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List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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Bids for setting up of Pressure Swing Adsorption Oxygen Plants

4141. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI: DR. AMAR SINGH: SHRI BENNY BEHANAN: SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI: SHRI K. NAVASKANI: SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR: SHRI VINCENT H. PALA: DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED: SHRI M. SELVARAJ: DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR: SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI: MS. S. JOTHIMANI: SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Medical Services Society issued the call for bids to set up Pressure Swing Adsorption oxygen plants only in October 2020;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for delayed decision and the necessary steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the details of Oxygen plants that have been set up since March 2020 till date including the quantum of funds released per unit, along with number of such plants fully functional, still under construction and those yet to be initiated, State/UT-wise?

Basic amenities for Transgenders

4142. SHRI ABHISHEK BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide basic amenities like public washrooms specifically for transgenders; (b) if so, the details of specific Schemes, if any, being implemented for the purpose;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which a decision is proposed to be taken in this regard?

Oxygen Plants in Karur, Tamil Nadu

4143. MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the sites chosen in Karur Parliamentary Constituency for the establishment of oxygen plants; and

(b) the reasons for not selecting Karur district on priority for the first phase of establishment of oxygen plants through DRDO?

Development of Valmiki Nagar Tiger Reserve

4144. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps for the development of Valmiki Nagar Tiger Reserve; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Deaths Caused by Heatwave

4145. SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA: SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains records of the number of deaths caused by heatwave in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including percentage share of Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Jharkhand in the fatalities recorded across the country;

(c) the annual fatality rate caused by heatwave during the last five years; and

(d) whether the Government has put in place any measures to assess and predict heatwaves to prevent fatalities, if so, the details thereof?

Mortality Rate of Gharials

4146. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the mortality rate of critically endangered gharials has improved since 2018 and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the number of gharials bred under the species recovery project since 2015 and their survival in river Mahanadi once released, year-wise;

(c) whether the forest department has deployed technology to monitor the breeding of gharials and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the surveillance by the forest department on gharials has increased and if so, the details thereof indicating the improvements seen in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government has launched any campaigns to foster cooperation from the community in recovery and protection of gharials and if so, the details thereof?

COVID-19 Vaccination for Differently Abled

4147. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the criticism over its lack of due attention to Differently Abled Persons during the COVID-19 vaccine rollout;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take specific steps to improve the facilities for Differently Abled Persons to receive COVID-19 vaccine in a safe and convenient manner; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Adulterated Honey

4148. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted tests on thirteen homegrown brands of honey as per the Indian and International standards, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the tests revealed that seventy five percent of the honey tested was reported to be adulterated, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government/FSSAI is aware that such adulteration is undetectable through common adulteration tests, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government/FSSAI is cognizant that the companies involved in the production of honey are likely to possess ineffective testing methods, lack of skill or manpower to detect such adulteration; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government/FSSAI to address the menace?

Electronic Waste

4149. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of electronic waste generated in the country during the last five years and the steps taken by the Government to reduce the e-waste pollution;

(b) the total capacity for recycling of e-waste along with the dumped/not recycled e-waste in the country at present;

(c) whether the Government regulates the import and export of e-waste;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of import or export of e-waste during the last three years and the current year along with the names of such countries; and

(e) the efforts being made by the Government to raise the capacity of recycling of e-waste along with the success achieved by the Government in this regard?

Raw Material Manufacturing Plant

4150. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether NITI Aayog has prepared a Roadmap on "Make in India" in Body Armour which includes recommendation on setting up of raw material manufacturing plant in India based on Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene (UHMWPE) fibre to make more efficient and lightweight body armours for army and para-military forces;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has launched a National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber Physical Systems (NM-ICPS) at a total cost of Rs. 3660 crore for a period of five years being implemented by Department of Science and Technology and if so, the details thereof?

National Film Awards

4151. SHRIMATI JYOTSNA CHARANDAS MAHANT:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Film Awards for cinematic achievements for Indian cinema are held every year to encourage the furthering of Indian art, culture and literature;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that while selecting awards in different categories, the foremost and important part of broadcasting is ignored and no award is given for books on broadcasting and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that vital part of broadcasting is also included besides cinema so as to resuscitate and promote interest in books on broadcasting?

Hackathon - Samvedan 2021

4152. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY: SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH: SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY: SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Institute of Technology-Madras and Sony India Software Centre have proposed to host a hackathon - Samvedan 2021 and proposes to develop solutions for the country's societal problems to solve many issues which are useful to public; and

(b) if so, the details and present status thereof?

Forest Fire in Odisha

4153. SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI:

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 of the recent forest fires in Odisha particularly Simlipal reserved forest;

(b) if so, the estimated loss to bio-diverstiy due to Simlipal forest fires;

(c) whether arrangements have been put in place to prevent occurence of frequent forest fires in Simlipal and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is contemplating to engage the forest dwellers to carryout surveilance on illegal poachers as a preventive measure; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Pollution Control Centres

†4154. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether pollution control centres have been set up to control pollution in various cities of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the number of such centres set up/proposed to be set up till date along with monitoring mechanism placed for the purpose; and

(c) the funds allocated and utilised for the purpose during the last year and the current year?

Promotion of Export in new Textile Policy

†4155. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed the target to create new employment opportunities and promotion of export in the new textile policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the major initiatives of the new textile policy?

Cotton Procurement by CCI

4156. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the cotton procurement undertaken by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) in the past five years, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the price paid to farmers for cotton has increased over the past years, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the price at which cotton is sold further to cotton mills;

(d) whether the cost of cotton sold to mills is higher than international prices for raw cotton; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to normalise the international prices and domestic prices?

Traditional Knowledge Digital Library

4157. SHRI BHOLA SINGH: SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK: SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR: SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND: DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY: SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether thousands of patents have been registered throughout the world by plagiarizing/stealing the formulae of traditional Indian Systems of Medicine;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has put in place Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (TKDL) to protect ancient and traditional knowledge of Indian medical systems and heritage of the country;

(d) if so, the salient features and the status of implementation thereof;

(e) the amount allocated and released under the scheme; and

(f) the further measures being taken by Government to protect ancient and traditional knowledge of indigenous medicinal systems?

Scientific Analysis of Earthquakes

4158. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry conducts scientific analysis of earthquakes occurring worldwide and particularly in Indian sub continent, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the mechanism put in place to study and analyze the factors leading to earthquakes and the devastation caused by such calamities; and

(c) whether the seismic science is being equipped with efficient technology to predict such devastation in future and if so, the details thereof?

Plastic Waste Management

4159. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT: SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ):

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any notification or guidelines for the uniform framework for implementation of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) for plastic waste management in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to standardize the framework of single-use plastic and EPR across States/UTs and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to ease implementation for producers/brand owners for EPR framework across the country and if so, the details thereof?

Digitization of Flagship Health Schemes

4160. SHRI N. REDDEPPA: DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched digitized versions of Flagship Health Schemes on National Health Authority, NHA's IT platform;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether under the new digitized framework, the Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana(AB PM-JAY) beneficiaries be able to avail the benefit under Rashtriya Aarogya Nidhi (RAN) Scheme for the treatment beyond five lakhs that are not covered under the Scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Performance Based Salary

†4161. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a meagre salary is being paid to the persons working in the centres being operated under Integrated Child Development Scheme, Integrated Child Protection Scheme and Mahila Shakti Kendra in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the response of the Government in this regard; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure payment of salaries to the persons working under such centres in Gujarat according to their performance output?

Appointment of Principal Investigators in Viral Diagnostic Centres

4162. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the list of notified Principal investigators & Co Principal investigators appointed in centrally sponsored viral diagnostic Laboratory scheme in the Department of Health research of his Ministry;

(b) whether the above investigators are attached with notified medical college, Office of Collectorate and if so, the details of office order/deputation order, if any, issued as per VRDL scheme;

(c) the details of the officials authorised for signing the COVID 19 reports as per the GOI directive/VRDL Scheme;

(d) whether the methodology for maintaining Data and control measures are available in the notified VRDL centre, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether his Ministry has formed any Biosafety committee and if so the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Close Down Units of NTC

4163. SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR: SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had decided to close down units of National Textile Corporation Limited (NTCL) during COVID-19 pandemic;

(b) the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the mills/units of NTC across the country, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government has decided to reopen the closed mills and units of NTC;

(e) if so, the details thereof indicating the names of mills reopened/to be reopened; and

(f) whether any financial assistance was provided/ is proposed to be provided to the workers of the said closed NTC mills/units and if so, the details thereof?

Incentives to Geo-Spatial Sector

4164. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is lack of proper data with the Government which is impeding planning for infrastructure, development and businesses as these are data-based;

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

(c) whether the Government is aware that mapping of the entire country with high accuracy would promote overall development and growth; and

(d) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to incentivise the geo-spatial sector for Indian companies and also ensure increased investment from private players in the sector?

Mucormycosis Cases

4165. SHRI D.K.SURESH: SHRI HIBI EDEN: SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any expert consultations to address the problem arising out of Mucormycosis and other fungal infections;

(b) if so, the response of the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any proposal to provide financial assistance/health insurance to patients of Black Fungus or Mucormycosis linked to COVID-19 under any scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Innovative Social Projects

4166. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by his Ministry to disseminate and publicise knowledge derived from innovative projects that have demonstrated successful impact on the grassroots level;

(b) the steps taken to scale up and encourage other agencies to take up the successful projects piloted by the SEED division;

(c) the details of innovative social projects funded or supported by his Ministry in Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh in the last five years;

(d) the details and outcome of the SEED Division pilot project titled "Livelihood Enhancement of Fisher Women through Rural Technologies Intervention." by utilising Fish Amino Acid (FAA) in Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh; and

(e) the details of the nodal officers or agencies of the Ministry responsible for addressing inquiries and providing knowledge-based support to Government/ legislative offices interested in replicating successful projects piloted by the Ministry?

Research Activities in Biological Sciences

4167. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY: SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of startups set up for development of research activities in Biological Sciences under the Ministry in the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the quantum of funds released for each start up in the current financial year?

Documentaries on Cultural Heritage

4168. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA: SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL: SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA: SHRI MANOJ TIWARI: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has undertaken to produce, by itself or through other agencies, new documentaries, films or short films on matters of public importance on rich historical, archaeological or cultural heritage of India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of all such documentaries, films, short films produced during the last six years;

(c) the details of steps taken/being taken by the Government to promote such documentaries, films, short films and to increase their viewership;

(d) whether the Government proposes to release such documentaries on OTT platforms to promote Indian culture and heritage and if so, the details thereof especially on Maharana Pratap and his supporter Rana Punja (Bheel Adiwasi) and other historical events and places related to Maharana Pratap and people from Adiwasi community; and

(e) the details of Indian documentaries, films and short films which have received international accolades during the last six years?

