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List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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Closures of schools

3221. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:
SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether only 22 per cent of the schools in country have internet facilities and only 12 per cent of Government schools have internet facilities and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether only 30 per cent of the schools have functional computer facilities and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the options available to schools during the pandemic, as well as plans for hybrid learning in the days ahead, State wise, Government/private school - wise till date;

(d) the details of the reports of the Unified District Information System for Education Plus (UDISE+) in this regard till date; and

(e) the funds given to Government/Private schools for this purpose and the manner in which it is utilised in pre-post Covid-19 situation till date?

Privatisation of CPSE

3222. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has put in place a monitoring mechanism for strict implementation of various Honourable courts including APEX court judgements against the Government's privatisation of CPSEs;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Grants-in-aid sanctioned to Karnataka

3223. SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is having the data of central grants-in-aid sanctioned to the State Government of Karnataka during the last three financial years i.e. 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21;

(b) if so, the details thereof, department/ministry-wise;

(c) whether the respective departments are submitting utilization certificates time to time and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Government is able to give department-wise details of grants-in-aid sanctioned in the current financial year 2021-22 and if so, the details thereof?

Loss Making PSEs

†3224. SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI
PATEL:

SHRI MITESH RAMESHBHAI PATEL
(BAKABHAI):

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and number of Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs) which are utilising their full capacity and are earning profits from 2016 to 2020;

(b) the details and number of PSEs incurring losses and details of cumulative loss during the last five years;

(c) whether there is a proposal to revive such loss incurring PSEs;

(d) the details and names of PSEs which are likely to be disinvested and the details of total amount earned from such disinvestment; and

(e) the total number of employees working in loss incurring PSEs?

Guidelines for Tourists on Hill Stations

3225. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:
DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a huge increase in the number of people visiting various tourist spots, especially the hill stations in the country since the easing of Covid-19 restrictions and ICMR has raised concerns over it;

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

(c) whether the Government is aware that non-adherence to Covid-appropriate behaviour by these tourists can lead to a serious situation and lead to a surge in coronavirus cases and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to put any curbs on visits to tourists spots in its guidelines or take any other measures to ensure Covid-appropriate behaviour by the people visiting various tourist spots in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the action taken by the Government against the tourists which are flouting the Covid rules and over crowding the hill stations of the country?

Works of PSUs under CSR

3226. SHRI ANNASHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:
SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:
SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA:
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the works undertaken by Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) during the last three years and the current year in the country including Karnataka, PSU-wise;

(b) the amount of funds spent on different works during the said period and the number of persons benefitted therefrom, location and PSU-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received any Social Audit Reports conducted to track CSR funds by these PSUs and if so, the details of the findings thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Government has conducted a study for assessing the impact of CSR projects undertaken by various PSUs and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether there is a lack of initiatives and implementation gaps by CPSUs in the projects and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether the Government has implementation system for tracking the status of unspent CSR funds in a year and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to ensure spending of CSR and ESR of PSUs?

Interest-free Loans to Farmers

3227. MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government will consider providing interest-free loans or loans with a nominal rate of interest to farmers across the country;

(b) whether the Government will consider announcing an agricultural loan waiver as done previously;

(c) the details of measures being taken on the lines of the Agricultural Debt Waiver and Debt Relief Scheme to address the agrarian distress, especially in Karur district of Tamil Nadu; and

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

Promotion of PSUs

3228. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is reviewing any proposals to promote Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in sectors such as the pharmaceutical industry which is of vital importance to public health in the light of COVID-19 pandemic; and

(b) if so, whether any concrete proposals are being considered to ensure affordable drugs and other health care products as well as health care facilities to the public?

NABARD Financial Assistance to Farmers

3229. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:
SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has any plans to provide financial assistance to farmers and farmers cooperatives, which are adversely affected due to the pandemic and if so, the details of thereof;

(b) whether the NABARD has released its State-wise credit plan for the 2021-22 financial year; and

(c) if so, the details of the priority sector particularly Agricultural lending, MSME and SHG in Odisha and other States as finalized by the NABARD?

Disinvestment of PSEs

3230. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Maharatnas, Navaratnas and Miniratnas public sector enterprises as on date;

(b) the details of Maharatnas, Navaratnas and Miniratnas public sector enterprises proposed for disinvestment during this year; and

(c) the number and profit making public sector enterprises apart from Maharatnas, Navaratnas and Miniratnas in 2020-21?

Disinvestment of PSUs

3231. SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number and details of sanctioned reserved posts for Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs), and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in all Central Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs);

(b) whether the proposed privatisation and disinvestment of PSUs, particularly Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) will result in reduction of reserved posts for SCs, STs, and OBCs, and if so, the details and number of such posts; and

(c) whether the Government has any plan to ensure the continuation of reservations in Central PSUs, particularly BPCL, after disinvestment?

Less Cash Economy

3232. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:
SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently announced that India has shifted from being a cash economy to less cash economy;

(b) if so, whether it is true that in November 2016, the cash with public was Rs. 17.74 lakh crore before demonetisation;

(c) if not, the exact cash with public before demonetisation;

(d) whether it is also true that in January 2021, the cash with public is Rs. 27.17 lakh crore and if not, the exact cash with public in January 2021; and

(e) whether the Government is not aware that India has now become a more-cash economy than before and if so, the details thereof?

GST Payment on Reverse Charge

3233. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering any suggestion about the payment of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on reverse charge basis on scrap purchase by the registered dealer from unregistered person i.e. street pickers, garbage collectors, etc;

(b) if so, the time by which it is expected to get implemented;

(c) whether the Government has analysed cascading effect due to non-allowance of Input Tax Credit (ITC) of GST Payment made by reverse charge; and

(d) if so, whether the Government is considering to cover more people into tax net by allowing ITC on payment made by reverse charge and if so, the details thereof?

Jobs in Agriculture/Industries

3234. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether jobs in the agricultural and industrial sectors have reportedly declined over the years;

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

(c) the number of jobs created during the last three years as per the latest data of the National Sample Survey Office, sector-wise;

(d) the targets set by the Government to create additional jobs during the last five years and the sectors emphasised for the purpose; and

(e) the action plan of the Government to achieve the said targets?

PM Suraksha Bima Yojana

3235. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA
KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that PM Suraksha Bima Yojana is not attracting the people in the desired manner due to lack of awareness;

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

(c) whether it is a fact that there is no proper advertisement and supervision on the implementation of the programme; if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the awareness among the people to attract towards the scheme?

Casual Labourers in Mining Sector

†3236. SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the works of permanent nature are being done by the contractors through casual labourers in private and public sector mines and industries;

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

(c) the number of persons found guilty for not getting the said works done as per the rules along with the details of action taken against them during the last three years?

Tax Reduction

3237. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government aims to reduce the taxes levied on petroleum products to ensure decrease in logistical cost of transportation for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

Skill Development and Vocation Training in Rural Areas

†3238. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a worrying picture of Skill Development and Vocational Training in rural areas, in the light of a report "Status of Education and Vocational Training in India";

(b) whether according to the report in the year 2011-12 only 2.4 per cent of the people aged 15 years and above in the country have technical degree or diploma

or certificate and in rural areas their percentage is just 1.1; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to promote Vocational Training in rural areas; and

(d) the sectors in which formal Vocational Training has been given to men and women in rural areas during the last three years (2014-20) and the State-wise/department-wise details thereof including Gujarat?

National Policy on Bio-fuels

3239. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:
SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:
SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:
ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:
DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Biomass Repository proposed under the National Policy on Bio-fuels, 2018 has been operationalised, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether any second-generation (2G) ethanol technologies and biorefineries have been developed as proposed under the National Policy on Biofuels, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the volume of ethanol and biodiesel domestically produced during the last three years and the current year; and

(d) the number of Second Generation(2G) bio-ethanol manufacturing projects supported including the details of funds allocated and disbursed under Pradhan Mantri JI-VAN Yojana, year-wise, from inception till date?

Petitions filed under IBC

3240. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS
कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is increase in the number of petitions filed under Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) during the Covid Pandemic period, from April to June, 2021:

(b) if so, the details thereof in the country, particularly in Tamil Nadu; and

(c) the details of stimulus package, financial assistance and schemes provided by Government to help these industries?

Eco-tourism Projects in Maharashtra

3241. SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced any measures to promote sustainable and environment friendly eco-tourism projects in Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Odisha;

(b) if so, the details thereof including any projects specific to Pali and Bhubaneswar; and

(c) the activities covered by the said policy and the expected environmental benefits of the same?

Promotion of Eco-Tourism in National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries

3242. SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY
VASANTH:
SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently approved new guidelines for eco-tourism in forest and wildlife areas;

(b) if so, the details along with its features thereof; and

(c) whether any steps are being taken to ease norms for eco-tourism to facilitate opportunities in notified forest and wildlife reserves and if so, the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor?

Health Services under ESIC

†3243. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI JUAL ORAM:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO
MANE:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE
PATIL:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of hospitals selected under the ESI Health Scheme in the country is very less, if so, the details thereof along with the plans of the Government for its solution;

(b) whether the Government proposes to include the ESI Health Scheme with Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana;

(c) the number of ESIC hospitals/ dispensaries set up in the country, State/ UT-wise including Maharashtra and Odisha;

(d) whether there has been a constant increase in the number of labourers being covered under ESIC and

if so, the details thereof and the measures being taken by the Government to deal with this increasing number of beneficiaries; and

(e) the details of the steps taken by the Government to improve the medical services being provided by ESIC in the country; and

(f) whether the Government has a proposal to set up any new hospitals and dispensaries of ESI and also to upgrade some of the existing hospitals and dispensaries and if so, the details thereof?

Child Labourers

3244. SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has data indicating the number of child labourers recorded in UP, Rajasthan, Jharkhand and Maharashtra over the last five years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that each of the above States accounts for over 10 per cent of total child labourers in India;

(d) whether any measures have been put in place by the Government to prevent children from being recruited for child labour; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Victim to Child Labour

3245. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to several reports a large number of children are falling victim to child labour every year in the country and if so, the number of child labour cases that came to the notice of the Government during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether any scientific system has been developed to identify child labourers;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the details of fund allocated for their rehabilitation during the said period; and

(d) whether Government has initiated public awareness programmes in this regard?

Promotion of Indian Art and Culture

3246. SHRI D.K.SURESH:
SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to preserve and promote Indian art, literature and culture in the country during the last three years;

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

(c) whether the Government has formulated any new programmes to preserve ancient, medieval literature of Indian languages and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has earmarked any funds to preserve promote and create awareness about ancient and medieval Indian literature, art and culture during the said period; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the details of the funds released to various agencies and NGOs for this purpose?

Illegal Placement Agencies

3247. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRI RATANSINH MAGANSINH
RATHOD:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of illegal placement agencies are functioning in the country particularly in the metro cities without any regulations;

(b) whether such illegal agencies continue to exploit minors from other States by employing them at households work and also extracting money from unemployed persons in the name of providing jobs and if so, the action taken against such illegal placement agencies and the number of persons arrested and fine collected from them during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government had also earlier set up a Committee to examine the issue pertaining to such placement agencies; and

(e) if so, the recommendation of the committee and its implementation by the Government thereto?

