

## LOK SABHA

### List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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

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

**Total Number of Questions — 230**

#### Training Camps for Farmers

1151. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to work towards giving practical shape to Zero Budget Natural Farming (ZBNF) for which NITI Aayog will provide all assistance and organised a national conference in this regard very recently in the capital;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to organise training camps for farmers to shift towards natural agriculture which protects soil from degradation, help in retaining soil fertility and is climate-change resilient; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Rising Rate of Acquittals

1152. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rate of acquittals in criminal cases is on the rise over the years;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years;

(c) whether the lack of a law to protect witness is the main reason behind such acquittals; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to bring in such a law and plug the gaps in the criminal justice system?

#### Contribution of Fisheries and Aquaculture

1153. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Indian fisheries and aquaculture sector contributes to nearly 6.3 per cent of global fish production and livelihood of nearly 4 million are dependent on this sector;

(b) whether the Government is aware that there exists a great potential in the aquaculture sector, especially as a source of major exports, due to the coastline of 7,517 km and an extensive river and canal system of about 195.210 km and pond tank resources estimated at 2.36 million hectare;

(c) whether the Government is aware that there is an urgent need to give specialized attention and investment to utilise the immense potential in the fisheries and aquaculture sector;

(d) if so, whether the Government is willing to establish a separate Ministry of fisheries;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Jan Aushadi Kendras

†1154. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any irregularities or cases of misconduct in the distribution of generic medicines through the Jan Aushadi Kendras have come to the notice of the Government;

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

(c) whether any proposal for reviewing the prices of generic medicines has been received from private hospitals; and

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

#### Global Hunger Index

1155. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of the eliminating measures taken by the Government to end Hunger in India to achieve “United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 2”, since the publication of “Global Hunger Index 2018”?

#### Petroleum, Chemicals and Petrochemicals Sector

1156. SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Governments for assistance to develop/establish petroleum, chemicals and petrochemicals sector;

(b) if so, the details of proposals received from the States along with the status of these proposals, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any policy/schemes for assistance to promote/

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establish petroleum, chemicals and petrochemicals sector in the States; and

(d) if not, whether the Government is planning/considering to launch any scheme of assistance for promotion of petroleum, chemicals and petrochemicals sector?

#### **Agricultural Skill Development**

†1157. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to give priority to train rural farmers through National Skill Development Agency (NSDA) for setting up small scale industries based on food products, fruits and vegetables;

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

(c) whether the Government would take any decision in this regard to enable the farmers to increase their income and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Restriction on Sentinel Island**

1158. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Sentinel Island inhabited by a hostile tribe, is off-limits for all persons including foreigners and tourists and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the tribes of the Island choose to remain and live in isolation for centuries and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether by allowing visit of tourists, the visitors can infect the tribes with bacteria and other viruses which may exterminate their existence and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether of late, a US national in a spirit of misadventure attempted to land in Sentinel Island in Andaman and Nicobar Islands to communicate with the aboriginal Sentinelese tribes leading to his being killed by the hostile tribe and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Lowering the Cost of Agri-Production**

†1159. SHRI SHER SINGH GHUBAYA:

SHRI PASHUPATI NATH SINGH:

DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to take measures to lower the cost of agricultural production;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the schemes and equipments by means of which it is proposed to achieve the said objective; and

(d) the details thereof, scheme-wise?

#### **Atrocities by Police**

1160. SHRI D.K. SURESH:  
SHRI NALIN KUMAR  
KATEEL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that incidents of police brutality, which includes beating suspects and caste-based discrimination etc., are on the rise in the country;

(b) if so, the number of such incidents reported and the action taken against the guilty police officials during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government is aware that common people are afraid that police officials would misuse their power, act with brutality, beat suspects and indulge in other types of discrimination;

(d) if so, whether the Government has conducted any investigation in this regard including such complaints against police officials; and

(e) if so, the action taken against such errant police officials and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Pricing of Essential Medicines**

1161. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the methodology adopted to fix the price of essential medicines;

(b) the likely impact on the prices of essential medicines due to the new drug policy;

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure that doctors in

private clinic are prescribing medicines from the National List of Essential medicines;

(d) whether the Government has taken steps to implement the Supreme Court directive to stick to cost-based pricing formula; and

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

#### **Assistance for FPI**

†1162. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided assistance to Food Processing Industries (FPI) in Maharashtra during the last two years and the current year;

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

(c) whether the Government has fixed any time limit for accepting the proposals and providing assistance;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has taken any steps to reduce the prescribed time limit and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Re-stamping of Medicines**

1163. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that expired medicines were sold by re-stamping them as unexpired in many parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government had ordered any inquiry in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### UN Report on India's Milk and Wheat Production

1164. SHRI ASHOK  
SHANKARRAO  
CHAVAN;  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH  
SINGH;  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR;  
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN;  
SHRI T.  
RADHAKRISHNAN;  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the report by UN and OECD, India will be the World's largest milk producer and will have the biggest increase in wheat production by 2026;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with other aspects mentioned in the report;

(c) the details of the total investment likely to be made for strengthening dairy infrastructure in the country during the said period;

(d) whether the Government has submitted a proposal for availing loan from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) for creating or strengthening dairy infrastructure across the country;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the response of the JICA in this regard; and

(f) whether the Government has plans to modify/expand old milk and milk production plants created 20-30 years ago and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this direction?

#### Wastage of Fruits and Vegetables

1165. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:  
Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any national level data on the volume of fruits and vegetables which go waste in the absence of processing infrastructure and if so, the details thereof, for the last three years, State-wise; and

(b) whether the Government is taking any concrete steps to address the aforesaid issue and if so, the details thereof?

#### Social Security to Senior Citizens

†1166. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:  
Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to come up with a legislation/proposes to bring any legislation to provide social security to the senior citizens of the country including payment of pension and providing housing facilities and medical care;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Condition of Jails and Observation Homes

1167. SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government's attention has been drawn to the observation made by two Supreme Court judges regarding the primeval condition in jails and observation homes where undertrial prisoners and children are housed;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures being taken to improve the condition in the prisons and observation homes in the Capital?

#### Survey on Substandard Drugs

1168. SHRI KUNDARIYA  
MOHAN BHAI  
KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a recent survey has indicated a fall in substandard drugs being sold in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the major findings of the survey, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to strengthen the monitoring mechanism to check substandard/fake drugs; and

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

#### Composite Regional Centre

†1169. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to grant administrative and financial approval for opening composite regional centre in Rajasthan State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### RAF Battalions

1170. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned a total of five battalions of the Rapid Action Force (RAF) along with their new bases;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the total number of RAF battalions in the country is 15 at present; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Construction of Houses

†1171. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR  
HANSDAK:  
SHRI RAM TAHAL  
CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses constructed under Urban Housing Schemes till now in the State of Jharkhand, city-wise;

(b) the areas/locations in Jharkhand where houses are being constructed;

(c) the number of people benefited under this scheme, city-wise;

(d) the number of complaints received pertaining to construction/allocation in the urban housing schemes during the last three years; and

(e) the action taken thereon by the Government?

#### **Shrinkage of Cultivable Land and Migration of Farmers**

†1172. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:  
DR. BANSHILAL  
MAHATO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of cultivable land in the country at present, out of the total land in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether small farmers/agriculture workers/agriculture labourers are heading towards urban areas due to the shrinking cultivable land in various parts of the country;

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

(d) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(e) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the cultivable land, agricultural production

and check the exodus of agriculture labourers towards the urban areas?

#### **Funds for SC Students**

1173. SHRI ANURAG SINGH  
THAKUR:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated and utilized for education of Scheduled Caste students in the State of Himachal Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the time by which the balance amount of Rs. 12560.48 lakh would be released by the Government; and

(c) the details of the other schemes/initiatives undertaken by the Government for providing educational opportunities to the SC students?

#### **Delhi Metro**

†1174. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA  
KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the time by which the work relating to the third phase of the Delhi Metro is likely to be completed;

(b) whether the Government is working on the fourth phase regarding expansion of Delhi Metro rail and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the location of the last station on Dwarka-Najafgarh metro line in the third phase of the Delhi Metro; and

(d) the time by which this line is likely to become operational for the public?

#### **National Building Construction Corporation**

1175. DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
DR. HEENA  
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA  
SULE:  
SHRI DHANANJAY  
MAHADIK:  
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL  
VIJAYSINH  
SHANKARRAO:  
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of housing units being constructed by the National Building Construction Corporation (NBCC) in various parts of the country;

(b) the present status of the housing units being constructed by NBCC along with the budgetary amount allocated and spent so far, State-wise including Government housing colonies being developed in Delhi;

(c) the time by which these housing units are likely to be completed/constructed;

(d) whether any agreement has been signed between NBCC and any foreign country to develop a social housing project and if so, the details thereof along with the total cost of the project;

(e) the number of housing units likely to be constructed by the NBCC as per the said agreement; and

(f) the details of the other projects being undertaken by NBCC in different foreign countries?