Granular COVID-19 Testing Data

4169. SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM: SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

DR. AMAR SINGH: SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any written requests from a group of scientists, particularly those identified by the Government itself to develop new COVID prediction models for India, requesting wider access to the granular COVID-19 testing data collated by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons why such data was not already made available to the scientists;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to make the ICMR database accessible;

(d) whether the data is available in real-time; and

(e) if not, the average time taken between requesting access to the data and access being granted?

Distribution of Nutritious Food in Anganwadi Centres

†4170. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether complaints are being received regarding the quality and distribution of nutritious food meant for the pregnant and lactating women and the boys and girls studying in Anganwadi kendras in the country;

(b) if so, the action plan of the Government for the redressal of the said complaints;

(c) whether the provision of nutritious food distribution is uniform in all the districts of Rajasthan or distribution of it is being done on the differential basis;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to ensure transparency for correct and proper quality nutritious food distribution at Anganwadi Kendras; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Demand for Ventilators

4171. SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government issued any directions to hospitals or State/UTs to send their requirements or request for ventilators without mentioning specific ventilator brand names; (b) if so, details thereof, and the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the data on complaints of faulty ventilators received by the Government under various categories such as broken down by State/UT or by supplier/vendor; and

(d) the remedial action taken by the Government thereon including steps taken to improve the quality of ventilators in the future?

Cliff Erosion in Varkala Beach

4172. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government funded study on cliff erosion in Varkala beach in Kerala has been completed;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the findings thereon; and

(c) if not, the present status and the time by which the study is likely to be completed?

Translation in National Level Yoga Webinar

4173. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether simultaneous translation in english was provided in National level Yoga webinar conducted in August 2020 for understanding of participant doctors from Non-Hindi speaking states;

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

(c) whether the said National level Yoga webinar was recorded and then removed; and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether a number of members of parliament had written to Ministry regarding the said National level Yoga webinar conducted in August 2020 and if so, the actions taken in this regard?

Accupressure as an Independent System of Medicine

†4174. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether meeting/discussions were held under the joint auspices of the Ministries of Health and Family Welfare and AYUSH for declaring the Acupressure Research, Training and Treatment Sansthan, Prayagraj as the institute of excellence in the beginning of this year; (b) if so, the decision taken in the said meeting; and

(c) the decision taken by the Ministry in respect of declaring acupressure as an independent system of treatment by including it in the mainstream of medical systems?

Mother and Infant Mortality Ratio

4175. SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of infant mortality and mother mortality ratio in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether mortalities are more than the accepted minimum international standards in the country; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government to tackle the issue?

Underpaid and Untrained Anganwadi Workers

4176. DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.: SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme is reportedly run by underpaid and untrained workers, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) the details of the programmes implemented under the ICDS Scheme during each of last three years and the current year;State wise including Tamil Nadu;

(c) the funds allocated, released and utilization reported by the States/UTs under the scheme during the said period; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to revamp the ICDS scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Non-Availability of Covaxin

4177. SHRI RAMALINGAM S.: SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total volume of Covaxin vaccines being supplied by Bharat Biotech to the Government since the commencement of production; (b) whether the Government has taken note of shortage/non-availability of Covaxin in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the manufacturer of Covaxin has stopped/reduced supply of Covaxin, if so, the details thereof and the reasons thereto;

(d) whether the Government has permitted M/s. Bharat Biotech to export Covaxin to Brazil or to conduct clinical trial there and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has noticed that Brazil has suspended clinical trial of Bharat Biotech's Covaxin, if so, the details thereof and the reasons thereto?

Meeting of National Task Force

4178. SHRI K. NAVASKANI: SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details including dates of the meetings of the National Task Force for COVID-19 (NTF), set up to advise the Government on its pandemic response, till date;

(b) whether the NTF met during the months of February and March, 2021, when cases across the country were increasing;

(c) if so, details of the decisions taken at these meetings to prepare for and/or respond to the second wave of the pandemic; and

(d) if not, the reasons for not convening a meeting of the NTF during this period despite a surge in cases in several parts of the country, particularly Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu?

Sexual Harassment at Workplace

4179. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to increase the employment opportunity for women;

(b) the measures taken by the Government to protect all the women, irrespective of their age and employment status, from sexual harassment at workplaces, in both the public and private sectors; and

(c) the efforts made/proposed to be made by the Government to ensure that provision for their security is made by the employer and consent of women is taken before they work at night?

Awareness Programme for Organ Donation

4180. DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is operating any scheme/programme in different States/UTs of the country to create organ donation awareness among people;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the list of awareness programmes conducted in the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise along with the details of funds provided for these awareness programmes;

(c) the total number of national organ and tissue transplantation hospitals in the country both in public and private sectors, as on date State/UT-wise; and

(d) whether the Government has launched/ proposes to launch a programme to 'recognize and honour' families of persons who donate their organs and give more autonomy to National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation (NOTTO) and if so, the details thereof?

Promotion of Plantation

†4181. SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ):

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for improving skills of the youth in the field of environment, forests and wildlife management and to make them profitably self employed;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to promote plantation on massive scale; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

AYUSH-NPCDCS Programme

4182. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement or launch the AYUSH-NPCDCS program under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is going to expand the AYUSH-NPCDCS program in different districts of India on the lines of NPCDCS-Allopathy under National Health Mission and if so, the details thereof; and (c) the status of employment of the current workforce of Homeopathic doctors, Yoga Instructors and other staff under the NPCDCS program employed at Krishna District in Andhra Pradesh while the Government is augmenting AYUSH human resources for COVID-19 pandemic?

Plastic Production

4183. MS CHANDRANI MURMU: SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the current plastic production, usage and waste generated in the country during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has implemented any legal or policy framework to deal with the plastic problem in the country, especially in the packaging and retailing industry and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study/research on feasible alternatives to plastics and their implementation and if so, the details of steps taken to promote alternatives to plastic along with the progress achieved in this regard;

(d) whether the Government proposes to establish any National Action Plan for Plastic Use to gradually phase out plastic; and

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

Dahanu Nagar Parishad Development Plan

†4184. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV: SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Maharashtra has sent a reminder to the Union Government regarding approval of Dahanu Nagar Parishad Development plan;

(b) if so, the details and present status thereof along with the action taken by the Government thereon;

(c) the reasons for not accepting the proposal of the State Government of Maharashtra so far regarding the approval of the said plan; and

(d) the time by which the said plan is likely to be approved?

One Stop Centers

4185. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of One Stop Centers established between 2015-2021, year-wise, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan, district-wise;

(b) the total funds disbursed for the scheme from the Nirbhaya Fund between 2015-2021, State-wise and year-wise;

(c) the number of beneficiaries who have been given assistance across the Centers, State-wise including Rajasthan, district-wise and year-wise;

(d) the additional provisions made by the Government post COVID-19 lockdowns in such Centers to ensure the continuity of their availability as a place of last resort for women; and

(e) the action plan to establish more Centers over the next three years, and other steps to reduce domestic violence cases and enhance the safety and security of women in the country?

Malaria Eradication by 2030

4186. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is progressing satisfactorily towards its goal of being malaria-free by 2030, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether incidences of malaria declined for category 2 and category 3 State/UTs in 2021 as compared to the previous three years, if so, the details thereof along with the list of malaria-endemic districts in the country;

(c) whether the Government proposes to undertake a study of the negative impact of deprioritizing malaria in light of the COVID-19 pandemic;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the list of districts in the country worst affected by maternal and children under five malnutrition?

Pehchan Yojana

†4187. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the main objective of 'Pehchan' yojana launched for registering handicraft artisans in the whole country in the year 2016;

(b) the number of artisans registered under the said scheme so far, Sate-wise;

(c) whether there is any provision to provide financial benefit/assistance to these registered handicraft artisans under the said scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Tribal Villages of Gujarat Affected by COVID-19

†4188. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the measures being taken by the Government for the villagers particularly tribal villages of Gujarat struggling due to lack of resources to prevent COVID-19 pandemic;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up more Community Health Centres in the villages; and

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the incentives being provided to the health workers in order to encourage them to serve in rural areas/villages?

Disparities in Healthcare

4189. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the recently released OXFAM Report on inequalities in healthcare in the country; if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(b) the concrete action plan with the Government to address the huge disparities in healthcare infrastructure/ facilities in the country?

Research in Emerging New Technologies

4190. DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL: DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering or making efforts to ramp up research and to take global lead in emerging new technologies like Quantum key distribution, blockchain, AI, IoT, and Data analytics;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Doses of COVID Vaccines

4191. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the G7 countries have announced for providing one billion doses of vaccine till 2022;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the quantum of doses announced is sufficient for universal need to combat COVID-19 virus; and

(d) if not, the measures taken by the Government to enhance the production of COVID vaccines to meet the shortage thereof?

COVID-19 Vaccine Reserves

4192. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has enough reserves of vaccines in India for completing 100 per cent vaccination; and

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the States/UTs have demanded for more vaccines, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government for overcoming the shortage thereof?

Swadhar Greh Scheme

4193. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI MANOJ TIWARI: SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK: SHRI RAVI KISHAN: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing Swadhar Greh Scheme for women in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to cover women who suffered loss during the Covid-19 pandemic in various parts of the country and if so, the details in this regard; (c) the details of the budget estimates, revised estimates and actual expenditure under the Swadhar Greh Scheme during each of the last three years and the current year;

(d) the details of the criteria under which Government assistance is allocated indicating the allocations made during the said period to various states and the number of women benefited; and

(e) the details of the organizations assisting Government in implementation of the said scheme along with the criteria fixed for selection of such organizations?

Earthquake Tremors

†4194. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that frequent earthquake tremors along with rumbling sounds are being felt/heard in Aundha Nagnath, Kalamnuri and Vasmat tehsils of Higoli district of Maharashtra recently;

(b) if so, whether the Government has conducted any study regarding the future incidents likely to take place as a result thereof; and

(c) the details of measures taken by the Government to tackle the situation?

Survey of NCPCR on Impact of Covid-19

4195. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that NCPCR has conducted survey and found that nearly 10,000 children have been affected by COVID pandemic in the country;

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

(c) the steps taken by her Ministry to extend help to such children in distress?