Investment in Renewable Energy through CSR

3248. SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether investments were made in renewable energy projects by the companies as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has prepared an action plan for implementation of the policy regarding Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) with a view to making it more effective and result-oriented and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the works/activities carried out by Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and private companies/corporate houses along with the expenditure made/shared thereon in the Karnataka State during the last three years and the current year under CSR?

Commercial Borrowings

3249. SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of external debt as on date due to commercial borrowing with break up of the amount borrowed by Indian companies;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to control or reduce the burden of increasing commercial borrowings;

(c) the total amount of external commercial borrowing by the companies under automatic route and approval rate;

(d) whether the Government is having any proposal to abolish the automatic route; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Atmanirbhar Bharat

3250. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of incentives provided to private schools as part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat package and the list of principal entities receiving the same as a form of philanthropic gesture;

(b) the details of the EdTech companies and other organizations with whom MOUs were signed by the Government to support education delivery during the pandemic;

(c) the initiatives taken by the Government to prevent overcharging and fee hikes by private schools during the lock down; and

(d) whether the Government is considering relaxing the not-for profit status of education any time soon and if so, the details thereof ?

Impact of CORONA on Education

3251. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:
SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data of students who dropped out of education due to the negative impact of Covid-19 after 2020; and

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

Merger of Banks

3252. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposal for merger of Rupee Cooperative Bank with Maharashtra State Co-Operative Bank is pending with the RBI;

(b) if so, the present status of the aforesaid proposal; and

(c) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

GST Exemption on Anganwadi Food

†3253. SHRI MITESH RAMESHBHAI PATEL
(BAKABHAI):

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal was considered or a decision had been taken regarding exemption to the food from the Goods and Services Tax (GST) served in Anganwadi Centres and schools funded by the Government grants or corporate donations in 43rd meeting of the GST Council held on 28.05.2021 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is true that as per the said decision and clarification, nutritional supplements T.H.R. to be made available at Anganwadi Centres is likely to be exempted from GST and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any instructions are likely to be issued by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs in this regard; and

(d) if so, the time by which instructions are likely to be issued and if not, the reasons therefor?

Tribal Land in Steel City

3254. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total land of tribals acquired by Steel City, Rourkela Steel Plant Authority or any other organizations;

(b) whether any compensation was paid to the tribals who owned the land;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Funds to North Eastern States

†3255. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of percentage of total tribal Budget allocated for North-Eastern States during the last five years;

(b) the scheme-wise details of the funds released to various districts councils of North-Eastern States under the Sixth schedule during the last five years;

(c) the details of works done by various district councils by the funds released for this purpose;

(d) the details of various schemes introduced by the Ministry along with details of various units and PSUs under the Ministry and their work profiles; and

(e) whether two reports pertaining to provide tribal status to the tribes of Assam have been presented in 2012, if so, the details thereof?

Funds Spent on Conservation of Monuments in Andhra Pradesh

3256. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of works undertaken till date under Adarsh Smarak initiative in the list of monuments in Andhra Pradesh (AP) identified as Adarsh Smarak.

(b) the list of centrally protected monuments in Srikakulam district in Andhra Pradesh and the details of works undertaken, funds spent, for conservation, protection, preservation, repair of centrally protected monuments in Srikakulam during the last ten years;

(c) the list of works, activities to be undertaken for centrally protected monuments in Srikakulam as per the annual conservation programme drawn on the basis of need and priority, monument wise details;

(d) the names and designations of officials directly responsible for the conservation, preservation, development, repair of Centrally protected monuments in Srikakulam district; and

(e) the details of funds allocation and utilisation for each district of Andhra Pradesh during the last two years, district-wise along with the list of features of Central Schemes for Library Development, improvement and promotion?

Van Grams

†3257. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:
SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Van Grams located in the protected areas of the country under Gram Vikas Yojna in the tribal areas State-wise/Union Territory-wise including Chhattisgarh; and

(b) details of the funds sought by the State Governments for the developmental works of the said Grams during the last three years and the current year, fund-wise and State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has sanctioned the said funds; and

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

Oil and Gas Reserves

†3258. SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:
SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any special initiative to explore new oil and gas reserves;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the State-wise details of the domestic and foreign investment made in the oil and gas sector during the last three years?

Projection of North Eastern States in Text Books

3259. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that North Eastern States are not projected in text books in the way they should be as compared to other States;

(b) whether the Government has received a joint memorandum from various North Eastern States Student Unions and groups in this regard;

(c) if so, the action which the Government is considering to take on the proposal submitted through the memorandum; and

(d) the measures initiated by the Government to eradicate such differences?

Visa-on-Arrival

3260. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of countries whose citizens are entitled to visa-on-arrival in India;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating to increase this number to boost tourism by including more countries in 'Tourist Visa on Arrival Facility'; and

(c) whether the Government is considering to increase the number of tourists eligible for free tourist visas from existing 5 lakh limit and if so, the details thereof?

Action Taken to Improve Tourism Potential in North-Eastern States

3261. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by the Government to improve the tourism potential in North-Eastern India and the revenue generated from International tourism;

(b) the details of the State which has the highest revenue from tourism in last three years along with the details of the State which has the highest potential for tourism and unable to harness it; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Agreement with Various Countries to Develop Film Tourism

3262. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that film tourism has vast potential for growth in the country including North Eastern Region (NER) and Tamil Nadu and if so, the details of the initiatives taken by the Government to encourage film tourism in the country and the extent of success achieved therefrom so far;

(b) the reasons due to which the film tourism not been fully developed despite the vast potential in the country;

(c) whether the Government proposes to extend financial support to the States and Union Territories for promoting tourism and if so, the details thereof and the criteria fixed for this purpose; and

(d) whether India has signed MoU/agreement with various countries to develop film tourism and if so, the details thereof?

Personal Life Cover to COVID-19 Workers

†3263. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to provide personal life cover of Rs.50 lakh to police men, media personnel as well as administrative officers and employees engaged in prevention and protection activities against Covid-19 on the lines of insurance cover provided to front line corona warriors including doctors, paramedical staff and other health workers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons for disparity in this regard?

ESI Hospitals/Dispensaries in Small Cities

3264. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of ESIC hospitals providing their services across the country at present and the details of the criteria to set up new ESIC hospitals;
- (b) whether the Government is working on any scheme to set up ESIC hospitals in the small cities and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government plans for ESIC Dispensary-cum-Branch office in every district of the country and if so, the details thereof along with the places/districts wherein the proposed ESIC Dispensary-cum-Branch offices are planned to be set up, State-wise including Odisha ; and
- (d) the time by which these are likely to be set up?

Import Duty Restrictions

3265. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:
SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA
KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the import duty restriction imposed in the month of February this year and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has taken note that the 10 per cent duty levied on cotton imports are driving the garments industry into difficulties as the cost of production of garments is increasing leading to an increase in the prices of finished garments; and
- (c) whether the Cotton Association of India has requested the Union Government to scrap the 10 per cent duty levied on imports of cotton and if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Skill Development in West Bengal

3266. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the various schemes launched for the development of entrepreneurship in West Bengal and in various States in the country during the last six years;
- (b) whether any new scheme is proposed to be introduced in the coming future;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of the funds sanctioned for the development of the Entrepreneurship in the budgetary allocation 2020 and the percentage of funds released/ utilised to West Bengal till now during corona pandemic; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Central Vigilance Commission Directives

3267. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the Central Vigilance Commission directives to RBI and Banks to install a system which can detect chunks of small amounts transferred abroad from a single account to check fraudulent forex transactions;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to recover a sum of Rs.6100 crores transferred by a nationalized bank recently; and
- (c) whether the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) are adhering to the norms prescribed by Indian Banks Association regarding Know Your Customer (KYC) and Anti Money Laundering Guidelines?

Refurbishing of Famous Temples in Tamil Nadu

3268. SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to enhance the visual impact of the various temples in the Cuddalore district, from the point of view of tourist attraction;
- (b) the district-wise total number of temples in the State of Tamil Nadu; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to strengthen and refurbish the famous temple structures in Cuddalore district being a tourist attraction place from the point of view of pilgrimage and worship?

Violation of CSR Provision

3269. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO
MANDLIK:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the existing legal provisions such as mandatory disclosures, accountability of the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Committee and the Board, provisions for statutory audit of accounts of the company etc. provide sufficient safeguards for utilization of funds;

(b) if so, the number of cases of violation of CSR provisions reported along with the action against such Companies initiated as per provisions of the Act after due examination of records and following due process of law;

(c) the details of the CSR funds available and utilised by each of the Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) for the fiscal year 2020-21;

(d) the details of utilisation of the CSR funds of CPSUs for the fiscal year 2020-21, State-wise;

(e) the priority areas for which the CSR funds assistance have been considered and utilised;

(f) whether any effective measures have been taken regarding the funds being spent particularly for hilly areas of the country under the CSR?

Compliance of ECB Liability-Equity Ratio

3270. SHRIMATI JYOTSNA CHARANDAS
MAHANT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India has taken any step to confirm the compliance of External Commercial Borrowings (ECB) liability -equity ratio which cannot exceed 7:1 for ECB raised under the automatic route from direct equity holder in case of FCY denominated ECB by all eligible borrowers during the whole tenure of ECB;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any qualified member of ICAI, ICSI or ICMA is required to issue certificate to confirm the compliance of ECB liability - equity ratio which cannot exceed 7:1 for ECB raised under the automatic route from direct equity holder in case of FCY denominated ECB by all eligible borrowers during the whole tenure of ECB;

(d) if so, details thereof; and

(e) if not, whether it is proposed to obtain any such certificate and if so, the details thereof?

Release of Funds under CSS

3271. SHRIMATI MANJULATA MANDAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government will consider implementation of revised procedure for release of funds under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) and monitoring utilisation of funds released from the next financial year instead of need of the current financial year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government will appreciate the genuine concerns of the State Government and consider restoring the earlier sharing pattern of the CSS, so that more resources of the State would be available for the State Schemes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Job Loss of Employees of Private/Government Sectors

3272. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO
MANDLIK:

SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of persons have lost their employment during the Covid-19 pandemic in the country and if so, the details, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government have any mechanism to monitor job loss of employees of private and Government sectors in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the sectors affected with the pandemic;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any study as to how such trend of job loss is to be handled during such situation in private and Government sectors and if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide assistance to those who have become jobless during the period of first and second wave of Covid-19?

Unemployment in Jharkhand

3273. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State of Jharkhand has witnessed an increase in unemployment as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic;

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

(c) the details of the remedial measures taken by the Government of Jharkhand to curtail unemployment; and

(d) whether the proposed measures will lead to eliminating the alarming increase?

Educational Infrastructure in Noth-Eastern States

3274. SHRI TAPIR GAO:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any plan for improving the quality of education and providing better infrastructure in the North-Eastern States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is also formulating any plan to promote technical education in the North-Eastern States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof including the details of the funds allocated for this purpose?

