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

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Total Number of Questions — 20

Distribution of Resources among States	Improvement of Banking Sector and PSUs
<p>*341. DR. SHASHI THAROOR: Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री be pleased to state:</p> <p>(a) whether the Fifteenth Finance Commission has decided to use the 2011 census data for the distribution of resources among the States and if so, the details thereof;</p> <p>(b) whether there would be any reduction in resources allotted to Kerala and Tamil Nadu if the 2011 census data is used, in comparison to the resources allotted under the Thirteenth Finance Commission and if so, the details thereof; and</p> <p>(c) the steps being taken to ensure that the States of Kerala and Tamil Nadu are not disadvantaged due to their progressive policies which have reduced population growth in the respective States?</p>	<p>†*342. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY: Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री be pleased to state:</p> <p>(a) whether the Government has allocated funds to the banking sector and other Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) with a view to improving their condition; and</p> <p>(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the amount allocated to the banking sector and PSUs, separately, for this purpose, date and undertaking-wise?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Merger of Banks</p> <p>*343. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री be pleased to state:</p> <p>(a) whether the All India Bank Employees Association (AIBEA) has</p>

opposed the move of the Government to merge the Bank of Baroda, Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is believed that such a merger would not be beneficial either to the employees or the people at large and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said merger will exclude the underprivileged from the banking map as per AIBEA and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is a need for expansion of the banking industry and not consolidation as the banking density in India is relatively low compared to many countries in the world and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard; and

(e) whether even if all 21 Public Sector Banks (PSBs) are merged into one, the country cannot match the global banks in terms of capital strength and if so, the details thereof?

Stamp Duty

*344. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:
Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the rate/percentage of stamp duty allowed for sale/purchase of property at present across the country, State/UT-wise including West Bengal;

(b) whether the Government is planning/proposing to have a uniform stamp duty rate across the country;

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

(d) whether the Government has consulted with some of the States/UTs in

this regard and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with their reaction thereto; and

(e) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

World Malaria Report

*345. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the World Malaria Report, India has made significant progress in reduction of malaria cases to bring it down by 24 per cent in 2016-17 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the death cases due to malaria have also come down from 194 in 2017 to 29 in 2018 till September and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has identified the vulnerable districts where malaria cases are mostly reported;

(d) if so, whether the Government has chalked out a plan to concentrate on those districts for reduction of malaria in these States in particular and in the country in general; and

(e) if so, the steps taken or being taken by the Government in this regard?

Fees for MBBS and PG Courses

*346. SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN:
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints that some private/ deemed universities are charging higher fees for MBBS and PG courses under management quota;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any mechanism has been put in place by the Government to reduce the fee structures and take strict action against these universities for levying inappropriate charges; and

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

Promotion of Official Language

†*347. SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent by all the financial institutions, banks and departments on promotion of official language Hindi from the year 2014 to 30th September, 2017, Institution/Bank/ Department-wise; and

(b) the value of advertisements published by all departments, corporations and banks under his Ministry separately in official language Hindi, in regional languages and in English during the above period, institution/bank/department-wise?

Ayushman Bharat Yojana

†*348. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the names of a number of eligible beneficiaries have been excluded from the Ayushman Bharat Yojana; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to include all the eligible persons under the Yojana?

Wholesale Price Index

†*349. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) has increased in the country every month from March, 2018 to October, 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of WPI in March, 2018 and October, 2018, month-wise; and

(c) the details of the products which resulted in such increase in WPI?

Toxic Air

*350. SHRI K.N. RAMACHANDRAN: SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that increasing pollution and rapid industrialization are making the air in the country more toxic and if so, the details thereof along with the level of carbon dioxide concentration in metro cities of the country, city-wise;

(b) whether around one lakh deaths occur every year due to breathing ailments and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has assessed the impact of increased air pollution on the health of the people in Indian cities and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether suggestions of the National Green Tribunal to reduce/control pollution have been followed/implemented properly in the country, if so, the details of cities adhering to environmental guidelines in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the concrete measures being taken by the Government to deal with the harmful effects of pollution on human life, animals and environment and to ensure that the Indian cities do not go towards a health crisis due to increased pollution?

