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

(आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष); कॉर्पोरेट कार्य; पर्यावरण वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन; वित्त; स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण; महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय)

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Expenditure on Social Sector

1611. DR. A. SAMPATH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of effective steps have been taken to bring down the non-performing public expenditure during the last four years and as a result of which the non-performing expenditure has substantially come down;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether there is a record increase in the public expenditure in social sectors during the last three years and if so, the details thereof?

Scope of Anganwadi Centres

†1612. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to widen the scope of Anganwadi Centres and recognize/convert them into centres of pre-school education; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken in this regard so far?

Disinvestment of PSUs

1613. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to divest Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) through Initial Public Offer (IPO) sale process;

(b) if so, the details of sale target and further proceedings thereof;

(c) the details of present account status of PSUs and the share of the Government in comparison to the year 2012; and

(d) the details of fund utilization which has been raised through sale of PSUs shares during the last four years, year-wise?

Exemption to Agricultural Co-operative Societies from Income Tax

1614. SHRIMATI P.K.

SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposals from State Government including Kerala for exemption of the Agricultural Co-operative Societies and Co-operative Hospitals from the ambit of income tax;

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

(c) the time by which the action is likely to be initiated in this regard?

Loans to Weaker Sections

1615. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken stock of loans given by the banks to the weaker section;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has asked banks to provide details of loans disbursed in financial year 2018 to SC/ST people under various Government schemes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Utilization of Waste

1616. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether about 80 percent of the total 1.7 lakh tonnes of waste generated daily is currently being dumped without processing;

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

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to push for greater use of compost made from city waste for farming and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that only two lakh tonnes of compost is sold annually and existing plants with combined 15 lakh tonnes of installed capacity are underutilized; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to improve the situation?

Sex Ratio

1617. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has seen a sharp decline in the Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) in 17 out of 21 large States in India in 2015-16, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Gujarat;

(b) whether Gujarat recorded an alarming dip in SRB at 53 points with 854

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female births per 1000 male births, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the same declining trend continued in Haryana, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Karnataka etc., if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether dip in SRB makes out a case for more effective implementation of the Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) Act, 1994, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has taken any steps to check this growing trend of unequal male-female ratio?

Rejuvenation of Sasthamcotta Lake

1618. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned amount for rejuvenation of Sasthamcotta fresh water lake in Kerala during the last three years and current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has assessed the need of water from Sasthamcotta fresh water lake in Kerala;

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

(e) whether the Government has any new action plan for the protection and cleaning of fresh water lake at Sasthamcotta in Kerala and if so, the details thereof?

Medical License Exam

1619. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students enrolled under Government medical colleges in the country during the last three years and current year;

(b) whether the Government plans to introduce a medical license exam which will be conducted at the end of the MBBS degree for evaluating and confirming the standard of doctors in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the deadlines which has been established by the Government to implement the same; and

(d) the other reformatory measures considered by the Government with respect to the MBBS and other medical degrees?

Pradhan Mantri National Dialysis Programme

†1620. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:
SHRI RAM TAHAL
CHOUDHARY:
SHRI HARISHCHANDRA
CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pradhan Mantri National Dialysis Programme (PMNDP) has been implemented in the country and

if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra;

(b) whether the number of dialysis machines in the country is lesser than the actual requirement and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is providing any financial assistance to increase the number of dialysis machines;

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

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to effectively implement PMNDP in the country?

Restoration of Medical Seats

†1621. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:
SHRI KONAKALLA
NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Medical Council of India has slashed large number of medical seats for academic session 2018-19 in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the number of colleges, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received any representations seeking restoration of slashed medical seats in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has taken any decision on the request and directed the Medical Council of India for restoration of the seats, if so, the details thereof?

Self-reliance in Printing of Currency

†1622. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has not become self-reliant in printing of currency notes and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is taking any step in this regard in view of fake currency supplied from across the border;

(c) whether the Reserve Bank of India imports currency paper and security ink and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to/has been making efforts for maximum indigenous production of currency paper and security ink; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Income Tax on NRIs

1623. SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR
GAVIT:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Non-resident Indians (NRIs) pay income tax to the Government

only on their income in India, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether hundreds of NRIs have been either summoned or served notices by the income tax department who are holding assets and earnings disproportionately, if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereon;

(c) whether the Government attention is drawn to NRIs giving up Indian addresses to escape scrutiny by tax authorities, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the corrective steps taken by the Government to stop NRIs from indulging such loopholes?

Medical Education Curriculum

†1624. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Medical Education Curriculum of the country is at par with international standards and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether different pattern of examination for medical education in States has led to increased level of corruption; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to rectify it?

One Time Settlement

1625. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to give a chance for one time Settlement or a monthly payment system to NPA holders;

(b) if so, the details thereof, with particular reference to State Bank of India;

(c) whether the banks are being told to coordinate with loan defaulters, specially which are willing to pay it with a little bit concession; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the list of nodal being deputed to handle the NPA issue of banks?

Review of IBC

1626. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any action has been taken by the Government against the wilful defaulters under Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of recommendations made by the Committee to take stock of functioning and implementation of IBC and the action taken by the Government thereto?

Survey on Environment Performance Index

1627. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is among the bottom five countries on the Environmental Performance Index (EPI) 2018, plummeting 36 points from 141 in 2016, according to a biennial report by world economic Forum;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has also formulated any mechanism to conduct survey on environmental performance index within the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the actions taken by the Government in this regard?

Forest Cover

†1628. SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the minimum forest cover requirement of geographical areas as per global standards along with the percentage of forest cover in the country;

(b) the details of change that took place in forest area during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) the role of forests in ecological balance;

(d) whether the Government has formulated any policy to compensate the

number of trees cut down during the last three years and the current year; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Organ Retrieval Banking Organisation

†1629. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALLASHARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Organ Retrieval Banking Organization (ORBO) has been established in Uttar Pradesh which will be used as training centre for doctors and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether such banks have been set up in other States;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the purpose, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether hospital authorities cremate such dead bodies after completion of purpose; and

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

Remuneration of CEOs

†1630. DR. ANSHUL VERMA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the maximum ceiling for remuneration of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of a company is fixed in the Companies Act, 1956;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the maximum ceiling of CEO's remuneration;

(c) whether certain companies are paying higher remuneration than the maximum ceiling to their CEO's and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by the Government against such companies?

Mobile Wallet Services

†1631. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued stringent guidelines for mobile wallet services and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this move of the RBI is likely to benefit the customers;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Tiger Census

1632. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Tiger Conservation Organisation, Delhi has conducted Tiger Census in the Western Ghats including Theni, Madurai, Virudhunagar, Tirunelveli and Kanyakumari forests area in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the tiger Census report is likely to be ready and published?

GST Reforms

1633. SHRI A.

ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether removing the highest 28 per cent slab and a uniform rate of cess would be the first step for further simplification of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the stigmatized capitalism is blocking reforms and makes decisions involving private sector difficult; and

(c) if so, the reasons and the details thereof?

Selling of Children

†1634. SHRI PASHUPATI NATH SINGH:

DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of incidents of selling of children from Children Homes in Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/likely to be taken by the Government against them; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to backlist such Children Homes

and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Circulation of Fake Currency

1635. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the circulation of fake currency still exists and flourishing rapidly in various parts of the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to take any concrete and effective steps to check it; and

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

High Power Computing System

1636. SHRI K.R.P. PRABAKARAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has taken any efforts to install of Pratyush High Power Computing System and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the High Power Computing System would help in improving weather and climate prediction and forecast systems also predict cyclones and tsunamis accurately and help in seismological studies; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Vertical Gardens

1637. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that vertical gardens around buildings, roads, etc. will help in bringing down temperatures;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government gives incentives or proposes to give incentives to civil bodies/societies to encourage vertical gardens in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the details of programme being implemented for the purpose in the country?

Hookah Bars

1638. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hookah Bars are functioning in hotels and restaurants in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to regulate the functioning of Hookah Bars;

(c) whether the Government has issued guidelines to prohibit of serving food and drinks in designated smoking areas by such Hookah Bars; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

VRS Scheme in SBI

1639. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Bank of India (SBI) and its other associate banks are proposing Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) on account of merger of SBI with its five associate banks;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of employees who are being laid off on account of the proposed merger, grade-wise and position-wise?

Tax Exemption

†1640. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to provide tax relief/exemptions to the family members who are taking care of disabled persons;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Jammu and Kashmir and Madhya Pradesh; and

(c) the details of the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Violation of Companies Act1641. SHRI RADHESHYAM
BISWAS:Will the Minister of CORPORATE
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases on which action has been initiated by the Government for violating the Companies Act during this year and the last three years;

(b) the progress of the cases, so far; and

(c) the details of action taken by the Government thereon?

Freezing Accounts of Loan Fraudsters1642. SHRI ASADUDDIN
OWAISI:Will the Minister of CORPORATE
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to attach all assets of key accused in the Rs. 11,500 crore Punjab National Bank (PNB) fraud including companies owned by the accused;

(b) if so, whether his Ministry under sections 221 and 222 of the Companies Act has approached the National Companies Law Tribunal (NCLT) to freeze all assets of the 64 respondents and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which this process is likely to start and total money likely to be generated by this action of the Government?

Financial Data Management Centre

1643. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is in the process of establishing a Financial Data Management Centre and if so, the date by which such a centre is expected to be established;

(b) the details of the functions and responsibilities of this centre; and

(c) whether there is any overlap in the functions of this proposed centre with the functions of the Reserve Bank of India?

Homoeopathy for Healthy Child

1644. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,
YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI,
SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी,
सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing a programme called 'Homoeopathy for Healthy Child' (HHC), if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has assessed the programme and if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to implement the same in all States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

PMJDY Accounts in Assam Tea Gardens†1645. SHRI NABA KUMAR
SARANIA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of accounts opened under the Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) in Assam, zone-wise;

(b) the total number of tea gardens in which accounts have been opened under the PMJDY in Assam; and

(c) whether ATM machines have been installed in all the tea gardens of Assam and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Violence against Doctors

1646. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that violence against doctors is a big challenge for the medical fraternity as well as healthcare structure and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether the Indian Medical Association has raised the issue regarding safety of doctors; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

GM Foods

1647. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the Minister of
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been contemplating a system for labelling

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Genetically Modified (GM) foods for at least two years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the current laws, prohibit any GM foods unless cleared by the Genetic Engineering Appraisal Committee and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether as per a 2007 Notification, the Government had exempted processed foods from this requirement; and

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

Anti-Microbial Resistance

1648. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to address WHO's concern about the link between air pollution and early onset of diabetes despite having a healthy lifestyle; and

(b) whether the Government has an action plan to tackle neonatal sepsis in infants exacerbated by Anti-Microbial Resistance (AMR) as India witnesses around 56,500 neonatal deaths caused by AMR sepsis annually, if so, the steps taken in this regard?