#### **Crop Damage Due to Unseasonal Rain**

1176. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU  
JADHAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that around 400 villages, most of them in Amrawati, Aurangabad and Nagpur districts were affected in the hail and unseasonal rain that lashed Maharashtra;

(b) whether the unseasonal rain and hail in western Vidarbha and Marathwada region caused significant crop damage to vegetables, wheat, bengal gram, jowar, safflower, oranges, grapes, mangoes and pomegranates and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take a sympathetic view in the matter and take steps to extend all possible help and financial assistance to the affected farmers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Sankalp se Siddhi**

1177. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

संसदीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any step under 'Sankalp se Siddhi' for building a New India by 2022; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Agricultural Income**

1178. SHRI SISIR KUMAR  
ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the average growth rate of agricultural income has come down from 4.2 per cent to 3.7 per cent during the last four years period;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government thereon;

(c) whether it is also a fact that average agricultural growth over the past four years has been at its lowest since the beginning of economic reforms; and

(d) if so, the proposal of the Government to take the agricultural income over 4.5 per cent?

#### **Diesel Subsidy for Drought affected Areas**

1179. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA  
RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide subsidy on diesel in drought affected districts of various States in the country particularly in Odisha due to

sub-normal monsoon during the current year; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the diesel subsidy scheme is likely to be introduced?

#### **Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund**

1180. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Government has launched a fund titled Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said fund would provide soft loans to modernise and raise the capacity of dairy cooperatives; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Cyber Police Stations**

1181. SHRI DUSHYANT  
CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any plan of action for establishment of cyber police stations and cyber crime cells along with additional courts to deal with cyber crimes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has instructed the State Governments for

setting up of separate cyber police stations; and

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

#### **Coaches in Metro Trains**

†1182. SHRI CHANDRAKANT  
KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether metro trains having six coaches are still in operation on several routes of the Delhi metro;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has decided to replace six coach metro trains by eight coach metro trains on all crowded routes;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which all the metro trains running on crowded routes like Vaishali-Dwarka and Noida-Dwarka are likely to be converted into eight coach metro trains?

#### **Mobile Application for Farmers**

1183. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning any mobile application in a bid to use technology for the benefit of farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the farmers get information on farm subsidies, booking of farm equipment and related infrastructure, crop insurance and subsidies;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether any of the States has implemented such systems; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Cold Storage**

†1184. SHRI JANARDAN  
MISHRA:

SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating any scheme to utilise technologies like satellite technology to construct cold storages in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of storages apart from cold storages, where the said technology is likely to be utilised?

#### **Restricted Area Permit for A&N Island**

1185. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:  
SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:  
SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has excluded North Sentinel Island and 28 others in the Union Territory from the Restricted

Area Permit (RAP) regime till December 31, 2022 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether lifting of RAP implies that foreigners could be allowed to visit these Islands without permission from the Government and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government may consider reimposing restrictions that require foreigners to obtain special permits to visit protected Island in Andaman and Nicobar housing uncontacted, aboriginal tribes, if pressed by experts and the National Commission for Scheduled Tribe (NCST) which first opposed relaxation of restricted-area-permit regime in August and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is true that the doing away with restricted area permit for foreigners to visit North Sentinel Island by the Government had nothing to do with the killing of a foreigner recently; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Setting up of Krishi Vigyan Kendras

†1186. DR. KRISHAN PRATAP:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal to set up Krishi Vigyan Kendras under Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya in various districts including Jaunpur of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has approved the setting up of Krishi Vigyan Kendra only in one district while the approval for the remaining centres is still pending;

(d) if so, whether the Government has fixed timelimit for granting approval for setting up of the remaining Krishi Vigyan kendras; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Growth of Chemical Industry Industry

1187. ADV. M.

UDHAYAKUMAR:

SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the country's chemical industry is expected to grow at around 9 per cent per annum to reach US \$ 304 billion by the financial year 2025 from US \$ 163 billion in the financial year 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the growth is likely to be driven by rising demand in end use segments for speciality chemicals and petrochemicals intermediates;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is also true that the domestic chemical industry attracted FDI investment of US \$ 1.3 billion in the financial year 2018 which is about 3% of the total FDI inflow and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the domestic chemical industry's growth is largely driven by the country's consumption growth story and if so, the details thereof?

#### Loss due to Natural Disasters

1188. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether hundreds of people were killed and over thousands of crores of rupees was lost due to natural disasters in the recent decades;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has developed adequate mechanism to save lives and prevent damage to economies and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has taken steps to identify the most vulnerable populations and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has collected any Data on these communities and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government is taking steps to evolve an effective mechanism to save the lives of people and control the damage to economy due to natural disasters and if so, the steps being taken in this regard?

#### National Policy on Marine Fisheries

1189. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA: KUMARI SHOBHA

KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has notified the 'National Policy on Marine

Fisheries, 2017' and if so, the details thereof, including the salient features and the objectives of the Policy;

(b) whether the Government has included a sub-component "Assistance for Deep-Sea Fishing" under Blue Revolution and if so, the amount allocated during the year 2018-19 ;

(c) the estimated fish production in the country during the year 2017;

(d) the measures taken to adopt reforms towards responsible and sustainable fisheries to optimally utilize fishery resources;

(e) whether the Government has included 'Mariculture' under Blue Revolution Scheme; and

(f) the objectives of setting up of National Fisheries Development Board?

#### Interest on Housing Loan

†1190. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any rebate on interest on housing loan on purchase/construction of houses is being provided by the Union Government in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of persons benefited in Gujarat in this regard during the last three years?

#### Ration Shops

1191. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to popularize the ration shops under PDS system in the country;

(b) whether there are any plans at present aimed to improve the stock portfolio of ration shops and thereby making them more accessible to consumers; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Welfare Schemes for Deaf and Dumb Students**

1192. SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Government schemes available for the deaf and dumb students, both boys and girls in the country;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to encourage the deaf and dumb students to take up study along with other welfare measures from class I till Under Graduate/ Post Graduate or any professional courses; and

(c) the details of schools available for deaf and dumb students in the country, State/UT-wise?

#### **Functioning of CFSL**

1193. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL) and State Forensic Science Laboratory (SFSL) functioning in the country till date;

(b) the total funds allocated for the laboratories and the total number of vacancies yet to be filled;

(c) the average number of references made to a central laboratory in a month; and

(d) whether all the forensic laboratories are equipped with high end technology for assessment of DNA and other testing etc. and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Setting up of State Human Rights Commission**

1194. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether State Human Rights Commissions on the lines of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) have been set up by all the States and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the number of complaints received and the rate of pendency have increased in NHRC during each of the last three years and the current year, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the number of cases in which NHRC has recommended compensation along with the number of such cases in

which compensation has actually been paid to the victims during the said period, State-wise; and

(d) the corrective steps being taken by the Government for timely payment of compensation awarded by NHRC?

#### **Bureau of Indian Standards**

1195. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the activities of Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the new initiatives of the Government on the Effective Implementation of the provisions of new BIS Act, 2016;

(c) whether the Government has reviewed issues related to improvement in core activities of the BIS and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the core activities and objectives of setting up of BIS and the new thrust areas identified By BIS; and

(e) the physical and financial achievements of product certification scheme of BIS?

#### **Houses under PMAY**

1196. SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether various States have submitted project proposals for construction of houses under PMAY to the Government;

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

(c) whether the Government has granted approval for these projects; and

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

#### **Bio-fertilizer Production**

1197. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of bio-fertilizer production units operating in various States of the country along with their installed capacity, as on date, State-wise including Kerala;

(b) the details of the actual production in each of the said unit during the last two years;

(c) the details of the monitoring system to maintain a check on the quality of bio-fertilizers being sold in the country; and

(d) the details of incentives being provided by the Government for the production and encouraging the use of bio-fertilizers in the country?

#### **Sewage Treatment Plants**

1198. SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA:

SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) constructed/under construction during the last three years out of the total STPs proposed to be constructed during the same period, State-wise;

(b) the total number of STPs constructed under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) till October, 2018, State-wise;

(c) the additional sewage treatment capacity added through STPs constructed under the said scheme during the above period; and

(d) whether the gap between sewage generation and sewage treatment capacity still exists in the urban areas and if so, the action plan of the Government in this regard?

#### Irregularities in PMS

1199. SHRIMATI P.K.

SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that there are scams under the schemes of post-matric scholarships for Scheduled Caste and Other Backward Classes students;

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

(c) the corrective steps taken by the Government to prevent such scams/irregularities?

#### Empowerment of Economically Backward Classes

1200. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the special schemes related to educational empowerment of Economically Backward Classes people in Delhi;

(b) the concessional loans and subsidies granted for Self-Employment of such people in Delhi during the last four years; and

(c) the Scholarships and Skill Training provided to Economically Backward Classes students in Delhi during the said period?

#### Hacking of NSG Website

†1201. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALLIAS HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employees in the National Security Guard (NSG) at present;

(b) whether some time ago, some hackers had hacked the website of the NSG and posted objectionable comments against India on the website; and

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

#### Fertilizer Import

†1202. SHRI DHARAMBIR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the various fertilizers imported during each of the last three years and the current year along with the quantity and prices, fertilizer-wise;

(b) the names of countries from where import has been made, company-wise;

(c) whether the import has been done due to the scarcity of fertilizers in the country; and

(d) if so, whether the quality of the fertilizers being imported is tested at any level and if so, the details thereof?

#### Selling of Counterfeits by e-Commerce Companies

1203. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV: SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether one in five products sold by e-Commerce companies is fake, according to a survey by local circles, a private local social network;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has issued/proposes to issue guidelines to e-Commerce companies selling counterfeit products to provide full refund to the customers and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering to impose heavy fines on such e-Commerce companies so as to check sale of counterfeit products in the future and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to ensure accountability of e-Commerce companies and authenticity of products sold by them?