Investment by Foreign Companies

†3275. SHRIMATI SANDHYA RAY:
DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether such efforts or changes have been made by the Government so that foreign companies are attracted to invest or open their business units in India;

(b) if so, the efforts made and the sectors where such efforts have been made;

(c) whether the Government is still making such efforts or proposes to do so; and

(d) if so, the details of the possible efforts/changes as a result of which foreign companies are likely to be attracted to trade in India?

Tibet Schools

3276. DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to hand over property of schools of Central Tibetan Schools Administration (CTSA) to Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society in violation of FEMA Regulations and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to enquire into the matter and fix responsibilities; if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether no income tax has been deducted from pensions in the CSTA and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Principals and Education officers of CSTA get ACP/MACP in violation of rules and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the staff of CTSA are being transferred to sister organizations of the Ministry and being replaced by Tibetan staff and if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government can accommodate Tibetan students in one school as they stay in hostel and rest of schools be converted into Kendriya Vidyalaya (KVS) for the benefit of all; and

(g) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

R&D in Iron and Steel sector

3277. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:
SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds sanctioned under the scheme 'Promotion of Research & Development (R&D) in Iron and Steel' Sector during the last two years;

(b) the details of energy efficient and environment friendly technologies adopted as a part of technological up-gradation/ modernisation/ expansion of projects;

(c) whether any new methods have been found out to better treat the waste from the steel sector in an environment friendly manner; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-dhan Yojana

†3278. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:
SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI
PATEL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of labourers registered so far under Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-dhan Yojana (PM-SYM) across India along with the list thereof, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to increase the contribution to be made by the Shram Yogis and to increase the amount of pension to be paid to them after 60 years of age in future and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide the amount of contribution made by the Government to the labourers on 10 years or more contribution; and

(d) the implementation status of PM-SYM and the details of the institutes entrusted with the management of funds?

Registered Persons in Employment Exchange

†3279. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise total number of persons belonging to Divyang/SC/ST/OBC categories registered in the employment offices as on date;

(b) the total number of persons belonging to the aforesaid categories in particular, given employment during the last three years;

(c) whether the quota reserved for these categories is being filled up on regular basis;

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

(e) the measures being taken by the Government to fill up the reserved quota for such persons?

Objectives of New Education Policy

3280. SHRI RAMALINGAM S.:
SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:
SHRI P.C. MOHAN:
SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is concentrating on achieving the objectives of the New Education Policy (NEP) in a time-bound manner and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has consulted all the stakeholders like UGC, AICTE, CBSE and Kendriya Vidyalayas in this regard and received suggestions/objections from State Governments and concerned stakeholders and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken note that the new National Education Policy (NEP) is suffering from the flaws like clarity on how it is to be implemented and overcome the pressures of the old education system and if so, the details thereof? and

(d) the remedial measures being taken by Government to address the same?

Regulation of Share Capital and Securities

3281. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Reserve Bank of India has issued a draft circular on issue and regulation of share capital and securities on Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs);

(b) whether it is also true that this was necessitated following the changes mandated by certain amendments to the Banking Regulation Act, 1949;

(c) whether it is also true that the RBI had asked UCBs, other participants as well as other interested parties to submit their comments on the above by 31.8.2021;

(d) whether it is also true that the RBI intends to finalise the draft circular as early as possible; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Health Insurance Cover to Casual and Contractual Workers

3282. SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI RATANSINH MAGANSINH
RATHOD:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:
ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) proposes to extend benefits of its health insurance cover to all casual and contractual workers at municipal bodies; if so, the details thereof and aims and objective behind the move;

(b) whether ESIC has been directed to take up the matter with the States and UTs for issue of notification for coverage of casual and contractual workers in the municipal corporations and councils of their respective jurisdictions, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the challenges faced by the Government in providing health services under ESIC to all districts of the country;

(d) whether ESIC facilities are not being given to most of the employees working in most of the private companies of the country; and

(e) if so, the details of the steps taken by the Government in this regard during the last three years and if not, State-wise details thereof?

Incidents of Gas Leakage and Fire Break Out

3283. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:
SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of incidents of gas leakage and fire break out in underground natural gas pipelines, refineries and oil fields/wells has gone up;

(b) if so, the details along with number of such incidents and the loss of revenue reported as a result thereof during each of the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the oil companies/ persons and other agencies have been found responsible/ involved in such incidents and if so, the details thereof and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government against them;

(d) whether it is true that failure to comply with standard operating procedures was the main reason for the accidents during the said period and if so, the details thereof along with the other reasons for such accidents; and

(e) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry in this regard and if so, the details and the outcome thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Vocational Training in Schools

3284. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI
KUNDARIYA:
SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to integrate vocational training with the school curriculum for revitalising the education imparted in schools in order to have better job creation in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is taking any measures to introduce cluster development mechanism, which could align the growth of micro, small and medium enterprises with job creating agenda; and

(d) if so, the response of Government in this regard?

Criteria fixed for LPG Subsidy

3285. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI SELVAM G:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria fixed by the Government to avail LPG subsidy by consumers;

(b) whether the Indian Oil Corporation (IOC)/OMCs have stopped giving LPG subsidy to consumers and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has taken any action against IOC and other oil marketing companies and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the main reasons for irregularities in transfer of LPG subsidy along with the measures taken by the Government to address the said issue; and

(e) the corrective steps taken by the Government for release of the subsidy to LPG consumers in a time-bound manner?

Vidyalaya Vikas Nidhi

3286. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:
SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite the schools being closed in view of Covid-19 pandemic, Vidyalaya Vikas Nidhi (VVN) fee is being charged from the students of Kendriya Vidyalayas in the country;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to exempt VVN during the period when the schools are closed; and

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

NISHTHA Programme

3287. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the purpose of NISTHA (National Initiative for School Heads' Teachers' Holistic Advancement) Scheme;

(b) whether the NISTHA scheme is compulsory for all teachers and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the courses available under this scheme; and

(d) the number of teachers who have been trained under the said scheme?

Theft of Money/Ornaments from Bank Lockers

†3288. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the dacoity and theft of money and ornaments from the lockers in various branches of nationalized banks in various States have rapidly increased during the last three years as on date;

(b) if so, the details of the said incidents, year-wise/ bank-wise;

(c) whether each one of the said cases has been investigated;

(d) whether the connivance of bank employees/officers has come to notice in the said bank dacoities and theft from the lockers, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the action taken or to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Opening of Brick and Mortar Branches

3289. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government will apprise the house regarding steps taken by it for opening of Brick and Mortar branches by the Scheduled Commercial Banks in all 4649 unbanked Gram Panchayats in Odisha and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, whether any specific steps have been taken by the Government for covering 978 Gram Panchayats which do not have any banking outlets as on 31st March, 2021; and

(c) the number and details of Gram Panchayats in Angul and Dhenkanal districts without any banking outlets and the number and details of those Gram Panchayats which would have the banking facilities soon along with the time by when such banking facilities could get functional?

TRIFED

†3290. SHRI VISHNU DATT SHARMA:
DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether efforts are being made by the Government to increase the sale of tribal craft and products and visibility and export thereof through Tribal Co-operative Marketing Development Federation of India (TRIFED);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Setting Up of Banks

†3291. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:
SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:
SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the norms for opening branches of banks in villages of the country and whether according to Reserve Bank of India many villages of the country still do not have branches of banks and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details and number of branches of nationalised banks in Assam, district-wise and whether the Government is aware that there is an urgent public demand of opening a new branch at Kazirbazar in Karimganj district of Assam and whether the Government is planning to open a new branch in this district and if so, the details thereof along with the time by when it is likely to be opened and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the Government has also a proposal to open a bank in Karpi of Arwal district in Bihar and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the details of requests received from public representatives in this regard?

Instructional Technology

3292. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that no instructional technology has been developed to replace cooperative learning that takes place in group projects, field studies, recitals and presentations;

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

(c) whether the Government has drawn any action plan to achieve National Education Policy's objective of enhancing the gross enrolment rate in higher education in the country from the current 26 per cent to 50 per cent by 2035; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Vikramshila University

†3293. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Vikramshila University is in a state of ruin;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of steps taken to utilise the funds out of the corpus of Rupees Five Hundred Crore under the package as announced by the Prime Minister for the purpose; and

(d) the other appropriate measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for the revival of Vikramshila University?

Educated and Uneducated Rural and Urban Youth

†3294. SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:
SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:
SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of educated and uneducated rural and urban youth belonging to the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes and Minority Communities registered in the Employment Exchange during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise and gender-wise;

(b) the number of persons provided employment during the said period, State-wise, category-wise and gender-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to create additional employment opportunities for these deprived sections during the current year and the coming years?

Promotion of Indic Learning

3295. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by the Government to promote Indic learning, higher education in Indic subjects and study of Indian languages;

(b) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to promote Sanskrit learning and Sanskrit language;

(c) the number of Sanskrit Universities receiving assistance under the Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalayas/Adarsh Shodha Sansthans along with the quantum of such assistance;

(d) whether the Government is reviewing new applications for assistance under the Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalayas/Adarsh Shodha Sansthans scheme;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the number of such applications and status thereof?

Re-opening of Schools

3296. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is in agreement with ICMR's suggestion to reopen schools, particularly primary schools, since 57.2 per cent of children between the ages of 6-9 already have considerable antibodies based on recent sero-surveys;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) if so, whether the Government has issued indicative timelines based on various parameters and conditions required to be followed by the States at the district level to facilitate reopening;

(d) if so, the expected date of re-opening of schools; and

(e) whether various experts have raised serious concerns regarding the adverse impact that prolonged

school closures on the physical, social and mental well-being of children, including access to basic nutrition under various meal schemes and if so, the details thereof?

Digitisation of Records Related to Freedom Movement

3297. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA
VISWANATH:
SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:
SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken for National Archives' records related to freedom movement and freedom fighters to be digitized which houses over 18 crore pages, 64,000 volumes and 1.2 lakh maps as a part of the commemoration of 75 years of Independence next year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and progress made, as Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, the yearlong series of activities leading up to Independence Day 2022.;

(c) the steps being taken to review the digitization project in general and that of the freedom fighters in particular soon to speed up the work ensuring safety precautions of the records during the proposed demolition of the annexe building as part of the Central Vista redevelopment project, as precaution need to be taken for each and every page/record and if so, the details thereof and progress made, till date in Telangana?

Child Labour Survey

‡3298. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Chhattisgarh has sent a proposal to the Union Government on 5.5.2018 for releasing funds for conducting child labour survey/identification in 27 districts of the State as per the new guidelines for centrally sponsored revision under Child Labour Rehabilitation Scheme 2016;

(b) the details of the desired action taken so far on the said proposal; and

(c) whether the Ministry is not serious on the said proposal of the State Government due to which child labourers are not getting desired benefits?

Production and Utilisation of Ethanol

3299. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering the use of ethanol as an alternative to petrol;

(b) if so, the details of the ethanol manufactured in the country; and

(c) the details of the measures taken by the Government to increase production and utilisation of ethanol?

Tribal Hostels for Nagaland

3300. SHRI TOKHEHO YEPTHOMI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Tribal Hostels sanctioned for Nagaland State from 2011 to 2021 March; and

(b) the details of the funds allocated under this scheme from 2011 to 2021 March?