New Pension Scheme

1649. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:

SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cases of family pension sanctioned, so far, under the New Pension Scheme (NPS) to the families of deceased Central Government employees;

(b) whether family pension at the rate of old pension scheme to these family members of deceased employees has been stopped after coming into force of the NPS;

(c) if not, the fate of those who have been receiving family pension under NPS at the rate of old pension scheme;

(d) whether many deceased employees have left behind them only few thousand rupees as Contributory Pension Fund (CPF) with the National Securities Depository Limited; and

(e) if so, the manner by which the Government would pay them the family pension from their CPF?

Hospitals under PSSY

†1650. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR

HANSDAK:

SHRI RAM TAHAL

CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the panel of hospitals to provide treatment under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) in Jharkhand has been finalised;

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

(c) whether funds have been released for Jharkhand under this scheme;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has fixed any discretionary quota for the public representatives in this regard; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Suspicious Transaction Cases

1651. SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:

SHRI NALIN KUMAR

KATEEL:

SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether huge number of suspicious cases identified that do not match the tax profile after demonetisation in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the total number of suspicious cases identified that do not match the tax profile in the country, bank and company-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps against persons involved in such malpractices;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Pay Commission Reports

1652. SHRI RAJENDRA

AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reports of successive Pay Commissions have been increasing the burden on Government finances/exchequer in partially accepting their recommendations for increase in wages and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the last Pay Commission has suggested productivity linked pay hike to the deserving employees to eliminate below average or mediocre performance and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such periodic hikes in wages resulting from Pay Commission recommendations trigger similar demands from the State Government/public utility employees, imposing burden on already strained State finances and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is considering an alternative for increasing the salaries and allowances of Central Government employees and pensioners in future instead of forming Pay Commission and if so, the details thereof?

Service Tax/GST due to IIM, Ahmedabad

1653. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued a notice to the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmedabad for payment of huge amount as service tax/Goods and Services Tax (GST) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the tuition fees for professional courses conducted by the Government institutes are also included in GST and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the GST is applicable for the tenure before the GST implemented and if so, the details thereof?

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Short Term Certificate Courses

1654. SHRI RATTAN LAL
KATARIA:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to launch short term certificate courses for Yoga teachers/trainers in the country;

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

(c) the manner in which the benefits of Yoga will be spread throughout the world?

Sukanya Samridhi Yojana

†1655. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI
PAATLE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any assessment regarding coverage of Sukanya Samridhi Yojana and if so, the total number of accounts opened so far in the country under the scheme, State-wise;

(b) whether the said scheme has been successful in achieving its set target and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the effective steps taken by the Government for successful implementation of this scheme and to provide benefits to the girl child in the country;

(d) whether the Government has fixed any accountability on States to implement the scheme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of Climate Change

†1656. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether due to impact of climate change several species of living organisms are on the verge of extinction and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made any assessment of impact of climate change on nutrient quality of foodgrain thereby resulting in increase in cases of malnutrition among children;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the corrective measures taken by the Government to save living organisms from extinction and minimize the impact of climate change on production of foodgrains?

Fake NGOs in Rashtriya Mahila Kosh

†1657. DR. BANSHILAL
MAHATO:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of inclusion of some fake/Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) in the

implementation of various schemes under Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK) has come into the notice of the Government during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government against them;

(c) the role of RMK in the empowerment of women in the country; and

(d) the mechanism for effective implementation of various schemes under RMK?

Water and Air Pollution

1658. SHRI BHEEMRAO B.
PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the five major cities which have recorded the highest level of water and air pollution in the country during last three years and the changes and additions noticed at present in those cities;

(b) the comparative details regarding the pollution in five major rivers along with the places where highest level of water pollution has been recorded during the said period; and

(c) the results of the measures taken to control pollution at these places during the last three years?

Scheme to Protect Small Investors

†1659. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD
MISHRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has implemented/proposed a new promotional scheme to protect the small investors and to motivate them to invest their savings in the saving schemes of the nationalised banks;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Capital Infusion in PSB

1660. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) are likely to record losses of Rs. 50,000 crore in fourth quarter of Financial Year 2018;

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

(c) whether this is likely to force the Government to pump in more capital than planned earlier; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Fraudulent e-Transactions

1661. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR
PANDEY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cyber crimes pertaining to fraudulent e-transactions in public and

private sector banks have registered an increase in the recent years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof in each of the last three years and the current year, Bank/State/UT-wise including Jharkhand?

Zoonotic Disease

†1662. 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 formulated a scheme regarding Zoonotic diseases transmitted through the animals in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up a Zoonotic wing at Jabalpur?

Monitoring of NPA Account

1663. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:
SHRI CHHOTE LAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the existing mechanism to review the performance of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) particularly with regard to Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) along with the details of performance of each Bank during the last four years;

(b) whether the Government feels that existing mechanism was inadequate and if so, whether the Government is considering fresh initiatives to improve the performance of all PSBs and regain investors confidence;

(c) whether the Government/RBI monitors NPA account status in PSBs on

monthly/weekly basis, if so, the details of nodal agency and officers, Bank, State/UT-wise including Bihar, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the detailed list of the top twenty NPA accounts along with wilful defaulters list, Bank, State/UT-wise including Bihar?

Environmental Damage due to Accidents in Chemical Industries

†1664. SHRI RAM CHARAN
BOHRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the damage caused to environment due to leakage/accidents in chemical industries during the last three years;

(b) whether there has been an increase in such accidents during the last three years;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of remedial measures taken to protect environment against such damages?

Proposals from State Government

†1665. PROF. RAVINDRA
VISHWANATH
GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of proposals received by the Union Government from

the State Government of Maharashtra during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the number of the proposals out of the total received proposals approved and the number of the proposals lying pending; and

(c) the time by which the pending proposals are likely to be approved by the Union Government?

Shelter Facilities for Juvenile Inmates

1666. SHRIMATI RITA TARAI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Non-Governmental Organisations providing shelter facilities along with the number of juvenile inmates therein, State/UT-wise; and

(b) whether there are reports of child abuse and non-availability of basic services as listed in the Juvenile Justice Act and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken in this regard?

RBI Regional Branch

1667. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH
PATEL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether RBI's Regional Office was set up in Bhopal in 1972, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the main purpose of this regional office was to help and assist the

State Government in clearance of various cheques and deposits, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this office is not functioning as per requirement and purpose for which this was set up, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering to make the RBI's Branch at Bhopal purposeful; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the directive issued in this regard?

Silent Heart Attack

1668. SHRI R. DHRUVA
NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether half of the heart attacks may be silent and display no obvious symptoms significantly increasing the number of deaths, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether more silent heart attacks occur among rural people and women, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to provide awareness about silent heart attacks, if so, the details thereof?

Anganwadi Centres in Urban Areas

†1669. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Rajasthan to construct buildings of Anganwadi Centres in urban areas; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Female Foeticide

1670. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of female foeticide have increased in the country, if so, the details thereof indicating the said incidences reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise particularly in Odisha; and

(b) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government to prevent female foeticide across the country particularly in Odisha?

Crypto Currency

1671. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study to quantify the amount of crypto currency being used in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government intends to regulate the use of Crypto currency, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the report by the interdisciplinary Committee on virtual currency shall be made public, if so, the details thereof?

Norms for IMFs

1672. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is reviewing the norms related to Insurance Marketing Firms (IMF) with an aim to increase insurance penetration in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government has taken any measures for strengthening distribution channel of IMFs by taking up the products which fall under jurisdiction of other financial sector regulators and if so, the details thereof?

Fake Health Insurance Companies

1673. SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether health insurance coverage in the country has witnessed a sharp increase over the year and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any study has been made about the penetration of health insurance in urban areas and rural areas, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any complaints have been received about fake insurance companies issuing policy and not honouring/reimbursing the medical treatment of medical services, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Regulatory Authority to monitor health insurance schemes?

GST Evasion

†1674. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is making changes in the Goods and Services Tax (GST) network software to make it easier for the officials to analyze the information provided by the tax payers and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether cases of GST evasion have been reported and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the details of the number of persons punished in the cases of evasion of GST during the last one year and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Scams in Banks

†1675. SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH BHOLE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is investigating the cases of bank scams that

have occurred recently, if so, the details thereof, scam-wise and the outcome of the investigation as on date;

(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to check such scams for protecting the interests of depositors; and

(c) the action taken against the officers found involved in these scams?

Siddha System

1676. SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Siddha system of medicine is popular in foreign countries and if so, the details thereof indicating the names of the countries where Siddha system of medicine or similar system is practiced;

(b) the details regarding cooperation and coordination with these countries in the field of Research and Development in the Siddha system of medicine; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to popularise the Siddha system of medicine in the country?

ATM Transaction Charges

†1677. SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase ATM transaction charges;

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

(c) the total number of ATM Cards distributed so far by Public Sector Banks across the country; and

(d) the total number of functional ATMs in the country, State/UT-wise?

Child Care Institutions

1678. SHRI SISIR KUMAR
ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Child Care Institutions and the Children therein with different NGOs, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has a system to monitor the data and protect the child rights and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has issued directives to link Aadhaar to 'trackchild' for an integrated database; and

(d) if so, the total number of CCIs in the country and number of children registered with Aadhaar thereof?

Compliance of Sexual Harassment at Work Place Act

1679. KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has asked the Government to deliberate upon the suggestions of NGOs to ensure compliance of the law on Prevention of Sexual Harassment at Work Places and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether there is no avenue, both in organised and unorganised sectors, for women who experience sexual harassment at work places to lodge their complaints and seek redressal and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether it is a fact that very little progress has been made by the States to implement the provisions of the Act;

(d) if so, the reasons for not notifying district officers and setting up of nodal agencies as well as redressal mechanisms at the district level by many States and UTs; and

(e) the steps taken to eradicate sexual harassment at work places and to create an enabling, safe and secure working environment for women?

Contractual Doctors in CGHS

1680. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has engaged medical officers on contractual basis in CGHS dispensaries;

(b) if so, the number of such doctors appointed during the last three years, State/UT-wise including Delhi;

(c) whether a large number of qualified MBBS doctors in the country are unemployed and if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to facilitate permanent appointment of doctors in CGHS dispensaries?

Use of Carbetocin Drug Instead of Banned Oxytocin

†1681. SHRIMATI POONAM
MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per a study by the World Health Organisation a new formulation of a drug called Carbetocin can be a replacement of oxytocin during child birth;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to pilot the usage of aforesaid drug formulation in public health system and roll out the same in the country; and

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

Regional Rural Banks

†1682. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI
PAATLE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) functioning in the country State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh;

(b) whether the Government has reviewed the functioning of RRBs, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any improvement in providing loans to villagers by the RRB, in the recent past;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to open more branches of RRBs in the rural areas and to strengthen them?