#### Extraction of Fuel from Surplus Agricultural Produce

1204. SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT: SHRI RAJESH KUMAR DIWAKER:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has extended the ambit of the Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) programme to extract fuel from surplus quantities of maize, jowar, bajra and fruit/vegetable waste and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made any strategy for the easy procurement of surplus quantities of maize, jowar, bajra and fruit/vegetable waste from the farmers and if so, the details thereof along with the MSP if any, fixed for the same;



(c) whether the Government is planning to open special counters/centers to procure surplus quantities of maize, jowar, bajra and fruit/vegetable waste and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) whether the Government has fixed any target for the purchase of surplus quantities of maize, jowar, bajra and fruit/vegetable waste from the farmers and if so, the details thereof?

#### **New Rakes for Urea**

†1205. DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to create new rakes of urea in the country;

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

(c) the number of rakes of urea in the country at present, State-wise including Jharkhand?

#### **Venture Capital Fund**

1206. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects assisted under the Scheme of Venture Capital Fund for Scheduled Castes (SCs) during the period of 2015-18;

(b) the number of women entrepreneurs benefited under the scheme and the types of projects supported during the said period, State-wise;

(c) the details of challenges being encountered in the utilisation of funds for the scheme and the measures being taken to address the same, State-wise; and

(d) the other steps being taken by the Government to assist SC entrepreneurs?

#### **Setting up of NIPER**

1207. SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up any National Level Institute of Pharmaceutical Education Research (NIPER) in various States for the establishment of pharmaceutical units and focusing on the pharmaceutical sector;

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

(c) whether the Government has received any proposal for setting up of NIPER in Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which approval is likely to be accorded?

#### **National Livestock Mission**

1208. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated to various States by the Union Government during the last three years and the current year under the National Livestock Mission (NLM);

(b) whether the Government has received any proposal from the North East States to increase the sanctioned amount under NLM, if so, the response of the Union Government to the proposal;

(c) whether the Government has set up NLM from scheme mode to mission mode;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the objective behind the move; and

(e) the status of implementation of NLM, State-wise?

#### **Flagship Programmes**

1209. SHRI BHEEMRAO B. PATIL:  
DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) including flagship programmes being implemented in the Ministry at present; and

(b) the details of targets and allocations made, scheme-wise, funds allocated, disbursed and utilized under these schemes during the last three years and the current year, State and UT-wise?

#### **Selling of Agricultural Produce at MSP**

1210. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to change the definition of the production cost from A2 + FL to C2 as recommended by the Swaminathan Commission when determining the MSP;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the MSP calculated by the CACP for the State of Punjab for the year 2018-19 up till now, district-wise; and

(d) the details of the difference between the MSP computed at C2 and the MSP computed at A2 by the Government for Punjab?

#### **Fencing of Borders**

1211. SHRI ABHIJIT MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of pendency in fencing of borders in the following zones/borders *i.e.* North-Western border of India, Eastern parts of India and North Eastern region of India; and

(b) the estimated date of completion of fencing of the said stretches of borders?

#### **Women's Role in Agriculture**

1212. SHRI K.R.P. PRABAKARAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to accord high priority to the recognition and mainstreaming of women's role in agriculture;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of funds allocation in this regard during the last three years?

### Rules under RERA

1213. SHRI ASADUDDIN  
OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some State Governments have diluted norms in their draft rules of Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act (RERA) keeping most of the uncompleted projects out of the ambit of law;

(b) if so, the names of such States;

(c) whether lakhs of home buyers have opposed this move of the State Governments and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether it is mandatory for the States to frame their rules under the ambit of RERA; and

(e) if so, the further instructions issued by the Government to the States in this regard and the legal action likely to be taken against those States going against RERA provisions?

### Foreign Investment for FPI

†1214. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of proposals for foreign investment for setting up food processing units in the country including the State of Jammu and Kashmir have been accepted during the last few years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the impact of this investment on domestic small food processing industries?

### Foodgrain Storage Capacity

1215. SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to augment grain storage capacity in the country;

(b) whether there are any plans for construction of FCI storage godowns in the State of Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the current grain storage capacity in the country and the current grain procurement done by FCI, State-wise; and

(d) the details of the storage cost incurred by the Government for storing different grains at its godowns?

### Slum Dwellings

1216. SHRI BADRUDDIN  
AJMAL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated number of houses and slum dwellings in urban areas as per the fresh survey of National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) along with the Socio-Religious category;

(b) whether any facility of basic infrastructures like road, power, drinking water, etc. has been provided in these dwelling areas as per NSSO and if so, the number of such dwelling areas where this facility has been provided in the country, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken any concrete steps for bringing improvement in the basic amenities to the people residing in slum dwellings and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any increase or decrease in the number of slum dwellings in Delhi and NCR; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, location and State-wise?

### MSP for Paddy

1217. SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH  
HOODA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the complaints by paddy farmers especially from Haryana about the sale of paddy below the MSPs in the Mandis and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the action taken/proposed by the Government to safeguard the farmers from distress selling immediately and in the long term;

(c) the details of quantum of paddy sold pre-maturely below the MSP, State/UT-wise;

(d) the details of the amount of loss incurred by farmers due to late purchases being made by Government agencies, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the details of the actual procurement of paddy in the Kharif Market Season (KMS) of 2015, 2016, 2017 and the targeted/Actual procurement of KMS 2018-19?

### Smart City Mission

1218. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Smart City strategy for achieving sustainability, efficiency and high quality of life;

(b) the plans to tackle problem of unemployment and urban poverty under Smart City Mission (SCM); and

(c) the details of strategy to tackle growing Traffic congestion under SCM?

### Reduction in Price of Fertilizers

1219. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representation to reduce the prices of fertilizers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/being taken by the Government thereon?

### Border Fencing

1220. SHRI S. SELVAKUMARA CHINNAYAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to erect fencing on the border throughout the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### Funds Claimed by FCI

†1221. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds claimed by the Food Corporation of India (FCI) as subsidy and the funds released by the Union Government during the last five years, year-wise; and

(b) the details of foodgrains allocated to Bihar during the years 2011-12 to 2016-17, year-wise?

### Cancellation of Land Allotment

1222. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government is considering to take back the lands from organisations and individuals allotted in the National Capital and in other urban areas in the country for violation of conditions on which the land was allotted;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has already issued notices for cancellation in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Hotline for Border Talks

1223. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Border Security Force (BSF) has opened a new hotline in Delhi to communicate with the Pakistan Rangers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether 12 BSF personnel had been killed along the 192 km international border in Jammu in the current year and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is also true that this was the highest death toll during the last five years; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

### Education of Farmers

†1224. SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to provide information to the farmers of the country particularly in Maharashtra on various topics such as diversity of crops to increase the income of the farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the new steps taken by the Government to assist the farmers to take up new occupations related to agriculture such as dairy farming and poultry and to provide information in this regard to double the income of farmers by the year 2022?

### Central Plantation Crops Research Institutes (CPCRI)

1225. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any record regarding number of Central Plantation Crops Research Institutes (CPCRI) functioning in the country and if so, the details, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government is planning to close down various CPCRIs including Kayumkulam centre in Alappuzha District in Kerala and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has received representation against the closing down of Kayumkulam Centre; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government in this regard?

### Proposals for Urban Development

†1226. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of urban development proposals sent by the State Government of Maharashtra to the Union Government during the last three years;

(b) the action taken by the Government on these proposals so far and the final outcome thereof; and

(c) the names of the cities developed/covered under this scheme and the works related to these schemes?

### Houses to Weaker Section

†1227. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people belonging to weaker sections of the society in Jharkhand to whom houses have been allocated under various schemes during the last three years;

(b) the number of people deprived of housing facility in Jharkhand at present; and

(c) the efforts being made by the Government to ensure that housing facility is available to all the people of Jharkhand by 2018?

### Wastage of Agricultural Produce

1228. SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the level of wastage of agricultural produces including milk, meat, fish, etc. in the country;

(b) the effectiveness of steps taken by the Government to prevent wastage of all types of agricultural produces in the country;

(c) whether any long term measures have been initiated/taken to fully stop wastage of agricultural produces in the country by identifying problem areas, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the schemes/programmes of the Union Government available for setting up of food processing/preservation units by individual farmers/fishermen etc.?

#### Consumption of Chemicals

1229. SHRI A.

ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the per capita consumption of chemicals in the country is 1/10th of the world's average with India being a low consumption country even among the developing nations;

(b) whether Indian chemical companies have started focusing on global markets for investments and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a need for India to set a target to become the third largest player in the next few years; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken up by the Government in this regard?

#### Awareness on NHRC

1230. SHRI P.K.

KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to educate vulnerable sections of the society particularly minorities and adivasis regarding the utility of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC);

(b) the details of programmes for the current year and the next year in this regard; and

(c) the steps being taken to vigorously spread those programmes to the minorities and adivasis?

#### BPL Cards for Homeless People

1231. DR. BOORA NARSAIAH

GOUD:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any provision for extending PDS benefits to homeless people who don't have any BPL card;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has a detailed list of all the BPL members in the country;

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

(e) whether any steps have been taken to digitize BPL and APL cards, if so, the details thereof?