Advisory Committee

†4196. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL: SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has constituted Advisory Committees;

(b) if so, the names and details of the said Committees;

(c) the number of members nominated to these Committees including the details thereof;

(d) whether public representatives were also asked to give suggestions and send names for nominating member to the said Committees; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Compensation For Wage Loss at Childbirth

4197. SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is committed for welfare of the working women by compensating wage-loss at the time of childbirth by giving cash doles under Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVJ), if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the funds sanctioned to the State of Telangana under the scheme during the last five years?

Specialized Adoption Agencies

4198. SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE: SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH: SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA: SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA: DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Specialized adoption agencies and authorised foreign adoption agencies functional in India, State-wise particularly Karnataka;

(b) the number of foreign adoptions of Indian children that have taken place in the last five years, year-wise;

(c) whether her Ministry is aiming to further develop the State Adoption Resource authorities and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is aware of the rise in unauthorised adoptions of children during the COVID-19 pandemic, especially those who have lost one or both of their parents due to the viral infection, if so, the measures taken by the Government to address the issue;

(e) whether the Government has issued any cautions /advisories regarding the unauthorised adoption of children during the COVID-19 pandemic, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government is contemplating with an idea of adopting the children who have been orphaned during COVID pandemic and if so, the details thereof?

†4199. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण,वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether electronic-waste (e-waste) is illegally imported in the country from the United States of America and other developed countries and these are being dumped in various parts of the country as garbage;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the total quantum of e-waste imported from developed countries and the quantum of waste disposed off in accordance with e-waste Management Rules, 2016 during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to put complete ban on the import of e-waste;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the action plan for disposal of e-waste in accordance with laid down procedure?

Elephant Reserves

4200. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण,वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal for the expansion of the existing two Elephant Reserves in the State of Odisha;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Asian Nature Conservation Federation (ANCF) has suggested that there is a need for the expansion of both the Sambalpur Elephant Reserve and the Mahanadi Elephant Reserve area;

(d) if so, whether the Government has examined such suggestions; and

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

Global Hunger Index

4201. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country suffers from pervasive undernutrition;

(b) if so, whether in the 2020 Global Hunger Index, India ranks 94th out of 117 qualifying countries;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the facts in this regard;

(d) whether several welfare programmes implemented by different Ministries have not yielded the desired results, if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether a coordinated approach among various ministries is the need of the hour to tackle the grave situation; and

(f) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Conducting and Approving Vaccine Trials on Children

4202. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN: SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.: SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN: DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the safeguards put in place, while conducting and approving vaccine trials on children;

(b) whether the Government has considered the ramifications of schools and educational institutions opening without having vaccinated all school-going children and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government is going slow on approval of vaccines for children as such vaccine require rigorous testing and should also satisfy the parents, before the vaccination is launched and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Health Hazards of Raw Tobacco in Bidi Workers

4203. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that exposure to raw tobacco is causing many health hazards among the women bidi workers and their children, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has carried out any detailed study on such health hazards and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of bidi workers registered under Ayushman Bharat Yojana or any other form of health insurance during the last one year in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the number of bidi workers benefittend under each such scheme?

Recycling of Plastic

†4204. SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL: SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI: SHRI MITESH RAMESHBHAI PATEL (BAKABHAI):

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण,वन और जलवायू परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up recycling units at different places in the country to recycle plastic;

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

(c) whether the Government has formulated any plan to provide incentives to small entrepreneurs engaged in scientific recycling of plastic waste and if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the measures taken by the Government to dispose of plastic waste from those units which have been shut down by the National Green Tribunal and have been relocated; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to eliminate the pollution caused by plastic?

Mechanism for Redressal of Grievances

4205. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA: SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI: DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently amended the Cable Television Network Rules, 1994 thereby providing a statutory mechanism for redressal of grievances/complaints of citizens relating to content broadcast by television channels in accordance with the provisions of the Cable Television Network Act, 1995;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this would help in developing a strong institutional system for redressing grievances while placing accountability and responsibility on the broadcasters and their self-regulating bodies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Reservation of OBC in Medical Education

4206. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY: SHRI RAMALINGAM S.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed reservation for OBCs in the All India Medical Seats in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including Central and State run medical colleges;

(c) whether the Government has received any representation in this regard from Government of Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(d) the details of the number of seats allocated to OBCs in the Undergraduate and postgraduate medical courses during the past three years in the country, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu;

(e) whether the Government is aware that OBC students have not been benefitted for their reservation during the last three years and have lost over 11,000 seats to general category in the All India Quota since 2017 due to non-implementation of their reservation; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefore along with the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Management of Forest Resources

†4207. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण,वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to give more power to the tribal communities in the management of forest resources;

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

(c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented across the country?

Genome Sequencing Facilites

4208. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a)) whether the Government has taken into cognizance that it is a normal phenomenon for the viruses to replicate and at the same time mutate to form a new strain with a changed genetic structure, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken to check the spread of various fatal strains of Covid-19 virus prevalent in India;

(c) the number of genome sequencing facility/ lab available in the country to check the emergence of a new variant, location/ State/UT -wise; (e) if so, the details thereof and if not the reason therefor?

Clean Environment Cess Collected on Coal

4209. SHRIMATI PRAMILA BISOYI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण,वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of clean Environment Cess collected on coal to finance the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Compensation since the implementation of GST, yearwise;

(b) the utilization of such Cess fund towards GST compensation and the amount parked under the dedicated Public Account, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to pass on these Cesses to those specific States from which much of the coal extraction is happening and without being shared with all the States as part of the GST compensation fund; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Setting up of Trauma Centres

4210. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether in pursuant to the judgment of the honourable Supreme Court in the case Dr. S Rajaseekaran II vs Union Of India the Government has taken any initiatives in setting up trauma care centres in all districts of the country;

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

(c) the details of the plan for setting up trauma care centres in the districts of Bihar particularly in Aurangabad and if so, the time frame by when these are likely to be setup?

Data on COVID-19 Positive Patients

4211. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN: SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains data on COVID-19 positive patients who were returned without

admission by Government hospitals between March, 2020 till date, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that treatment is provided mandatorily to each patient by the hospitals;

(c) whether the Government has framed any guidelines to regulate the prices of COVID-19 related treatment in private hospitals in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) the details of High Court judgements regarding pricing of COVID-19 treatment; and

(f) the details of price regulations currently in place for COVID-19 related treatments by States/UTs, State/ UT-wise?

Assessment of Impact of Climate Change

†4212. SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether special initiatives have been taken to assess the impact of climate change on environment through higher institutes of technology;

(b) if so, the details of the findings of the research carried out by the said institutes along with the amount spent for the purpose during the last five years; and

(c) the programmes being implemented regarding environmental awareness among people?

Medicinal Plant Research Centres

4213. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE: SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India has developed various Medicinal Plant research centers in the country;

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

(c) whether the Government provides grant in aid for production and marketing of Ayurveda Medicines; and

(d) if so, the details thereof indicating the grant-inaid provided in Maharashtra during last three years?

Technology to Promote Architectural Heritage

4214. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR: SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has implemented the project to recreate all monuments in the country using three-dimensional technology and cyber-physical systems to promote architectural heritage;

(b) if so, the details thereof including budgetary allocation in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has awarded a pilot project to Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi for recreating architectural heritage and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has included the Buddhist circuit in the above project and reproduced all such monuments - starting from Ghats of Varanasi and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other new initiatives being taken by the Government in this regard?

Textile and Apparel Exports

4215. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that textile and apparel exports in 2020-2021 are almost 13 percent less than the previous year;

(b) whether it is also true that textile and clothing exports are expected to do well in the coming months;

(c) whether the Government is considering to export handloom products from Balaramapuram in Kerala to the U.S.A. under the Centre for Innovation in Science and Social Action ahead of the upcoming Onam season; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana

4216. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI: SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON: SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the scheme and the current status of implementation of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) in the country along with the total funds allocated under the scheme in the current and previous financial year, State/UT-wise; (b) the details of works undertaken under PMSSY State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of AIIMS like hospitals proposed to be established under Phase II/III of PMSSY, State/UTwise;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any assessment regarding works and performance of the PMSSY during the last five years, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) the percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) spent on healthcare in total and tertiary healthcare in particular, during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise; and

(f) the details of the steps taken/being taken by the Government to enhance availability of affordable and reliable tertiary medical care services in the country, year-wise during each of the last three years, State/UTwise?

Ayurveda System of Medicine

4217. DR. HEENA GAVIT: SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE: DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated by the Government for various schemes aimed at promoting Ayurveda system of medicine during the last three years, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra;

(b) the amount spent and not utilised by the States and Union Territories during the said period;

(c) the progress in promotion and development of AYUSH drugs through clusters approach in the country as well as the funds allocation and utilization under the scheme during the last three years, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the details regarding implementation of the said scheme in Maharashtra?

Abolition of Dowry System

4218. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to organise programmes to abolish dowry system in States;

(b) whether the Government has taken note of the model programmes being implemented against dowry system in Malappuram, Kerala and if so, the details thereof; and (c) whether the Government plans and organise effective campaigns against dowry system prevailing at different places even after it is banned by law and if so, the details thereof?

Funds for Handloom Companies

4219. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India has allocated funds under various schemes for the manufacturing companies of Handloom and Handicraft in last two years;

(b) if so, the details of allocation and expenditure against each component of outcome budget in each State, scheme-wise; and

(c) the reasons for under-utilization, if any, in the scheme/component of outcome budget?

Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram

4220. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI ANURAG SHARMA: DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA: SHRI RATANSINH MAGANSINH RATHOD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) being implemented by the Government and challenges faced thereof while implementing;

(b) whether this programme has been able to achieve its objective, if so, the details thereof and if not, corrective steps taken in this regard;

(c) the funds allocated/utilised by the States/UTs since its inception till date, State/UT-wise;

(d) the number of Early Intervention Centres established in district hospitals and health centres in the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(e) the mechanism put in place by the Government for regular monitoring of the programme to ascertain its efficacy; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that district hospitals across the country are fully equipped with technology and medicines to treat birth related defects, deficiencies and diseases?

Awareness about Third Wave of COVID-19

†4221. SHRI KISHAN KAPOOR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the apprehensions among the people about the third wave of COVID-19;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take measure to create awareness about the possible third wave including the precautionary measures and other safety measures required to counter the third wave?

Objectives of SAATHI

4222. SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE: DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features and objectives of the Sustainable and Accelerated Adoption of efficient Textile technologies to Help small Industries initiative (SAATHI);

(b) whether the scheme is purported to be helping to ease the financial costs incurred by the small and medium powerlooms and if so, the details therefor;

(c) whether the Government has identified any existing textile clusters to commence implementation of the project and if so, the details of clusters selected therefor;

(d) whether the scheme is likely to result in energy and cost savings for the entrepreneurs; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Ujjwala Scheme

4223. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total budget allocation utilised under Ujjwala scheme during the last three years;

(b) the number of women and children rescued so far under the Ujjwala scheme and have been rehabilitated, State-wise;

(c) the measures taken by the Government for their reintegration into the family and society at large; and

(d) whether any NGOs are working on this scheme, if so, the details thereof?