Funds to New AIIMS

†1683. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether additional funds have been made available to AIIMS like institution in the country to enhance facilities on the line of AIIMS, Delhi;

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

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Digital Health Records

1684. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI
KHADSE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has come up with a draft legislation on healthcare to

ensure free flow of digital health records of patients from one hospital to another at the same time safeguarding data security and privacy, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up National Electronics Health Authority, an independent regulator to formulate rules, standards and processes for developing and managing Electronic Health Records (EHR); and

(c) the details thereof?

Ayurvedic Medicine Centres

1685. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to open any new Ayurvedic Medicine Stores/ Centres where medicines are made available to the patients at affordable rates; and

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

Forest Policy

1686. SHRI R.

GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently released a draft forest policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the said draft policy does not protect the interests of the tribals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Physiotherapists under CGHS

1687. DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts filled along with vacancies of physiotherapists under CGHS;

(b) whether Physiotherapists Recruitment Rules are reviewed/amended for hospitals once in five years as per DoPT guidelines, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is providing physiotherapy services at all CGHS dispensaries to increase public accessibility and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Updating of Information on Directors of Companies

1688. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government will soon ask the company secretary and chartered accountant of the companies concerned to

update the information related to their directors at the time of filling of annual reports and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government is expecting more than 30 lakh companies and directors to register and if so, the details thereof?

Launch of Credit Enhancement Fund

1689. SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is likely to launch credit enhancement fund and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons for delay of the launch since the financial budget of fiscal year 2016-17;

(c) the initial corpus of the fund to be sponsored by India Infrastructure Finance Company in the above said fund;

(d) whether the Government is intending to raise money through corporate bonds; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Invasion of Alien Species

1690. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed that several parts of the country are affected badly by invasive alien species;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any concrete action plan/scheme to control these species and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has any centralized mechanism to document and report invasive alien species across States; and

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

Opening a New Branch

†1691. DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the opening a new branch of Union Bank of India at Saria in Giridih district of Jharkhand was approved last year itself;

(b) if so, the reasons for not opening of the branch till date; and

(c) the time by which the branch is likely to be opened by the bank?

Segregation of Waste

1692. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the revised Solid Waste Management rules helped in segregation of waste into wet, dry and hazardous;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the spot fine for non-littering and segregation has been implemented by all local bodies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the monitoring mechanism in place for monitoring non-segregation at the local level?

Vacant Posts in Financial Institutions

†1693. DR. RAMESH
POKHRIYAL
“NISHANK”:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of reserved posts lying vacant in various financial institutes of the country and the time from which these posts are lying vacant and the steps taken by the Government to fill them;

(b) whether the Government has formulated any special policy for providing jobs on compassionate grounds in insurance companies and banks;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the total number of people who have been given jobs on compassionate grounds in these institutions including insurance companies and banks during the last five years and the number of pending cases at present; and

(e) the programmes conducted by financial institutions for capacity development and skill development of candidates belonging to socially and economically backward class, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes?

Conservation of Wild and Marine Animals

†1694. COL. SONARAM
CHOUHARY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the mechanism in place for conservation of wild animals;

(b) the amount spent on conservation, protection of wild life during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether there is any scheme to conserve wild and marine animals such as crocodiles, hippopotamus in the country including Rajasthan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Total Immunisation

†1695. SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether lakhs of children either remain deprived of vaccination or are partially vaccinated through general immunisation programme in the country;

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

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to achieve the target of total immunisation under ‘Indradhanush’ mission?

GST Refunds to Exporters

1696. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has cleared pending Goods and Services Tax refunds to the tune of Rs. 38,062 crore to exporters so far and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether those businesses making zero rated supplies or those wanting to claim input credit were given refunds and if so, the details thereof?

Scheme for Adolescent Girls

1697. SHRIMATI KIRRON
KHER:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing Scheme for Adolescent Girls in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the changes observed in nutrition and health status of Adolescent Girls (AGs) in the past three years under the said scheme;

(c) whether sex education is given as part of the scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether menstrual disorders have been incorporated into the health status and checkups under the said scheme and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures taken under this scheme to create awareness and tackle stigmas and taboos about the girl child?

Protection of Forests

1698. SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds received from foreign countries/agencies for conservation or protection of forest/flora/fauna during the last five years and the current year;

(b) the details regarding conditions or stipulations laid down by foreign countries/agencies for releasing financial aid for the aforesaid purpose, if any;

(c) whether it is a fact that animal census in the country are fudged up to show higher number of animals so as to get foreign aid and if so, details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken to ensure census-mechanism followed in the country and to improve reliability of data obtained through animal census conducted in the country?

National Infrastructure and Investment Fund

1699. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up the National Infrastructure and Investment Fund (NIIF) for development of infrastructure project;

(b) if so, the details of the functions as well as the aims and objectives of setting up the said fund and the manner in which the said fund is likely to be utilized;

(c) the details of the categories and the number of infrastructure projects existing and new proposed to be developed by the Government as on date with the support of NIIF;

(d) whether the Government has taken steps to set up a supervisory body which oversees the sanction, allocation and utilization of the fund towards different infrastructure projects in order to prevent misappropriation of funds; and

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

Financial Aids to Assam

1700. SHRI SIRAJUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Assam has recently requested the Union Government for immediate financial help as the State is under great financial stress; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Settlement of NPAs

†1701. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a prominent steel company has repaid the outstanding loans/ Non Performing Assets to the banks;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the loan amount and the amount repaid;

(c) the names of other companies likely to be sold for settlement of NPA of the banks;

(d) whether these companies are taking refuge under legal loopholes to keep pending the process of their sale; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to deal with this issue?

Observation and Special Homes

1702. SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds provided to the States/UTs for construction of Observation and Special Homes for children in conflict with law during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise, including Gujarat;

(b) whether vacant posts exist in such homes, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the time by which these vacant posts are likely to be filled up;

(c) whether the Government has set up separate homes for juveniles who attain eighteen years of age during the period of trial, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve the overall functioning of the said homes and to fill up the vacancies therein?

Implementation of PSB Reform Agenda

1703. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the India Banks' Association (IBA) has drawn a plan for measuring the implementation of reforms agenda by Public Sector Bank (PSBs) on six specific parameters;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the capital infusion in the State owned banks is directly linked to their performance on reforms front;

(d) whether the IBA has decided to hire consultants for measuring the implementation of PSB reforms agenda-enhanced access and service excellence; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Medical College Fees

1704. SHRI JITENDRA CHAUDHURY: SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Private Medical Colleges/Universities are charging exorbitant fee for M.B.B.S. and P.G. courses and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any complaints have been received against the Private Medical Colleges/Universities from the parents and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon;

(c) whether any mechanism is put in place by the Government to take strict action against them for reduction of fee structure; and

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

Anti-dumping Duty on Steel by USA

1705. KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:

SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR: SHRI T.

RADHAKRISHNAN: SHRI S. RAJENDRAN: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the USA had imposed heavy tariffs on imported steel and aluminium from India recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the details of effect on Indian steel industries in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has made any dialogue with USA authority in this regard, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has also initiated counter measure against USA to pressurize to withdraw anti-dumping duty on Indian Steel and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to safeguard the Indian steel industries?

AIIMS in North East

1706. SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up AIIMS in Northern Easts State including Pasighat of Arunachal Pradesh; and

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

Impact of Economic Reforms

†1707. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether after the implementation of New Economic Reforms in the recent years, there has been development and expansion of various sector relating to Information Technology, Communication, Advertising, Pharmaceuticals, Banking, Tourism on account of the priority accorded to them;

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

(c) whether there has been a decline in the traditional industries of the country after implementation of New Economic Reforms; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

GST on Essential Commodities

1708. SHRI PR. SENTHIL

NATHAN:

SHRIMATI V. SATHYA

BAMA:

SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN

R.K.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plans to adopt a single tax base structure of 9 per cent for essential commodities and products under the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the tax bases proposed by the Commerce and Industry Ministry to his Ministry for medicinal, educational, food and hygiene products;

(d) whether the Government has taken any efforts to bring in essential goods and commodities under lowest base tax structure of 5 per cent under GST; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the Government's stand on this?

Regulation of Play Schools

1709. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

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 a number of play schools are mushrooming in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken any initiative to regulate the operation of play schools in various parts of the country, especially in view of the increasing incidents of atrocities against young children; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Ban on Polythene Bags

†1710. SHRIMATI SANTOSH

AHLAWAT:

SHRI SUMEDHANAND

SARSWATI:

SHRI OM PRAKASH

YADAV:

SHRI KUNDARIYA

MOHAN BHAI

KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has banned the use of polythene bags and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has ensured the strict compliance of the said ban and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the shopkeepers are still using the said bags to sell their goods to the customers and if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether any State Government has recently amended plastic waste management policy for its stricter implementation of ban of plastic bags and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Union Government proposes to implement such policy across

the country for enforcing complete ban on the use of polythene and if so, the details thereof?

Integrated Child Development Services Scheme

1711. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED

BASHEER:

SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN

YADAV:

SHRIMATI POONAMBEN

MAADAM:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme indicating the districts covered thereunder along with the funds allocated/released and utilised along with the number of beneficiaries under the said scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT and component-wise;

(b) the status of implementation of the scheme, particularly to improve child malnutrition in the country;

(c) whether the Government has taken note that implementation of the scheme is very poor/unsatisfactory in remote villages and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether the Government proposes to formulate a special package for the backward States to enable them to introduce/ implement the scheme effectively and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government/central teams have conducted visits in various States/UTs to oversee its implementation during the said period and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the further measures taken by the Government to monitor the proper implementation and disseminate awareness about the scheme?

Strengthening of Laws against Food Adulterations

†1712. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether FSSAI has recommended stringent punishment to curb food adulteration;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the punitive measures proposed by the Government to check adulteration in food items?

Protection of Coastal Areas

†1713. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the changes noticed in water level of sea due to increase in temperature across the world during the last five decades;

(b) the way in which the coastal areas of the country have been adversely affected due to indifferent attitude towards laws related to unauthorised development,

decrease in green areas, uncontrolled tourism and coastal protection in the said areas; and

(c) the way in which the Government proposes to save the coastal areas from rising water level of sea?

Herbal and Medicinal Plants

†1714. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

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 plant herbal and fruit bearing trees in place of wild bushes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to implement any such scheme in various areas of Delhi; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Aadhaar Authentication Services Charges by Banks

1715. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Banks are planning to charge public for the cost/fee incurred by them for Aadhaar authentication; and

(b) if so, the details of the proportion of charges/cost that will be shared by the public?

