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List of Ouestions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Civil Aviation; Housing and Urban Affairs; Jal Shakti; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Minority Affairs; New and Renewable Energy; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Power; Road Transport and Highways) (नागर विमानन; आवासन और शहरी कार्य; जल शक्ति; सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम; अल्पसंख्यक कार्य; नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा; पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस; विद्युत; सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्रालय)

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Toxic Foam in Yamuna River

*501. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that toxic foam has been seen repeatedly in the river Yamuna and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Union Government has issued any guidelines/directions to the Government of NCT of Delhi for taking action to clean the Yamuna river and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the steps being taken for monitoring the release of toxic wastes from industries into Yamuna river?

Promotion of Khadi Products

*502. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Research and Development (R&D) activities undertaken in the country during the last three years by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) for promotion of Khadi products;
- (b) whether KVIC has tied up with any National or State level institution for promotion of Khadi products in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has not been able to develop latest infrastructure and technology for promotion of Khadi products and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of the schemes to revitalize Khadi sector launched by the Government during the last three years and the current year;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to promote and increase the production of Khadi and its export; and

(f) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard and the details of schemes to set up Khadi industries in rural areas of the country?

Jal Jeevan Mission-Urban

†*503. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA: SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the works carried out under Jal Jeevan Mission-Urban (JJM-U) in the country including Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the percentage of urban households with tap water connections in the country during the said period, State-wise;
- (c) the total funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised for the said works during the last three years; and
- (d) the number of households to whom tap water has been provided/yet to be provided through the said mission in Chittorgarh and Pratapgarh Parliamentary Constituencies?

Treatment of Arsenic-Laden Water

*504. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that most of the technologies developed to treat arsenic-laden water are found to be inadequate to tackle this problem and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the steps being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to develop feasible technologies to clean arsenic-laden water and also allocate more funds for further research and technology development for the said purpose?

Restoration of Old Irrigation Projects

†*505. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI: SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether various State Governments including Maharashtra have requested the Union Government to provide grants for the restoration of their respective old irrigation projects in view of the existing rules;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the restoration of the said projects is likely to take a long time and if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to provide lump sum amount to the States so that the restoration and implementation of all the irrigation projects can be facilitated through an integrated process;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government also proposes to provide water for irrigation to each and every farm field and if so, the details thereof and the manner in which it is likely to be done?

Floods in Uttar Pradesh

†*506. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the action taken/provisions made by the Government to address the problem of soil erosion and floods along the hundred kilometers stretch of Ganga river in Bijnor Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) the details of the works done and the quantum of funds spent so far on cleaning of Ganga river; and
- (c) the length of the bunds targeted to be built every year on both sides of the river Ganga?

Scheme for Satellite Towns around Seven Megacities

*507. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA): SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented the Scheme for Satellite Towns around Seven Megacities (SSTSM) in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to extend the coverage of the SSTSM including towns in the country,

- State-wise including Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has received proposals from different States for inclusion of towns in the scheme and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government for the development of small towns into cities in the country?

Air Connectivity from Guwahati Airport

†*508. SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there are only two flights daily from Guwahati to Mumbai;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of daily flights on the said route; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Assistance to States to Check Pollution

*509. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to the States of Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Delhi and Uttar Pradesh for checking the rising level of pollution in river Yamuna;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the aforesaid State Governments have taken adequate steps for prevention and control of pollution in river Yamuna; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Solar Pumps

*510. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of solar pumps sanctioned against the target to be achieved by 2022, model and year-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there has been slow rollout of the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan (PM-KUSUM) and if so, the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government to accelerate the adoption of solar pumps;

- (c) whether it is a fact that off-grid is preferred over solar-feeders or grid-connected pumps despite the fact that other two models allow farmers to earn additional income by selling power;
- (d) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to overcome the challenges and promote other models too;
- (e) whether the Government has considered plans/ schemes to finance farmer's contributions to upfront costs: and
- (f) if so, the details thereof including the expected date of its introduction and if not, the reasons therefor?

