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List of Ouestions for ORAL ANSWERS

Friday, July 12, 2019/Ashadha 21, 1941 (Saka)

(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)

Total Number of Questions — 20

Shortage of MBBS Doctors

*281. DR. MOHAMMAD JAVED: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a shortage of MBBS doctors in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Bihar;
- (b) whether any steps have been taken to increase the number of seats in various medical institutes/colleges across the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof during the last two years and the current year?

Research on Cancer

†*282. DR. SWAMI SAKSHIJI MAHARAJ: SHRI BHOLA SINGH: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Institute of Science, Technology and Development Studies of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research is undertaking any research work to check damage to the normal cells of the body during cancer treatment;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof:
- (c) whether the Government is working on any other research works related to cancer; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Artificial Intelligence in Public Health System

*283. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI: स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Artificial Intelligence (AI) which is being widely used in different parts of the world, is being used in public health system in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the areas in which it is currently being used in the country along with its impact;
- (c) whether there has been a comprehensive assessment of the areas in which AI can be used in public health management in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the road map finalized/being prepared for expanding the usage of AI in the country?

Parameters of Pathological Tests

†*284. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY: SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has fixed parameters regarding results of the various pathological tests/investigations under medical services:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government is aware that some pharmaceutical companies in collusion with doctors are selling medicines by terming the parameters fixed as wrong;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/being taken by the

Government against such companies and doctors along with the number of companies and doctors against whom action has been taken during each of the last three years, State-wise; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to fix the standard parameters for various diagnostic investigations and disseminate the same in public interest and if so, the details therefor?

Medical Colleges

*285. SHRI PINAKI MISHRA: SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to build 180 Medical Colleges in the country, if so, the details thereof indicating the places/locations identified during the last three years and the current financial year, location and State/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of the criteria/norms adopted/being adopted by the Government to shortlist the cities/locations/areas for these new medical colleges;
- (c) whether the said criteria/norms are being diligently followed, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the budgetary allocation made and utilised and the time period fixed for commencement, completion and operationalisation thereof;
- (d) whether the setting up of Medical Colleges is likely to be carried out under the Central scheme or in collaboration with the concerned States/UTs; and

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(e) whether the existing hospitals in various States are proposed to be upgraded to medical colleges, if so, the details thereof and if not, the manner in which infrastructure would be created for such new medical colleges?

Revival of Lakes

*286. DR. FAROOO ABDULLAH:

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 three important lakes in Srinagar namely Ancharsar, Khoshalsar and Gilsar are on the verge of extinction;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to allocate funds for the revival of the said lakes; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Zika, Encephalitis and Other Viral Diseases

*287. SHRI P.K.

KUNHALIKUTTY:

SHRIMATI JYOTSNA

CHARANDAS

MAHANT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the World Health Organisation (WHO), some cases of Zika, Encephalitis and other viruses have been reported in India;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has made adequate arrangements for treatment of Zika, Encephalitis and other similar viral diseases in the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Genetically Modified Crops

*288. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether various NGOs are objecting to the Genetically Modified (GM) Mustard, Brinjal, etc.;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is true that farmers are demanding introduction of more GM crops and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Ministry has released the bio-safety data on GM Mustard, Brinjal, etc., if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether his Ministry has got any feedback from various stakeholders, general public, experts and others in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

Free Compulsory Skill Training Facilities

*289. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI: SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:

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 provide free compulsory skill training facilities to all the girls upto class 12th from the rural and semi-urban areas of the country, specially in Delhi/NCR, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and North East;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of professional courses approved by the Government upto class 12th to increase the employability of girls?

SAATHI

*290. SHRI SELVAM. G.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features and objectives of the initiative "Sustainable and Accelerated Adoption of efficient Textile technologies to Help small Industries" (SAATHI);
- (b) whether the Government has identified any existing textile clusters to commence the implementation of the project and if so, the details of the clusters selected for the said purpose;
- (c) whether the scheme is likely to result in energy and cost savings for the entrepreneurs; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Use of Science and Technology

†*291. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the areas/sectors identified by the Government for wider use of science and technology for the development of the country;
- (b) whether the Government has provided a special package to some sectors for development of science and technology; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

Shelter Homes/Widow Homes

*292. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up shelter homes/widow homes in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Chhattisgarh; and
- (c) the funds sanctioned, released and utilised by the Government in this regard during each of the last two years and the current year, State-wise?

Eradication of TB

†*293. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether some international organizations are co-operating to eliminate

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Tuberculosis (TB) in the country and if so, the details thereof indicating the names of such organizations;

- (b) the number of TB cases reported in the country during the current year;
- (c) whether any target has been set for complete eradication of TB in the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Slum Rehabilitation Projects

†*294. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Maharashtra seeking environmental approval for a scheme declared and notified by MoEF dt. 6.1.2011 pertaining to Slum Rehabilitation Projects in the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) II (SRA);
- (b) if so, the details and the present status of the said proposal; and
- (c) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be finalized along with the reasons for delay, if any?

Infant Deaths

*295. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether according to a report by the United Nations Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation, three infants die every two minutes on an average in India due to lack of access to water, sanitation, proper nutrition or basic health services and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the number of infant deaths in India is the highest in the world, according to the report and if so, the facts in this regard, State-wise;
- (c) whether the budget allocation for the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) shows a declining trend in India and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether child malnutrition is soaring but funding for India's child development scheme remains anaemic, if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to eradicate the problem of malnutrition in India?

Amendment in Biological Diversity Act, 2002

*296. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:

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 amend the existing Biological Diversity Act, 2002 to make it more pro-public and eco-friendly in near future, especially for the North-Eastern region;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the time-frame for the proposed amendments in the aforementioned Act?

Employment Opportunities in Handloom Industry

†*297. SHRI CHANDAN SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether maximum employment opportunities can be generated by developing the handloom industry as micro and rural industry in the country;
- (b) if so, the procedure laid down/the roadmap proposed in this regard by the Government and the details of implementation of any schemes/policies specifically earmarked for the development of handloom industries in the previous years;
- (c) the details of increase in turnover in such handloom industries during the last three years; and
- (d) the number of employment opportunities generated during the last three years along with the percentage growth thereof?

Shortage of Essential Medicines and Equipments

*298. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that hospitals across the country, particularly Government hospitals are facing acute shortage of essential life saving medicines, injections and other medical equipments;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to supply essential medicines to hospitals;
- (c) whether this shortage is even worse in rural Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres and has also led to death of many patients in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Quality Care to Pregnant Women

*299. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

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 ensure quality care to pregnant women and neonates;
- (b) the number of Mother and Child Health (MCH) wings that have been set up and are presently operational in the country including Gujarat; and
- (c) the criteria for deciding a 'high case load delivery point'?

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Rise in Pollution Levels

†*300. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK: SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

(a) whether the rising pollution levels in the country have become a matter of grave concern for the environment; (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

- (c) whether the Government has assessed the damage caused by environment pollution in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has fixed responsibility in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action plan formulated and campaigns being devised/run by the Government to deal with the rising pollution levels in the country?

New Delhi; *July* 6, 2019 *Ashadha* 15, 1941 *(Saka)* SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA Secretary General

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