#### Central Agricultural University

†1232. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up/develop Central Agricultural University in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Littering of Streets

1233. SHRI PRABHAKAR

REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any policy to penalize littering of streets and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is providing any funds to the States to improve the resources of the local municipal bodies;

(c) if so, the funds allocated/spent in this regard during the last three years, State-wise;

(d) the standard by which the Government would measure the progress in the cleanliness of cities in the country; and

(e) whether the Government would facilitate the partnership of international agencies in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

#### National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture

1234. SHRI PREM DAS RAI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the extent to which the requirement of National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture to enhance water use efficiency through application of technologies coupled with demand and supply side management solutions has been satisfied by the "Per drop more crop" component of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana; and

(b) whether the Government has taken steps to promote integrated farming system along with emphasis on integrated nutrient management practices, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Extension of NRC

1235. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to extend the National Register of Citizens (NRC) to States other than Assam; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### Procurement of Rice

1236. DR. PRABHAS KUMAR

SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a decline in the quantum of rice procured by the Government agencies and they are lagging behind the targets fixed for 2018-19 in different States;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the targets fixed and achieved along with the quantum procured by private agencies and the prices paid by the Government and private entrepreneurs, State and UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has also received complaints indicating irregularities in procurement affecting the farmers; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to ensure adequate procurement facilities so that farmers are able to get minimum support price for their produce?

**Guidelines for UDID Cards**

1237. SHRI RAJESHBHAI  
CHUDASAMA:  
SHRI G.M.  
SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether a committee was constituted to provide standard guidelines for the evaluation of disability for the issuance of Unique Disability Identity (UDID) cards and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has set any criteria for creating the three different slabs to measure disability and allot color coded UDID cards accordingly;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of benefits that the Government would give on the basis of these cards for the different slabs; and

(e) the specific steps being taken by the Government to expedite the matter?

**New Food Processing Units**

†1238. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR  
SINGH:  
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps are being taken to promote setting up food processing industries at locations other than mega food park locations;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the reasons for withdrawing the proposal for providing capital subsidy to food processing industries at locations other than mega food park locations?

**AMRUT Scheme**

1239. SHRI KONAKALLA  
NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study on the implementation of AMRUT scheme meant

for providing drinking water facility, waste management, development of greenery, etc. in the urban areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the quantum of financial assistance released and spent during the last three years and the achievements made thereof, particularly in the State of Andhra Pradesh?

**Funds for Welfare Schemes**

†1240. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI  
PAATLE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds earmarked for the Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme, Integrated Programme for Older Persons, Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse and Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchasing/Fitting of Aids/Appliances (ADIP) scheme during each of the last two years and the current year;

(b) the proposals with regard to funds sought by State Governments against the funds earmarked annually for each scheme;

(c) the amount of funds sanctioned and released for each scheme, year-wise;

(d) whether the State Governments would be adversely affected in case of non-approval of the Central grant; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the remaining proposed funds is likely to be released after sanctioning of the funds?

**Dependence on Imported Foodgrains**

†1241. SHRI ASHOK  
MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country has become dependent on imported foodgrains;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to make the country self-sufficient in foodgrains?

**Use of Banned Pesticides**

1242. SHRIMATI SAVITRI  
THAKUR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that certain banned pesticides are used for production and artificial ripening of fruits, vegetables and other crops which have an adverse impact on human health, soil and livestock;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study to identify the level of pesticide residues in the fruits, vegetables and other crops;

(d) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ban the use of harmful pesticides in the country?

**Financial Support to Small and Marginal Farmers**

1243. DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether financial support is provided to small and marginal farmers for loss of their crops and cattle in the event of flood in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details of financial support payable and paid per hectare to small and marginal farmers;

(c) whether there are separate compensation packages for irrigable and non-irrigable lands; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Allotment of Quarters

†1244. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether due to the redevelopment of certain Government colonies the Government has banned the allotment of Type-III quarters;

(b) if so, the number of Type-III quarters currently lying vacant in Delhi, colony-wise along with the time since when such quarters have remained vacant;

(c) whether revenue losses of crores of rupees is being incurred by the Government every year due to the non-occupancy of these quarters; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to check the annual revenue losses?

#### Peaceful Solution of Extremism

†1245. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of terrorism, extremism and naxalism have been curbed in the country during the last three years and if so, the details thereof, bordering area-wise;

(b) whether the Government is seriously considering any policy for peaceful solution of terrorism and naxalism in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide common amnesty to the naxalites/terrorists laying down arms and abjuring violence and to provide any fruitful resettlement package; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### MoU on Human Trafficking

1246. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India and Myanmar had held deliberations on a proposal to sign a Memorandum of Understanding on handling human trafficking with a focus on Rohingyas who are also victims of trafficking;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that there are nearly 40,000 Rohingya Muslims spread across India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Utilization of Nirbhaya Fund

†1247. SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been able to implement and utilise the Nirbhaya Fund adequately under the Central Victim Compensation Fund (CVCF) Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds utilised during the last three years and the current year;

(c) the details of the status of implementation thereof and the compensation provided for the victims of a crime, State-wise; and

(d) the details regarding non-utilisation or under-utilisation of the fund along with the details of the allocation under the (CVCF) to the States?

#### Nexus of NDMC Official with Mafia

†1248. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether mafia has encroached upon the footpaths under the jurisdiction of New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) and rent them out to shopkeepers in connivance with the high officials of NDMC and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has ascertained the reasons and facts in this regard;

(c) if so, the action taken in this regard and the outcome thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the reaction of the Government to the above said outcome?

#### Usage of Bio-fertilizers

†1249. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the usage of Bio-fertilizers has increased in the country during the last few years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the outcome with regard to the improvement in the health conditions of people owing to it;

(d) whether the Government proposes to take any action to minimise the use of chemical fertilizers in the country;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Coastal Police Stations

1250. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of coastal police stations presently functional in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the measures taken by the Government for strengthening coastal police stations and the amount extended to the coastal police stations during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up more coastal police stations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Differences in Wholesale and Retail Prices

†1251. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a huge difference in the prices of essential commodities in the wholesale and the retail markets;

(b) if so, the average difference thereof;

(c) whether there is huge difference even in the production cost and wholesale market price; and

(d) if so, the average difference of this type?

### Prison Reforms

1252. SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any measure to reform the country's century old system of prisons and bring changes in the criminal justice system;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken appropriate comprehensive measures to improve the conditions of prisons; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Wastage of Fruits and Vegetables

1253. SHRI K.N. RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that huge quantum of fruits and vegetables go waste in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the quantum of fruits and vegetables got wasted during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to control the transportation cost of fruits and vegetables, which have a lower shelf life; and

(d) the number of cold storage units the Government has acquired or established in the last three years?

### Gun License

1254. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN: SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has granted gun license to around 33.69 lakh people across the country as on date;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the criteria or procedure for issuing gun license to the individuals;

(c) the total number of persons issued gun license by the Union Government during the last three years, State-wise;

(d) whether the Union Government has any proposal to revamp the guidelines/procedures to issue new gun license and revalidation of gun license to the individuals and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the total number of new gun license and revalidation of gun license issued during the last three years, State-wise?

### ATR from States

1255. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received or sought Action Taken Reports (ATRs) from the State Governments on its advisory issued on 17th July, 2009 during the last three years;

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

(c) whether in the changed global terror scenario and in view of the requirement of police and prison reforms, the Union Government would initiate consultations with the State Governments to bring them on board to shape out a separate administration for prisons; and

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

### Insurance to Flood Affected Farmers of Kerala

1256. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers are satisfied with the current insurance schemes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government disbursed the insurance coverage and

financial support to farmers after recent floods in Kerala and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of funds given to farmers after floods in Kerala; and

(e) the details of pending amounts to be disbursed to farmers?

### Metro Line Projects

1257. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is supporting various Metro line projects of Rs. 1 lakh crore being implemented in Mumbai;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the financial assistance extended for such projects;

(c) whether the Government is obtaining financial loan from Japan for these projects and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details regarding the participation of the Government and the status of the construction of the said projects?

### Immoral Traffic Act

1258. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of persons arrested, with age and gender segregation, under Section 370 of the Indian Penal Code or the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1986 from 2013 to 2018;

(b) whether any research has been undertaken by the Government to study the impact of Section 370 of the Indian Penal Code on the women in prison and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether standard operating procedures has been adopted to ensure that women victims of trafficking or those involved in voluntary sex work are not arrested and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Torture in Prison**

1259. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER REDDY:

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

(a) the number and details of complaints filed in courts alleging torture in prisons in the country since January 2014 till June 2018, State-wise;

(b) the number of such cases resolved, State-wise; and

(c) the details of the action taken against the guilty persons?

#### **Quality of Foodgrain Stocks**

†1260. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether old and substandard quality foodgrain stocks are maintained in godowns across the country;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to dispose of the said stock;

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

(e) the total quantum of old stock of wheat and rice disposed of during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

#### **Violence at Place of Worship**

1261. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government collects any data on violence at places of worship belonging to religious minorities; and

(b) if so, the number of cases of attacks on places of worship belonging to religious minorities during the last three years, State-wise?

#### **Substandard Bottled Mineral Water**

†1262. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the complaints have been received by the Government from the non-licensed companies engaged in the production and sale of sub-standard quality of bottled drinking water/mineral water during the last two years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken so far against such companies?

