aadhaar to prepare a common application to provide nutrition to beneficiaries like poor and pregnant women

under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS);

- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is also planning to appoint nutrition counselors with proper registration process under the said programme; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Protection of Great Indian Bustard

3393. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government under the Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitat Scheme aim to protect the Great Indian Bustard (GIB), a species of which only 200 birds are left;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government recognizes noise pollution as a cause for endangering GIB species; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Arun Prabha Channel

3394. SHRI ABDUL KHALEOUE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Arun Prabha channel of Doordarshan was charged for malpractices during their allotment of production contracts and selection of programme producers, if so, the details thereof:

- (b) whether CBI has conducted any enquiry into the aforementioned allegations, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the grounds on which several allotments were made by overlooking merit and experience in the field of production; and
- (d) the findings of the CBI in the matter?

e-Waste

3395. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI: SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the electronic waste (e-Waste) is emerging as a serious public health hazard and environmental issue in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether more than 2 million tonnes e-Waste is generated annually in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to recycle e-Waste under the e-Waste Management Rules and provide support to set up industries for the purpose and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the present status of recycling industries in the country along with number of authorized recyclers, State-wise; and
- (e) the funds spent by the Government for setting up of e-Waste recycling/sorting plants during the last three years, State/UT-wise?

Plastic Debris in Coastal Areas

3396. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any data about the quantum of plastic debris accumulated in coastal area;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has contemplated plans to tackle the issue and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the sea animals are seriously affected by the said issue;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to control the use of plastics in the Country?

Schemes for Empowerment of Fisherwomen

3397. SHRI H. VASANTHAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has launched any new scheme during the last three years with special focus on development of fisherwomen and their children;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the financial allocations made under these new schemes, State/UT-wise particularly for Tamil Nadu and Kanyakumari district?

Fake Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Drugs

3398. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the availability of fake Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic drugs;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take any effective steps in this regard; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Out of Pocket Expenditure

3399. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the Government has still not achieved public funding for health at around three percent of the country's GDP:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether out of pocket expenditure still accounts for 60 percent of all health expenses in the country, if so, the steps taken to reduce this financial burden on the population; and

(d) the expenditure on primary healthcare centres in Ludhiana during the last three years including the current year?

Monitoring of PMJAY

3400. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is taking any steps to monitor the number of beneficiaries and allocation of funds for Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) in State of Bihar;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any measures to promote the participation of private hospitals to take care of beneficiaries under PMJAY; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Cadre Restructuring of Physiotherapists

3401. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHANA RAJU: SHRI T.R.BAALU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to refer to Question No. 63 on 14.12.2018 regarding Cadre Restructuring of Physiotherapists and to state:

- (a) the details of the progress made in the matter;
- (b) whether any Committee has been constituted in this regard and if so, the

details of major recommendations of the Committee:

- (c) whether any impedance has been observed in implementation of the cadre given at model curriculum for physiotherapists developed by the Committee set up by the Ministry; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government for its timely implementation?

Plantation of Saplings

3402. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR: SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether saplings planted every year in various parts of the country including Uttar Pradesh and Delhi are less than the target set by the Government:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether, in Delhi, Government departments/agencies except the Forest Department are not able to achieve the plantation target, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (d) whether forest cover in Delhi and Uttar Pradesh is less than what has been prescribed under the National Forest Policy:
- (e) if so, the details thereof and corrective measures taken by the Government in this direction; and
- (f) whether the Government is monitoring the life and health of the saplings

till they mature into a tree, if so, the details thereof?

LaQshya

3403. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently launched a programme called LaQshya to provide Respectful Maternity Care, if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives of the programme;
- (b) whether this programme has been implemented in all Government hospitals; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, including Chandigarh?

Women Helplines

†3404. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV: SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH *ALIAS* PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

- (a) the schemes being implemented by the Government to ensure safety and security of women in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has achieved the targets and objectives for setting up the women helpline in the country and if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

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- (c) the number of women benefited from such helplines across the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the number of persons employed under the said programme during the said period, State/UT-wise;
- (e) the details of the amount sanctioned, released and utilised for the implementation of women helpline across the country during the said period, State/ UT-wise; and
- (f) whether the Government have conducted any periodic assessment of the functioning of women helpline across the country and if so, the outcome thereof?

Tiger Projects

3405. SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to expand the tiger projects and sanctuaries in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, Statewise;
- (c) whether the Government has prepared any action plan for the relocation/ rehabilitation of the people including tribals displaced from tiger reserve/sanctuaries/ national parks in various States of the country as a result thereof;
- (d) if so, the details of the action plan thereof: and
- (e) the number of people relocated during the last three years, State-wise?

Institute of Handloom Technology

3406. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian Institute of Handloom Technology (IIHT) functioning at Bargarh, Odisha is imparting three years Diploma Course, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has introduced Degree Course in handloom technology in IIHTs in the country including Salem, if so, the details thereof and the criteria adopted for introducing the Degree Course in IIMTs;
- (c) whether the Government have received requests from the Government of Odisha and Members of Parliament for introducing Degree Course in IIMT, Bargarh, Odisha, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether on the basis of potential of handloom activities and persistent requests from Government of Odisha and Madhya Pradesh the Government is considering to introduce Degree Course in Handloom Technology in the IIHT, Bargarh, Odisha, if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard?

Central Regulatory Agency

†3407. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयष) मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up/proposes a Central Regulatory Agency for Ayush based medicines in the country:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the manner in which the Government proposes to regulate Ayush systems/ activities in the country; and
- (c) the time by which such regulating agency is likely to be set up in the country?

Coastal Regulation Zone

3408. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently amended and notified new Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) 2018;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor indicating the difference in objectives in comparison to the CRZ notification, 2011 therein:
- (c) whether it is a fact that the new regulations allow development of infrastructure which will destroy the ecology of coastal areas and increase the vulnerability of coastal people to natural disasters:
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the extent to which the new notification is likely to affect/benefit the people?

Unani College/Hospital in Ganderbal

3409. DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the infrastructure facilities provided to Unani College/Hospital at Zazina Badampura, Ganderbal is completed since long but it has not been made functional; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Maternal and Child Health

3410. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether his Ministry has reached out to the Finance Ministry for more funds, specifically for maternal and child health, whose Reproductive Child Health flexi pool budget has come down by 30.4 per cent from RE 2017-18 and allocation for Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana has also decreased by 8 per cent;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and extent to which the funds are likely to be increased along with timeline for the same; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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Rise in Particulate Matter in Air

†3411. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Particulate Matter (PM) in air was very severe/hazardous during the last three months in Delhi;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to improve the Air Quality Index of the metropolitan cities of the country along with its outcome thereof; and

(c) the extent to which poor air quality due to rising particulate matter is affecting the health of people?

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