Forest Fires

4224. DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR: SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE: SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवाय परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of land affected by forest fires in the recent past along with the financial losses incurred therein, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether valuable medicinal plants are destroyed and human settlements are threatened due to such fires, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken under the forest fire prevention and management schemes in Tamil Nadu;

(c) whether miscreants deliberately set fires in forests for encroachment of forest land, if so, the investigation conducted in this regard along with its outcome thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up an independent agency to estimate the actual loss and fix budget for providing compensation to persons affected by such fires and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures taken to prevent recurrence of forest fires and to douse the said fire immediately without causing damage to property, livestock and human beings?

Shortage of Vaccines

4225. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL: SHRI ANTO ANTONY: DR. M.P. ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received representations/complaints from State/UTs regarding shortage/lack of vaccine stock/supply of vaccines;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government in this regard;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to provide adequate quantity of vaccines to States and UTs; and

(d) the percentage and the kind of side effects that have been reported so far in use of the vaccines namely Covishied and Covaxin?

Deaths due to malnutrition

†4226. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people died due to malnourishment and consumption of contaminated water in the country, particularly in backward and rural areas of the country so far during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise; and

(b) the steps taken to prevent such deaths?

Package for Handloom Weavers

4227. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering a special package for handloom weavers to support them in context of the problems arising due to COVID-19;

(b) whether the Government is considering to exempt handloom sector from GST; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Forestation in Kutch Region

4228. SHRI VINOD L. CHAVDA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to increase forestation in Kutch area of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Heart Disease

4229. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is home to 40 percent of the world's 2.6 crore patients with a disease of heart failure;

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

(c) whether poor awareness about the condition and its treatment is major cause of heart disease; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government for promotion of public awareness about heart ailment?

Transmission Centers for Kisan TV

4230. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Transmission Centers setup by the Government for Kisan TV in Maharashtra;

(b) the number of agricultural research related programmes being broadcast on these channels;

(c) whether the viewers having private Direct To Home (DTH) connections are able to watch Kisan TV, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Awareness About Earth Sciences

†4231. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote awareness regarding 'earth sciences' among students and common people of Bhagalpur;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has launched/started any programme to facilitate sharing quick exchange of ideas and research among vast community of earth scientists; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated in this regard?

National Biopharma Mission

4232. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched National Biopharma Mission (NBM) to accelerate biopharmaceutical development in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the present status of the said Mission and the extent to which the country has benefited from the Mission;

(d) the amount of funds allocated for the said mission since its inception; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for promoting entrepreneurship and indigenous manufacturing in biopharma sector?

Bal Bandhu Scheme

4233. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of the Bal Bandhu Scheme for Protection of Children's Rights in Areas of Civil Unrest;

(b) whether any districts in Jharkhand are covered under this scheme; and

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

New Software to Identify Clinical Status

4234. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

विशाल और प्रावालिय नव

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has developed a new Software that helps to identify patients likely to require ventilator support thus detecting emergency and ICU needs early;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this technology is being used in COVID Care Centres within the country

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with its response; and

(e) the time by which it is likely to be used in all States?

Afforestation Drive

4235. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote plantation and afforestation drive all over the country for better ecological environment;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take steps for improvement of better ecological environment, reduction of pollution, better air quality and has earmarked funds for the purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

AIR Transmitter at Wardha

4236. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating any plan for setting up installation of 10 KW FM All India Radio Transmitter with studio facility (LRS) at Wardha;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Adulterated Milk

†4237. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether adulterated milk which is harmful to health is being sold in the markets in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of provisions made by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the details of steps taken by the Government for strict compliance of the said provisions to provide quality milk to the people in the country and the outcome thereof so far?

National Family Health Survey

4238. SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR: DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI: SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON: SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE: SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA: SHRI RATANSINH MAGANSINH RATHOD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the main objective of conducting National Family Health Survey (NFHS) along with the number of NFHS conducted in the country and the major findings in these surveys, State/UT-wise particularly in Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and Gujarat;

(b) the percentage of children found malnourished, anemic and not provided lifesaving vaccine against diarrhea and other diseases as per the NFHS 3 and 4, survey-wise and State/UT-wise, particularly in Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and Gujarat;

(c) whether any improvement has been noticed subsequent to the survey and if so, details thereof;

(d) whether a number of States/UTs were not covered by some of these surveys and if so, details thereof along with the reasons therefor; (e) whether the Government has restructured the format of NFHS and if so, details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken by Government to ensure compilation of true and objective data in order to help the Government in making its future policies and programmes?

Restoration of Regional Films

4239. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering for restoration of all regional films and if so, the details thereof?

(b) the number of such films restored so far from the North Eastern States; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to restore retro regional films;

Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram

4240. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of implementation of Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakaram (JSSK) under National Health Mission along with the number of beneficiaries under the scheme during the last three years and current year, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether the Government has launched awareness programme for successful implementation of Janani Suraksha Yojana and if so, the number of such awareness programmes launched during the last three years and achievement made thereto; and

(c) the corrective measures taken by the Government to provide free services to pregnant women including deliveries at Government hospitals across the country?

Tribal Medicines

4241. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is incorporating traditional knowledge of tribal medicines into the Traditional Knowledge Digital Library;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government provides any compensation considering Intellectual Property Rights to the tribals;

(d) whether the Ministry engages medicinal research institutes or other institutions in mapping and studying the hitherto undiscovered medicinal plants in coastal regions of the country under the "Medicinal Plants" component of the National AYUSH Mission; and

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

40th Scientific Expedition to Antarctica

4242. SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the 40th Scientific Expedition to Antarctica has been successful;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the ocean observing system deployed during the onward journey and retrieval during the return voyage help to fill in the gaps of the scantily available information in the Indian ocean sector of the Southern Ocean; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

AYUSH Hospital in Katihar

†4243. SHRI DULAL CHAND GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to construct 50 bedded AYUSH hospital in Katihar, Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Deaths due to use of Tobacco

4244. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of deaths caused due to use of tobacco during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to reduce deaths related to tobacco along with the achievement thereto;

(c) the details of the total amount spent on treatment of tobacco related diseases during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise; (d) whether Government is aware that nearly 70 percent of 1.3 billion tobacco users across the world lack access to tools required for quitting Tobacco as per World Health Organization (WHO) and if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government thereto;

(e) whether the Government plans to frame a national policy to tackle the issue of tobacco consumption; and

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

Funds for COVID-19 to North Eastern States

4245. SHRI C. LALROSANGA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to different States in the North Eastern Region to tackle COVID-19 and to make infrastructure arrangements like COVID hospitals, ICU beds, Oxygen Plants etc.;

(b) the funds allocated to above States to conduct research on COVID-19;

(c) whether the Government proposes any long term plan to tackle COVID in the North East region keeping in view the difficult terrain there; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Vaccination by Private Hospitals

†4246. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noted that people have shown less interest in getting vaccinated from private hospitals, if so, the reasons thereto;

(b) whether the private hospitals who have been permitted to purchase and administer Corona vaccines are charging fixed price and service charges as per the directions by the Government; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

AYUSH Hospitals in Rural Areas

4247. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has taken steps to establish dedicated AYUSH hospitals in rural areas of the country;

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

(c) the details about the hospitals proposed to be opened in Bihar including district Gopalganj;and

(d) the measures taken to make the AYUSH Hospital operational in district Gopalganj, Bihar?

Greenfield Textile Parks

4248. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of programs launched by Government to enhance the wages of workers in textile industry;

(b) the number of greenfield textile parks under SITP or through other schemes that have been completed in the country, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the details of benefits these greenfield textile parks offer to the skilled and non-skilled workers?

CAMPA Scheme

4249. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL: DR. HEENA GAVIT: SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE: DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the work/activities carried out under Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) scheme in various States of the country during the last three years, State/ UT-wise including Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu;

(b) the total amount earmarked, allotted and spent under CAMPA scheme in States during the said period, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu; and

(c) whether there is any mechanism to ensure accountability and transparency in the utilization of funds under the scheme and if so, the details thereof?

PG Seats in Medical Colleges

†4250. SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has increased the number of seats for Post Graduate courses in medical colleges across the country, if so, the details thereof; (b) the number of medical colleges and students likely to be benefitted with the said decision of the Government;

(c) whether the Government has also taken the decision to reduce teacher-student ratio in medical colleges and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether considering the acute shortage of doctors, the Government has taken/proposes to take steps to open new medical colleges in the country; and

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

Death of Mammals due to Fishing Vessels

4251. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

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 thousands of mammals fall victim of fishing vessels each year;

(b) if so, the details of the death of such mammals during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government for strict implementation of guidelines in order to protect endangered mega fauna like dugongs, whale sharks as well as to establish National stranding Centre at the earliest?

District Child Welfare Committee

†4252. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of powers and functions of District Child Welfare Committee along with the provision under which it is mandatory for the police to inform the committee in the cases related to them;

(b) the details of the provision of action prescribed against Police Superintendent or other police officer in case of non-compliance of the said mandatory provision;

(c) whether it is a fact that on 10 July, 2020 to 30 May, 2021 in Nagaur district of Rajasthan, district Superintendent of Police, Nagaur and other police officers took decisions directly at their own level by violating the provision relating to district child welfare committee and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any circular or directions have been issued in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Media Trials

†4253. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK: SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूछाना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that there has been an increase in the trend of media trial including on matters which are sub-judice;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the name of private channels reportedly involved in such activities;

(c) whether there is any regulatory mechanism to put a check on such programmes/media trial;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of cases of blocking of such news channels for noncompliance of broadcast guidelines during the last ten years along with the names of channels and the period of their blocking; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken/ being taken by the Government to curb such programmes/ media trials in the country?