#### **Misleading Advertisements**

1263. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI) has been receiving complaints regarding misleading, false and unsubstantiated claims in advertisements;

(b) if so, the details of such complaints during the last three years and the action taken against these complaints along with the present status thereof; and

(c) the details regarding complaints received against companies selling natural/herbal products in respect of such advertisements and the action taken along with the present status of the complaints, date-wise?

#### **Revenue from Fertilizer Plants**

1264. SHRI SIRAJUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to collect revenue by auctioning of various equipment etc. of closed chemical and fertilizer plants under the Ministry and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to revive/reopen the said units/plants which are lying sick/closed;

(c) if so, the action/steps taken so far and the time by which these plants are likely to be revived/made functional; and

(d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide feedstock for chemical and fertilizer plants and also to increase the production of chemicals in the country, State/UT-wise?

#### **Religious Conversion**

†1265. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether with the assistance of foreign funds some Non-Governmental Organizations are involved in religious conversion;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any concrete and effective steps to control the same; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be done?

#### **Illegal Infiltration**

1266. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that 100 crore infiltrators had entered into the country and are depriving the people of the country of their benefits;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to push them back to their original place?



**NRC in Assam**

1267. SHRI DIBYENDU  
ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Register of Citizens (NRC) Assam has failed to prove the citizenship rights to legal claimants;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that since the last few years the Union Government has issued election authority to the people, who are now are called/identified as "illegal immigrants";

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Government is in fear of minority veto in electoral process and thus NRC has lost its moral ground thereof; and

(d) if so, the plan of the Government to redress the problem on humanitarian ground?

**Show Cause Notices to NGOs**

1268. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR  
DIWAKER:  
ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV  
SAWAIKAR:  
SHRIMATI SANTOSH  
AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued show cause notices to several NGOs for not submitting mandatory annual income and expenditure statement on foreign funding for the period up to six year and if so, the details of the defaulting organisations, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has prepared any action plan to tackle the defaulters, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government proposes to cancel the FCRA licences of the defaulting NGOs after giving them adequate number of reminders;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of licences of such NGOs cancelled during the last three years and the current year; and

(e) whether the Government has any data regarding the total number of NGOs registered with the Government during the said period and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

**DNA Profiling**

†1269. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to make arrangement for DNA profiling for the investigation of crimes, identifying the missing persons and strengthening the judicial system;

(b) if so, whether the Government has fixed any time limit to make the said system fully operational; and

(c) if so, the details of the benefits likely to accrue from DNA profiling?

**Status of Physiotherapists**

1270. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:  
DR. K. KAMARAJ:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of physiotherapists employed by the Ministry including in Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs), allied offices and autonomous organisations;

(b) the details of recruitment rules for physiotherapists in the said organisations;

(c) whether an uniform recruitment rule and procedure is being adopted for the said recruitments;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of the recommendations of the 7th Pay Commission with respect to physiotherapists and the pay scale given by the Ministry at the entry level presently; and

(f) the reasons for giving lower pay scales to the physiotherapists in the CAPFs e.g. CRPF and ITBP?

**International Cooperation on Disaster Management**

1271. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED  
BASHEER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of the steps taken by the Government in developing international cooperation in disaster management?

**Starvation Deaths**

†1272. PROF. RAVINDRA  
VISHWANATH  
GAIKWAD:  
SHRI JITENDRA  
CHAUDHURY:  
SHRI CHANDRAKANT  
KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of death due to starvation in the country have come to the notice of the Government;

(b) if so, the details of people died due to starvation during the last three years, State/UT-wise, particularly Jharkhand;

(c) the concrete steps taken/being taken /likely to be taken by the Government to deal with starvation in the country;

(d) whether India ranks at 115th among 119 countries in Global Hunger Index; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Aged Persons**

†1273. SHRIMATI BHAVANA  
PUNDALIKRAO  
GAWALI PATIL:  
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI  
TUMANE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of aged persons in the country at present and the number of Government aided old age homes being run in the country for them;

(b) the manner in which the said aged persons are being taken care of; and

(c) whether the Government provides any pension to the said aged persons as they have no means of livelihood and if so, the details thereof?

### Merger of Manipur State

1274. DR. THOKCHOM  
MEINYA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the erstwhile Manipur State was merged with the Union of India under a Merger Agreement in 1949 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the said Merger Agreement was rejected by the then Manipur State Assembly;

(c) if so, whether the Merger Agreement was ratified by the then Parliament of India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### National Register of Citizens

1275. SHRI JITENDRA  
CHAUDHURY:

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

(a) the salient features of National Register of Citizens (NRC) system;

(b) the number of minority people Stateless rendered under this programme;

(c) the names of States that are covered under this programme; and

(d) the further action being taken by the Government in this regard?

### LoP for Foreign Fishing Vessels

1276. SHRI N.K.  
PREMACHANDRAN:

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

(a) whether the Government has received report of the seven member committee headed by S. Ayyappan, Former Director General of Indian Council of Agricultural Research regarding the LoP of hi-tech foreign fishing vessels;

(b) if so, the details of the report and recommendations of the Committee;

(c) whether the Government initiated action against the foreign trawlers which obtained LoP for deep sea fishing and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government initiated action on the basis of the notice received from the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala directing to comply with the directions of the Court WP (c) No. 28818/16 and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to initiate action against the concerned persons as per the report of the S. Ayyappan Committee; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

### Hunger Free Society

1277. DR. ANUPAM HAZRA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER  
AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC  
DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण  
मंत्री

be pleased to state whether any steps/  
projects have been taken during 2014-2017  
for making a hunger free society in India, if  
so, the project details thereof along with  
the amount of funds allotted, financial year-  
wise?

### Sexual Harassment of Women Police Personnel

1278. SHRI FEROZE VARUN  
GANDHI:  
SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR  
JENA:

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

(a) whether as per the  
recommendations of the Parliamentary  
Committee on the Empowerment of  
Women in its Action Taken Report (2014)  
on the "Working Conditions of Women in  
Police Force", the Government maintains  
a State-wise record of complaints of sexual  
harassment of women police personnel at  
the work place, including the number of  
complaints received, disposed of, and the  
action taken against the implicated  
official(s);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Weather based Crop Insurance Scheme

1279. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under the  
weather based crop insurance scheme in  
Ganganagar, Rajasthan, 2/3rd of the  
beneficiaries enrolled do not exist at their  
given addresses, yet pay-out cheques of  
Rs. 9.87 crore were distributed through  
some agents of ICICI-Lombard General  
Insurance Company of India and through  
discounting of cheques, pay-outs were  
siphoned off, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether similar allegations of  
siphoning of around Rs. 8-10 crore as pay-  
out were made by an ex-member of  
Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha, *vide* his letter dated  
8th June, 2011 to the Union Agriculture  
Minister, that as per the agriculture finance  
corporation's report of January 2011 titled  
Evaluation of Pilot WBCIS, around  
Rs. 113.50 crore premium was paid within  
the period of 2007-10, if so, the details  
thereof;

(c) whether in view of the enrolment  
of ghost beneficiaries any steps have been  
taken by the Government for ascertaining  
the total fraudulent enrolment and ghost  
payouts by ICICI-Lombard General  
Insurance Company of India, if so, the  
details thereof; and

(d) the amount recovered from ICICI-  
Lombard General Insurance Company of  
India?

### Old Age Homes

†1280. SHRI PANKAJ  
CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL  
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to formulate any policy for providing help to needy elders keeping in view the rising number of old people in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of districts in which old age homes are being run in the country at present;

(c) the details regarding the plans of the Government to provide more facilities in the existing old age homes;

(d) whether the Government is likely to open old age homes in all those districts which lack such homes; and

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

#### Attack on Journalists

1281. SHRI MD.  
BADARUDDOZA  
KHAN:  
SHRI MOHD. SALIM:

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

(a) whether the Government is collecting statistics regarding cases of attack on journalists across the country;

(b) if so, the details of such attacks in each State and Union Territory during the last four years and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has taken any preventive and deterrent action as deemed fit for providing security to ensure

safety and security of journalists in exercising freedom of speech and expression, in the wake of incidents of attacks on media persons specially during elections in the country;

(d) whether the Government is considering to bring in a legislation to protect journalists/media personnel to exercise freedom of speech and expression in their professional pursuit; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Status of NeVA Project

1282. KUNWAR  
BHARATENDRA:

Will the Minister of  
PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

संसदीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of National eVidhan Application (NeVA) project;

(b) whether the Government has the details regarding the first two phases of implementation of the project; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Indigenous Drugs

†1283. SHRI UDAY PRATAP  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS  
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken/being taken by the Government to promote the use of indigenous drugs during the last three years;

(b) whether the Government has worked out/proposes to work out any scheme to make generic drugs accessible in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has identified such places where there is a huge shortage of generic drugs;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

#### De-Addiction and Rehabilitation Centres

1284. DR. HEENA  
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:  
SHRI DHANANJAY  
MAHADIK:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA  
SULE:  
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL  
VIJAYSINH  
SHANKARRAO:  
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL  
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of drug de-addiction and rehabilitation centres being run for youth in backward and rural areas of the country and their capacity, State-wise;

(b) the funds allocated/sanctioned to these centres during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether many State Governments have sent proposals for setting up of such centres and if so, the present status of such proposals;

(d) whether many State Government de-addiction centres are yet to register with the State body and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has received complaints regarding the dismal condition of drug de-addiction and rehabilitation centres in the backward and rural areas of the country and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(f) whether the Government has any proposal for wide publicity regarding the de-addiction centres at backward and rural areas of the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### Milk Booths/Units under National Dairy Development Board