Protection of Kaziranga National Park

1716. SHRI RAMESWAR TELI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether additional funds under various Centrally sponsored schemes will be provided for protection of world famous river island Majuli and Kaziranga National Park from erosion and floods in Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Maternal Death

1717. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of maternal deaths reported in the country during the last one year, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has identified the primary causes for such deaths and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that Anemia is one of the reasons behind maternal deaths and if so, the measures taken by the Government to address this issue; and

(d) the other measures taken by the Government to reduce maternal deaths during the said period, State/UT-wise?

Carbon Sink

1718. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of steps taken and schemes being implemented by the Union Government to increase carbon sink in the country;

(b) whether the Union Government has pledged to create a carbon sink of 2.5 to 3 billion tonnes of CO₂ equivalent under Paris Climate Agreement and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the current carbon sink availability in the country;

(d) whether the said target is likely to be missed by the Government and if so, the reasons therefor; and

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

Mental Health

1719. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA: KUNWAR BHARATENDRA: SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the WHO's Report "Depression and Other Common Mental Disorders - Global Health Estimates" released in 2017, the estimated prevalence of depressive disorders in India is 4.5 per cent of the total population, if so, the details

thereof and reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether India has less than 4,000 psychiatrists to treat its mentally ill people, if so, the details thereof and corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to implement a District Mental Health Programme (DMHP) for detection, management and treatment of mental disorders/illness in 517 districts of the country, if so, the major components of DMHP;

(d) whether the prevalence of mental morbidity is found to be very high in urban centres, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the major findings of a National Mental Health Survey conducted by NIMHANS in 2016 and corrective steps taken in accordance to the survey?

Deforestation in Assam

1720. SHRI RAMEN DEKA:

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 fact that deforestation is a major cause of climate change and flash flood in Assam; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken to overcome this problem and to promote a forestation in the State?

Certified Data of ASHAs

1721. SHRI PARESH RAVAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data on Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) certified by National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) in the country;

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

(c) the details of certified ASHAs in Gujarat, district-wise?

Vacant Posts in Banks

1722. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR DIWAKER:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employees working in various Nationalised/Public and Private Sector banks in the country especially in Hathras of Zone Uttar Pradesh, State-wise along with the number of SC/ST employees out of them, category-wise;

(b) whether a large number of posts are still lying vacant in these banks pertaining to SC/ST category in the country particularly in the said region of Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof, bank-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/to be taken to fill up all these vacancies at the earliest?

Vacancies in AIIMS

1723. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

SHRI DHANANJAY

MAHADIK:

SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:

SHRI B.V. NAIK:

SHRI MOHITE PATIL

VIJAYSINH

SHANKARRAO:

DR. HEENA

VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of vacant posts *vis-a-vis* sanctioned posts of faculty as well as non-teaching staff in newly established AIIMS across the country, AIIMS-wise;

(b) the number of posts of senior resident doctors filled across the six new AIIMS till date;

(c) whether there is huge shortage of doctors and faculty in All India Institute of Medical Sciences, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government is planning to absorb All Post Graduates from All India Institute of Medical Sciences in the institutes itself and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to fill up the large number of vacancies of doctors to provide quality treatment to patients?

Lysosome Storage Disease

1724. SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:

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 prevalence of rare genetic disorders collectively identified as Lysosome Storage Disease among people;

(b) if so, the details thereof including types of diseases identified so far;

(c) whether the Government has formulated a national policy that recommends genetic counseling and pre-conception and ante-natal screening to parents and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to make budgetary allocations for patients suffering from rare genetic diseases;

(e) whether the Government proposes for a mandatory screening of rare genetic diseases such as Phenylketonuria that warrants immediate diagnosis; and

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

Usage of AYUSH

†1725. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite Government's attempt over the years to popularise AYUSH, the people are still inclined towards allopathic treatment both in rural and urban areas in the country;

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

(c) whether higher usage of AYUSH treatment by urban males than their rural counterparts was noted, while less usage of the same by urban females; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Fiscal Deficit

1726. DR. THOKCHOM MEINYA:
SHRI ASHOK
MAHADEORAO NETE:
SHRIMATI POONAMBEN
MAADAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of fiscal deficit during the last three years and as on date along with the reasons for continuous increase in the fiscal deficit;

(b) whether India will be able to adhere to or restrict the fiscal deficit below the budgeted level of 3.3 per cent of GDP in 2018-19, if so, the details thereof along with the expected revenue to be collected from Goods and Services Tax by the year end;

(c) whether on account of the recently announced Minimum Support Price the fiscal deficit of current year would remain homogenous, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has received directives from International Monetary Fund and other international financial institutions regarding reducing the fiscal deficit and currency crisis during the said period, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken and contingency plan drawn by the Government to reduce/bridge the fiscal deficit?

Representation to NCPCR on Child Abuse

1727. KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCRs) has received representations from various States/UTs about different types of abuses on children;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the NCPCR in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has appointed Nodal Officers in various States/UTs to deal with various types of abuses on children; and

(d) if so, the extent to which Nodal Officers have succeeded in checking or preventing such crimes?

Shortage of Doctors

†1728. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:
SHRI R. DHRUVA
NARAYANA:
SHRI RAJU SHETTY:
SHRI JANAK RAM:
SHRIMATI K.
MARAGATHAM:
SHRI CHANDRAKANT
KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of requirement and availability of doctors in the country

particularly in rural and remote areas, State/UT-wise along with the existing doctor-people ratio;

(b) whether there is acute shortage of doctors including specialist doctors in the country particularly in rural and remote areas and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has issued any instructions regarding the posting of doctors in rural areas and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that rural health statistics 2017 shows that of the 25,650 sanctioned posts of doctors 3,027 are vacant and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(e) the corrective measures being taken by the Government to tackle the situation and improve the doctor-population ratio in the country?

Monitoring of Shell Companies

1729. SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any mechanism for monitoring of Shell Companies and their promoters which are still active with new name despite being punished once;

(b) if so, the details of their name along with nodal agencies and officers for monitoring these shell companies in Delhi thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of companies which have been inquired in this connection but

not found guilty especially in Uttar Pradesh?

Middle Strait Creek Bridger Project

1730. SHRI BISHNU PADA RAY:

Will the Minister of
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has receipt of any proposal from UT Administration of A&N Islands seeking clearance for construction of Middle Strait Creek Bridger Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has taken any decision on the matter and if so, the details thereof?

States' Loans

†1731. SHRI ASHOK
MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether State Governments have taken loans from the Union Government during the last three years till date;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the said period, State/year-wise;

(c) the details of the specific purposes for which these loans were taken by the State Governments and the Heads under which the loans were utilized;

(d) whether the Government has received complaints regarding the gross misuse of loan taken by the State Governments and if so, the details thereof as on date, State-wise;

(e) whether the Union Government has received any representation from several State Governments for postponement of repayment of due outstanding amount as on date and if so, the details of issues mentioned in the said representations; and

(f) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

1732. SHRI ABHISHEK BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise data of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PMR) departments;

(b) whether the Ministry has notified the Medical Council of India's request to include PMR as a mandatory subject in the existing MBBS curriculum and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the Ministry is planning to set up a PMR department to collect disability statistics for improving rehab. services and involve doctors with disabilities in the planning, evaluation, and monitoring of rehabilitation services and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Eco-Sensitive Zones in Wildlife Sanctuaries

1733. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:
SHRI K.N.
RAMACHANDRAN:
SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN
R.K.:
SHRI G.M.
SIDDESHWARA:
SHRIMATI V. SATHYA
BAMA:
SHRI PR. SENTHIL
NATHAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up Eco-Sensitive Zones (ECZs) across the country and if so, the details thereof along with the criteria set for the purpose;

(b) whether the Government has re-evaluated the boundaries of ECZ in wildlife parks and sanctuaries in the country, including Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government had formed any high level Committee for conducting inspection and verification of ESZ in various wildlife parks in the country;

(d) whether the Committee has submitted its report to the Government and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has allowed to reduce ESZ area of certain wildlife sanctuaries and national parks in the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government to protect the habitat

of a number of endangered animal species belonging to these sanctuaries and national parks?

Augmentation of Eco-Sensitive Zones

†1734. SHRI SANJAY KAKA
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 working on a project to augment the reserved Eco-Sensitive Zones and to reduce human activities in the said zones;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the project being proposed by the Government to ban the use of plastic products in these zones?

Physiotherapy Education

1735. PROF. RICHARD HAY:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
SINGH:
SHRIMATI SANTOSH
AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the essential qualification for the recruitment of physiotherapists has been upgraded from Diploma to Bachelor Degree, if so, the details of objectives and reasons therefor;

(b) whether certain changes have been brought about in the terms and conditions

of the services including pay of the physiotherapists and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether physiotherapists authorized to prefix Dr. before their names and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether adequate avenues of employment are available for physiotherapists in the public sector in the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the steps being undertaken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether the number of physiotherapists is commensurate with the WHO criteria in the country and if so, the details thereof along with existing ratio between patients and physiotherapists?

GST on e-Cigarette and Beedi

1736. SHRI C.R. PATIL:
SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of current Goods and Services Tax (GST) rate of taxation on the e-cigarettes or Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS);

(b) the details of import duty levied on these products imported into India;

(c) whether different components of the ENDS are taxed differentially and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether beedi is not included under the sin goods category and not levied cess on it, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether a number of beedi units have been exempted from GST, if so, the details thereof?

Carbon Emission

1737. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH
CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of India's carbon emission intensity as a measure of its GDP during the years 2005-06 to 2017-18, year-wise;

(b) the details of the overall carbon emission growth rates during the years 2005-06 to 2017-18, year-wise;

(c) the reasons for including the Clean Environment Cess into the GST Compensation Fund;

(d) whether the Government has planned an alternative source to fund the National Clean Energy and Environment Fund and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the total amount collected under the Clean Environment Cess from 2014 to 2018 along with the percentage of this amount allocated to the National Clean Energy and Environment Fund indicating the year-wise details of the amount spent on clean energy and environmental projects?

**Private Hospitals on
Government Land**

1738. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV
SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether land is provided by the Government at subsidised rates to set up private hospitals and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Delhi;

(b) whether such private hospitals are bound to treat poor patients/Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) free of cost or at subsidised rates and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that many cases of violation by Private Hospitals have come to the notice of the Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the names of the Hospitals and action taken by the Government against these hospitals; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to issue any fresh guidelines to private hospitals built on Government land and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Nirbhaya Fund

1739. SHRI MUTHAMSETTI
SRINIVASARAO
(AVANTHI):
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:
KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:
SHRI KODIKUNNIL
SURESH:
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:
SHRI KIRTI AZAD:
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:
PROF. RICHARD HAY:
DR. P.K. BIJU:
SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS:
SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features and corpus of Nirbhaya Fund set up for enhancing safety and security of women in the country;

(b) the details of guidelines/instructions issued on its spending modes by different Ministries/Departments and States/UTs along with the extent to which these guidelines/instructions have been followed by them;

(c) the details of project proposals of various Ministries/ Departments and States/UTs received, appraised and recommended/approved along with the funds provided and women beneficiaries thereunder since its inception, project-wise;

(d) the details of projects completed/ commenced and funds utilised so far, project-wise;

(e) whether the Government has taken note that a large portion of Nirbhaya Fund remains unutilised or under-utilised and not reaching to the needy beneficiaries, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(f) the guidelines put in place by the Government for the judicious/optimum utilisation of Nirbhaya Fund along with the coordination among different ministries for its better implementation?