Rural/Urban Unemployment Rate

3301. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Rural/Urban unemployment rate during the last three years in the country;

(b) whether the Government is aware that the Country's unemployment rate is 12 per cent against two per cent in 2012;

(c) whether the Government is also aware that the country's unemployment has risen to an alarming stage and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the manner in which the Government is going to bring it down?

Wage Bill for Large Companies

3302. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:
SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the wage bill for large companies grew by over 5 per cent in FY 21 in contrast to the almost 10 per cent contraction seen among MSMEs;

(b) whether this high liquidity in the system has allowed the large companies to deleverage over the past five years without any growth in capital investment despite public commitments made by industry captains;

(c) whether this has resulted in the Indian economy taking a sharp oligopolistic turn across several sectors; and

(d) whether all of these facts do not exacerbate the Indian growth story making it evident that India is going to have a K-shaped recovery rather than a V-shaped recovery?

Diversion of CSR Funds

3303. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether during the pandemic caused due to Covid-19, all the CSR funds had been put on hold and are diverted to the Government for the purchase of medical equipments and para medical facilities; and

(b) the contribution of the PSUs to the Government in the last two fiscal years, PSU-wise and also the contribution of private entities to the fund in the last two fiscal years and whether there has been a mishandling of CSR funds by private entities, if so, the details thereof?

Review of Educational Facilities in Bihar

†3304. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the existing facilities at the Secondary and Higher Secondary level of education in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details of the demographic characteristics, quality of school education, details of facilities, teacher-students ratio thereof;

(c) the number of Government and non-Government educational institutions in each district of Bihar;

(d) the number of projects approved for the development of education in the 13th Five Year Plan for Maharashtra?

Discontinuation of M.Phil

3305. SHRI P RAVINDHRANATH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of National Education Policy-2020 (NEP) across the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the NEP specifically intend for discontinuation of M.Phil research degree course in Universities/affiliated Colleges; and

(c) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Union Government to defend the productive period of old students who have passed out their M.Phil degree, recently?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Sankalp Se Siddhi-Mission Van dhan

3306. DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:
SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI:
SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:
SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:
SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently launched a new tribal livelihood initiative named "Sankalp Se Siddhi - Mission Van Dhan"; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the aims and objectives of this initiative?

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana

†3307. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features and objectives of Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) along with the number of beneficiaries in the country including Rajasthan under the scheme and the details of loan provided to them during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of amount sanctioned, allocated and utilised so far under the scheme in the country, State/UT-wise and category-wise including Rajasthan;

(c) the total number of applications received and the details of new entrepreneurs, women entrepreneurs, Scheduled Tribes and other persons benefited under the scheme in Dausa, Karauli-Dholpur districts of Rajasthan, State/UT-wise and district-wise;

(d) the details of the target set under the scheme along with its progress and outcome thereof;

(e) whether the Government has also set any target for employment of Scheduled Tribe women under the scheme and if so, the details and current status thereof along with the details and number of total institutes registered under PMMY till date and the details of loan guarantee scheme formulated under the PMMY; and

(f) whether the Government has received any complaints against certain banks for not providing loan to the needy people on time under the scheme and if so, the details thereof and the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Training to Professional

3308. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to provide free International English Language Testing System/ Occupational English Test (IELTS/OET) training to professional candidates including nurses, seeking employment abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is providing any financial assistance to private institutions to give free training to nurses for such courses in the state of Kerala; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Hostels for Eklavya Model Residential School

†3309. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:
SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently reviewed the implementation performance of the Eklavya Model Residential School(EMRS) scheme in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the outcome of the said review;

(c) the details of opening/ construction of hostels for EMRSs in the country including Gujarat, Rajasthan and Bihar;

(d) whether the Government proposes to open EMRS in every educationally backward tribal dominated Tehsil in Gujarat including Dahod district in Rajasthan including Ahore tehsil in Jalore district in Bihar including Araria district; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Unemployed Artists in States

3310. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified the number of artists in Rajasthan, Jharkhand, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh who have been unemployed due to COVID-19;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to introduce stimulus packages to assist artists of Rajasthan, Jharkhand, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh who have suffered financial loss due to COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Public and Private Partnership

3311. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the public and private partnership can help to bring a major shift in skilling/reskilling programmes in tandem with the Government skilling programmes; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government keeping in view the fact that the two Ministries i.e, the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship should work together to come up with a new curriculum and skilling programmes as per the industry standards as the dream of achieving a self-reliant \$5 trillion economy is completely dependent upon the education and the skill level of its citizens?

Covid-19 in Tribal Areas of Maharashtra

3312. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced any new schemes for the development of Tribals across the country during Covid-19 pandemic including Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the funds allocated to these new schemes, State and UTs wise;

(d) whether the Government has any mechanism to deliver these schemes to the tribals living in extremely remote areas; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Third National Commission for STs

3313. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:
SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed to establish the Third National Commission for Scheduled Areas & Scheduled Tribes in order to review and formulate future policy for the Scheduled Tribes and Scheduled Areas; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Infrastructure Projects

3314. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:

SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has planned to spend Rs. 5.5 lakh crores on infrastructure during the financial year 2021-22 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has also planned to invest Rs 111 lakh crore on infrastructure projects by 2024-25 under the National Infrastructure Pipeline;

(c) if so, the details of projects being implemented and their amounts so far, sector-wise and state-wise;

(d) whether the National Bank for Infrastructure Financing and Development provides funds for infrastructure projects and if so, the details of projects being funded, industry/sector-wise;

(e) whether National Infrastructure Investment Fund supports financing for infrastructure sector and if so, the details of projects funded so far, state-wise and sector-wise; and

(f) the other steps being taken by the Government for infrastructure development in the country?

Implementation of Atmanirbhar Bharat Initiatives

3315. SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:
SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI
KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is pushing for expeditious implementation of Atmanirbhar Bharat initiatives (ABN) announced in the financial year 2020-21;

(b) if so, the number of such initiatives which have got approvals of the Government as schemes/programmes and date of their respective notifications for implementation;

(c) whether the Government has announced or proposed to announce any additional schemes during the financial year 2021-22 under ABN; and

(d) if so, the details of subject-wise ABN schemes/programmes and their physical and financial achievements so far?

Community Forest Resources

†3316. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to bring any changes in ideal guidelines for protection, management and sustainable use of community forest resources;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the impact of the said changes on sensitive tribal groups;

(d) whether the Government proposes to create a data bank for tribal lands; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Agreement with International Expert for Biofuel

3317. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed any target for the generation of biofuel in the country including in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has signed any agreement with international experts for biofuel; and

(d) if so, the details thereof including the fund sanctioned for the purpose in Bihar particularly for sugarmills for the generation of biofuel?

Upgradation of Employment Exchanges

†3318. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of existing Employment Exchanges in the country;

(b) whether all Employment Exchanges have been upgraded as envisaged in the 12th Plan;

(c) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

(d) the manner in which Model Career Centre is different from Employment Exchange; and

(e) the year-wise and State-wise details of persons obtaining employment through Exchanges in the country during the last five years and the current year?

Coaching Centres

3319. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to give relief to general public from reckless loot by coaching centres for entrance in vocational education courses;

(b) the steps taken by the Government for making this sector more transparent, accountable and student friendly to stop exploitation of students and guardians;

(c) whether the Government is taking any steps to prescribe fees for such institutions;

(d) whether any mechanism is being developed to tackle such irregularities and to immediately redress such complaints;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Joint Initiatives for Tribal Communities

3320. SHRI ABHISHEK BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps that are being taken under the joint initiatives with other Ministries to empower tribal communities and ensure proper implementation of their rights;

(b) whether the Government plans to ensure these communities would not be exploited by any private player for their own benefits, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the tribal communities are connected to their natural habitats and if so, the details thereof and the steps are being taken to reduce the increasing deforestation to protect them?

Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana

3321. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of accounts opened so far under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) in Maharashtra, district-wise;

(b) the details of amount collected so far under PMJDY; and

(c) the efforts made by the Government to increase the number of branches of public sector banks in rural areas to make PMJDY more successful?

Refund Claims

3322. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of exporters are awaiting claims for 2019-20 and 2020-21 up to December in respect of merchandise export of India Scheme;

(b) if so, whether exporters have complained about the slow pace of refunds and refunds on GST credits and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether DRI has issued notices to 2000 exporters and from GST authorities for import against advance authorization prior to exports; and

(d) if so, the steps taken or being taken by Government not to harass exporters and process the refund claims speedily?

PM Innovative Learning Programme

†3323. SHRIMATI GOMATI SAI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the areas in which the talents of children are being surveyed under the Pradhan Mantri Innovative Learning Programme;

(b) the number of children selected so far under the said programme;

(c) the class up to which the said programme has proven beneficial and the proposal of the Government to include more areas under this programme;

(d) the criteria for the selection of children under the said programme; and

(e) the details of the duration and the activities covered under this programme?

Database of Migrant Labourers

3324. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:
SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is preparing any database to map migrant labourers who have returned to their native places and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to utilize skills of migrant labourers and ensure employment to them in rural areas;

(c) whether the Government has formed exclusive schemes for the aforesaid purpose and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any data on number of labourers having left Delhi in the last two years and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has assessed returning of migrant labourers to native villages therein and if so, the detailed report on Economic Survey and the migrant labourers therefor; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor and the process of returning of migrant labourers and the families in employment thereof?

State Annual Action Plan

3325. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of State Annual Action Plans approved for the entire Mission period, including committed Central assistance, State-wise;

(b) the central assistance released to States/UTs under AMRUT so far along with the present status of implementation of AMRUT in the country State-wise;

(c) the city-wise details of projects taken up under AMRUT by the Government of Karnataka as on 31/3/2021;

(d) whether the NITI Aayog has conducted third party evaluation of Centrally Sponsored Schemes including AMRUT and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Post Devolution Revenue Deficit Grant (PDRD) is provided to the States under Article 275 of the Constitution;

(f) if so, the names of the States recommended for PDRD Grant by the Fifteenth Finance Commission; and

(g) whether the Finance Commission Grants are primarily divided into four sub-heads and if so, the details thereof?

B.Ed. Colleges

3326. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of teacher training schools/colleges functioning in the country, State-wise particularly in Bihar;

(b) whether the National Council for Teacher Education grants recognition to B.Ed. colleges in the States;

(c) if so, the details in this regard; and

(d) whether focus is laid on the quality of training imparted by private training institutes and that training is being given on regular basis?

Cash Deposit Machines

†3327. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has got any data regarding cash deposit machines in the country;

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

(c) whether there is shortage of cash deposit machines in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken/being taken by the Government to increase the number of cash deposit machines in the country?

Short-Term Courses in Tamil Nadu

3328. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to start short-term courses by organising skill development camps with the help of local administration in various districts of the country especially in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether the Government would consider organising such camps?

Improving the Functioning of JNV and KGB

3329. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to improve the functioning of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) and Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBV) in the country; and

(b) the manner in which transparency has been ensured to implement these steps?