†1285. SHRI RAM CHARAN  
BOHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the milk booths/dairy units opened in the country under National Dairy Development Board, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up more such booths/units in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Conversion of Saline Land to Cultivable Land

†1286. SHRI SANJAY KAKA  
PATIL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to make a provision to increase the per hectare amount provided under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana-Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied Sector Rejuvenation (RKVY-RAFTAAR) scheme to convert saline land into cultivable land under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any problem is being faced in the said task due to provision of inadequate per hectare amount under the said scheme;

(c) if so, the provision being made by the Government to address the said problem;

(d) whether there is any proposal to frame new rules in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Corruption in Paddy Procurement**

†1287. SHRI NAGENDRA PRATAP SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any complaint of corruption in paddy procurement in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether the complaints has been received that high quality of paddy is being declared as substandard by purchase centres and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the farmers are given less price citing certain deficiency despite the

cost of paddy being Rs. 1750 per quintal and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether such work is taking place in connivance with middlemen and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the paddy is being purchased down by the farmers at low price and the same paddy is sold at higher price by middlemen and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Scientific and Judicious Use of Pesticides**

1288. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is concern over the unscientific and excessive use of pesticides in agriculture that poses a threat both to the environment and human health, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the experts say that their judicious use, combined with safe agricultural practices, is the only way out as the country's growing demand for food cannot be met through organic farming, if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) whether there is an imperative need for promoting scientific use of pesticides in agriculture and relying entirely on organic farming is not a practical solution, as we need to feed a growing population and there must be efforts to create awareness among farmers about the scientific use of pesticides, if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken in this regard?

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

#### **Price of Fertilizers**

†1289. SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to inspect the quality and price of fertilizers being sold in the market and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether instances of unauthorised sale of fertilizers have come to the notice of the Government;

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

(e) the details regarding the quantity and net price of fertilizers accumulated for sale without prior permission?

#### **Modern Weapons to Naxal Affected States**

1290. SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to provide adequate personnel strength and modern weapons to the police force of naxal affected States to control naxal activities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds provided to Odisha for the purpose during the last three years?

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

#### **Compensation under PMFBY**

†1291. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI: SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers have received the insured amount from the Insurance companies as compensation under the Pradhan Mantri Crop Insurance Scheme in accordance to the claims made in the years 2016-17 and 2017-18, if so, the details thereof including the total number of farmers and the names of the States in which insured amount has been distributed as compensation in the last two years;

(b) the amount claimed by the farmers in the above said years in each State of the country;

(c) the details of amount made available to them in reality; and

(d) whether the farmers are reluctant to opt for crops insurance due to heavy premium thereof which leads to non-compensation of their loss and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Illegal Immigrants**

1292. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of illegal immigrants in the country, especially in Karnataka and Bengaluru;

(b) whether the Union Government has directed a course of action to the State

Governments regarding crime and other illegal activities committed by these illegal immigrants;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any stringent law to deport the illegal immigrants and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has directed the State Government of Karnataka to open an illegal immigrants deportation centre in the State; and

(f) if so, the details and the status thereof/

#### **Mechanical and Technological Intervention in Agriculture**

†1293. SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether in order to face the challenges of growing population by the year 2020, mechanical and technological intervention is highly required in agriculture sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of estimated demand of foodgrains during the above said period;

(d) whether the Government launched the research missions for integrated agricultural work to increase the production and productivity of foodgrains in the country; and

(e) if so, the details along with the outcome thereof?

#### **Challenges in Farm Insurance**

†1294. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that farmers are not being provided the receipts of crop insurance by their respective banks/companies/employers while doing crop insurance;

(b) if so, whether the Government has conducted any enquiry in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) the reasons for not providing receipts by the banks/companies/employers despite issuing crop insurance to farmers;

(f) the instruction issued by the Government to banks/companies/employers in this regard; and

(g) whether the Government has conducted any review in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

#### **World Disability Day**

1295. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

SHRIMATI SUPRIYA

SULE:

DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:

DR. HEENA

VIJAYKUMAR

GAVIT:

SHRI DHANANJAY

MAHADIK:

SHRI MOHITE PATIL

VIJAYSINH

SHANKARRAO:

SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has observed World Disability Day recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the theme and focus of the event;

(c) the programmes organized on the occasion of World Disability Day;

(d) the amount earmarked and utilized for this purpose;

(e) the extent to which the objectives of observing the said day has been/is likely to be achieved; and

(f) whether the Government has any plan to implement awareness programmes to focus on the prevention of disabilities apart from rehabilitation of such persons, if so, the details thereof and the action taken so far by the Government thereon?

#### **FDI in Food Processing Sector**

1296. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) received in Food Processing Industry during the last one year;

(b) the details of utilisation of FDI in the country during the last year;

(c) whether any unit has been setup in Goa under the FDI; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Soil Health Cards**

1297. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of soil samples taken for soil health cards;

(b) the number of soil health cards handed over to farmers;

(c) the expenditure incurred thereon during the last four years;

(d) whether any survey was done after issuing these soil health cards to ascertain the number of farmers who actually benefited from these statistical information; and

(e) whether any extension activity campaign was started to help farmers after issuing these cards and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Sludge Management**

1298. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has declared any policy for sludge management in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any plan for creation of right infrastructure for sludge management that works in those communities;

(d) if so, the details in this regard; and

(e) the goal/achievement achieved under Open Defecation Free in urban areas in the country?

### Construction of Houses

†1299. SHRI HARIOM SINGH  
RATHORE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY(U)] along with the number of houses sanctioned;

(b) the amount of funds allocated/sanctioned and utilized under the scheme along with the progress made so far in this regard, State/UT-wise;

(c) the measures taken by the Government to ensure the quality of houses being constructed under the scheme;

(d) whether this scheme has helped in providing employment also; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Indian Agricultural Outlook Forum

1300. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government recently organized the 'India Agriculture Outlook Forum' in New Delhi;

(b) if so, the issues of national and international importance which were addressed in the forum; and

(c) the details of the forum and the manner in which it will help in agricultural development and enable farmers' profit and prosperity?

### Categorisation of Physically Disabled Persons

1301. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR  
JENA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and category of physically disabled citizens in the country, State-wise;

(b) the list of different types of goods used by the physically disabled to overcome their challenges which are manufactured in the country; and

(c) the list of different types of goods used by the physically disabled to overcome their challenges which are imported from other countries?

### Retention of Prisoners

1302. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many prisoners are kept in jail beyond their term and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of prisoners in the country released from Jail much later than their date of release;

(c) the circumstances under which the prisoners were retained even after their release date; and

(d) whether such a practice is undertaken after proper judicial permission and if not, the authority responsible in this regard?

### Ease of Doing Agri-Business Index

1303. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is proposing to introduce a new 'Ease of Doing Agri-Business Index', if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether States will be ranked in the index on the basis of indicators related to agri-business, if so, details of the indicators that will be the basis of such ranking and the weightage given to each indicator; and

(c) whether any extra funding will be provided to high-ranking States, if so, details of the schemes or other mechanisms through which such extra funding will be dispersed?

### Implementation of Swaminathan Committee Report

1304. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to implement M.S. Swaminathan Committee Report;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the expected expenditure to implement the committee report;

(d) whether any State Government/organizations approached Government to implement the committee report;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons for not implementing the committee report in agriculture sector of the country?

### Smart City in Pasighat

1305. SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the objectives of development of smart city in Pasighat has been achieved and if so, the details of the works carried out under Pasighat Smart City;

(b) the details of funds allocated, released and utilized so far for Pasighat Smart City;

(c) the status of the efforts made by the Government for capacity building of Urban Local Bodies in Pasighat for undertaking of the Smart Cities Mission;

(d) whether the agency 'Special Purpose Vehicle' has been constituted for Pasighat, after its selection in the third round; and

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

### Portal for Citizens and Police

1306. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and type of services offered on the Digital Police/Portal for citizens and police;

(b) the number of police stations that are currently part of the portal, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of First Information Reports (FIRs) that have been generated using the portal; and

(d) whether the Government plans to take passport verification online on the portal and if so, the details thereof?

#### Substandard Drugs

†1307. SHRI DHARMENDRA  
YADAV:  
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH  
SHINDE:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH  
MUNDE:  
SHRI VINAYAK  
BHAAURAO RAUT:  
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL  
SHIVAJIRAO:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA  
BARNE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS  
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain drugs manufactured by renowned/major companies have been found to be of substandard quality during the last six months in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the names and details of the said companies, State-wise;

(c) the action taken/being taken by the Government against these companies;

(d) whether drug regulators of seven States have found that 27 medicines sold by 18 major drug companies in India were of substandard quality during the last three years; and

(e) if so, the facts thereof and the action taken/being taken against these companies?