Impact of AYUSH medicine on COVID-19

4254. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA: SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated any study to assess the impact of the preventive medicines given by various medicinal streams under AYUSH/Indian Medicinal System against COVID-19 pandemic, if so, the outcome thereof;

(b) if not, whether the Government is considering to constitute any such study;

(c) whether the Government has undertaken any steps for the promotion of AYUSH medicines/Indian Medicinal System to tackle the COVID-19 pandemic;and

(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

Study on Global warming

†4255. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY: SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken any study for estimation of impact of global warming;

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

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken for controlling global warming induced climate change in the country;

(d) whether the Government proposes to increase forest cover to address the problem of climate change in the country;

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the purpose during the current year; and

(f) whether the Government is planning to include global warming in school-curriculum in order to create widespread awareness among the people and to start public awareness campaign in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Supplementary Nutrition Under ICDS

4256. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: DR. G. RANJITH REDDY: SHRI T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of recent reports stating that a large number of beneficiaries did not receive supplementary nutrition under the Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS) during the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the necessary corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard, State/UT-wise;

(c) the impediments/challenges being faced while implementing the scheme;

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to overcome such challenges, along with the funds allocated and utilised on the scheme during the last three years, State/ UT-wise; and

(e) the monitoring mechanism being employed by the Government in implementation of ICDS in States?

Expenditure on Research

4257. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that as per a recent UNESCO Science Report, the investment by the Government in research remains below the desired level;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the gross domestic expenditure on research (GDER) and percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for the last five years;

(c) whether it is a fact that the patenting by domestic corporations, research institutes, universities and individuals remain low in the country; (e) whether the Government is taking any measures to enhance the allocation of funds towards scientific research in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Women farmers

†4258. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that despite about 25% contribution in agriculture and as self employed entrepreneurs in related sectors women are not recognized as farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether women do not have ownership of land on which they undertake farming, if so, the details thereof?

Closure of Spinning Mills

4259. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether several spinning mills have been closed in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry to ascertain the reasons for the closure of the such mills and if so, the details thereof and the followup action taken thereon;

(c) whether the Government has also started Textile Workers Rehabilitation Funds Scheme; and

(d) if so, the number of textile workers who have been unemployed and provided interim relief therefrom?

Crimes Against Women

4260. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE: SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI: SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of crimes against women including domestic violence has increased during the last three years and if so, the details thereof indicating the number of cases reported during the said period, State/UT-wise and year-wise; (b) the steps taken by the Government to deal with crimes against women during the said period and the innovation used and the benefits derived therefrom;

(c) whether the Government has formulated or proposes to formulate any new policy to prevent domestic violence across the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the budget allocated and expenditure incurred for this purpose?

Permanent Employment of NHM Staff

4261. SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide permanent employment to staff working under National Health Mission (NHM) for more than fifteen years with minimum salary and without any allowances;

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

(c) whether the Union Government provides financial assistance to the State Governments which are willing to provide permanent employment to such employees; and

(d) if so, the details thereof;

Adverse Events Post Vaccination for Lactating Mothers

4262. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a mechanism exists in place to monitor the adverse events arising out of administration of COVID-19 vaccines on Lactating Mothers;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of such adverse events that have been reported symptom/State/ UT-wise;

(c) whether a mechanism has been established to conduct a study by capturing the data regarding the effect or impact of COVID-19 vaccines on Lactating mothers and their infants; and

(d) if so, the details of such effects recorded so far of COVID vaccination on Lactating mothers and data on the effect recorded during each interval?

Research on Rare Genetic Disorders

4263. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of increasing cases of rare genetic disorders among new born babies in India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps being taken with regard to research on treatment of rare genetic disorders among infants; and

(c) whether the Government has collaborated with foreign Governments/ corporations in the field of research and treatment of rare genetic disorders and if so, the details thereof?

Nutrition Warriors

†4264. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the problem of malnutrition has increased in Rajasthan due to low purchasing power and lack of nutritious food;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government to tackle under-nutrition and malnutrition during the last two decades along with the details of the schemes and programmes implemented in this regard;

(d) whether the Government proposes to make nutrition programme a mass movement by declaring Anganwadi, ASHA, NAM and primary health workers as 'Nutrition Warriors' to achieve a malnutrition-free India by 2022; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Nirbhaya Scheme

4265. SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA: SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large amount of funds have been left unused in the Nirbhaya Funds announced by the Government in the year 2013;

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

(c) the details of the various schemes formulated so far under the Nirbhaya Fund;

(d) the funds released to each State under this Scheme indicating the usage thereof;

(e) the details of the project proposals received so far from the State of Andhra Pradesh and the funds released as on date; and

(f) the steps being taken by the Government to increase the awareness about this scheme for its proper implementation?

Environmental Threats

4266. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

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 of the environmental threats to the UNESCO's world heritage site, Kaas plateau in Satara district and Western Ghats;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Irregularities in Purchase of Covaxin

4267. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken into cognizance that ICMR was slated to get five percent of the profit from the sale of Covaxin and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether the said vaccines were sold at a lower price to Madison biotech, which garnered major share of profit while ICMR's own proceeds got depressed and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the first shipment of Covaxin had been sent by Madison Biotech, which had not been mentioned in the contract and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Federal prosecutor's office in Brazil investigating possible irregularities in a contract to purchase Covaxin had found that the price for Covaxin in the negotiated contract was \$15 per dose which was much higher than the initially quoted figure, if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the variations; and

(e) whether Government has taken note that fund diversions and irregularities of lowering of profits have taken place and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken for investigation of such irregularity under Prevention of Money Laundering Act and Serious Fraud Investigation Office?

Children Suffering from Malnourishment

†4268. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of children suffering from malnutrition is continuously increasing in the country and if so, the details thereof; (b) the number of stunted, undernourished children (0-6 years), young children, women and adolescent girls affected by anemia and children affected by low birth weight;

(c) whether the Government has collected any data in this regard, if so, the details thereof, region-wise;

(d) the names of schemes under which action is being taken by the Government to free the children across the country from malnourishment; and

(e) the outcome of the implementation of said schemes?

Treatment of Mucormycosis under Ayushman Bharat Yojana

4269. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated or has plans to formulate, specific steps to provide financial assistance/health insurance to patients of Black fungus or mucormycosis linked to COVID-19 under the Ayushman Bharat scheme;

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

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Implemenation of POSHAN Abhiyaan

4270. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY: SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any issue in the implementation of POSHAN Abhiyan due to the COVID-19 situation;

(b) if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) the details of action taken/being taken by Government to increase awareness about the issue of malnutrition in the country; and

(d) whether the Government is planning to monitor and provide help to malnourished children through the Anganwadi centres across the country and if so, the details thereof?

Sophisticated Analytical and Technical Institute

†4271. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to open Sophisticated Analytical and Technical Institutes in IITs;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to open such an institute in Vadodara in Gujarat; and

(d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be opened and if not, the reasons therefor?

Working Women Population

†4272. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains any data regarding the number of working women across the country;

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

(c) the estimated number of working women in the country;

(d) the reasons for decline in participation of women in labour force across the country; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to increase the participation of women in labour force across the country?

Third party donations for Oxygen PSA plants

4273. SHRIMATI MAHUA MOITRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Oxygen PSA plants set up by the Government along with number of such plants provided/ set up through private participations, donations, charitable institutions and others etc.;

(b) the number of Oxygen concentrators provided by the Union Government along with number of concentrators provided by private participations, donations, charitable institutions and others etc.;

(c) whether the Government has chalked out any mechanism to stockpile and/or create sufficient availability of medicines and supplies that may be needed to meet requirements during COVID-19 wave peaks in future; and

(d) If so, the details thereof?

Import and Export of COVID-19 Vaccines

4274. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any statistics regarding import and export of COVID-19 vaccines taking place in the country;

(b) if so, the details of import and export of vaccines, vaccine and country-wise;

(c) whether the Government has stopped commercial supply of COVID-19 vaccines to other countries, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has given permission to private sector companies to import COVID-19 vaccines, if so, the details thereof including the names of the companies and the quantum of vaccines imported so far, company and country-wise; and

(e) whether the price of imported vaccines has been fixed by the Government or by the importing company and if so, the details thereof?

Impact of Adverse Monsoon Pattern

4275. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that many States in the country have witnessed either significant decrease or far excessive annual rainfall in the last few decades and many faced droughts;

(b) if so, the details and the impact thereof;

(c) whether the Government has chalked out any strategy to cope with the adverse monsoon pattern in the country and accordingly plan the agriculture production and ground water recharge;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Compensatory Afforestation

4276. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR: DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total forest covered area during the last three years, State-wise along with the funds received and spent by Compensatory Afforestation Funds Management and Planning Authority during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has introduced Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act in 2016 and also established National Compensatory Afforestation Fund aimed at increasing forest cover in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the overall forest cover has increased in the country after the introduction of Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act and establishment of National Compensatory Afforestation Fund; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Health Insurance to Medical Students

4277. SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any comprehensive health insurance scheme is being implemented for medical students of UG/PG level in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether the Government is considering to launch a policy for giving health insurance cover to students at the degree level?

Digital Mapping of Entire Country

4278. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the project for digital mapping of entire country by the Survey of India;

(b) the details of States in which the project has started and the areas covered so far;

(c) the details of funds allocated for the purpose;

(d) the time by which the remaining States are likely to be covered; and

(e) the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

Loss due to Plastic Waste

†4279. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding loss being caused by plastic waste across the country;

(b) whether the Government is aware that the animals are dying as they eat polythene and used plastic articles lying in open space;

(c) if so, the total number of cows which died due to eating plastic waste during the last two years; and

(d) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Availability of Contraceptives

4280. SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken any programme to ensure continued supply and usage of contraceptives, other than putting it in the category of essential commodity;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Promotion of Agroforestry in TTZ Area

4281. SHRI RAJ KUMAR CHAHAR:

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 the forest cover of the six districts, namely, Agra, Mathura, Firozabad, Etah, Hathras and Bharatpur of the Taj Trapezium Zone (TTZ) is very meagre;

(b) if so, the details of the forest and tree cover in the above districts, as found by the Forest Survey of India in last one decade;

(c) the details of the initiatives, if any, taken by the Government to increase forest cover and also agroforestry in the above districts; and

(d) whether any financial incentives for promoting agroforestry in TTZ area are being given by the Government and if so, the details thereof?

Adulteration in Food Items during COVID-19

4282. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints regarding adulteration in food and drinking items during COVID-19 pandemic; (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken strict action against the companies/individuals involved in such cases; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(e) the compensation charged/fine imposed in this regard?

Protection of Women From Domestic Violence

†4283. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to ensure disposal of the cases related to the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 within six months; and

(b) if so, the number of cases that have been disposed off within the stipulated period, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand, district-wise?

Eradication of COVID-19 Pandemic

4284. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has collaborated with the World Health Organization (WHO) to strive towards the eradication of COVID-19 in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any study on the recurring pandemic conditions in the country;

(c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof ;

(d) whether the Government is aware of the socioeconomic crisis plaguing the country due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

(e) if so the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to mitigate the effects of such crisis?