Promotion of Indian Culture

†3330. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government for the conservation and promotion of Indian culture in the country during the last three years;

(b) the details of the new programmes prepared for the promotion of Indian culture and creating awareness in this regard during the said period; and

(c) the amount released to the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for this purpose during the said period, State-wise/Union Territory-wise?

Sahara Group from EPF

3331. SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that due to exemption granted to the Sahara Group from EPF, several employees lost their PF benefits;

(b) if so, the circumstances under which such exemption was granted to the Sahara Group together with the exemption proceedings;

(c) the amounts collected by the Sahara Group from its employees towards PF before giving such exemption and present status of the account; and

(d) details of action taken by the Government to recover PF dues from Sahara after its closure?

Education and Employment

3332. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve the bridge between education and employment, and to prepare young people for the future of work so far;

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized for this so far within Assam;

(c) the details of the target set and achievements made so far along with its response; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to cover the wider section especially rural areas people in the State under this scheme?

Contents in School Text Books

3333. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the deliberate attempts to include inaccurate and intrusive matter of distinct political ideologies/orientations in NCERT and CBSE textbooks and academic materials of Central and State Education Boards ;

(b) if so, the details thereof including measures, if any, taken to rectify and remove such inaccuracies from NCERT and CBSE text books ;

(c) whether the Government has received any plea from public forum protesting against the deliberate attempts made to percolate and promote right wing fundamentalist's interpretations of historical events in school textbooks and if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) the remedial action taken by the Government in this regard?

National Pension System

3334. SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Government's monthly contribution percentage in the National Pension System for all Central Government employees under New Pension System;

(b) the details of Government's monthly contribution percentage in the National Pension System for all the employees of central autonomous bodies under various central ministries;

(c) whether the Government has issued any gazette notification with regard to revision of the Government's monthly contribution percentage in the National Pension System for all the employees of central autonomous bodies under various central ministries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government proposes to increase the Government's monthly contribution percentage in the National Pension System for all the employees of central autonomous bodies under various central ministries?

Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana

3335. SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has implemented Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana (PMVVY) through LIC for senior citizen;

(b) if so, the salient features of PMVVY;

(c) whether Loan facility is available under PMVVY and if so, the terms and conditions thereof;

(d) whether the Government has received complaints regarding non-disbursement of loan against PMVVY and if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether there is any minimum and maximum purchase price Under PMVVY and if so, the details thereof?

Atmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana

3336. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:
SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:
SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Government has introduced Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) to incentivize employers for creation of new employment and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the total number of employers who received incentives under the ABRY scheme, State and Sector-wise;

(c) the number and details of employment generated by the said employers till date, State-wise; and

(d) the total fund earmarked for the scheme and amount spent on this till date?

Implementation of Sree Narayanaguru Spiritual Circuit

3337. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to implement the Sree Narayanaguru Spiritual (Sivagiri Pilgrim) Circuit in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details of funds earmarked for the same and expenditure incurred till date along with the agency entrusted with its implementation;

(c) whether the Government has received any proposal for handing over the implementation of the said circuit to its department of tourism from the Government of Kerala and if so, the status thereof;

(d) whether the Government intends to revoke its decision to cancel the spiritual circuit linking 133 places of worship in the State of Kerala under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Special Assistance Scheme

3338. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued guidelines to the States on the Scheme of Special Assistance to States for Capital Expenditure for promoting capital expenditure by the State Governments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether all the States especially Maharashtra have submitted proposals under the scheme for new and ongoing capital works/projects; and

(d) if so, the details of the projects in Maharashtra?

Living Condition of Tribals

†3339. SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ):

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the living conditions of the tribals have not improved during the last several years in the country;

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

(c) whether the benefits of schemes meant for tribals have not reached them as per planned;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the corrective measures taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(f) the system formulated for effective implementation of various schemes for socio-economic development of tribals in the country?

Fuel Subsidy

3340. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details and total amount of fuel subsidy given by the Union Government during the last ten financial years, year-wise;

(b) the expected amount of fuel subsidy during the current financial year;

(c) whether the subsidy on LPG has completely been withdrawn and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the details of subsidy on LPG at present?

Setting up of Tourism Hubs

3341. PROF. SOUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up tourism hubs in the country;

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

(c) the details of existing pilgrim tourism hubs in the country?

Education Budget

†3342. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new higher educational institutes opened in the country during the last five years;

(b) whether in the draft of the new National Education Policy (NEP) released in 2019 it was estimated that budgetary allocation for education is to be increased ten per cent per annum for ten years for the proper implementation of the policy proposals but increase in the budget of 2020-21 is less than five per cent in comparison to the Budget of last year;

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

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the level of education?

Development of Protected Monuments in Odisha

3343. SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH

DEO:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of monuments which are declared as of national importance in Odisha;

(b) whether the Government has any plans for the conservation, restoration and overall development of the protected monuments in the State of Odisha for posterity and to make them as popular tourist destinations;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred on conservation, restoration, scientific preservation and environmental development, development of surrounding including beautification on each protected monument in Odisha during the last five years?

Analysing Skill Development Programme with Statistics

3344. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is analyzing the Skill Development programs with statistics across the country; and

(b) if so, the proposals of the Government to upskill the deprived areas, States and the skill sectors?

Technical Training under PMKVY in Bihar

†3345. SHRI DULAL CHAND GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any initiative has been taken for providing employment to youths by imparting various technical training to them under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana;

(b) if so, the average percentage of youths trained and provided employment in private/Government sectors in Katihar district of Bihar in the last two years; and

(c) details of the locations selected and the technical courses being offered in Katihar district of Bihar?

Privatisation of Banks

3346. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT:

SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has selected various public sector banks for privatization including Central Bank of India and the Indian Overseas Bank, Bank of Maharashtra and Bank of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the criteria of their selection as well as the number and details of public section banks privatized from the year 1985 to 2014;

(c) whether any consultations have been held with the RBI and unions for privatization of nationalized banks and if so, the outcome of the same;

(d) the manner by which the Government intend to protect the job security, scale, pensions and other benefits of employees of aforementioned banks after privatisation;

(e) the details of measures would be undertaken by the Government to preserve the reservations for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes after privatisation of these banks; and

(f) the timeline and framework for the proposed privatisation and disinvestment proposals?

Legal Protection to Domestic Workers

†3347. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any action plan for economic empowerment and to provide legal protection to domestic workers in household workers;

(b) if so, the details of the ongoing schemes in this regard;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government for economic empowerment of the said women workers in future along with the details thereof?

Labourers/Workers Working in Industrial Organizations

†3348. SADHVI PRAGYA SINGH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise and the company-wise number of labourers/workers working in various industrial organisations of the country till date;

(b) whether the Government has formulated any schemes for the security and welfare of the above-mentioned workers;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the number of workers benefitted therefrom;

(d) whether workers are being constantly exploited in various organisations of the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Investment of EPFO

3349. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:
SHRI RAMALINGAM S.:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that EPFO has taken a decision to invest a portion of its annual deposits in infrastructure investment trust;

(b) the details of impact of such investment on the economy;

(c) the total amount proposed to be invested by EPFO during the current financial year;

(d) the total return/profits expected through this investment; and

Scheme for Unorganised and Unskilled Labourers

3350. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme or proposal to schedule any scheme for unorganised and unskilled labourers;

(b) whether the Government proposes to make policy for minimum wages for unorganised and unskilled labourers and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has reserve fund for it and if so, the details thereof?

Funds Sanctioned for Various Projects in Jharkhand

3351. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH
CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM
पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total funds sanctioned and released to the State of Jharkhand and utilised by the Government of Jharkhand for various projects during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Cases of Gold Smuggling

3352. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of increased instances of gold smuggling in the country especially in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details of gold seized between 2016 to 2020 in Kerala;

(c) whether the Government has taken note of shortage of officers in the Customs Department leading to failure in vigilance and efficacy;

(d) if so, the details of staff and vacancies remaining unfulfilled in the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs Department till date, region-wise with specific reference to Kerala; and

(e) whether the Government intends to call for a direct recruitment drive for filling vacancies in the Customs Department and if so, the details thereof?

Steps Taken to Increase Employment in Tourism Sector

†3353. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to compensate the loss caused to tourism sector due to corona pandemic;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is taking any steps to increase the opportunities of employment in tourism sector; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Transportation Cost of Hydrogen

3354. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is looking to leverage hydrogen for transportation by mixing the fuel with natural gas and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ministry is relying on any technical study or research in this reference and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India is working to leverage its CNG pipeline grid and infrastructure to reduce the transportation cost for hydrogen and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering a proposal to make it mandatory for fertilizer plants and oil refineries to purchase green hydrogen as part of plans to cut the nation's dependence on fossil fuels and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of other initiatives undertaken by the Ministry to cut down on the use of fossil fuels?

Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics

3355. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Inter-University Center for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA) has created a light frame rate movie of growing black hole system;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the study of black hole undertaken by the Institute for the last ten years and the outcome so far; and

(d) the funds sanctioned and released for the Large Telescope Project?

Teacher Eligibility Test

†3356. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to recognize Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) for life instead of seven years;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps so far in this direction;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

GST Targets

3357. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Goods and Services Tax (GST) collection has drastically reduced in the last few months particularly since March 2020;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last two years including its targets/shortfall, quarterly-wise;

(c) the targets made for the collection during the year and whether any steps have been taken to attain the fixed targets;

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

(e) whether input tax credit of GST has also been reported recently and if so, the details thereof?

Supply of ITeS under GST

3358. DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government will issue the revised circular that was approved by the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council during its 37th meeting held on 20.09.2019, to clarify doubts relating to the supply of Information Technology Enabled Services (ITeS) as in the absence of such a clarification, interpretations by GST authorities treating ITeS services to be Intermediary services under GST continue to adversely affect the USD 38 billion industry's exports competitiveness;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Financial Package for Hilly States

†3359. SHRI KISHAN KAPOOR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any special financial package proposed to be provided by the Union Government to the hilly States to revitalise the most affected tourism industry during the Covid-19 pandemic in hilly areas like Himachal Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Covid Related Claims

3360. SHRIMATI MAHUA MOITRA:
DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of COVID related claims denied either totally or partially to policy holders;

(b) the details of cashless policies who were forced to pay upfront for treatment of COVID;

(c) the details of action taken/being taken by the Government against insurance companies for their denial of claims as well as hardship caused to their policy holders; and

(d) the details of action taken/being taken by the Government to reimburse the desired claims of the policy holders?