#### CSR Funds

1308. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR  
PANDEY:  
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:  
SHRI S.P.  
MUDDAHANUME  
GOWDA:  
SHRI RAJESH PANDEY:  
SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of HEAVY  
INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC  
ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the works undertaken by Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) during the last three years and the current year, State and PSU-wise;

(b) the amount of funds spent on different works during the said period and the number of persons benefited therefrom, location and PSU-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received any Social Audit Reports conducted to track CSR funds by these PSUs; and

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

#### MSP of Crops

†1309. COL. SONARAM  
CHOUDHARY:  
SHRI RAJIV PRATAP  
RUDY:  
SHRI JAI PRAKASH  
NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding the total number of farmers who have been benefitted/will be benefitted by the recent increase in MSP for kharif crops at a high level of at least 150 per cent of the cost of production along with the total number of farmers benefitted from MSP in the last four years;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that the farmers who are not aware of MSP are able to avail MSP;

(c) the policy for fixing MSP for agricultural produce and the mechanism functioning in this regard along with the criteria by which the Government fixes MSP, crop-wise;

(d) whether the Government plans to include more crops under MSP, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the National Commission on Agriculture has recommended/demanded to fix the Minimum Support Price for agricultural produce atleast more than 50 per cent of the average production cost, if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government is taking/proposes to take any concrete steps in the direction of fixing the Minimum Support Price for agricultural produce according to average production cost; and

(g) whether the income of the farmers has been doubled in the year of 2018-19 in comparison to 2014-15 and if so, the annual income of the farmers, State-wise?

#### Urban Poverty Alleviation

†1310. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA  
DUBEY:  
SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND  
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes and projects being implemented to alleviate urban poverty to generate income through employment and business; and

(b) the details of the achievements in respect of each scheme and project being implemented increasing employment and business income under urban poverty alleviation schemes during the last three years?

#### Affordable Medicines

1311. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN  
MAADAM:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS  
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether patients across the country have saved up under the Government's initiative of ensuring affordable, quality medicines for all and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the decision of the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) to put a price cap on coronary

stents has led to an artificial shortage of these stents in the market;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to address this artificial shortage; and

(d) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to achieve affordable, quality medicines and healthcare for all?

### High Level of Pesticides in Vegetables, Fruits, Meat and Spices

†1312. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL  
SHIVAJIRAO:  
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:  
SHRI VINAYAK  
BHAURAO RAUT:  
SHRI DHARMENDRA  
YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints with regard to having more than the prescribed level of pesticides in vegetables, fruits, meat and spices;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether news reported with reference to the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare stated that the level of pesticides residue in vegetables, fruits, meats and spices has increased to double the prescribed standards in the last six years;

(d) whether the Government has issued any directives in this regard and has also formulated any scheme to take action against the farmers using pesticides more than the prescribed limit and using chemicals to artificially increase the size of vegetables and other food products; and

(e) the details of the steps taken to prevent such produce from entering the market?

### Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana

1313. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA  
BARNE:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH  
MUNDE:  
SHRI BHEEMRAO B.  
PATIL:  
DR. SHASHI THAROOR:  
SHRIANANDRAO ADSUL:  
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL  
SHIVAJIRAO:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India has approved a new Central Sector Scheme – Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY) for the period 2016-20 coterminous with the 14th Finance Commission cycle, if so, the allocation made by the Government of India for implementation of PMKSY, in each year since 2016;

(b) the percentage of share of funds of the Government for implementation of schemes under the PMKSY;

(c) the details of the schemes implemented under PM Kisan SAMPADA Yojana;

(d) the extent to which the aforesaid scheme will create of modern infrastructure and to boost to the growth of food processing sector in the country;

(e) the details of completed mega food parks, integrated cold chain and value

addition infrastructure and setting up/ upgradation of food testing laboratories under PMKSY as on date, State/UT-wise;

(f) the number of jobs the PMKSY has created since 2016, year-wise; and

(g) whether the PMKSY will help in doubling of farmers' income and creating huge employment opportunities and if so, the details in this regard?

### Coconut Development Board

1314. PROF. K.V. THOMAS:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Coconut Development Board to help the coconut farmers and the details thereof; and

(b) the extent to which these steps have been helpful?

### Job Opportunities to PwDs

1315. DR. KAMBHAMPATI  
HARIBABU:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that job opportunities for the People with Disabilities (PwDs) are very meagre in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve job opportunities for the PwDs; and

(c) the details of sectors in which employment has been generated/ jobs given to the PwDs during the last four years, State wise?

### Equity Investment of Fertilizer Companies

†1316. SHRI CHANDRA  
PRAKASH JOSHI:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN  
MAHATO:  
SHRI SUMEDHANAND  
SARSWATI:  
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:  
SHRI NARANBHAI  
KACHHADIIYA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved the proposal of the equity investment of Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Limited (RCF) in Talcher Fertilizers Ltd. (TFL);

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the date of the said approval;

(c) the names of the shareholders in Talcher Fertilizer Ltd.(TFL) at present along with the manner in which this joint venture is likely to function; and

(d) the details regarding the division of financial powers and other powers as per the ratio of shares?

### Issuance of Look-out Notices

1317. SHRIMATI MAUSAM  
NOOR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री



be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recommended amendment of a circular of Ministry of Home Affairs which lists authorities who can request issuance of the look-out circular to the MHA, and permits the heads of public-sector banks to request issuing of look-out circulars against wilful defaulters from fleeing India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government would further be considering the extension of such authority subject to extended scrutiny to the heads of listed private banks as delinquent borrowers are observed in private sector banks,

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government, in consultation with banking sector is preparing to finalize the criteria for identifying potential wilful defaulters; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar Foundation**

†1318. SHRI JANAK RAM:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes being implemented for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) students by Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar Foundation;

(b) the number of students benefited through the assistance of this foundation in the country, State-wise particularly in Bihar;

(c) whether any institution or agency monitors/supervise the proper

implementation of schemes run by the foundation at local level; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Foodgrain Production**

†1319. SHRI RAGHAV  
LAKHANPAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the estimates of foodgrain production during the current financial year;

(b) the estimates of crop production, State-wise; and

(c) the details of the efforts made to increase the production of crops?

#### **Aspects Regarding Cultivation of Millets**

1320. SHRI DHANANJAY  
MAHADIK:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA  
SULE:  
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
DR. HEENA  
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL  
VIJAYSINH  
SHANKARRAO:  
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the leading millets producing States in the country along with the total production of millets recorded

during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of the assistance provided by the Government to millets producers during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government is aware that millets can be grown in drought prone regions as they take less water to grow and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering to implement any special incentive scheme to encourage cultivation of millets in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to boost the production of millets in the country?

#### **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana**

1321. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:  
SHRI PARBHUBHAI  
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban);

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

(c) the details of the targets set and achievements made during the said period;

(d) whether incidents of misuse of the flats and misappropriation of funds under the scheme have come to the notice of the Government in some of the States;

(e) if so, the details thereof, along with the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise including West Bengal and Gujarat; and

(f) the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

#### **Food Processing Policy**

†1322. SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating any food processing policy, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is consulting with the stakeholders for formulating the policy, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether time limit has been prescribed to form an expert panel for formulating the draft of National Food Processing policy and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Horticulture Production**

1323. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP  
RUDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Horticulture production has exceeded the foodgrain production in the country in the last one-year 2017-18;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details regarding the total Horticulture production and foodgrain

production in the country in the last four years, year-wise and State-wise;

(d) the details regarding the total production of pulses in the country in the last four years, year-wise and State-wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government in the last four years to double farmers income in the country?

### Child Trafficking

1324. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has emerged as a growing child trafficking country in the world in recent years;

(b) if so, the cases of child trafficking reported since 2014, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received report on child trafficking from other countries;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the action taken and proceedings on Hague Convention on the Protection of Children and Cooperation in regard to Inter-country Adoption progress; and

(f) the initiatives taken by the Government on UN Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons thereto?

### Agri Wastage

1325. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding percentage of wastage of agricultural food produces in the country during the last two years, product-wise;

(b) whether the Government has identified regions of high wastage due to poor infrastructure for processing of agricultural produces;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any new schemes are under active consideration of the Government to reduce wastage of agricultural food processing; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Manufacturing of Electric Vehicles

†1326. DR. RAMESH  
POKHRIYAL  
“NISHANK”:  
SHRI MANSHANKAR  
NINAMA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any policy/phase-wise programme for manufacturing of electric vehicles;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the vehicle manufacturing companies which have shown interest in manufacture of electric vehicles; and

(d) the total funds provided to the electric car manufacturing companies during the last three years and the details of initiatives taken in this regard?

### Fish Habitats

1327. SHRI RAM MOHAN  
NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that fish habitats and coral reefs in coastal regions are depleting;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government is willing to create program for development of artificial fish habitats, if so, the details thereof?

### Shortage of Mine Protected Vehicle

†1328. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL  
RAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Reserve Police Force and other para military forces are facing shortage of mine-protected vehicles;

(b) if so, the number of mine-protected vehicles sanctioned by the Government for purchase during the last three years through open tendering and under modernisation scheme in order to deal with the threat of IEDs in left wing terrorism affected areas;

(c) the number of vehicles proposed to be procured *vis-a-vis* number of vehicles actually purchased during the said period;

(d) whether there is shortage of the said vehicles in Central Reserve Police Force and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to remove the said shortage?

### Higher Education Loan to SC and OBC Students

†1329. SHRIMATI NEELAM  
SONKER:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is providing higher education loan to SC and OBC students at zero interest rate;

(b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the conditions to be fulfilled by the students to become eligible for availing education loan for higher studies;

(d) the number of banks against which action has been taken by the Government during the said period for dilly-dallying in providing loans; and

(e) the number of such complaints received by the Government?