AYUSH System of Medicine

†*351. SHRI SHER SINGH GHUBAYA: DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide AYUSH system of medicine as an alternative along with allopathic system in Primary Health Centres, Community Health Centres and district hospitals of all the States in the country;

(b) if so, the time by which AYUSH system of medicine is likely to be started

in all the hospitals of Punjab and Jharkhand along with the details thereof; and

(c) the number and details of big/small hospitals where all systems of medicines are available at one place in the country, State-wise including Punjab and Jharkhand?

Availability of Life Saving Drugs

*352. SHRI RAMESWAR TELI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many important life saving drugs are not available in the Government hospitals including the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) dispensaries;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken to make such medicines available in Government hospitals as well as CGHS dispensaries?

Model Curriculum for Physiotherapy

*353. DR. K. KAMARAJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to refer to Starred Question No. 63 replied on 14th December 2018 and state:

(a) the specific steps taken by the Government to implement the Seventh Pay Commission recommendations on cadre restructuring of physiotherapists in all hospitals and organizations including those under CGHS;

(b) the time by which the same will be implemented;

(c) whether the Government is considering to set up a cadre in model curriculum for physiotherapy, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of Universities which have already implemented the model curriculum for physiotherapy; and

(e) whether physiotherapists are given risk or any other allowances, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Employees Pension and Gratuity Funds

*354. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the misappropriation of Employees Pension Fund Trust and Gratuity Fund by the Punjab National Bank in the year 2016-17 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken this issue seriously and issued direction for immediate audit to verify the quantum of misappropriation of money and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any other action has been taken by the Government in this regard, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Treatment of Rare Diseases

*355. SHRIMATI P.K. SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken back the scheme/policy for Treatment of Rare Diseases; and

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

Healthcare Facilities in Rural Areas

*356. DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether healthcare in the rural areas of the country is a major concern, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of availability of healthcare facilities/infrastructure including manpower and affordability of facilities to the rural people *vis-a-vis* urban people;

(c) the details of steps taken to address the problems of rural health both at macro and micro levels and to improve the healthcare sector in rural areas of the country; and

(d) whether there is any proposal to draw a long term perspective plan to address the prevailing inequalities in the rural health sector and if so, the details thereof indicating the programmes/schemes being implemented/proposed to be implemented by the Government to reduce rural-urban gap in access to quality

healthcare and advanced treatment and diagnostic facilities in the country?

Bad Loan Norms

*357. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Public Sector Banks had asked the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to ease bad loan norms;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the banks are facing challenges on account of the contentious February 12, 2018 circular that forces them to classify all stressed loans as defaulters and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the bankers are understood to have raised the issue of cost of funds as well and if so, the details thereof?

Climate Change Conference

*358. ADV. JOICE GEORGE: SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO (AVANTHI):

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government participated in the climate change conference at Katowice, Poland recently and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the conference was mandated to finalize the modalities, procedures and guidelines, called the "Paris Rulebook" and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the conference finalized the rulebook for implementation of the Paris Agreement, which was unanimously adopted by all member countries and if so, the details thereof along with the stand of the Government on various issues discussed in the conference;

(d) whether the Paris Agreement with the adoption of the said rulebook is well on its way to being operationalised; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the role to be played by India in this regard?

Ambulance Service under NRHM

*359. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH: SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of steps taken by the Government to handle the shortage of ambulance service during an emergency, especially in rural areas;

(b) the number of general and critical care ambulances provided under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) during each of the last three years to Chhattisgarh;

(c) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme for financing ambulance service under NRHM; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Statutory Debt Relief Commission

†*360. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to find out the amount of loan taken by farmers from money lenders;

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

(c) whether the Government has prepared any scheme/programme/set up any Statutory Debt Relief Commission to bring out the farmers from indebtedness and free them from the grip of money lenders and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve the banking services in rural areas?

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