Project to Identify and Renovate Heritage Sites

3361. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement any project/circuits/hubs to identify and renovate heritage sites and tourist places including Belur, Halebeedu, Sharavanbelagola in Hassan district of Karnataka to attract more tourists;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to protect the historically important places;

(c) whether the Government has received any proposals from the State Government of Karnataka to include any other tourist places in the said project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of Demonetisation

3362. SHRIMATI HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assessed the impact of demonetization on business, employment, agriculture and poverty;

(b) if so, the measures taken by the Government to tackle its impact on businesses, employment and poverty alleviation initiatives;

(c) the details of overall amount which the Government has exchanged in lieu of old currency notes;

(d) whether any post demonetization study has been done or any report has been published in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Sharing of Resources raised through Cess and Surcharges

3363. SHRIMATI PRAMILA BISOYI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that at this critical juncture when States are fighting against the pandemic including taking care of the provision of vaccinations, free treatment, undertaking preventive measures, etc., the Government is planning to share its additional resources raised through various cess and surcharges with the State Governments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government will consider reducing GST on kendu leaves from 18 per cent to the earlier 5 per cent to help nearly 10 lakh kendu leave workers of Odisha where 80 per cent of them are women; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Skill Development Project

3364. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the skill training programmes identified in Tamil Nadu to address unemployment in the State;

(b) whether any separate Skill Development Project has been identified for those returning from the Gulf countries and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the initiatives taken by the Government to capitalize learning methodologies as per new emerging job skills?

National Policy for Skill Development

3365. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has launched National Policy for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship in 2015;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with aims and objective of the said policy;

(c) whether the aims and objectives of the policy have been achieved;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the extent to which it has been achieved so far;

(e) whether the Union Government has reviewed the aforesaid policy;

(f) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(g) whether there is a plan to create pool of skilled workforce under the production-linked incentive scheme?

Gig Workers

3366. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the definition of gig workers and number of gig workers, State-wise;

(b) the social security benefits for gig workers, provided by the Government and by the employers;

(c) the circumstances in which an employer would have to reclassify a gig worker as a full time employee;

(d) whether the Government intends to stipulate minimum wage, unemployment benefits, insurance and other benefits to gig workers; and

(e) if so, details thereof?

CSR Funds

3367. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry monitors and regulates the utilisation of CSR funds of all Central PSUs, State PSUs and private companies in the country;

(b) the details of Corporate Social Responsibility funds available and utilised by each of the Central Public Sector Undertakings for the fiscal year 2019-20 and 2020-21;

(c) the details of CSR funds available and utilised by each of the Andhra Pradesh State Public Sector Undertakings for the fiscal year 2020- 21, company-wise;

(d) the names and amount spent by Non-PSUs companies who utilised CSR funds in Andhra Pradesh for the fiscal year 2020- 21; and

(e) the fund allocated to Government run programmes for Covid relief out of the total CSR expenditure in 2020-21?

Use and Distribution of LNG

3368. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures being taken by Government to promote the use and distribution of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) in the country ; and

(b) the measures being taken to promote the manufacture and usage of vehicles running on LNG?

LPG Agencies

†3369. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of gas companies currently supplying LPG in Darbhanga district along with the total number of centres in this area and the details thereof; and

(b) the details of all the gas distributing agencies in the district and address thereof along with the local and regional headquarters thereof?

Registration of Girls/Women for Education

†3370. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI
VASAVA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the All India Survey of Higher Education (AISHE), 2019-20 the registration of girls/women for education has increased from 18 per cent;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to promote education among girls and women?

Promotion of CNG

3371. SHRI VINOD L. CHAVDA:
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL
GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cities in the country having Compressed Natural Gas(CNG) service, State/UT-wise details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering to connect remaining cities of the country with their service and if so, the details thereof and whether it is also being proposed in Rajasthan and bordering States of the country; and

(c) whether the Union Government is taking steps for promotion of green gas such as CNG in the country;

(d) whether the Government is considering alternate other green fuels in the wake of inflating diesel prices and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has any plan to increase the CNG pump in Kutch Lok Sabha constituency and if so, the details of the plan and policy?

Development of Farukhabad as Tourist Centre

†3372. SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to develop the areas having immense potential of tourism;

(b) if so, the details of the standards thereof;

(c) whether district Farukhabad of Uttar Pradesh falls under tourism sector;

(d) if not, the details of means by which Sankisa, Kampil, Baba Neemkarori Dham located in district Farukhabad can be developed as tourist centres; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Petrol Pumps by New Entities

3373. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:
SHRI B.B.PATIL:
SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL
GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has issued Gazette Notification dated 08.11.2019, S.No.355, for setting up of petrol pumps by new private entities in the field of marketing of transportation fuels and if so, the details of private parties to which the authorisation has been granted in respect of the above notification along with their regions of sale;

(c) the details of source of supply for newly authorised private entities and the manner in which Ministry has planned to supply and the price at which the same is to be done;

(d) whether PSU oil companies have given consent to new private entities for supply of gasoline and diesel at their cost price and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the quantum of change in country-wide auto fuel supply as a result of new entrants?

Learning Outcomes

3374. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a significant increase in the learning outcomes of students in primary and upper-primary schools in India during the last seven years;

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

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the relevant parameters that correctly assess learning skills of a child at these levels, especially the formal skills of reading and writing; and

(e) the annual data on these parameters at primary and upper primary levels since 2014, State-wise?

Schemes for Workers in Accident Cases

†3375. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether various schemes have been formulated and implemented for the unorganized workers, especially rural and agricultural workers;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the monitoring mechanism of the schemes, especially in cases of accidents;

(c) the amount allocated and utilized under this scheme during each of the last three years and the current year and State/UT-wise and Scheme-wise;

(d) the State/UT-wise number of agricultural labourers benefitted therefrom during the said period; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government especially for the welfare of agricultural labourers in the country?

CPSE's Dispute

3376. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has created Administrative Mechanism for Resolution of CPSE's Disputes (AMRCD) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number and details of cases resolved by AMRCD year-wise, Ministry-wise and Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs)-wise during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the disputes of merging PSUs are pending and are unresolved;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the details of unsettled dispute of Hindustan Steel and Consultation Ltd (HSCL) and National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC), Kahalgaon; and

(e) whether the ministry is aware of the fact that under the newly created AMRCD the arbitration of merging PSU's are ignored by the parent PSU and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government as a guardian of AMRCD?

Education for all Citizens

3377. SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has consulted with stakeholders or civil society during the course of pandemic period to identify issues faced by underprivileged students;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken by the Government to solve these issues;

(c) the details of different schemes to promote education in the country, funds allocated and utilised and number of beneficiaries, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure access to education for all citizens?

Adolescent Health Programme

3378. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Scheme of Samagra Shiksha of the Government is fulfilling its unique objectives of providing sanitary pad vending machines and incinerators in schools;

(b) if so, the details thereof, along with the relevant details of funds provided to the State-specific special projects such as Adolescent Health Programme, Programmes on Menstrual Health and Hygiene, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has carried out any survey to assess the number of school days missed by girls because of the lack of access to hygienic sanitary products or due to disease from the use of unhygienic sanitary products; and

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

Review of Pipeline Projects

†3379. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken to make India self-reliant in pipeline project and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any State-wise review has been done for this purpose; and

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

Tribal Sub Plan (TSP)

†3380. SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether large scale development work is going on under Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) in tribal dominated habitations across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last five years; State-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Growth of Economy

3381. SHRI COSME FRANCISCO CAITANO SARDINHA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian economy can quickly regain sustainable 7 per cent real growth it desires;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of how the promise of making country's economy 5 trillion dollar by 2025 is going to be fulfilled unless this growth rate is achieved?

Education for Tea Tribe Community

3382. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the Tea Tribe community is lagging behind in the field of adult education;
- (b) if so, the initiatives taken by the Government to develop Adult Training/Education Centres with effective training instructors/educators in Tea gardens of Assam;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to introduce effective and accessible infrastructure and multiple programmes to ensure access for all the people working in the unorganised sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Employment Opportunities in Maharashtra

†3383. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to promote various projects with large investment to create employment opportunities for the benefit of youths in the country;
- (b) the progress made in creating new employment opportunities for the unemployed youths by the Government particularly in Parbhani and Osmanabad districts of Maharashtra and the names of the schemes included thereunder;
- (c) the district-wise number of employment opportunities created in Maharashtra through various schemes and programmes during the last two years;
- (d) whether the unemployed youths in Parbhani and Osmanabad districts are getting benefits as a result thereof; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Advance Training Institute (ATI)

3384. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the Advance Training Institution (ATI) State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has any policy to develop the syllabus of these institutions consistent with modern technology; and
- (c) whether the Government has any policy to develop the teaching process in ATI, Dasnagar, Howrah and if so, the details thereof?

Female Participation in Higher Education

3385. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to increase the number of female teachers in higher education;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has taken note that special efforts need to be made by the premier institutions to increase the participation of women students in higher education;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Dropouts from Private Schools

3386. SHRI B.B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the alarming rate of students that have dropped out from schooling altogether or most of them have shifted to Government schools to avoid the high fee of private schools this year; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Filing of GST Returns

3387. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that small scale traders are in crisis due to imposing heavy fine for delay in filing the Goods and Services Tax(GST)returns and if so, the details of action taken for giving exemption;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to grant one time exemption for small traders having turnover less than 20 lakhs per annum for filing GST returns and if so, the action taken thereon;

(c) whether it has also come to the notice of the Government that small traders having less than 20 lakhs turnover per annum are not able to do their interstate business due to lapse of GST registration on the ground of delay in filing returns and if so, the action taken for restoring the registration; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to give relaxation to small traders considering the Covid-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof?

Development of Ramayana Circuit

†3388. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR PINTU:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the progress of development of tourism in the country especially in Sitamarhi of Bihar;

(b) the details of the amount allocated for the development of Ramayana circuit in Sitamarhi along with the amount spent, year-wise during the last three years;

(c) whether there is any proposal to construct magnificent temple at Punauraham, Sitamarhi like Ayodhya temple and to develop the area as tourist centre;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which Punauradham, Sitamarhi is likely to be developed in this way; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Kitchen cum Stores under MDMS

3389. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that nearly 30,500 kitchen-cum-stores were sanctioned for Telangana between 2006-07 and 2019-20;

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

(c) whether it is true that out of these only 17,500 have been constructed and 12,500 are yet to be constructed;

(d) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and

(e) the steps taken to construct the remaining kitchen-cum-stores and by when they are likely to be completed?

Establishment of IICHCM

3390. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps for establishing Indian Institute of cultural heritage and Conservation Management (IICHCM) to impart higher education / research / training in the field of Cultural Heritage of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reason therefor ?

Lifts and Escalators in Schools for Divyang Students

†3391. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government schools/buildings where facility of lifts/escalators are provided for the divyang students in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to issue guidelines to all concerned Government institutions/schools for having adequate arrangement of lifts or escalators for such students; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Streamlining of GST Mechanism

3392. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that even after a long span of time since the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime was ushered in with much hype, the Government is still battling with streamlining the GST mechanism made vulnerable by claimants of drawback on fraudulent documents;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that after its launch and two weeks after the Government reviewed its functioning, technical glitches continue to mar the functioning of the new IT portal as certain key utilities like proceedings and digital signature certificate are not yet functional;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has asked the software developer and vendor of the system to set things right and if so, the time by which it will be done?

Banking Scams

3393. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has information about Rs.4000 crores scam of the shares in Punjab National Bank which was given to other company;

(b) whether the Government is also aware about the scam by Sandesara Group of Company from Baroda who duped Rs.5000 crores of Bank Loan; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in recent scams against the company?

Achievements of Swadesh Darshan Scheme

3394. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the achievements of the Swadesh Darshan Scheme as on date;

(b) whether the Government has achieved the objective of the said scheme and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government plans to expand the said scheme to include more theme-based Circuits in Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof?