Fighting Malnourishment with AYUSH

4285. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA: SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the AYUSH interventions to address the issue of malnourishment in children especially in tribal community;and

(b) whether the Government is planning to substitute vitamins and iron supplements with Ayurvedic medicines for children, if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor?

New Anganwadi Centres

4286. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that most of the Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) are functioning in dilapidated/damaged buildings and if so, the total number of such buildings along with the time by which funds are likely to be released for their repair, State/UTwise;

(b) the number of AWCs operating from rented building in the country, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the number of new AWCs proposed to be set up at present along with the time by which these Centres are likely to be set up, State/UT-wise?

Uniform GST System on Textile Products

4287. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plans of implementing uniform GST system at the rate of five percent on all textile products; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Dues for Advertisements

4288. PROF. SOUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूछाना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of dues for advertisements circulated to various visual and print media from different Departments of Union Government;

(b) whether it is true that some payments are pending since 2004;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for the undue delay in payments; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to release the pending payments?

News Programme in Sanskrit

†4289. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूछाना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Akashvani news channel has started broadcasting news programme in Sanskrit language;

(b) if so, the details and objective thereof along with the details regarding the days and duration of the said programmes;

(c) whether the programmes related to Vedic teachings are being broadcast or proposed to be broadcast on Akashvani and Doordarshan;

(d) if so, the time by which the decision is likely to be taken in this regard; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to increase the duration of news bulletins in regional languages and improve their content?

Ayurveda and Unani Systems of Medication

4290. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised for promotion of Ayurveda and Unani systems of medicine separately during last three years and current year till date, State/UT-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to constitute a separate Board for Unani and allow surgery by Unani postgraduate doctors on the line of Ayurveda to promote Unani;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons and rationale therefor?

Ayush as Immunity Boosters

4291. SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.: DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has promoted various Ayush formulations and drugs as immunity boosters since the COVID-19 pandemic began;

(b) if so, the empirical evidence supporting such claims of boosting immunity, especially against COVID-19;

(c) the scientific meaning/definition of the term immunity boosters;

(d) whether the Ministry is aware that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has taken action against firms fraudulently claiming that their products boost immunity against COVID-19, and that advertising rules in the United Kingdom prohibit such misleading claims altogether; and

(e) if so, whether the Ministry is considering similar restrictions on such claims and will initiate punitive action against those making such misleading claims?

AYUSH Treatment

†4292. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any provision of comprehensive and complete treatment under AYUSH system of medicine;

(b) whether the Government proposes to open Integrated AYUSH hospitals at all the district centres of Rajasthan including Ajmer to meet the health requirements of the large number of citizens, if so, the present status thereof;

(c) whether any such proposal has been received from the Government of Rajasthan and the Members of Parliament in this regard, if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of budget allocated under this head during the last two years, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether the Government proposes to set up a 100-bedded Naturopathy hospital at Ajmer district headquarter by conducting a survey in this regard; and

(f) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

False Negative Reports of COVID-19

4293. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noted that inadequate tests and false-negative test reports for COVID-19 can result in eligible beneficiaries not getting the benefit of welfare measures put in place by the Government, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the action taken thereon to ensure inclusion of such beneficiaries;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the kin of individuals who succumbed to post-COVID complications are included in the list of beneficiaries eligible for COVID-19 welfare schemes; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Violation of Environmental Regulations by Stone Crusher Mills

4294. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Stone Crusher mills/plants set up in Jharkhand State, district-wise and plant-wise;

(b) whether the stone Crusher mills have been permitted to dig the area along rivers and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding violation of environmental regulations by various stone crusher mills in Jharkhand;

(d) if so, the details thereof especially in Bokaro, Dhanbad, Giridih and Ramgarh districts of Jharkhand; and

(e) the action taken by the Government against such Stone crusher mills?

Condition of Government Hospitals

4295. DR. HEENA GAVIT: DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE: SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to assess the functioning of Government hospitals in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received complaints regarding the pitiable condition of government hospitals in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government for improvement in the condition and functioning of Government hospitals in the country?

Vaccine Producing Companies

4296. SHRI THIRUMAAVALAVAN THOL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has released any amount in advance to the Serum Institute of India, Bharat Biotech or any other vaccine producing companies for the purchase of Vaccines from them;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the release of advance payments to the above two companies, if any, constrains the Government in delaying the approval for the import and production of Sputnik, Moderna, Pfizer, Johnson & Johnson vaccines in India, as these may disrupt the recovery of the advance given, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has the information about the cost build-up details of Covishield, Covaxin and other vaccines approved for use in India; and (e) if not, the basis on which the selling price of these vaccines were approved?

Lightning Strikes

4297. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any National Study Programs have been rolled out for Climatology study to find the cause and remedy of lightning strikes in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made any provisions to consider the damage done due to lightning as National Calamities, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of deaths due to lightning strikes during the last ten years State/UT-wise and the yearly amount disbursed as compensation thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has made any National Action Plan to deal with and mitigate the lightning strikes, if so, the details thereof?

Media Council

4298. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to replace the current Press Council of India with a Media Council, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether such Media Council would cover electronic media including news channels portals under its ambit and if so, the details thereof?

COVID-19 Vaccination in UP

4299. SHRI DHARMENDRA KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of camps and other facilities set up or supported by the Central Government for the COVID-19 vaccination in Uttar Pradesh particularly in Aaonla;

(b) the number of recipients of the vaccines along with the number of those who have taken both doses; and

(c) the measures taken by the Government for complete vaccination of all the citizens of the country?

Tigers missing from Ranthambore National Park

4300. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

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 six tigers are missing from the Ranthambore National Park; and

(b) if so, the measures undertaken by the Government to track and locate their movements?

Medical College in Rajasthan

†4301. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of medical colleges set up in Rajasthan during the last seven years;

(b) the number of medical colleges functioning in Rajasthan at present and the number of medical colleges whose work is in progress;

(c) the efforts made by the Government for setting up medical colleges in Pratapgarh district of Rajasthan so far; and

(d) the details of the funds to be utilised in the construction of these medical colleges?

Social Reintegration of Juvenile Deliquents

†4302. SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains any record of the conduct and behavior of juvenile delinquents during their social reintegration after the prison sentence;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures taken by the Government to reform such juvenile delinquents?

Wildlife Census

†4303. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wildlife census has been done at the national level during the last four years;

(b) if so, the details of such census conducted in the State;

(c) whether the basis of the said census is solely the condition of the forests as only dense forests can provide a livable environment to the wildlife and if so, the details thereof; (d) whether the forests are depleting in the country;

(e) if so, the schemes launched to maintain the density of forests at the requisite level including protection of banks of rivers and lakes; and

(f) the extent to which success has been achieved as a result thereof?

Ayurveda Laboratories

†4304. SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is emphasizing on setting up of more number of Ayurveda laboratories keeping in view the role of Ayurveda in prevention of COVID-19;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Prevalence of Communicable Diseases

4305. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of communicable diseases prevalent in the country;

(b) the initiatives taken by the Government to address communicable diseases along with the deaths reported during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of funds allocated and utilized for the purpose during the said period, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the steps taken/are being taken to check the said diseases in the country?

International Approval of Covaxin and Covishield

4306. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of beneficiaries of Covaxin as on date, Healthcare Worker/Frontline Worker/State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of the documents required for the approval of Covaxin from WHO;

(c) the nature of the agreement between the ICMR and Bharat Biotech International Ltd that is manufacturing the vaccine including the ownership of the intellectual property rights over Covaxin; (d) whether the Government is aware of the lack of approval of Covishield in many countries around the world, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures taken by the Government to tackle this situation and to facilitate the international travel of Indian citizens administered with the Covishield vaccine?

Plantation in Villages

†4307. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps for increasing plantation in each and every village of the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps being taken to protect the trees planted in villages of the country; and

(c) the measures being taken by the Government to address the problem of farmers in growing crops because of uncertainties due to climate change?

Mahila Police Volunteers

4308. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have conducted any study on the impact and functioning of Mahila Police Volunteers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to modify the scheme to align it with the requirements of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Disinvestment of Textile Units

†4309. SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to disinvest the textile mills run by the British India Company;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any decision regarding the payment of arrears of wages to the existing or retired workers/employees of these textile mills; and

(d) if so, the time by which the said payment is likely to be made to such employees?

COVID-19 deaths in Kerala

4310. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of death cases reported in Kerala due to COVID-19 till June 30 according to the statistics of Union Government?

Broadcasting Centres in Tribal Areas

†4311. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूछाना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the locations of broadcasting centres of DD/AIR functioning in tribal areas in the country, State/UT-wise; and

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up modern/technologically upgraded broadcast centres in the tribal areas and if so, the details thereof along with the timeline proposed in this regard?

MBBS College in Osmanabad, Maharashtra

†4312. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been received by the Government from Medical Council of India (MCI) for approval of opening MBBS College in Osmanabad, Mahrashtra;

(b) whether the Medical Council of India has given permission to start Osmanabad MBBS College in current academic year;

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

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to establish MBBS College in Osmanabad district of Maharashtra?

E-waste Channelized under Extended Producer Responsibility

4313. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of electronic waste (e-waste) channelized under Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) during the last three years along with the number of producers who have obtained EPR Authorization till date;

(b) the steps taken by the Government for verification and collection mechanism of e-waste and to curb informal collection and unscientific recycling of e-waste;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure compliance by producers and the action taken in case of non-compliance;

(d) whether the Government has taken steps to spread awareness about the disposal of electronic goods among consumers and bulk consumers and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of challenges faced in implementation of EPR guidelines for e-waste?

Domestic Production of Cotton

4314. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cotton is one of the major raw material for domestic textile industry in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the textile industry demand met from domestic production of cotton during each of the last three years;

(c) whether consumption of cotton in domestic and international market has suffered any decline during the COVID-19 Pandemic period and if so, the details in this regard; and

(d) the details of the corrective steps taken by the Government for producers of raw material for textile industry as well as for textile industry in the country?

AYUSH Hospitals for COVID-19 Treatment

4315. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether COVID treatment is available in hospitals/ medical colleges in West Bengal running under the Ministry of AYUSH, if so, the names thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard; and (b) whether COVID vaccination is also available in Ayush hospitals/medical colleges, if so, the names of such institution and average number of vaccines given per day?

Medicine for Spinal Muscular Atrophy

4316. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made a detailed study of Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA), one of the rare genetic disease in the country;

(b) if so the details thereof along with the number of such cases reported in the country, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the treatment of Spinal Muscular atrophy (MSA) disease is costly and unaffordable to the poor and middle classes, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide free of cost treatment through NIMHANS, SCTIMS, AIIMS or similar hospitals and if so, the details thereof and action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government is conducting research to develop generic composition of Medicine for MSA in the country and have started free of cost treatment with such medicines in select hospitals and if so, the details thereof?