Tiger Conservation

†1740. SHRI BODHSINGH
BHAGAT:
SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has implemented any special scheme for tiger conservation in the country during current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and funds being provided to Madhya Pradesh under this scheme;

(c) whether the State Governments need more funds for tiger conservation project and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the efforts made by the Government to enhance the amount of funds for tiger conservation project as per the needs of States?

**Inclusion of Pharma Companies
under CSR**

1741. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:
SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR);

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under CSR during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise including West Bengal, Gujarat and Maharashtra;

(c) the details of the number of works done/being done under CSR so far along with their result;

(d) whether the Government is planning/proposing to include Pharma Companies under CSR; and

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

Constitution of BoM in UCBS

1742. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:
SHRI ANURAG SINGH
THAKUR:
SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to set up a Board of Management (BoM) in addition to Board of Directors (BoD) as per Malegam Committee in all Urban Co-operative Banks (UCBs) having deposits of over Rs. 100 crore within one year to strengthen governance and promote professional management in these banks and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the said BoM will be the apex policy setting body for the management of these Bank, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether BoM is authorised to look after all administrative functions of UCBS as spelt out in the respective Co-operative Act and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether BoM will be responsible for credit, risk and liquidity management of UCBS and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether Reserve Bank of India has come out with a scheme to allow conversion of large UCBS into small financial banks to avoid risks to the system because of their size and complexity and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether this move is to bring new regulatory regime in UCBS in order to bring

them into the mainstream banking and if so, the details thereof?

E-Cigarettes

1743. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:
DR. KAMBHAMPATI
HARIBABU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the health Ministry is considering any mechanism to ban E-cigarettes or Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS) across India, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the recommendations of the working group on Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS) and the action taken so far;

(c) whether the Government is considering to amend the COTPA, 2003 to include provisions to ban or regulate E-cigarettes or Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS), if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Health Ministry is aware of any study about the health impact and safety of E-cigarettes or Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS) in India, if so, the details thereof?

Point of Sales Machines

1744. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has instructed Public Sector Banks (PSBs) to

procure more Point of Sales (PoS) machines;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the existing ATM machines is likely to operationalised by banks for the convenience of the small customers;

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

(e) the total number of PoS machines operated by PSB's as on date and the expected increase during this year?

LIC Properties

1745. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of chawls and building properties owned by Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) in Mumbai along with their value, residential/commercial-wise;

(b) whether LIC made any survey related to redevelopment of the chawls/properties and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether LIC has appointed any consultant and if so, the outcome thereof;

(d) whether they submitted their report and if so, the details thereof along with the gain of LIC after redeveloping the chawls/properties from the 50 percent saleable FSI;

(e) whether the redevelopment of these properties is a policy matter decided only by his Ministry and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether his Ministry will prepare any policy in this regard as has been done

by the other Ministries/organizations, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Waiting Period in AIIMS

†1746. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:
SHRI TAMRADHWAJ
SAHU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that waiting time for surgery in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi and post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Lucknow runs into years;

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

(c) the total number of patients admitted in the Department of surgery, total number of patients whose surgeries were done and the patients referred to other hospitals due to unavailability of beds in the above institutions separately during the last three years; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the number of beds and other facilities in the Department of surgery in the above institutions?

Integrated Child Protection Scheme

†1747. SHRIMATI JYOTI
DHURVE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) being implement by the Government;

(b) whether the Government provides any financial assistance to States/UTs for its implementation and if so, the details of allocated/released and utilized funds along with the number of beneficiary children under the said scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the measures taken by the Government for effective implementation of said scheme in the country?

Brick & Mortar Bank Branches

1748. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has issued instructions that each unbanked Gram Panchayat of the States is to be covered by a Brick and Mortar branch of a Scheduled Commercial Bank by March, 2019 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any steps have been taken by his Ministry towards opening of brick and mortar bank branches of Scheduled Commercial Banks in each of the unbanked gram panchayats in the country including Odisha within the target period of five years by March, 2019 and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Odisha; and

(c) whether his Ministry will consider taking specific measures so that Commercial Banks will be able to deliver adequate and timely credit essential for economic and social development in neglected States

including Odisha and if so, the details thereof?

Privatisation of Public Sector Banks

1749. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal for privatisation of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of PSBs that are running in loss and the amount of loss met by these banks;

(c) whether the Government has considered any restructuring plan for these banks; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

PMSSY

1750. SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH HOODA:
SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified any medical colleges in the country for upgradation under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Gujarat and Haryana;

(b) the funds allocated/targets achieved for the PMSSY during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) the funds earmarked/utilised for opening of New AIIMS in the country and current status of work on these new AIIMS, State/UT-wise including Gujarat and Haryana; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to complete the said projects?

Income Tax Refunds

1751. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the average time taken for Income Tax refunds; and

(b) the details of all pending IT refunds since 2014 and the number of people awaiting IT refunds as on date?

Mortality of Tigers

1752. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

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 45 per cent of the total mortality of tigers from 2012-17 has been un-natural;

(b) if so, the various causes of un-natural deaths of these tigers;

(c) whether the Government is contemplating for a new census of the tigers and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether due to various reasons like accessibility and the fact that tigers are thinly spread over large areas, North-East was not adequately surveyed in the past; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken for new census for the tigers in the country including North-East?

Resolving NPAs of PSBs

1753. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Non-Performing Asset (NPA) write-off by Public Sector Banks (PSBs) from 2010-11 to 2017-18; and

(b) the measures taken by the Government in resolving NPAs of PSBs from June, 2014 onwards?

Guidelines of Official Visits

†1754. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:
SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the guidelines issued by the Government office regarding official visits are not being followed by the Government officers;

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

(c) whether the officers violating the said guidelines have been identified; and

(d) if so, the action taken against these officers along with the outcome thereof?

Euthanasia

1755. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Expert Committee constituted to examine the issue of euthanasia has submitted its report;

(b) if so, the main recommendations of the Committee;

(c) whether the Government has accepted the recommendations of the Committee;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the implementation status of such accepted recommendations and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) the number of requests/representations received by the Government for euthanasia across the country during each of the last three years and the current year along with the action taken/being taken thereon; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to enact a legislation to allow passive euthanasia in the country, if so, the details thereof?

National Commission for Women

1756. SHRI MALLIKARJUN
KHARGE:
SHRI RAM TAHAL
CHOUDHARY:
SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of alleged cases of rape reported to the National Commission for Women (NCW) during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Commission has taken up the issue with the authorities including State Governments concerned, if so, the details thereof and the response received therefrom;

(c) the funds sanctioned, released and utilised by the States/UTs for the purpose during the said period;

(d) whether the Commission has made any suggestions to the State Governments in regard to cases of rape in the country;

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the States thereto indicating the States which have not submitted their views so far; and

(f) the action taken by the Government for seeking the views of States in this regard at the earliest?

Funds to States

1757. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
MONDAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of basis for allocation of funds under various development schemes;

(b) whether the Government proposes to allocate more funds to the States which are performing well in implementation of the schemes and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any guidelines have been issued in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Unregulated Deposit Schemes Bill, 2018

1758. KUNWAR
BHARATENDRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the Banning of Unregulated Deposit Schemes Bill, 2018;

(b) whether direct selling has been excluded from the ambit of the said Bill, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government intends to repeal the Prize Chits and Money Circulation Schemes (Banning) Act, 1978 if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the Bill is likely to come in force?

Crop/Farm Loans

1759. SHRI K.N.
RAMACHANDRAN:
SHRI PR. SENTHIL
NATHAN:
SHRIMATI V. SATHYA
BAMA:
SHRI SANKAR PRASAD
DATTA:
SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN
R.K.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of marginal and middle level farmer who have failed to pay back

loans availed from banks and private/financial institutions, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to waive off farm/crop loans borrowed from the banks or financial institutions by the farmers;

(c) if so, the criteria adopted to shortlist whose loan would be waived off and if not, the reasons thereof;

(d) the quantum of loan amount that would be considered for waiver; and

(e) whether a large number of small, micro and marginal farmers, who availed loans from various Co-operative Banks, Public Sector Banks (PSBs) have incurred losses due to both demonetization and crop loss, if so, the details thereof and the corrective action taken by the Government in this regard?

Refunds to Textile Exporters

1760. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken any new initiatives to ensure quicker tax refunds for business owners, especially the ones engaged in the textile export sector, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received multiple representations of businessmen about the difficulty in processing previous tax refunds, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that various textile related subsidies have been impacted post implementation of GST thus making textile export more expensive and as a result non-competitive in the international market; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the follow-up action plan for the textile sector?

MCA Schemes

1761. SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes being implemented by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs;

(b) the targets fixed and the achievements made under various schemes in the country including Gujarat during the last three years and current year, Scheme/State-wise;

(c) the number of persons/families benefited from these schemes in the country including Gujarat during the last three years and current year, Scheme/State-wise; and

(d) the details of the projects run by the Ministry in the country including Gujarat during the last three years including current year, Project/State-wise?

CPI based Inflation

1762. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Consumer Price Index (CPI) based inflation accelerated at the fastest pace in the last few months;

(b) if so, the factors responsible for the same;

(c) whether the Union Government proposes to examine such factors responsible and take corrective steps to check the same; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place

1763. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of complaints of sexual harassment of women at work places has increased in the country over the years;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of complaints received by the National Commission for Women (NCW) during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of laws presently in force under which the complaints regarding sexual harassment of women at work places could be registered in the country; and

(d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure protection of women from sexual harassment at work places in the country?

Encroachment in National Parks/ Sanctuaries

1764. SHRI ANURAG SINGH
THAKUR:
PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has taken note of encroachments by private parties in various National Parks/ Sanctuaries, State/UT-wise including Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for not conducting a thorough survey to protect the land from encroachments;

(d) whether some State Governments have not taken action against encroachers and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether any steps have been taken to increase the area under these parks or sanctuaries and if so, the details thereof?