ITC Frauds of GST

3395. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:
SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY
VASANTH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has unearthed 8,000 cases of Input Tax Credit (ITC) frauds of Goods and Services Tax (GST) worth Rs.35,000 crore in a recent nationwide crackdown against unscrupulous entities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any steps are being taken to recover the amount from the tax evaders;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Out of School Children

3396. SHRIMATI RITA BAHUGUNA JOSHI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has devised a mechanism for addressing the issue of out of school children and for bridging their learning gaps and mainstreaming them in schools;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of identified out of school children, State/UT wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Online Ticket for Night Viewing of Taj Mahal

3397. SHRI RAJ KUMAR CHAHAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the problem of the visitors of Taj Mahal who plan to see it at night but have to buy physical tickets from the office of the ASI one day ahead of their day of visit;

(b) if so, the action plan if any, for making the ticket for night viewing available online on the same day; and

(c) the total number of year-wise visitors who visited Taj Mahal to see it at night and the amount collected from such visitors?

Loan Schemes

†3398. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is making every possible effort to take various loan schemes to the people in the country;

(b) if so, whether the targets fixed under various loan schemes are not achieved due to casual attitude adopted by the officers/ staff of public and private sector banks;

(c) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) the number of complaints received by the Government along with the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(e) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to sanction loans within a time limit under various loan schemes; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Adverse Effects of Ethanol

†3399. SHRI HAJI FAZLUR REHMAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has allowed petrol companies to mix 10 per cent ethanol in petrol across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received complaints of adverse effects on the engine of vehicles due to mixing of ethanol in petrol;

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government is contemplating to change its decision?

Vacant Posts in Ministry of Education

3400. SHRI DHARMENDRA KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of posts are vacant in the category of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes in the Ministry;

(b) the number of sanctioned posts in these and general categories and the number of vacant posts out of them, category-wise;

(c) the details of the steps taken during the last two years for filling them up; and

(d) whether some communities are being deprived of the benefits of reservation by not making appointments on sanctioned posts and if so, the details thereof?

Maintenance of School Buildings

3401. SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken serious note that huge number of school buildings are either old or damaged due to lack of maintenance including Kendriya Vidyalayas;

(b) if so whether the Government has any data of the number of such school buildings including Kendriya Vidyalaya in Mandya district of Karnataka State; and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has also taken note that it is great cause of concern amongst all including parents as the schools function in such dilapidated buildings; and

(d) if so, the measures taken by the Government to reconstruct the school buildings to ensure safety of the students?

Re-structuring Laws related to Tribals

3402. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government feels the necessity of re-structuring the existing laws related to tribals;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps in this regard; and if so the details thereof?

Funds to Museum for Tribal Freedom Fighters

3403. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to setup museums for tribal freedom fighters of India, details thereof;

(b) the details of the progress of gathering information and documentation of the contributions and sacrifices made by tribal people in the freedom struggle;

(c) whether the Government has invited comments and contributions by the public to gather information and documentation on contributions and sacrifices made by tribal people in the freedom struggle and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any proposals for any museums have been approved and the details of funds released by the Government to setup such museums; and

(e) whether the Government has any plans or received any proposal to setup a similar museum or a division in any national museum in New Delhi and if so, the details thereof?

Expansion of Steel Plants after China's Restrictions

3404. SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the opportunity for expansion of the steel business in the country created by newly introduced restrictions by China, the world's largest steel producing nation;

(b) if so, the details regarding the Government's targets for expansion in steel production and the steps being taken in pursuance of the same; and

(c) the details of steel producing capacity of the country as of June 2021?

Closure of Government Schools

3405. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of assessment made to find out the number of children impacted due to closure of schools in view of COVID-19 pandemic;

(b) whether it is a fact that some States are also closing Government schools in the name of rationalization;

(c) if so, the details of Government schools that have been closed down in the country during the last two years and the current year, year-wise and State/UT-wise; particularly in Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) the manner by which the Government ensures that online classes can reach every student of the country, State/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh?

Training Programme For the Youth of Rural Areas

3406. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any plan for promotion of Skill Development Training Programmes for youths of rural areas of the country according to the needs of the rural economy so that exodus to big cities in search of job can be prevented;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details/types of the Skill Development Programmes available for youths of rural and remote areas?

Facilities of ESI Hospitals

†3407. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise total number of hospitals and dispensaries run by ESIC along with the number of beneficiaries including Rajasthan; and

(b) whether the facilities of some ESIC hospitals have been made available to the general public by charging nominal user charge and if so, the details thereof?

Funds Spent in Kerala under National Culture Fund

3408. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up National Culture Fund (NCF) and if so, the details along with the composition thereof and the guidelines for fund allocation;

(b) the aims and objectives of the NCF and the extent to which it has been successful/helpful in protecting, promoting and preserving the cultural heritage of the country;

(c) the funds spent so far in the State of Kerala since its inception along with the funds allocated and expenditure incurred there from by various institutions/ departments during the last two years and the details of the unspent funds and the reasons for the same; and

(e) whether the Government will take initiative to restart Kochi-Muziris Biennale and if so, the details thereof and if not, the ingredients of an application seeking fund allocation from NCF and the steps for the allotment of funds?

Data Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy

3409. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the estimated unemployment rate has shot up to a 12 month high of 11.90 per cent in May, 2021 as revealed by Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy database on 'Unemployment Rate in India';

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

(c) whether the number of unemployed people in rural areas and urban areas has increased significantly in the past few years and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there has been a dip in the estimated labour participation rate also; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measures proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Reports of UN Conference

3410. SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:
SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the collapse of international tourism due to COVID-19 could cost the world at least \$4 trillion in terms of global GDP for 2020 and 2021, as India experienced a 54% drop in tourist arrivals in 2020 and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the reports of the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and the UN World Tourist Organization (UNWTO) in this regard and their proposals taken into consideration so far and rejected so far?

Production of Crude Oil and Natural Gas

3411. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the actual annual production of crude oil and natural gas by the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) whether the share of ONGC in country's total crude oil output and natural gas has fallen during the last three years and the current year;

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

(d) whether the Government has chalked out a scheme to achieve targets of production of crude oil and natural gas by ONGC from their existing oil fields; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the amount of investment proposed to be made by ONGC under the scheme and the challenges faced by ONGC in achieving the target?

Cryptocurrency Transactions

3412. SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is taking steps to regulate cryptocurrency transactions in India, or on platforms based out of India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the stance of the Government is one of a complete ban of private cryptocurrencies or one of regulation and licensing and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government views cryptocurrency as akin to money or legal tender, and hence regulations such as the Foreign Exchange Management Act will be applicable to cryptocurrency transactions or as an asset class like gold or stocks and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is aware of the enormous environmental impact mining cryptocurrency has and if so, the details of the steps if being taken to combat this issue and reduce cryptocurrency's impact on the environment and if not, the reasons therefor?

Targets under 'Vivad Se Vishwas Scheme'

3413. SHRI THIRUMAVALAVAN THOL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any targets were fixed to settle the number of disputed direct taxes cases and also to settle the amount of disputed direct taxes cases under the 'Vivad se Vishwas' scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has reached the targets fixed in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the data of cases settled and amount settled under the said scheme?

Addition of Tapioca in MDMS

3414. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to add Tapioca as a commodity in Mid-day meal scheme;

(b) the basis on which food grains for the midday meal scheme are decided; and

(c) whether any assessment for Tapioca has been done in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Museum for Tribal Freedom Fighters

3415. SHRI SURESH PUJARI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government will consider setting up a Museum for Tribal Freedom Fighters from Bargarh or Jharsuguda in memory of the glorious Tribal Freedom Fighter of India like Veer Surendra Sai of Sambalpur, Madho Singh, Hatee Singh, Kunjal Singh, Bairi Singh etc from Ghens in Bargarh, Zamindars of Lakhampur, Kolabira etc of Jharsuguda in Odisha;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take up the case with the State Government and set up a museum at Bargarh in memory of the Tribal Freedom Fighters of Western Odisha who fought against the Britishers long before 1857, the first war of Independence, and were either hanged, or shot dead or imprisoned for life or deported for life and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Ministry proposes the rewriting of such history and protect, maintain and improve the heritage places of these glorious sons of Mother India?

Impact of COVID-19 on Tribal Communities

3416. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made an assessment of the impact of COVID-19 and the lockdown on tribal communities and if so, the assessment report, the follow up actions taken and planned to be taken regarding those affected by COVID-19;

(b) whether the Ministry has established a COVID response mechanism at the Central, State and district

level for tribal communities to monitor and ameliorate COVID-19 and lock down impacts and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether advisories have been issued to the States on measures that need to be taken to deal with the COVID pandemic in tribal areas and if so, the details thereof?

Conservation of Chittorgarh Fort

†3417. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the works carried out by the Government for the conservation of forts of Rajasthan during the last five years;

(b) the amount utilized for the said work; and

(c) the proposal of the Government for Chittorgarh Fort (Durg) in coming days?

Petrol Refilling Stations

†3418. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise/Union Territory-wise details of petrol refilling stations/retail outlets in the country along with the number thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to open new petrol refilling stations/retail outlets in different stations during the current financial year;

(c) if so, the State/Union Territory-wise details thereof including district-wise details of Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) the details of the prescribed eligibility conditions in this regard?

Reducing High Input Cost in Steel

†3419. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to reduce the high input cost in steel manufacturing with respect to the National Steel Policy along with the steps taken by Government to achieve the target of producing 300 MT of steel;

(c) the amount spent on import of coking coal, a key raw material in steel manufacturing during the year 2019-2020; and

(d) total amount spent in manufacturing steel during the year 2019-2020 ?

Schemes for Latent Talent of Poor Students

†3420. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes being implemented by the Government for the development of latent talent of poor students at the school and college level in the country particularly in rural areas;

(b) whether the Government has implemented any schemes/projects for setting up of Model Degree Colleges for improving education in educationally backward districts of the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of funds earmarked for the purpose; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the infrastructure/quality of education in these educationally backward districts?

Discontinuation of Manual of Office Procedure

†3421. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Excise, Circle and Divisional Office Procedure Manual, 1975 was discontinued after the implementation of self-assessment in the introduction of Basic Excise Manual, 1989 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether several amendments have been made in the said manual and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Central Excise Manual, 2005 was implemented before the introduction of GST and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the khaki uniform/stars/hat/badges/ post mentioned in the Central Excise, Circle and Divisional Office Procedure Manual, 1975 is different than the uniform currently being worn by the CGST officers and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Central Excise, Circle and Divisional Office Procedure Manual, 1944 has been discontinued with the provision 174 of CGST Act, 2017; and

(f) whether there is any existing rule which gives statutory status to khaki uniform and if so, the details thereof?

Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana

†3422. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the pay scale of the employees up to which benefit of Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana is available;

(b) the provision of contribution of the Central Government and Employees under Employees Pension Scheme under the said scheme;

(c) whether the contribution of the employees was also made by the Government during corona period from March, 2020 to May, 2020; and

(d) if so, the details of the benefited institutions/ members in Chhattisgarh?

