

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Corporate Affairs; Environment, Forest and Climate Change; Finance; Health and Family Welfare; Women and Child Development)

(आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष); कॉर्पोरेट कार्य; पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन; वित्त; स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण; महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 20

Eco Sensitive Area

*61. SHRI ASADUDDIN
OWAISI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the process for earmarking Eco Sensitive Zone (ESZ) started in the year 2011 and the Union Government issued the first draft notification in 2014 for earmarking Eco Sensitive Area of the Western Ghats, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether since then the Government has issued fresh notifications in this regard and issued the fourth one recently to bring the concerned States on board;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the main demand of the individual States; and

(d) whether even a high level working group had failed to bring a unanimous decision in this regard and if so, the further

steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Effects of GST and Demonetisation on Economy

*62. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:

SHRI KAMAL NATH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a former Governor of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and several renowned economists have recently stated that ban on high value currency notes in 2016 and rollout of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) in July 2017 have caused 'really hard blows' to the economy of the country;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to specify the advantages accrued due to demonetisation and GST; and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to strengthen the economy?

Pay Commission Recommendation for Physiotherapists

*63. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:
DR. K. KAMARAJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to implement the Seventh Pay Commission recommendations for physiotherapists regarding cadre restructuring till date;

(b) the duties and responsibilities of physiotherapists employed at Safdarjung hospital, RML hospital, Kalawati Saran hospital, JIPMER and AIIMS;

(c) whether the physiotherapists at the above hospitals are being given Hospital Patient Care Allowance (HPCA); and

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

Wilful Defaulters

†*64. SHRI RAM TAHAL
CHOUDHARY:
SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for not disclosing/making public the names of wilful defaulters of banks by the Government;

(b) the reasons for making it obligatory for the authorities not to disclose/make public the names of wilful defaulters along with the extent to which the Government stands to benefit from this;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether the Government has revamped the monitoring mechanism regarding wilful defaulters, especially such defaulters from Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor along with the details about the IT enabled interventions to check financial frauds?

Air Pollution

*65. SHRI K.N.
RAMACHANDRAN:
SHRI FEROUZE VARUN
GANDHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the level of pollution in the country is increasing more rapidly than that of other countries and the annual average of parameters of air pollution has reached/crossed the alarming level in major cities of the country including Delhi and Bengaluru causing major problems, if so, the details thereof, State and city-wise along with the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether as per the World Health Organization (WHO) report, fourteen of the most polluted twenty cities of the world are in India, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study to verify WHO's claim and determine the major causes for higher pollution in the country including the National Capital Region, Delhi and if so, the details and the findings thereof;

(d) whether the Government has launched/proposes to launch any new scheme/long term policy and employ modern techniques to make Delhi and other parts of the country pollution free and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to check/control the increasing level of pollution and improve the air quality along with the funds provided for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Shell Companies

*66. SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has developed any smart mechanism to identify shell companies;

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

(c) the details of action taken so far against the top 50 shell companies during the last three years and the current year, especially from Uttar Pradesh?

Excess RBI Reserves

†*67. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:
SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) during its recent Board meeting has taken any decision to constitute a Committee/panel to decide on the issue of transfer of excess reserves to the Government and examine the Economic Capital Framework (ECF) to determine the appropriate level of reserves the Central Bank should hold and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the said Committee has been constituted and if so, the details thereof indicating the membership and terms of reference of the Committee/ Panel;

(c) the time by which the Committee/ Panel is likely to take a decision to transfer excess reserves to the Government;

(d) whether the Government is examining the option of using the powers of the RBI Board to override the Governor; and

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

Demonetisation

*68. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) rejected two key justifications of demonetisation i.e. curbing black money and counterfeit notes while giving its approval to this decision;

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

(c) whether the Government had estimated Rs. 400 crore counterfeit currency of denomination of Rs. 1000 and Rs. 500 in circulation;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the quantum of counterfeit notes that were detected after demonetisation till October, 2018 and the fate/manner of disposal of the fake currency impounded as a result thereof?

Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana

†*69. DR. KRISHAN PRATAP:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) has been implemented to help the poor and provide social security/welfare to the unorganised workers all over the country;

(b) if so, the details regarding the implementation of RSBY in Uttar Pradesh and the number of hospitals in the State registered under the scheme during the last two years;

(c) whether the Government has listed various insurance companies under this scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

NABARD Schemes for Rural Workers

†*70. SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development

(NABARD) has prepared/proposes to prepare any schemes for rural workers in the country;

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

(c) the details of the financial assistance provided by NABARD for this purpose and the number of workers benefited thereunder during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Pollution in Rivers

†*71. SHRI ASHOK
MAHADEORAO NETE:
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether waste disposal into rivers is causing pollution in various rivers of the country and if so, the details thereof, river and State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has made any assessment of the untreated contaminated water and industrial waste flowing into various rivers in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total amount spent on the cleaning of various rivers during each of the last three years and the current year, river and State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government has made any assessment of the progress made in cleaning of major rivers of the country and if so, the details thereof and the success achieved in this regard; and

(e) the other steps taken and schemes formulated by the Government to check pollution and make major rivers of the country pollution free?

Polio Immunisation

*72. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

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 ordered an inquiry into the type 2 polio virus contamination detected in the vials used for immunisation in many States;

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

(c) whether it is also true that the Government has ordered additional immunisation in these States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Restructuring of IL&FS

*73. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of progress achieved in restructuring of Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services (IL&FS) and its subsidiaries;

(b) the details of preliminary plans to service the debt of the company; and

(c) the details of the monthly interest payments of the said company and the estimated monthly cashflows accruing to IL&FS and its subsidiaries along with the estimated net worth of IL&FS?

Faulty Medical Implants

*74. DR. KAMBHAMPATI HARIBABU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the increasing faulty medical implants in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps being taken to hold the manufacturers and importers accountable for faulty medical implants; and

(c) the details of regulatory conditions in place to safeguard the concerns of the patients?

Smuggling of Gold

†*75. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Customs authorities are contemplating to increase the use of videoscope for checking smuggling of gold ornaments and precious metals goods and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the extent to which smuggling of the said articles is likely to be checked by the use of videoscope along with the likely benefits thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Non-Performing Assets

†*76. DR. BHARATIBEN D. SHYAL:

SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of corporate houses and farmers against whom loan is outstanding under Non-Performing Assets (NPA's) including those whose dues under NPAs are over Rupees one thousand crores; and

(b) the number and details of corporate houses and farmers out of the above against whom action is being taken?

#MeToo Campaign

*77. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO (AVANTHI):

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the #MeToo campaign against molesters and rapists has gained momentum in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the said campaign;

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken against such offenders to instil

confidence among women at work places to check the number of women leaving/dropping out of the workforce;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to address such complaints beyond the said campaign which is restricted to perpetrators known on a social media platform; and

(e) whether the cases of alleged sexual harassment under #MeToo campaign has portrayed the ineffectiveness of the existing laws against sexual harassment and if so, the details thereof and the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Nursing and Midwifery Schools

*78. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA: SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is according special attention to improve the quantity and capacity of the General Nursing Midwifery (GNM) and Auxiliary Nursing Midwifery (ANM) schools at all India level, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the financial implications for upgradation of present nursing schools and colleges in the country; and

(c) the details of steps being taken/proposed to be taken for increasing the qualified faculty and upgrading the knowledge and skills of nursing personnel in various speciality areas?

Nikshay Poshan Yojana

*79. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI
LEKHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the scheme formulated under the National Strategic Plan 2017-25 to streamline the process for TB patients approaching private doctors or hospitals;

(b) the percentage of the registered TB patients seeking treatment in Government and private institutions who have received benefits under the Nikshay Poshan Yojana along with the amount transferred to the patients;

(c) the efforts made by the Government to inform the patients about the scheme along with the obligations imposed on private institutions to inform the existing registered and future patients about the scheme;

(d) whether the Government intends to provide nutritional supplements in

addition to the direct transfer of funds to the patients; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Losses of
Public Sector Banks**

*80. SHRI A.
ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State owned banks saw their cumulative losses widen nearly three and a half times to Rs. 14, 716 crore in the July-September quarter of the current fiscal due to mounting bad loans;

(b) if so, the details thereof, bank-wise;

(c) whether 21 Public Sector Banks had posted a net loss of Rs. 4,284 crore in the September quarter of 2017-18 and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether India's second largest Public Sector Bank suffered huge losses after the detection of a massive fraud to the tune of nearly Rs. 14,000 crore; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

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SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA
Secretary General

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