Impact of Inflation on Growth Rate

†1765. SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of rates of inflation during the last six months and its impact on the growth rate of the economy;

(b) the effect of inflation on demand and prices in the market;

(c) whether the retail prices of edible items are increasing at the higher rates than the comprehensive rate of inflation; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the efforts being made by the Government to control increase in prices?

CODS-2018

1766. SHRI PONGULETI
SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes Condonation of Delay Scheme to give relief for disqualified directors;

(b) if so, the details and its implementation status thereof;

(c) whether the scheme is not open for directors of struck-off companies and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has de-activated the Director Identification Number of disqualified directors, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) whether there were concerns that many directors of genuine companies have also been disqualified and some individuals moved courts against their disqualification; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and present status in this regard?

Corporate Environment Responsibility Scheme

1767. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:
PROF. RICHARD HAY:
SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Corporate Environment Responsibility (CER) Scheme;

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under the scheme during the last three years and the current year across the country, State/UT-wise, including Kerala;

(c) the details of the targets set and achievements made under this scheme during the above said period;

(d) whether the result of the scheme is upto the set targets and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government is proposing to earmark a set of percentage of its proposed capital investment in the project for CER and if so, the details thereof?

Alternate Markets Commission

1768. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to set up a regulator to oversee the \$500 billion start-up funding market for Indian enterprises and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the proposed Alternate Markets Commission is responsible for drafting regulations to inspire confidence and make it easier for unlisted firms to raise money from investors; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Fake Companies Listed on Exchange

1769. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has started inquiring on the fake companies listed in National Stock Exchange and the Bombay Stock Exchange, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether SEBI has informed investor not to invest in such companies and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether delisting procedure has started against them; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Committee on Fintech

1770. SHRI SUMAN BALKA:

SHRI CH. MALLA
REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted a Steering Committee/8 member Committee on Fintech to consider various issues relating to development of Fintech space in India with a view to make Fintech related regulations more flexible, promoting financial inclusion and generate enhanced entrepreneurship in an area where India has distinctive comparative strengths *vis-a-vis* other emerging economies; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Guidelines to Establish AYUSH Universities

1771. DR. PRABHAS KUMAR
SINGH:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of guidelines to establish Universities of Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha, Medicine system indicating the authority/officers nominated to formulate and introduce these guidelines;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to convert the present college to an Ayurvedic Central University; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Super-efficient Air Conditioners in Government Buildings

1772. SHRI CH. MALLA REDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to install super-efficient air-conditioners in 2,500 of its buildings for the first time in the country adhering to its commitment made in the Paris Agreement on Climate Change; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Demonetisation and Digital Transactions

1773. SHRI D.S. RATHOD:
SHRI KUNDARIYA

MOHAN BHAI
KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demonetisation has given a boost to digital transactions in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this has also improved the Government receipts, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to improve the accessibility and acceptance of digital payments?

Plantation of Trees by Private Sector

†1774. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH
KULASTE:

SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing any special scheme to promote plantation of trees in the private sector;

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

(c) the funds allocated for the above scheme during the last three years across the country including Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) if not, the time by which such scheme is likely to be formulated by the Government?

Restricted Credit Growth

1775. SHRI RAM CHARITRA
NISHAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the high Non-Performing Assets may restrict credit growth to 8 per cent in Financial Year 2018-19;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether external commercial borrowings will go upto US \$ 27-32 billion on the back of relaxed norms announced by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and the high rate of borrowing domestically, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the country's banking system is supposed to have ended Financial Year 2018 with a credit growth of nearly 11 per cent; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Conversion of PMJDY Accounts into Regular Accounts

1776. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:
SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to freeze the accounts and converting it into regular accounts under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the PMJDY account holders are being penalised/charged for exceeding four transaction per month and if so, the details and reasons therefor;

(c) the total number of bank accounts opened, froze/blocked and converted into regular accounts under PMJDY during the last two years and the current year, bank-wise; and

(d) whether the Government has made any assessment as to the success or failure of the scheme and if so, the details thereof?

BNYS College

1777. SHRIMATI SAJDA
AHMED:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status regarding setting up of Naturopathy Research Centre in Kayani, West Bengal;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up Bachelor of Naturopathy and Yogic Sciences (BNYS) Medical College in Belur, West Bengal and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount sanctioned during the last three years for the development of AYUSH in West Bengal?

PMVVY

1778. PROF. PREM SINGH
CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched the Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana (PMVVY);

(b) if so, the details, salient features and the objectives thereof; and

(c) the number of persons/senior citizens benefited under the scheme, State-wise including Punjab?

Attacks by Wild Elephants

†1779. SHRI NABA KUMAR
SARANIA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wildlife elephants have made chaos in the life of people living in North Eastern States as they have ruined most of the villages and if so, the details thereof;

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

(c) the number of the houses destroyed and persons killed by the wild elephants during the last three years in Assam;

(d) whether the Government has provided any compensation to the people whose houses have been destroyed; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Support Shelters for Women and Children

1780. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI
LEKHI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of support shelters for women and children constructed in the country and specifically in Delhi;

(b) the source of funding for the construction and maintenance of such projects; and

(c) the funds allocated/released and spent on these shelter homes during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Awareness Programmes for Family Planning

†1781. SHRI SADASHIV
LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of programmes organized for creating awareness about family planning among the rural people during last three years, State/UT-wise;

(b) the total expenditure incurred on family planning programmes during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(c) the progress made in reducing birth rate during said period, State-wise; and

(d) the funds spent on the advertisement on family planning during the said period till date, year-wise?

Implementation of Domestic Violence Act

1782. SHRI HARISH MEENA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to implement the provisions of 'Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005' and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of cases received and disposed of under the Act during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government has defined a clear policy on social participation and operational methods in facilitating community health projects for women welfare; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Patent for Yoga Mudras

1783. SHRI P. KUMAR:
DR. KRISHAN PRATAP:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the origin of Yoga as a practice;

(b) whether patent on yoga is not easy for the country since more than 30 types of yoga are being practiced worldwide and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has made efforts to obtain patent of 1500 yoga mudras;

(d) if so, the reasons for delay in obtaining patent; and

(e) the further steps taken by the Government to acquire patent for yoga mudras?

Empowerment of Rural Women

1784. SHRI MALYADRI
SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce any scheme to promote community participation through involvement of Student Volunteers for empowerment of rural women;

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

(c) the funds allocation under the scheme during each of last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Regulation of Transaction in Real Estate Sector

1785. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR
PANDEY:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of steps being taken to regulate the transactions in the real estate sector with a view to control black money;

(b) the steps being taken to deal with benami transactions in the real estate sector; and

(c) the number of cases registered across the country after the enactment of the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Amendment Act, 2016 and the total monetary involvement in these cases?

Protection of Tribals Residing in Forest Lands

1786. PROF. A.S.R. NAIK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Forest Act, 1976 provides Recognition of Forest Rights (RoFR) in respect those tribals who are residing and cultivating forest lands in the form of podu cultivation on or before 13th December, 2005;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether due to lack of proper monitoring and supervision, the State Forest Department is feeling as ultimate authority and failing in implementation of Act, thereby creating problems to the State;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Ministry is committed to implement the line and spirit of the Act in respect of the tribals and if so, the details thereof?

Drilling Activities in KG Basin

1787. DR. RAVINDRA BABU:

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 a lot of drilling and dredging activities are going on in Krishna-Godavari (KG) Basin area of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether due to these activities fishermen of the area are being affected by way of soil erosion, problem of salinity of water and land subsidence;

(c) if so, whether any environmental Impact Assessment Study has been conducted in the said area; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken to protect the interest of local population?

Loans of Wilful Defaulters

1788. SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of outstanding loans against wilful defaulters during the last three years and the current year, Bank-wise;

(b) whether there has been any growth in the number of wilful defaulters during the said period and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to reduce/correct the statistics;

(d) whether the mechanism employed to recover the outstanding loans from wilful defaulters has been successful, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, whether a new mechanism for the recovery of outstanding loan is needed, if so, the details thereof?

Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana

†1789. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has started the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY) and if so, targets of the scheme and details thereof;

(b) whether few banks are showing unwillingness to collect taxes under the scheme and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure compliance of Rules/Guidelines by the banks in this regard; and

(d) the details of the benefits likely to accrue to tax payers from this scheme since the scheme announced in the year 2016?

HIV due to Blood Transfusion1790. SHRI JITENDRA
CHAUDHURY:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of people in the country are infected with HIV and Hepatitis B virus as a result of blood transfusions;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(c) the reasons for unsafe transfusion and lack of proper screening of blood;

(d) the hospitals which have been found to have indulged in contaminated blood transfusions and the action taken thereon; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to check unsafe blood transfusion practices in hospitals across the country?

Compensatory Afforestation

†1791. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has enacted an Act to deposit some amount for compensatory afforestation and other activities in lieu of using the forest land after its transformation;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the rules notified for the purpose; and

(c) the amount likely to be provided to Madhya Pradesh under CAMPA for compensatory afforestation and other activities?

Cow Urine†1792. SHRIMATI DARSHANA
VIKRAM JARDOSH:
SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR
JENA:Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,
YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI,
SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी,
सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan to undertake a research on gau mutra (cow urine) and gau mutra based products for the treatment of various incurable diseases;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to encourage research in physiotherapy; and

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

AIIMS like Hospital for Ayurveda†1793. SHRI PRATAPRAO
JADHAV:Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,
YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI,
SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी,
सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Maharashtra has made any consultation with the Central Government for establishing a hospital of Ayurveda system of medicine in Vidarbha area on the lines of AIIMS; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Upgradation of AWCs1794. DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:Will the Minister of WOMEN AND
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has upgraded the Anganwadi Centres in the country with a view to increase their efficiency and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made any appeal to Corporate Sector to spend a certain percentage under Corporate Social Responsibility for the upgradation of Anganwadi Centres; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the response of the Corporate Sector thereto?

**Reduction in Use of
Hydrochlorofluorocarbons**

†1795. SHRI JANAK RAM:

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 bring a legislation to ensure that air conditioners in buildings, commercial places and airports are maintained at pre-determined temperatures;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such legislation has been successfully implemented in Japan and European countries and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether such a measure is likely to reduce the use of Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HFCs) and if so, the details thereof along with the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for reducing use of HFCs in the country?

Deforestation

†1796. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether reckless deforestation is the main reasons for worsening climate change and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has constituted any committee or formulated any policy to check deforestation;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of projects undertaken by the Government to keep the country safe from the impact of climate change along with the name of the committee constituted in this regard?