Textile Production

4317. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of textile production during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of export of textile products and the revenue earned therefrom during the said period, product and country-wise; and

(c) the total amount of Foreign Direct Investment made in the textile sector during the said period, State/UT-wise?

People affected by Hepatitis B

†4318. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the prevalence of fatal disease like Hepatitis B;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of persons affected by the said disease during the last three years, State/UT-wise?

Risk of Cancer due to Thyroid

†4319. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the risk of cancer due to thyroid is increasing;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether air pollution, food habits and lifestyle are also causing thyroid;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to formulate any action plan to raise awareness about it in the country, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Promotion of Nano Textile Technology

4320. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote the Nano Textile Technology (NTT), if so, the details of action taken thereon;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any study regarding the scope of NTT, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to establish an institute for Research and Development (R&D) in NNT, if so, the action taken thereon;

(d) whether the Government proposes to fix standards for products manufactured using NTT, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Textile Ministry has sought the support of DRDO for R&D in NTT, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government received proposal for nano textiles park at Parvathy Mills property Kollam Kerala, if so, the action taken thereon?

Centrally Sponsored Virology Lab

4321. SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of centrally sponsored virology labs in Tamilnadu & Puducherry;

(b) the details of the State/district and Central level nodal officer for these centrally sponsored virology research and Diagnostic laboratories;

(c) the role, responsibilities and power of Principal Investigator for viral research and Diagnostic laboratory;

(d) whether the sanctioned posts are filled as per Department of health research norms in all virology labs in Tamilnadu and Puducherry; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Global Gender Gap Report

4322. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India is aware that India slipped 28 positions from 112 (in 2020) to 140 out of 156 countries in the Global Gender Gap report of 2021 by the World Economic Forum;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for reduction in the gender budget allocation from 4.7% in 2020 to 4.4% in 2021;

(c) the measures proposed by the Government to bridge the gender gap and restoring its position at the World Economic Forum; and

(d) whether the Government is aware that the Gender Gap in India with respect to 'Health and Survival' is among the worst with a percentage of 93.7% and if so, the details thereof?

Malnourished Children

†4323. SHRIMATI NAVNEET RAVI RANA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that the number of malnourished children is highest in Melghat village of Dharni Taluk which is a tribal dominated area falling under Amravati Parliamentary Constituency, Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is preparing any pilot project under National Nutrition Mission to tackle this situation in the said Constituency;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Disposal of Solid Waste

4324. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of disposal and dumping of municipal solid waste (MSW) on the outskirts of the urban centers, which release methane and carbon dioxide and increase the effects of greenhouse gases, thereby posing a major urban environmental problem;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to adopt proven waste to energy conversion techniques, as adopted by the European Union and If so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the existing environmental laws have proved to be ineffective due to lack of enforcement, the lack of resources and technical challenges faced by a large number of Indian companies, especially the Small and Medium-sized Enterprises and if so, the steps taken in this regard; and

(d) the necessary steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to devise and adopt some sustainable actions to address the issue of environmental degradation?

Emission Norms

4325. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण,वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any guidelines have been issued to States/UTs regarding emission norms so that climate change can be avoided;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by Government for promotion of green energy and tackle climate change and global warming?

Notifications regarding Ecologically Sensitive Zones

4326. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण,वान और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of draft and final notifications released with respect to Ecologically Sensitive Zones across the nation for the last three years;

(b) the details of amendments proposed to these notifications, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received any such proposal/amendment submitted by the State Government of Kerala and if so, the action taken thereon;

(d) whether the Government has received any proposal from any State Government including Kerala for zero buffer zones; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

NEET Centre at Chhindwara

4327. SHRI NAKUL KAMAL NATH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that there is no NEET Examination centre in Chhindwara District of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government proposes to open a NEET Examination centre in Chhindwara to address the problems of large number of students of Chhindwara who have to travel to other districts every year for the NEET Exam; and

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

Irrigation Projects in Telangana

4328. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of irrigation projects in Telangana that have applied for environmental clearance, including date of application;

(b) the details of irrigation projects in Telangana which have received environmental clearance, including date of approval, location of project and details of Environmental Impact Assessment of these projects; and

(c) the details of proposals for irrigation projects in Telangana which have not been granted the requisite environmental clearances?

Strength of NGT

4329. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Green Tribunal has a mandate of minimum ten judges and expert members and maximum twenty judges and expert members on its panel;

(b) if so, the current strength of NGT benches and causes of the multiple vacancies in NGT;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to ensure that vacancies in NGT benches are filled at the earliest and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of cases filed and disposed of by NGT in the last five years, year-wise and bench-wise; and

(e) whether the Government has considered steps to improve the functioning of NGT and if so, the details thereof?

Awareness of Meteorology

†4330. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of weather forecast services being provided by Department of meteorology to farmers, tourists and other beneficiaries at district and block level;

(b) whether the said Department is being modernized by the Government, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total expenditure being incurred thereon;

(d) whether the Government proposes to make farmers aware of meteorology services; and

(e) if so, the details of such awareness programmes launched during the last three years along with the number of farmers benefitted therefrom, district-wise including Sawai Madhopur?

Dust and Air Pollution

†4331. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL: SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA: SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various plans in place to tackle the problems of dust and air pollution in the country;

(b) whether air is getting polluted due to flying dust particles as a result of landfills and road cleaning, construction work etc. and if so, the details of the study to find out the reasons for rising level of air pollution in the country;

(c) whether the Government has evolved any mechanism to tackle the same and has taken steps to purify air by treating the dust particles spread in the air, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to give special concession to the consumers on purchase of air purifying equipments, machines etc., if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the environmental norms have not been followed strictly during the last few years and if so, the reasons therefor and the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Coverage of FM Radio Stations

4332. SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA: SHRI DILIP SAIKIA: SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING सचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of FM stations functioning in the country, State/UT-wise including Assam, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating to take any steps for expansion of FM coverage and radio station in various parts including backward and rural areas of the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the locations identified to set up new FM stations in States/UTs, district-wise;

(d) whether the Government has any provision wherein the youths and farmers in rural areas can set up FM radio station through PPP Model and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other measures being taken by the Government to expand the FM coverage to each district of the country?

Burning of Vehicle Tyres

4333. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

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 of burning of vehicle tyres, rubber and plastic in small scale food processing industries;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to prevent burning of tyres, rubbers and plastics in such industries; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure recycling of tyres, rubbers and plastics?

Unani Centres in the Country

†4334. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether centres of Unani medicines are functioning in the country;

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

(c) the number of patients being treated in the said centres everyday; and

(d) the amount spent on each of the said centres during the last three years, year-wise/State-wise/UT-wise ?

Surrogate Advertisements

4335. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सुछाना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Advertising Code prohibits advertisements promoting production, sale and consumption of tobacco products and alcohol and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether surrogate advertisements for tobacco and alcohol are continuing despite the restriction under Advertising Code and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ban surrogate advertisements of tobacco and alcohol in media?

Species of Vultures

4336. SHRI BHOLA SINGH: SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK: DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR: SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA): SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR: DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY: SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains a record of species of Vultures found in the country;

(b) if so, whether their number has sharply declined since 1990s;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the reasons for this decline and species which have decreased the most;

(d) the total number of Vultures left in the country as on 30 June 2021;

(e) whether white backed, long billed and slender billed species are facing existential crisis due to rapid rate of decline, if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for the rapid decline; and

(f) the other corrective steps taken by the Government to save and conserve them in the country?

A Separate University for Homeopathy

4337. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Institute of Homeopathy Kolkata is an institute of national importance, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is planning to have separate universities for Homeopathy, if so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether the Government is considering towns/ cities like Kolar in Karnataka to have an institute like the National Institute of Homeopathy Kolkata; and

(d) if not, will the Government plan one such university or institute at Kolar in Karnataka in the near future?

Monitoring of Polluting Industries

†4338. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether an online platform is being used for supervision and monitoring of polluting industries;

(b) if so, the manner in which said system functions and identify the polluting industries; and

(c) the number of polluting industrial units identified by the said platform so far indicating the manner in which these industrial units were causing pollution?

Fifth National Family Health Survey Report

4339. SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR: SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.: DR. G. RANJITH REDDY: SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the findings of the Fifth National Family Health Survey that anaemia in children and women, malnutrition and childhood stunting have increased;

(b) if so, the details of measures taken or proposed to be taken to address this reversal of progress;

(c) the findings of survey with regard to implementation of Integrated Child Development Scheme;

(d) the details of the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana along with the number of beneficiaries registered under the scheme during the last five years, year-wise;

(e) the number of beneficiaries who have received all three installments under the scheme from FY-2017 till date, year-wise; and

(f) the number of beneficiaries who have yet to receive their first installment under the scheme from FY-2017 till date, year-wise?

Forest and Tree Cover

4340. SHRI D.K.SURESH: SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH: SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL: SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA: SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND: DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of forest and tree cover area in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the forest and tree cover area has increased in the country during the last three years;

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

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the measures being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase forest and tree cover in the country?

Export of Ayurvedic Medicines

4341. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ayurvedic medicines exported from India in 2020 and 2021, country-wise;

(b) the number of ayurvedic medicines imported to India in 2020 and 2021, country-wise;

(c) whether the Government has aligned its regulatory efforts with the standards of importing countries in order to provide assurance of safety and quality of Ayurvedic medicines, and increase the international market;

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

(e) whether the Ministry of AYUSH in cooperation with Ministry of Commerce and Industry has proposed to set up a council for growth and export of AYUSH products and services across the globe; and

(g) if so, the details and aims of the said Council?

Integrated Public Health Labs

4342. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to set up integrated public health labs and critical care hospital blocks in all districts, if so, the timeline proposed for the purpose;

[†]Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(b) the number of districts selected and the criteria laid down for selection of districts for the purpose under 1st phase of the said programme; and

(c) the criteria adopted for selecting the Government hospital for addition of a critical care hospital block within a district?

Expenditure on Textile Development

4343. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY: SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of expenditure on textiles development during the last two years, scheme-wise;

(b) whether the expenditure has been declining over the years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for reduced allocations in the budget for the scheme of cotton during 2021-22?