New Projects under Namami Gange Programme

†*511. SHRI VINOD L. CHAVDA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to approve new projects under Namami Gange Programme in near future;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the funds released by the Government in this regard during the last three years, project-wise?

Payment of Compensation to Farmers

†*512. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of farmers under Durg Parliamentary Constituency whose land has been acquired for road projects under the Bharatmala Pariyojana;
- (b) whether the compensation has been paid to all the affected and eligible farmers and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the number of farmers who are yet to receive the compensation along with the amount pending for payment; and
- (d) the reasons for the delay in payment of compensation along with the measures being taken by the Government for timely payment?

Multiple LPG Connections

*513. SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken/being taken by the Government to eliminate the multiple LPG connections

- issued to individuals and the action to be taken against such persons;
- (b) whether the Government owned oil companies do not have a common server or database to check the names and address of the LPG consumers in the country;
- (c) if so, whether the Government proposes to install a mass database to check the authenticity of LPG consumers instead of submitting KYC forms and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the mechanism to verify intercompany connections even after accepting KYC forms by individual oil companies; and
- (e) whether the time limit for submission of KYC forms would be extended and if so, the details thereof along with the estimated number of households having multiple connections?

Expansion and Modification of Airports

*514. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has targeted to spend Rs. 91,000 crores in airport sector during the next five years for expansion and modification of existing airports and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of airports proposed to be developed under the UDAN scheme; and
- (c) whether any airport in the State of Andhra Pradesh has been identified for development under this project and if so, the details thereof?

Widening of National Highways

*515. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA: DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has fixed any targets for conversion of National Highways (NHs) in the country from two lane to four lane and four lane to six lane during the last three years and the current year, particularly in the State of Karnataka;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the length of each NH which has been converted from two lane to four lane and four lane to six lane, separately so far in the State of Karnataka, district-wise;
- (d) the length of NHs in the State on which such conversion work is pending along with the time by which the said work is likely to be completed;
- (e) the funds allocated by the Government to the State for this purpose; and

(f) the length of NHs expected to be converted from two lane to four lane and four lane to six lane in the State in the coming three years?

Setting up of Green Field Smart Cities

*516. SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to set up green field smart cities and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the role of the State Governments and the Union Government in setting up of these cities;
- (c) the share of funds among the States and the Union Government; and
- (d) the criteria to be adopted for selection of location of these cities and the steps taken by States in this regard?

JJM in Rural Areas of Tamil Nadu

*517. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to achieve the targets fixed under Jal Jeevan Mission(JJM) in rural areas of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) the details of tap water connections given under JJM in Tamil Nadu, district-wise;
- (c) whether the Union Government has sanctioned sufficient funds to Tamil Nadu to provide tap water connections in rural areas; and
- (d) if so, the details of funds allocated to Tamil Nadu during the last three years and the current year, year-wise?

Separate Security Check-in for Business Class Passengers

*518. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no separate security check-in line for business class passengers in Chennai and Bengaluru airports;

- (b) whether the Government proposes to keep a separate security check-in line for business class passengers for smooth movement;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the number of airports in the country which have separate line for business class passengers for secuirty check-in?

Re-development of Nehru Place District Centre

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

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Development Authority (DDA)/South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC) have transferred an amount of Rs.180 crores approximately for re-development/revamp of Nehru Place district centre and also appointed any contractor/builder to carry out any re-development/revamp work;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether any such work of re-development/revamp is being monitored by DDA, SDMC or by All Nehru Place Development and Welfare Association (jointly or separately) and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether DDA, Delhi Police, SDMC or All Nehru Place Development and Welfare Association are conducting their meetings on regular intervals to assess and monitor the progress/the status of re-development/revamp in the Nehru Place Market, New Delhi; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Industrial Pollution

*520. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that industrialisation is polluting country's limited drinking water supply and major river systems are obstructed by hydroelectric projects that disturb the aquatic ecology and the health of nearby communities and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to address these two major issues; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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