Status of Permanent Employees to AWWs/Helpers

†1797. SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Anganwadi workers and helpers working in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether Anganwadi workers/helpers have been entrusted with several responsibilities such as pulse polio, census, women and child malnutrition etc., but they have not been given the status of permanent employees till date and their honorarium is also very less and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to give status of permanent employee to the Anganwadi workers/helpers and to increase their honorarium and to provide them facilities similar to the permanent employees;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

CGHS Dispensaries

1798. SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:
SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH
YADAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of posts of doctors and paramedical staff lying vacant in CGHS, State-wise;

(b) details of complaints received against doctors of CGHSD and action taken thereon during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of CGHS dispensaries lying non-functional, State/UT-wise including Delhi;

(d) whether the Government has prepared the panel of Doctors/staff for the newly constructed dispensaries and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has received any proposal to cover Varanasi under CGHS and if so, the Government's reaction thereto?

Population of Tigers

1799. SHRI NALIN KUMAR
KATEEL:
SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:
SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the total population of tigers in the country for the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether there has been increase in number of incidents of killing and poaching of tigers reported in the recent years;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has put any appropriate mechanism in place to check such incidents and save the tiger population in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Shortage of Cash Flow

1800. SHRI ARKA KESHARI
DEO:
SHRI DIBYENDU
ADHIKARI:
KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:
ADV. NARENDRA
KESHAV
SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of shortage of cash flow in the country including decrease in currency flow over 4000 crores in May, some ATMs running dry of cash/becoming non-functional in some parts of the country, if so, the details thereof, Bank and State/UT-wise;

(b) the effect on the national economy due to shortage of cash thereto;

(c) whether the Government with the RBI have taken all steps to meet this shortage and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has adequate reserves of currency notes of all denominations to meet rising demand, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the concrete steps taken to ensure that ATMs are supplied with cash and to get Non-Functional ATMs functional?

Banking Penetration

1801. MOHAMMED FAIZAL:
SHRI KAUSHAL
KISHORE:
SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:
SHRI HARISH MEENA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the per person availability of banks in the rural areas of the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of the norms/criteria prescribed for opening of bank branches in the rural areas along with the number of Bank branches opened by the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) especially in the minority concentrated, hilly and remote areas of the country, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan and Lakshadweep;

(c) whether the Government proposes to make relaxation in the present law for nationalized bank to open new branches in rural areas, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government is considering/already implementing the concept of Mobile Banks in the interior regions of the country for better financial inclusion and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the PSBs have fixed any target for sanctioning of loans particularly in tribal and hilly areas and if so, the details of the norms/guidelines issued by the Government in this regard; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to increase the banking penetration especially in above regions, State/UT-wise?

Fraud and Bungling in Banks and Financial Institutions

1802. DR. KAMBHAMPATI
HARIBABU:
SHRI RAM KUMAR
SHARMA:
SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:
SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED
BASHEER:
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:
SHRI KAUSHALENDRA
KUMAR:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the officials/employees of various Public Sector Banks (PSBs) and financial institutions have been charged for financial frauds and bungling and if so, the details thereof, bank/financial institution/ State/UT-wise;

(b) the total number of accused officials/employees along with the status of inquiry initiated against them during the period of March, 2015 to March 2018, bank, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether these officials have been suspended from the services for the said charges and if so, the total number of such officials;

(d) whether the Government/Reserve Bank of India has any mechanism for monitoring of financial frauds in these banks and financial institutions and if so, the details of the nodal agency and officers appointed for this purpose across the country, State/UT-wise; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor and the manner in which whistleblower may approach these authorities without the fear of disclosure of their names?

Restriction on Companies Raising FDs

1803. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI S. R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
SHRI CH. MALLA REDDY:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has written to the Government that the provision for companies to access deposits from the public should be reviewed and if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;

(b) whether companies are raising fixed deposits from the public, which often offer two-three percentage points higher interest rate than banks, but are seen to be riskier;

(c) if so, whether the Government has taken cognizance that in many cases companies have not refunded fixed deposits amount with interest of the depositors and if so, the details of these companies along with the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether the Government proposes norms on the amount of deposits that can be raised and linking it to the turnover or other financial parameters to ensure that companies remain credit worthy and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to restrict companies from raising fixed deposits from the public and the time by which such restriction is likely to be imposed?

Pollution by Pharmaceutical Industries

1804. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether pharmaceutical industries are one of the grossly polluting industries in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the presence of antibiotic residue in high concentrations in the environment can lead to the development of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) pathogens;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether the Central Pollution Control Board was tasked with framing the standards for pharma antibiotic residue, if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be framed; and

(e) whether World Health Organisation has also called for better management of pharmaceutical waste and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Pollution in Rivers

†1805. SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI VISHNU DAYAL
RAM:
SHRI SANJAY KAKA
PATIL:
PROF. RICHARD HAY:
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:
SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:
SHRI B.V. NAIK:
SHRI S.P.
MUDDAHANUME
GOWDA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of rivers in the country has been polluted and water of some rivers are becoming toxic at present and if so, the details of polluted rivers identified by the Government, river-wise;

(b) whether rivers are getting polluted on large scale due to flow of untreated sewage, industrial and hotel waste directly into rivers, streams and rivulets, if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof along with the action taken against such industries/factories;

(c) the details of schemes implemented/being implemented and projects being run by the Government to save these rivers from pollution, river-wise;

(d) whether the Government has appointed any monitoring Committee to identify the most polluted rivers other than the river Ganga and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of steps taken by the Government for cleaning polluted rivers along with funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Blood Bank

†1806. SHRI RAM TAHAL
CHOUHARY:

SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN
YADAV:
SHRI HARI MANJHI:
SHRI KIRTI AZAD:
DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the districts in the country where there is no blood bank along with the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has any plan to set up blood banks in Community Health Centres in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up blood banks through Public Private Partnership mode in near future;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the names of private institutions where blood bank is likely to be set up; and

(e) the details of the criteria to set up blood bank?

Rebate in Taxes

1807. SHRI VENKATESH BABU
T.G.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has extended any provision for special rebate in taxes and income tax for women entrepreneurs; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Interest Rates on Agricultural Loans

1808. SHRIMATI REKHA
VERMA:
SHRI VENKATESH BABU
T.G.:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI
TUMANE:
SHRI SADASHIV
LOKHANDE:
SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reduced the interest rates on agricultural loans provided to farmers by the Public Sector Banks (PSBs)/Cooperative Banks/NABARD during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has laid down guidelines/norms for providing interest/interest free agricultural loans to the farmers and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether instances of violation of these guidelines have been reported by various banks during the last three years, if so, the details thereof, bank-wise along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) the details and percentages of agricultural loan disbursed, target set and achieved and interest rate charged by the Bank for sanctioning of loans along with the total amount of outstanding loan against them during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide affordable rate of interest on crop loans so far?

Option to Drop Father's Name in Documents

1809. SHRI ANANDRAO
ADSUL:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
SHRI VINAYAK
BHAURAO RAUT:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of women who were separated from their husbands and have their children living with them do not want the name of their ex-husbands to be mentioned on the documents pertaining to the children;

(b) if so, whether the Ministry of Finance has been requested to provide an option to drop father's name from PAN card for the children of separated or divorced women or those adopted by single mothers;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the response received from the Ministry of Finance thereon;

(d) the time by when the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard; and

(e) whether the Ministry is giving priority to single women in adopting children and if so, the details thereof?

**Prevention of
Vector Borne Diseases**

1810. SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
PROF. K.V. THOMAS:
SHRI SANKAR PRASAD
DATTA:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
SINGH:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI NABA KUMAR
SARANIA:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
DR. P. VENUGOPAL:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes
launched for prevention of Malaria, Dengue
and other Vector Borne Diseases (VBDs)
in the country;

(b) the details of the funds allocated
for these schemes during the last three years
and the current year;

(c) the number of deaths caused by
diseases spread by mosquitoes in each
State/UT during the last three years and
the current year;

(d) whether the Indian Institute of
Technology has developed a new technique
to eliminate Dengue mosquito and its eggs,
if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the progress made in reducing the
Malaria, Dengue and other VBDs cases in
the country?

Eye Bank

1811. SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of eye banks
functioning in the country at present, State/
UT-wise;

(b) the number of eye donations
received during each of the last three years
and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether as per the National
Programme for Control of Blindness
(NPCB) only less than 50 per cent donated
eyes collected are utilized for corneal
transplantation;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the
reasons for the same; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the
Government to make sure that the eyes
donated are successfully utilized?

**Funds Allocated under CAMPA
Scheme**

1812. SHRI PRABHAKAR
REDDY KOTHA:
SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of
implementation of Compensatory
Afforestation Fund Management and
Planning Authority (CAMPA) scheme in
the country, State/UT-wise including
Arunachal Pradesh and Telangana;

(b) the details of funds spent/utilised
by various States/UTs under the said
scheme during the last three years and the
current year, project and State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has
framed new rules relating to disbursement
of funds to States under the said scheme;
and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Sashakt Plan

1813. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN
MAADAM:
SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:
DR. THOKCHOM
MEINYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has
accepted the recommendations of Sunil
Mehta Committee report and announced a
banks-led five pronged, comprehensive
plan Sashakt for the resolution of stressed
assets/Non Performing Assets with Public
Sector Banks and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is likely
to implement all the recommendations
made by the Committee to deal with bad
loans and if so, the details thereof and the
timeline to implement thereon;

(c) whether the said plan includes
creation of one or more widely held asset
management companies for loans above
Rs. 500 crore, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the plan does not involve
regulatory forbearance or an immediate
Government involvement, if so, the details
thereof; and

(e) the extent to which this plan is
likely to impact the irregularities in the
banking sector favourably?

MMR and IMR

1814. SHRI MOHD. SALIM:
SHRI RAMEN DEKA:
SHRI LALLU SINGH:
SHRI MD.
BADARUDDOZA
KHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken
any cognizance of the 2018 UNICEF report
on Infant Mortality Rate (IMR), Maternal
Mortality Rate (MMR) and Neonatal
Mortality Rate (NMR);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the
respective mortality rates estimated by the
Government during the last three years
State/UT-wise including children covered
by Indradhanush in Assam;

(c) the details of expenditure incurred/
amount sanctioned and allocated by the
Government for dealing with the schemes
concerned;

(d) whether the Government has
initiated any mechanism or policy for
dealing with the problems of said schemes
and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the schemes/programmes/funds
launched/released to check said mortality
rates during the last three years, State/UT-
wise; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to address the said issues and to accelerate the pace of reduction of MMR, IMR and NMR in the country?

Shortage of Organ Donors

1815. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI P.C. MOHAN:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is shortage of human organ donors in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of persons who have requested for and received organ donations along with the number of persons who died due to unavailability of organs during the last three years, State-wise, UT-wise and organ-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding the wastage of donated organs and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government thereon;

(d) whether the Government is also aware of rise in organ trade in the country;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the number of cases reported along with action taken against the offenders during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(f) whether the Government proposes to review the organ transplant policy, if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the other legal measures formulated by the Government to check illicit trade of organs?