Review of Deaths due to Adverse Effects of Vaccines

4344. SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vaccine related adverse effects that have been reported so far and deaths with adverse reactions separately, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has undertaken a review of this data especially to ensure that no adverse effect goes unreported, if so, the details thereof along with the status of monitoring of data of such adverse impact of vaccinations reported by States/UTs; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to compensate the families of those who have lost lives due to adverse reactions from vaccines and if so, details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Payment to Self Help Groups

†4345. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Self Help Groups have not received their payments or reimbursement for the last three-four years for the distribution of nutritious food in various blocks in Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, Self Help Groups-wise, block-wise including Churu Block in Rajasthan?

Reservation in UG-MBBS in Tamil Nadu under All India Quota

4346. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is not implementing 69 percent reservation in UG-MBBS under All India Quota in Tamil Nadu;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to pursue the relevant cases filed in the Apex Court in the matter including the Saloni Kumar versus Director General of Health Services pending for long time; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Earthquake Prone Areas

4347. SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any recent study/assessment has been done to identify structurally unsafe/dangerous buildings in the highly earthquake prone areas in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of collapsible and non-collapsible buildings identified, location-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of action taken against the identified collapsible buildings;

(e) the existing guidelines for routine building audits to ascertain their vulnerability to earthquakes and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to ensure construction of safe/earthquake resistant new buildings and retrofitting in old buildings?

Setting up of new PHCs/CHCs

4348. DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.: SHRI RAHUL KASWAN: SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.: SHRI ARUN SAO: SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA: SHRI RATANSINH MAGANSINH RATHOD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status and details of Primary Health Centres (PHCs)/Community Health Centres(CHCs) in the country along with number of such centres proposed to be set up and upgraded, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has taken note of lack of basic infrastructure facilities along with doctors/nurses and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has received proposal from various State Governments for opening of new CHCs and PHCs and if so, the details thereof along with the present status thereof;

(d) the funds allocated/proposed to be allocated for the same, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to increase the percentage of female doctors in PHCs/CHCs/District Hospitals particularly in rural areas of the country and if so, the details thereof along with necessary steps taken in this regard; and

(f) the number of ISO certified CHCs/PHCs functioning, State/UT-wise?

Funds for Health Programmes in Bihar

†4349. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds allocated under various health programmes being implemented by the Government in Supaul, Bihar; and

(b) the details of proposals received from the State Health society, Bihar and those approved by the Government during the last three years?

Internal Complaints Committees

4350. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the initiative(s) taken by the Government to ensure that State Governments take urgent steps to examine the establishment and functioning of Internal Complaints Committees (ICCs);

(b) whether there is an urgent need to address issues of sexual harassment in unorganized sector, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government keeping in view the fact that the issue of sexual harassment cannot be addressed by mere enactment of laws but by overcoming stereotypes, narrow-mindedness and gender biasness?

Setting up of Institute in Amravati

4351. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has not made public the annual reports and accounts of the last three years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal for setting up a "Centre for Scaling up and Demonstration of Relevant CSIR Technologies"s at Amravati in Andhra Pradesh;

(d) if so, the details thereof and timeline fixed for establishing the said institute; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Lab Grown Meat

4352. DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL: DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to approve the production and sale of lab grown meat, so as to reduce the slaughtering of animals and also carbon footprints as is being done by Singapore;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to approve the production and sale of mock egg as developed by IIT Delhi, so as to reduce avian virus diseases and carbon footprints; and

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

Indigenous Production of Vaccines

4353. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Public Institutions available to produce vaccines indigenously in India as on date, State/UT-wise;

(b) the quantum of vaccine production capacity and its actual production as on June 30, 2021, year/institutionwise; (c) whether these institutions are exporting the vaccine globally; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Infrastructure Support to Textile Industry

4354. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI MANOJ TIWARI: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK: SHRI RAVI KISHAN: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been providing infrastructure support to the textile industry for setting up of integrated Textile Parks in the country and if so, the details in this regard;

(b) the State-wise details of textile parks so far sanctioned, number of textile units likely to be set up, number of employment opportunities generated and likely investments on operation of these parks;

(c) the details of the assistance sanctioned, released and so far utilized to each of the sanctioned textile parks so far;

(d) whether the Government has been monitoring the physical progress of various such textile parks, if so, the details thereof and the mechanism evolved for such monitoring;

(e) whether these Parks have faced any hurdles due to COVID-19 lockdown in the country; and

(f) if so, the details and the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Production of Cotton

†4355. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of cotton has declined due to closure of cotton based industries in Hingoli district of Maharashtra where large scale production of cotton is prevalent;

(b) if so, whether the Government has formulated any plan to set up cotton based industry in Hingoli; and

(c) the details thereof?

Textile Exports

4356. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is promoting textile exports which is less than 10 percent of world textiles export presently;

(b) whether Textile Policy formulated nearly two decades ago is not helping to take policy decisions keeping in mind technological, developmental, marketing and other changes in the world and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Indian textile exports are finding it difficult to compete with countries like Bangladesh, Vietnam, etc.;

(d) the share of Andhra Pradesh in India's textile exports when compared to other States;

(e) whether it is true that some textile companies have shifted their base from China to Vietnam, Indonesia, etc., if so, the details thereof and the reasons they could not be attracted to India; and

(f) the details of the financial assistance the Ministry in the Budget for 2021-22?

Adolescents and Lactating Mothers

4357. SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is committed to improve nutritional outcomes in children, adolescents and lactating mothers;

(b) if so, the details of funds under POSHAN scheme sanctioned to the State of Telangana for the last five years;

(b) whether the utilisation of the funds by the State Government was made in accordance with the guidelines of the scheme and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any misappropriation or diversion of funds by the State Government has been reported and if so, the details thereof?

E-Pharmacies

4358. SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE: SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA: DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement Draft e-Pharmacies Rules, 2018, as the existing Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 lacks regulation/regulatory oversight for e-pharmacies which have increased operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic; (b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has fixed any specific timeline for the same and the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether the Government intends to modify the said draft rules to incorporate mandatory registration of e-pharmacies operating at marketplaces and the methods to be adopted for verifying doctor-patient details before dispensation of medicines and if so, the details thereof?

Wild Animals

4359. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायू परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the decline in number of wild animals like tigers, lions, etc. in several States;

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

(c) whether one of the main reasons for the decline in number of wild animals is the killing of elephants and tigers in Odisha and some other States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to protect these animals?

Export of Cotton Yarn

4360. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that India's share in global exports of cotton yarn shrunk 600 basis points to 23 percent in calendar year 2020 from 29 percent in the previous year and its readymade garments (RMG) share has stagnated at three-four percent over the past decade;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether India has lost the share of cotton yarn export over the past decade, if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the proper implementation of Integrated Textile Parks Scheme along with the Product Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme can help the sector to enhance its export share over the medium to long term; and

(e) if so, the measures taken by the Government for proper implementation of integrated textile parks scheme along with the PLI scheme?

Indian Textile Industry

4361. SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is enough scope to elevate India's position as the top textile manufacturer and exporter from its current runners-up ranking;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) the details of the support provided by the Government to domestic textile manufacturers to set up their products during the pandemic period;

(d) whether financial support at the right time will boost the production and morale of Indian textile industry;

(e) if so, the details of the financial support provided to domestic textile industry during the last three years and current year and also for the next three years to boost the production under the Atamnirbhar Bharat; and

(f) the financial support proposed to be provided to the domestic textile industry?

Implementation of National Handloom Development Programme

4362. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of implementation of National Handloom Development Programme;

(b) whether there is significant shortfall in the physical and financial achievements, if so, the figures for the last three years, district-wise;

(c) the detailed reasons for the shortfall, especially in Tamil Nadu; and

(d) efforts made to make the programme successful and to improve the living standard of handloom weavers in the country?

Status of Diagnostic Tests/Clinical Trials on Children

†4363. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of diagnostic tests/clinical trials conducted so far for the vaccination of age group from 2 to 18 years in the country; (b) the details of the outcomes thereof;

(c) the number of tests needed for the approval of the said vaccination; and

(d) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to successfully implement the said vaccination campaign in the country?

Walk in facility for Vaccination

4364. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether walk-in facilities for vaccination will continue for the people over 18 years of age and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by Indian National Young Academy of Sciences (INYAS) under the nation-wide mass awareness campaign for COVID-19 vaccination, for ensuring outreach in rural areas and socio-economically underprivileged sections of society; and

(d) a breakup of the current and projected availability of vaccine stocks for the next six months?

Vaccination Centres in States

4365. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY: SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH: SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the slow pace of COVID-19 vaccination at Government designated centres and also by private centres in some States is a "cause of serious worry";

(b) if so, the details thereof including such centres identified/opened area-wise till date, State/UT-wise particularly Telangana and Andhra Pradesh;

(c) the reasons for such slow pace of vaccination in these centres;

(d) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred for the purpose in Government, Private hospitals and CGHS centres, category-wise; and

(e) the corrective steps being taken to speed up the pace of vaccination in the vaccination centres?

Communicable Disease Hospital

†4366. SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to construct/ set up Integrated Communicable Disease Hospital for prevention of infectious diseases;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the funds allocated and spent for prevention of infectious diseases during the last one year, State/UT-wise including Uttarakhand?

Carbon Neutrality

4367. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

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 for the highly energy intensive industries such as steel, aluminum and cement, partnerships among the academia, Government and industry could be established to chart and achieve the complex and difficult path towards carbon neutrality;

(b) if so, measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has drawn any action plan to enable its highly valued coal, oil, gas and thermal power companies to mark a gradual shift towards becoming carbon neutral; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard keeping in mind that this will not only maintain the value of public investments but will also provide a strong momentum to India's efforts to achieve its climate targets scenario?

Development and Promotion of Handlooms

4368. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE: SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes being run by Government for overall development and promotion of handlooms and welfare of handloom weavers across the country, State/UT-wise specially in Maharashtra;

(b) whether it is a fact that many handloom weavers have opted for alternative sources due to lack of work during pandemic and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any scheme is being run at present for the development of weaving skill in the country including Maharashtra and for skill up-gradation of weavers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Land Erosion

4369. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a report by National Centre for Coastal Research stated that West Bengal has witnessed the highest land erosion in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons for such high rate of land erosion in West Bengal;

(c) the details of coastal erosion in West Bengal in the last twenty years; and

(d) the measures taken to mitigate the rising land erosion in West Bengal?

Sub Standard Quality food

4370. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI: SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON: SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

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(a) whether the Government has taken note that a number of hotels and restaurants are serving sub-standard quality food to the customers resulting in incidents of food poisoning, and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the action taken by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has extended the deadline for hoteliers and restaurants to get the mandatory licence and registration under the Food Safety and Standards Act;

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

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure more effective monitoring and regular inspections of hotels and restaurants in the country in order to check such incidents?

UTPAL KUMAR SINGH Secretary General

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