

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Food Processing Industries; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Home Affairs; Housing and Urban Affairs; Parliamentary Affairs; Social Justice and Empowerment)

(कृषि और किसान कल्याण; रसायन और उर्वरक; उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण; खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग; भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम; गृह; आवासन और शहरी कार्य; संसदीय कार्य; सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 20

Violence against Minor Girls

*1. SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two cases of rape of minor girls are reported every hour in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the conviction rate in such cases is low at around 28 per cent in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there is any monitoring mechanism to keep a check on corporal punishment, the most commonly experienced form of violence against minor girls across the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to protect minor girls from such heinous crime in the country along with the achievements thereof?

Hallmarking of Jewellery

*2. SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:
SHRIMATI SANTOSH
AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government is planning to make hallmarking mandatory for gold jewellery sold in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the likely date of implementation of the same;

(b) the number of Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)-recognised assaying and

hallmarking centres presently in the country, State and UT-wise; and

(c) whether the Government is working on increasing the number of BIS-recognised assaying and hallmarking centres in the country, if so, the number of centres which are going to be opened in Rajasthan?

Transfer of Agricultural Technology

*3. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH
PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any step for effective transfer of the agricultural technology, newly developed by the Indian as well as foreign scientists, to the farmers of Madhya Pradesh so that they can be motivated to accept the improved crop production technology for the enhancement of their production and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government and agricultural universities are arranging field exhibitions in the State for imparting training to the farmers in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the other measures being taken to increase productivity of foodgrains in Madhya Pradesh?

Challenges Faced by Farmers during Demonetization

*4. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is cognizant of the fact that farmers could not purchase inputs like pesticides and fertilizers, hire labour for harvest and make cash transfers above Rs. 50,000 to dig a bore well, buy machineries, etc. during the demonetization period;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to compensate the losses incurred due to the same;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study to examine the challenges faced by the farmers without Kisan credit card/agricultural loan credit during demonetization; and

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

Maoist Activities

*5. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR
GAVIT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the nature of maoist threat in the country, particularly in the States of Jharkhand, Bihar, Chhattisgarh and Odisha;

(b) the number of security personnel and civilians killed/injured during naxal violence and the details of compensation paid to the family members of the victims during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether many security/police personnel have been killed in Dantewada district of Chhattisgarh by Maoists recently and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide air and ground support to security personnel in the said Maoist affected States and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has initiated any scheme for surrender of the Maoists with arms and if so, the number of Maoists who have surrendered during the last three years along with the other steps taken by the Government to bring an end to Maoist activities in the country?

Sale of Pulses

†*6. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has announced to sell pulses from the buffer stock to the State Governments at discounted rates;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard along with the quantum of pulses sold till October, 2018; and

(c) the quantum of pulses remaining in the buffer stock during the said period?

Impact of Pesticides and Fertilizers on Soil Fertility

*7. SHRI K.N. RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that excessive use of pesticides and fertilizers is adversely affecting the fertility of agricultural land in several States of the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also true that about 75 per cent arable land in the country is adversely affected by excessive use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides and that the level of toxin is high;

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

(d) the remedial steps taken by the Government for safe and judicious application of crop protecting chemicals and green chemistry; and

(e) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to detoxify poisoned farmlands in the country within a time-frame?

Suicide by Farmers

†*8. SHRI DHARAMBIR: SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to a report, 33 farmers are committing suicides daily and if so, the reasons for committing suicide by them;

(b) whether profiteering by companies dealing in fertilizers, pumps, tractors, seeds, cold storages etc. is one of the major factors behind their suicides;

(c) whether the Government has reviewed the present situation of the farmers in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of the schemes being run and the welfare measures taken for providing assistance to the people living below poverty line and indebted farmers as well as for increasing their income to dissuade them from committing suicides and the remedial measures taken to improve the plight of farmers during the last three years; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to restructure and improve such schemes to make them more useful and inclusive, if so, the details thereof along with the details of the implementation of these schemes, State-wise?

Smart Cities

†*9. SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated for the development of smart cities in the country after the launch of the scheme, State/UT-wise;

(b) the number of smart cities developed in the country so far along with the details of the expenditure incurred in this regard, State-wise;

(c) whether the cities developed as smart cities may be called smart cities and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the reaction of the Government regarding the slow progress of development of smart cities; and

(e) the details of the action taken by the Government to expedite the development work?