Purchase of Surgical Equipments

1816. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given any guidelines regarding the purchase of surgical equipments by hospitals from startup companies;

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

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of steps taken by the Government to promote procurement from medical startups especially in Uttar Pradesh?

Financial Stability Report

1817. SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:
SHRI PANKAJ
CHAUDHARY:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:
SHRI KAMAL NATH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in its Financial Stability Report has

warned that the gross Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) of banks are likely to rise from 15.6 per cent as on March 2018 to 16.3 per cent as on March 2019 under the current macro-economic scenario, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether on the basis of such report of the RBI, the Government has taken any steps to bring down/check NPAs of banks, if so, the details thereof along with the number of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) included in the list of monitoring mechanism of the RBI due to NPAs;

(c) whether the Government propose to issue a white paper on the economic situation in the country, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has prepared/proposes to prepare a roadmap to bring PSBs out of the crisis of NPA, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures being taken to prevent further deterioration of the banks and the shift of customers from banks to other Non-banking financial institution (NBFCs)?

Malnutrition among Women and Children

1818. DR. KULAMANI SAMAL:
SHRI PANKAJ
CHAUDHARY:
SHRI A.P. JITHENDER
REDDY:
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:
SHRI PRATAPRAO
JADHAV:
SHRIMATI NEELAM
SONKER:
DR. BANSHILAL
MAHATO:

SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:
SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN
YADAV:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women and children suffering from malnutrition in the country, particularly in tribal, rural and backward/hilly areas indicating the outcome of study/survey, if any, conducted in this regard, State/UT-wise along with the reasons therefor;

(b) whether India's rank has slipped in comparison to other countries in terms of prevalence of malnutrition as per the Global Nutrition Report, 2016 and Global Hunger Index Report, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the details of schemes implemented by the Government to tackle the problem of malnutrition along with the funds allocated/released and utilised thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, scheme and State/UT-wise;

(d) the details of impact of schemes in the reduction of malnutrition during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether the Government plans to revisit its policies to ensure that the earmarked funds reach the targeted population and achieve the objectives of reduction in malnutrition; and

(f) the further measures taken by the Government to make the country free from malnutrition?

Cancer Cases

- †1819. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:
SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH BHOLE:
SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:
DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:
SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of various types of cancer and related deaths are on the rise in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the number of such cases and deaths reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) the schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government for prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer in the country especially for the poor people of the country;

(d) whether the Government has launched/proposed any programme to spread awareness about various types of cancer including prostate cancer if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to set up more cancer hospitals and institutes in the country, if so,

State/UT-wise details thereof along with such hospitals/institutes functioning in the country; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government for early detection and affordable treatment of cancer?

Prescribing of Generic Drugs

1820. SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN:
SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO(AVANTHI):
SHRI MOHD. SALIM:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:
SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:
SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is making it mandatory for doctors to prescribe generic medicines and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received any complaints in which doctors have refused to prescribe generic medicine to the patient and if so, the details thereof along with action taken thereon;

(c) whether doctors are reluctant to prescribe generic drugs for want of quality assurance and if so, the steps taken to assure the quality of generic drugs;

(d) whether some of the doctors' community are against this regulation, if so, the reasons therefor; and

PAN Card Services

- †1822. SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:
DR. K. GOPAL:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:
SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tax department has launched instant PAN card services, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the services would be free of cost and only available for Aadhaar card holders, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to do away with the mandatory declaration of father's name in PAN card and make it optional, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to prepare a separate application form for PAN card for children of divorced women, single or separated mothers, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the above changes are likely to be implemented?

Finance Scheme for New Entrepreneurs

1823. SHRI VINOD LAKHAMASHI CHAVDA:
SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

(e) whether the Government is also contemplating to bring a law requiring doctors to prescribe generic drugs and if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said law is likely to be enacted?

Purchase of Drugs under CGHS

1821. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:
SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO(AVANTHI):
SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the provision of making indent for local purchase of medicines is being allowed in various units of Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) *i.e.* Allopathy, Ayurveda, Homoeopathy and Unani etc. and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is no provision for making indent for local purchase of medicines in CGHS Siddha Unit, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Union Government has any proposal to include special provision to make indent for local purchase in CGHS Siddha Unit, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether CGHS Ayurvedic dispensaries are not stocking essential medicines like S-compound, Rumasyl oil, etc., including dispensary in North Avenue and if so, the reasons therefor?

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced any finance scheme for the new entrepreneurs in India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Regulation of ART Clinics

1824. SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Guidelines for Accreditation, Supervision and Regulation of ART clinics in the country;

(b) whether commercial surrogacy is being carried on across the country despite advisory of the Union Government not to support the same;

(c) if so, the number of cases that have come to the notice of the Government during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise along with the action taken by the Government in such cases so far; and

(d) the number of complaints regarding pre-natal sex determination tests being carried out at ART clinics in the country that have come to the notice of the Government during the said period?

Implementation of CSR

1825. SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:

SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
KUNWAR
BHARATENDRA:
SHRI VINOD
LAKHAMASHI
CHAVDA:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has the details of the CSR fund used for the social cause of the society in last four years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has no role to keep a check on spending of mandatory profit under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) by Public and Private Sector Companies in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the manner in which the Government unearthed clandestine activities adopted by the companies to get rid of their mandatory spending under CSR;

(d) the number of companies against which the Government has taken penal action for non-compliance of the provisions of the companies Act, 2013 pertaining to CSR during each of the last four years and the current year, Company-wise; and

(e) the details of the funds spent on various projects by the said companies under their CSR during the said period, Project-wise?

Cultivation of Natural Herbs

1826. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA
BAMA:
SHRI K.N.
RAMACHANDRAN:

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is working on micro levels particularly in cities and IT parks to conduct Awareness Programmes on women related issues and to curb crime against women like sexual harassment, molestations, stalking and cyber abuse etc.;

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

(c) whether the Government has signed any MoU with International Agencies and Non-Profit Organizations to create awareness on the burning issues affecting women and children and to curb the crime against women; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the total funds allocated for the same during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise?

Malnutrition Deaths

1828. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD
DATTA:
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
SHRI B.V. NAIK:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR
PANDEY:

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 deaths of children due to malnutrition in the country in recent years;

(b) if so, the number of children reported dead due to malnutrition during the last three years in the country, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand;

SHRI PR. SENTHIL
NATHAN:
SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN
R.K.:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken adequate measures to promote the cultivation of Natural herbs and rare medicinal plants in the country and also to produce herbs and medicinal plants from sea;

(b) if so, the details thereof and funds allocated during each of the last three years along with the herbs/medicinal plants cultivated, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has provided funds and support for the Research and Developments facilities to Tamil Nadu; and

(d) if so, the details thereof during the said period?

Awareness Programmes on Women Related Issues

1827. SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN
R.K.:
SHRI K.N.
RAMACHANDRAN:
SHRIMATI V. SATHYA
BAMA:
SHRI PR. SENTHIL
NATHAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

(c) whether the Government has made any specific task force to visit the vulnerable areas to identify the risk groups and find a solution of malnutrition there, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) has conducted any study/investigation to ascertain the reasons of such deaths, if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has identified the areas having high burden of malnutrition in the country to address the issue of malnutrition and if so, the details thereof?

Testing of Foodgrains by FSSAI

1829. SHRI G.M.
SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of procedure followed by the FSSAI to test foodgrains distributed under PDS system along with the number of times FSSAI has tested foodgrains distributed under PDS, State/ UT-wise?

Oil Spills Disaster

1830. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of incidents of oil spills disaster which had occurred in the Indian Ocean during the last four years;

(b) whether the Government has prepared any policy for tackling/handling the incidents of oil spillage in the Indian waters for prevention of damage to the flora and aquatic life cycle and if so, the salient features along with the details of the policy thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor along with any ongoing proposal of the Government to have such policy in the future;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any survey as to estimate the environmental damage which has been done because of the oil spillages and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Rules/Guidelines for Adoption of Children

†1831. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to amend rules/guidelines for adoption of children;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which rules/guidelines are likely to be issued in this regard; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to appoint any agency or nodal officer at local level (district) to implement the law effectively and if so, the details thereof?

Banks Board Bureau

†1832. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU
JADHAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Banks Board Bureau (BBB) has stated that the Government is silent on the recommendations made for improvement in Public Sector Banks (PSBs) facing the problem of bad loans;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the Government is likely to implement the recommendations made for improvement in the PSBs; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Labelling of Contents in Food Products

1833. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the FSSAI had issued draft notice for making label mandatory for products containing 5 per cent or more GM ingredients; and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the draft proposes red colour code for high fat, sugar and salt products where the value of energy from sugar is more than 10 per cent of the total energy provided in the product;

(c) whether there are similar provisions for trans fat and sodium content, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether it is also true that the draft proposes that nutritional information may

additionally be provided as a bar code and if so, the details thereof?

Tax Exemption Slab

†1834. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to raise the tax exemption slab considering the steep rise in cost of living due to inflation;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Default Norms by RBI

1835. SHRI A.
ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether more than 4,000 borrowers with outstanding loans of Rs. 1.2 lakh crore have defaulted under the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) one day default norms as on April 30, 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the RBI circular stipulates the banks to classify borrowers as defaulters if their repayments are late even by a day, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the RBI has received any report about the non-compliance of the said circular by any Public Sector Banks; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Animals Electrocuted

1836. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more animals are falling prey to electric lines in farmlands, plantations, around human settlements, etc;

(b) if so, the total number of animals electrocuted during the last year and the current year;

(c) whether any guidelines have been issued by the Centre to the States in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the State Governments for violation, if any, of those guidelines due to which animals fell prey to electric lines?

Growth of Bank Deposits

1837. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the growth of bank deposits fell to a five decades low in 2017-18 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the extent to which demonetisation, mutual funds, insurance, etc., impacted the bank deposit;

(c) the reaction of the Government with regard to such a trend; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to improve deposit rate in banks?

Banking Facility in Gram Panchayats

†1838. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of gram panchayats and villages having banking facilities, State/UT-wise particularly in Maharashtra;

(b) the details of the scheme to provide banking facility in those villages not having such facilities; and

(c) the modalities employed to implement Direct Benefit Transfer in the accounts of the beneficiaries?

Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi

1839. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi Scheme (RANS) is being implemented in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated/utilized during the last three years; and

(c) whether the public is not aware about the benefits of RANS unlike Prime Minister's National Relief Fund and if so,

the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase awareness among the people about RANS?

Elimination of Measles by 2020

1840. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to eliminate measles from the country by 2020, if so, the details thereof along with steps taken to achieve the target;

(b) the number of deaths reported due to measles in the country during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether as per the report of WHO the measles cases in the country has dropped by 43 percent in a year, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of immunization programmes launched by the Government during the last three years, State/UT-wise?

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