ESI Hospitals/Dispensaries in Telangana

3423. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY
NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to set up ESI hospitals in all districts of the country;

(b) the locations of currently operating ESI hospitals in the country;

(c) the number of new ESI hospitals set up by the Government in 2019, 2020 and 2021 and the districts in which they have been set up;

(d) whether there are any pending requests from the State Government of Telangana to set up new ESI hospitals in the state and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Ministry is considering any proposals to establish a new ESI hospital in the cement manufacturing belt in Suryapet district in Telangana and if so, the details thereof, including the estimated cost of the project and the time by which it will be completed?

Dropout Ratio of Girls in Jharkhand

3424. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:
SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION
शिक्षा मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the drop-out ratio among girls in different levels of schooling in Jharkhand and Rajasthan including Tribal community during the last five years;

(b) the percentage of girls who dropped out of schools in the country particularly Rajasthan and Jharkhand for various reasons including early marriage and child bearing;

(c) whether the Government has taken any measures to prevent drop-out and also bring back those who have dropped out already and if so, the details thereof?

Primary Schools

†3425. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:
Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the number of primary schools established or proposed to be established in rural areas with the help of the World Bank till date, State/ location-wise;

(b) the details of funds allocated therefor during the last three years till date;

(c) the names of the rural areas where primary schools are proposed to be established in near future with the help of World Bank; and

(d) the time by which the proposal is likely to be finalised ?

Transfers of Officers in EPFO

3426. SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the number of transfers of officers in the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) in July 2021;

(b) whether the transfer orders have permitted officers to avail of joining time;

(c) if so, the details of the joining time so permitted and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of manner in which the transfer orders are compliant with the 2016 policy on EPFO as laid down by the Supreme Court in 2013 and which requires transparency in postings and transfers; and

(e) whether these transfer orders have been, or will be, subjected to review by the Ministry?

Policy for Boosting Growth over Inflation

3427. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government along with the Monetary Policy Committee has adopted a policy to boost growth over controlling inflation and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has considered a formula to support the decision to target growth over inflation therefor;

(c) if so, the details of the formula and/or calculations underlying the decision to target growth over inflation;

(d) whether the calculations consider the effect on purchasing power, effect on consumers' spending and saving behaviours thereof; and

(e) the details of how these will affect the economy and the effect of loss of incomes therein and if not, the reasons therefor?

Introducing Indian Values in School Education

†3428. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:
SHRIMATI SANDHYA RAY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government and the schemes implemented to inculcate Indian values in school children so that they stay away from different juvenile delinquencies along with the budgetary provisions made for such schemes;

(b) whether the Government is preparing any scheme to promote Indian values among children to fight the increasing danger of secessionism among several youths in the country;

(c) the steps taken to promote the great culture of various States along with the specific details of the work carried out to promote the culture of Madhya Pradesh during the last three years;

(d) whether the Government considers the increasing blind imitation of the western culture as a danger for Indian culture and values and if so, the steps taken to deal with it?

Implementation of Sukanya Samridhi Yojana

†3429. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of effective steps being taken by the Government for successful implementation of the Sukanya Samridhi Yojana and providing maximum benefits to girls;

(b) whether the Government has fixed any role of the States under this scheme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the target fixed and funds allocated thereunder?

Promotion of Rural Tourism to Enhance Income of Rural People

3430. SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to promote rural tourism considering the immense potential in rural life to enhance the income of rural people;

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

(c) whether any study has been conducted by the Government to identify the reasons as to why rural tourism is not getting the attention it deserves and if so, the details and outcome thereof;

(d) whether the Government has invested sufficient funds for the development of rural tourism; and

(e) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years?

Amendment to FRBM Act

3431. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has estimated the Debt to GDP ratio for financial years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022;

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

(c) whether the Government intends to amend the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act;

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

(e) whether the Government is considering revising Debt to GDP ratio targets, as stipulated in the FRBM Act, from a target figure to a target range; and

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

Fraud Cases

†3432. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any cases of forgery and fraud at a large scale involving crores of rupees by the Mahindra Club in the name of Mahindra Club Membership have come to the notice of the Government;

(b) if so, whether this is the biggest ever case of fraud and forgery by the Mahindra Club and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any concrete steps against the Mahindra Club; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor along with the action being taken by the Government against the Mahindra Club Management?

Sickle Cell Disease in Tribal Population

3433. SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that sickle cell disease is found mostly among the tribal population;

(b) if so, the incidence of sickle cell disease, State-wise; and

(c) the details of the steps taken by the Government to eradicate the disease?

Decline in Employment Avenues

3434. DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for decline in employment avenues and less number of new employments during the last few years in spite of increase in growth rate;

(b) the number of persons who have lost their jobs during the last five years and the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to increase employment avenues?

KV in Pudducherry

3435. SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the Kendriya Vidyalayas(KVs) in Mahe region of UT of Puducherry is functioning in rented building for so many years since its inception; and

(b) if so, by when the construction of the dedicated building for the purpose is likely to be completed for use?

Aam Aadmi Beema Yojana

3436. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has mechanism in place under the Aam Aadmi Beema Yojana (AABY) to reach

out to the targeted unorganised sector workers at the micro level;

(b) if so, the popular method to encourage the registration under AABY;

(c) whether AABY has impacted the urban areas and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the major sectors whose workers have registered under this scheme?

Central Sponsored Educational Institutes in Uttar Pradesh

†3437. SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) a comprehensive list of Centrally sponsored educational institutes in Uttar Pradesh since the year, 2017 containing the details such as the course offered, number of students studied every year, the number of teaching faculty and non-teaching staff, etc. in each institute;

(b) the number of graduate students passed out from every institute so far along with the total budget sanctioned and released for the overall development of these institutes so far;

(c) whether the Union Government has not released the total sanctioned funds for the development of these centrally sponsored institutes;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the appropriate steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to release the rest of the funds for the overall development of these institutes in Uttar Pradesh?

Centrally Sponsored Schemes for Higher Education

3438. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any centrally sponsored scheme(s) for the improvement of higher education in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details and number of institutions benefited and targets set and achieved under the schemes for improvement of higher education in India during the last five years, State/Year-wise?

Welfare Schemes for Musicians

3439. SHRI N. REDDEPPA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes and welfare provisions by which the Ministry has supported the musical talent of musicians in the Carnatic, Hindustani and Western traditions in India during the past seven years;

(b) whether musicians in the Western tradition from Andhra Pradesh and the North Eastern States have represented India abroad in international cultural events and competitions;

(c) if so, the details of these musical performances including the date and location of the parent events; and

(d) the State-wise and genre-wise number of musicians who performed abroad representing India during each of the last seven years?

Child Labour in Hand-made Carpets

†3440. SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the U.S.A. Labour Department has threatened to put India in the category of child labourers on the issue of employing child labourers in hand-made carpets;

(b) if so, the impact thereof on India's exports;

(c) the basis on which U.S.A. has threatened to do so;

(d) the measures taken to implement child labour laws effectively in the country;

(e) whether child labour is still going on in certain areas; and

(f) if so, the number of complaints received in this regard along with State-wise details thereof?

Upliftment of Tribal Labourers

†3441. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to bring any new scheme for the upliftment of tribal labourers rendered unemployed during the Corona pandemic period;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the names of the schemes being run by the Government for tribal community people till now; and

(e) the various area-wise details in this regard including the scheme-wise number of beneficiaries along with the names of schemes in this regard including the number of males and females among the beneficiaries?

Social Development of Tribes

†3442. SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes currently being implemented by the Government for the welfare and integrated social development of the people belonging to the category of Scheduled Tribes including left wing extremist dominated areas in the country;

(b) whether the Government has allocated adequate funds under the said schemes/programmes during the last three years and the current year;

(c) if so the details thereof State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh; and

(d) the details of the system developed by the Government for the monitoring of the utilization of funds under the said schemes/programmes?

New Employment opportunities in Bihar

†3443. SHRI MAHABALI SINGH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the schemes run by the Government for the generation of new employment opportunities in the State of Bihar during the last three years;

(b) the scheme-wise number of employment opportunities generated so far; and

(c) the year-wise details of unemployment in Bihar during the last three years?

Providing Jobs on Compassionate Ground

3444. SHRI JAMYANG TSERING NAMGYAL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has any data with regard to the deaths of their staff during their service period/ on duty and if so, details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the number of jobs given to the kins/dependents on compassionate ground in each of the last five years, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the number of cases pending with the Ministry with regard to giving jobs on compassionate ground to the dependents of the deceased staff who died during their service period and the action taken by the Government to resolve these pending cases?

Transparency in Tax Regime

3445. DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to introduce faceless assessments and faceless appeals in the indirect tax regime to make adjudication and scrutiny by the tax authorities more transparent;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reason therefor?

Women participation in Skill Training Programmes

3446. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI
SOMABHAI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Skill Training Centers in Gujarat.
- (b) the details of the amount allocated for development of Skill Training Centers in Gujarat *vis-a-vis* other States;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to promote women participation in skill training programmes and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of division/break up between male and female candidates taking skill training at training centers?

Archaeological Survey of Ancient Temples

†3447. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise details of archaeological survey being conducted by the Government in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to get the archaeological survey of ancient temples, some ancient historical forts and a number of ancient minarets situated in various States of the Country;
- (c) if so, the details of archaeological survey being conducted in Sitapur and Lakhimpur districts of Uttar Pradesh; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Development of Eco-Tourism Projects in Andaman and Nicobar and Lakshdweep

3448. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of TOURISM

पर्यटन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government allows 100 percent foreign direct investment in tourism development in the country;
- (b) if so, the detail thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that Government has planned to develop eco-tourism projects in Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshdweep Islands under 100 percent FDI;
- (d) if so, the detail thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has plans to develop eco-tourism in Maharashtra and Mumbai area and if so, the detail thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government has made any plan to develop an international-level infrastructure in Kargil (Ladakh) to promote adventure tourism and winter sports and if so, the details thereof?

CNG Pipelines

3449. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL
GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the areas of Maharashtra where CNG pipelines are being laid/proposed to be laid;
- (b) the names of the companies entrusted with the work of expansion of CNG pipeline in Maharashtra and whether these companies also operate CNG;
- (c) whether any provision has been made for distribution of dealership; and
- (d) if so, the details of the relevant criteria in case of dealership distribution?

Re-employment to workers after lockdown

†3450. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:
SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:
SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of organised/unorganised labourers and workers who lost their employment due to COVID-19;
- (b) the plan of the Government to provide re-employment to the unemployed organised and unorganised labourers and all the workers;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any survey to ascertain their actual number and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there has been an increase in the number of labourers in unorganised sector year to year during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the steps being taken to regulate the unorganised sector and bring these labourers in the ambit of organised sector and the details thereof?

(f) the details of the steps taken to create employment opportunities in the unorganised sector and whether

survey is being done by the Labour Bureau on quarterly basis; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government for the rehabilitation, welfare and employment of the migrant labourers returned from various States during the lockdown imposed due to Covid-19 global pandemic and the details of the steps taken by the Government to identify such migrant labourers and to provide employment to them?

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