Macro Irrigation Mission

†*10. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the grant given to the farmers in order to make the State Macro Irrigation Mission scheme more effective;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Shortage of Housing in Urban Areas

†*11. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV: SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether two crore and fifty lakh houses are required in the urban areas of the country and 95 per cent of the people belonging to economically weaker sections in the urban areas are deprived of housing facility;

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

(c) whether the Government has prepared any action plan to address the shortage of housing in the urban areas, especially the shortage of housing for the people belonging to the economically weaker sections;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the works carried out under the said action plan; and

(e) the success achieved by the Government in addressing the said problem as a result of these works?

Ban on Insurgent Groups

*12. ADV. M.
UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to ban insurgent groups in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that the Government had received several requests from the State Governments in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Rain and Flood in Kerala

*13. SHRI C.N. JAYDEVAN:
SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of assessment made in respect of loss of lives and damage to property by unprecedented torrential rain and flood in Kerala during the month of August 2018;

(b) the details of financial assistance sought by the State Government of Kerala for relief and rehabilitation measures along with the amount of financial assistance sanctioned and disbursed to the State in this regard;

(c) whether the State Government of Kerala has been given financial assistance as per the laid down norms, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the details of such norms;

(d) whether the Government denied permission to Kerala for obtaining financial assistance from foreign countries, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor including the stand of the Government in the matter along with the steps being taken by the Union Government to compensate the State for disallowing such aid; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to relax the existing provisions of disaster management for giving more financial assistance to the State Government of Kerala for compensating the loss sustained due to the said flood?

Chemicals and Pharmaceutical Industries

*14. DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS
रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of chemicals and pharmaceutical industries set up/functioning in the country including Maharashtra during the last three years and the current year; and

(b) the names of products along with the quantity produced/manufactured by the said industries, State/UT-wise?

Impact of Climate Change

*15. SHRI P.K.
KUNHALIKUTTY:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether an annual review by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research(ICAR) has recently revealed that crops, plantations and livestock in around 150 districts or slightly more than one-fifth of the total districts in the country are susceptible to the impact of climate change;

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

(c) whether the annual agricultural income of farmers may fall in the range of 15-18 per cent on average and upto 20-25 per cent in un-irrigated areas; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by ICAR to make use of better scientific methods for increasing productivity in the farm sector?

Notices to Drug Manufacturers

*16. DR. RATNA DE (NAG):

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS
रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any notices to drug manufacturers regarding non-compliance of pharmaceutical norms during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details of such notices issued during the said period;

(c) the details of the outcome in this regard; and

(d) the details of action taken/likely to be taken against such drug manufacturers?

Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana

*17. DR. KAMBHAMPATI
HARIBABU:
SHRI KAMAL NATH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of enrolment of farmers in the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana(PMFBY) during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) whether lakhs of farmers insured in the first year of PMFBY in 2016-17 withdrew themselves from the scheme in 2017-18 and if so, the details in this regard and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has undertaken any investigation on the implementation of the scheme and its net effect on the farmers, if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(d) whether the crop insurance companies have registered huge profits since the launch of the scheme, if so, the response of the Government thereto and the present stand of the Government on the scheme in view of farmers withdrawing themselves from the scheme; and

(e) the remedial measures being taken by the Government to strengthen the scheme and benefit the poor farmers instead of middlemen like insurance companies along with the steps taken to build confidence among farmers to opt for the scheme?

Missing Children

*18. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of missing children, especially girl children have increased in the country, particularly in Delhi, UP including Bundelkhand and Gujarat and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether girls outnumber boys significantly in the missing children cases, if so, the details thereof including the number of such cases registered, the number of accused arrested and rackets busted during each of the last three years and the current year along with the number of missing girl children untraced, rescued and rehabilitated during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has made it mandatory to register FIR if a case of missing girl child is reported, if so, the details thereof along with the number of complaints regarding non-registration of such cases reported during the said period and the action taken against the guilty personnel;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any survey to ascertain the various factors responsible for missing of girl children, if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the number of such surveys conducted during the last year and the current year; and

(e) whether the Government has initiated any action to tackle the problem of missing children and for rehabilitation of such girl children and if so, the details thereof?

NEW DELHI;
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Procurement of Coarse Grains

†*19. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD
MISHRA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER
AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC
DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण
मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any action plan for purchasing/procuring coarse grains, particularly jowar and bajra at the support price announced in this regard; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana

†*20. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA
CHAVAN:
SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has not been able to achieve the objectives of the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP);

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the action taken to open at least five PMBJP Kendras in the constituency of each Member of Lok Sabha; and

(d) the details of the success achieved by the Government in this regard?

SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA
Secretary General

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