### Crime against SCs/STs

1330. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.  
SCINDIA:  
SHRI KAMAL NATH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that crime rates against Dalits and Adivasis population in Madhya Pradesh is the highest in comparison to other States across the country;

(b) if so, the details of crime against Dalits and Adivasis reported in Madhya Pradesh during the last three years and the action taken by the Government/State Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Union Government is also aware that crimes against women including assault, rape and sexual harassment have also increased in Madhya Pradesh in the past few years; and

(d) if so, the role played by the Union Government in checking such crimes against women, SCs/STs and adivasis?

#### Sub-categorisation of SCs

1331. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1745 dated 06.03.2018 and state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to get the opinion/views of all the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations on the issue of sub-categorisation de-sub-categorisation of Scheduled Castes;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the response received from the States/UTs in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### DBT in Fertilizer Sector

†1332. SHRI PARBHUBHAI  
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:  
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:  
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the fertilizer companies providing fertilizers to the farmers across the country, State/UT-wise including Gujarat, West Bengal and Maharashtra;

(b) whether the Government has started providing subsidy through DBT to the fertilizer companies;

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

(d) the details of the States/districts covered initially under this scheme;

(e) whether the criteria of subsidy through DBT in fertilizer sector is different from other sectors; and

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

#### Designated Food Parks

1333. SHRI R.P.  
MARUTHARAJAA:  
SHRI BHEEMRAO B.  
PATIL:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any new list of designated food parks notified by the Ministry in the years 2017-18, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of consolidated list of designated food parks till date along with the name, location, district and category of these food parks, State-wise;

(c) the details of the proposals approved by the Government under the

scheme for creation and expansion of food processing preservation capacities in the country, State-wise;

(d) the details of the action taken by the Government so far to start the functioning of proposed Mega Food Park in Telangana; and

(e) the details of funds sanctioned for the proposed park so far?

#### Computerization of TDPS

1334. DR. BHAGIRATH  
PRASAD:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of 'End to End Computerization' of TPDS operations;

(b) the details of the States which have agreed to share the cost of computerization;

(c) the States which have implemented the scheme of computerization to facilitate removal of bogus cards and better deliveries to the targeted groups;

(d) whether a number of families under below poverty line are still deprived of food subsidies in Madhya Pradesh; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Agriculture Development Schemes

1335. SHRI VINAYAK  
BHAURAO RAUT:  
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH  
MUNDE:  
SHRI DHARMENDRA  
YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether some of new schemes of agriculture have been launched, restructured or extended by the Union Government and the progress of old schemes are also being sought, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether some of the State Governments have not spent the allocated funds properly or failed to expedite spending of the allocations made under various agriculture development schemes to the States, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government has conducted a review meeting with the State Governments recently in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Union Government has rapped these State Governments for failing to spend the funds allocated under agriculture schemes;

(e) if so, whether the Government have issued any directions and guidelines in this regard, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Union Government to monitor the implementation of centrally sponsored schemes and utilization of funds by the States?

#### Online Pharmacies

1336. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:  
Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed rules for regulating online Pharmacies and to provide a boost to e-pharmacies thereby allowing them to function at par with brick-and-mortar stores; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### Storage Capacity

1337. SHRI DHARAM VIRA:  
SHRI MALYADRI  
SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a recent RTI reply revealed that 62,000 tonnes of foodgrains were damaged in the godowns of the FCI in the last 6 years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is planning to either reduce the procurement according to its storage capacity or to improve its storage capacity to tackle this problem;

(c) the measures taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to improve its storage of the perishable foodgrains with minimum spoilage; and

(d) the details of the steps taken by the Government to minimise the spoilage of the foodgrains procured by the FCI during its transportation?

### Cyber Security

1338. SHRI MUTHAMSETTI  
SRINIVASA  
RAO (AVANTHI):

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cyber security is lacking in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the steps being taken to strengthen cyber security in various States, including Andhra Pradesh;

(c) whether the Government is seeking foreign collaboration in this regard; and

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

### Himmat App

1339. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding downloads of the Himmat app and Himmat Plus app along with the number of registered users on both;

(b) whether the Government is doing anything in line with the recommendation of the 201st report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs on hiring the services of a private digital marketing agency; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

### Public Transport

1340. SHRI VENKATESH BABU  
T.G.:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the total number of buses available for

public transportation in the country is only 3 lakhs as against the requirement of 30 lakhs which results in manifold increase of two and four wheelers;

(b) if so, the number of public transport buses which are presently in operation in the country as against the requirements, State-wise along with the reasons for the low availability of such buses;

(c) whether the Union Government has provided any assistance/any proposal to assist the States for augmenting their share of public transport buses;

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

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Disbursement of Scholarship Amount to SC Students

1341. SHRI NAGENDRA  
KUMAR PRADHAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has not disbursed the scholarship amount for SC boy and girl students regularly;

(b) if so, the details of the pending amount to be disbursed to the said students during each of the last three years, State and year-wise; and

(c) the time by which the scholarship amount is likely to be reimbursed to the accounts of SC boy and girl students?

### WPI of Drugs

†1342. SHRI MANSHANKAR  
NINAMA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any policy regarding increase in Wholesale Price Index (WPI) of drugs under which prices of the same cannot be revised before five years except on the application of the company itself or on the order of competent court;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has laid down norms related to power of the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority in fixing the maximum prices of drugs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Agricultural loss and Drought in Andhra Pradesh

1343. SHRIMATI BUTTA  
RENUKA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of representations received by the Union Government from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh claiming compensation for agricultural loss due to droughts during the last three years, year-wise and district wise;

(b) the details of assistance sought, assistance approved and released so far, district-wise; and

(c) the details of the status of pending representations?

**Maintenance Costs of CPWD Projects**

1344. SHRI MALYADRI  
SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND  
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the maintenance cost of the projects of CPWD during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) the details of the average cost per guest house projects incurred on maintenance during the said period;

(c) whether alleged financial irregularities including showing inflated costs for maintenance have been reported and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to check such irregularities?

**Doubling the Income of Farmers and Indo-Israeli ties**

†1345. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR  
PATIL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the measures taken by the Government to increase the agriculture production and double the income of farmers;

(b) whether the Government has signed any deal with Israel to get the latest techniques for increasing agriculture production;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any Indo-Israel task force has been formed in this regard; and

(e) if so, the time by which the positive results are likely to be seen at the ground?

**Explosives Seized from Maoists**

†1346. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH  
PATEL:

Will the Minister of HOME  
AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether explosives secretly kept by naxalites have been seized under Langi Police Station in Balaghat on 12.06.2018;

(b) if so, whether the Government is taking any action to check these activities;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has launched any special schemes for families of soldiers martyred during naxal encounters?

**Promotion of Organic Farming**

†1347. SHRIMATI  
JAYSHREEBEN PATEL:  
SHRI RAJENDRA  
AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes formulated by the Government for promoting organic farming in the country along with the details of total area under organic farming in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the schemes under which the State of Sikkim has become the organic farming State;

(c) the number of farmers covered under the scheme and the incentive plan of budgetary allocation for the same during the last three years;

(d) the details of the scheme formulated by the Government to provide benefit to the farmers under the produce formula;

(e) whether there is a difference in the prices of organic produce when compared to that of non-organic produce and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether the Government is trying to promote and support organic farming and its marketing to reduce the prices of organic produce, if so, the details thereof?

**Use of Poly-Houses**

1348. KUNWAR HARIBANSH  
SINGH:  
SHRI ASHOK  
SHANKARRAO  
CHAVAN:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:  
SHRIMATI SAVITRI  
THAKUR:  
SHRI T.  
RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the use of poly-houses for agricultural activities under controlled environment is extremely beneficial to have high yield and fairly good quality in production;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the achievement made in terms of the production by using poly-houses so far;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to make poly houses for agricultural activities popular in the country, specially for small farmers;

(d) whether the Government formulated any scheme to ensure that the farmers get financial assistance to raise poly-houses on their land;

(e) if so, the financial assistance provided by the Government to various States/UTs during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(f) the number of farmers who have benefited during the said period, State/UT-wise?

**Potato Research and Export Centres**

1349. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
SHRI ASHOK  
SHANKARRAO  
CHAVAN:  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH  
SINGH:  
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:  
SHRI T.  
RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of potato research centre and potato export centre which are functioning in the country at present, State/UT-wise;

(b) the aims and objectives of the said centres along with their achievements made since their inception;

(c) the amount of funds allocated by the Government to the said centres during each of the last three years and the current year, centre-wise;

(d) the quantum of potato produced in the country at present, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether the Government has provided any special incentive scheme to the farmers to encourage cultivation of potato in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the production of potato and its export from the country?

#### Atrocities Against Women and Children

1350. SHRI MOHD. SALIM:  
SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:  
SHRI MD.  
BADARUDDOZA  
KHAN:  
SHRIMATI BHAVANA  
PUNDALIKRAO  
GAWALI PATIL:  
SHRIMATI NEELAM  
SONKER:  
SHRI JITENDRA  
CHAUDHURY:  
ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV  
SAWAIKAR:

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

(a) whether an increase has been registered in the cases of atrocities and crimes against women and children including domestic violence in the country;

(b) if so, the total number of such cases registered during each of the last three years

and the current year, separately, crime and State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of accused arrested along with the number of cases solved/yet to be solved and the rate of conviction in such cases during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(d) the steps taken to improve the rate of conviction in such cases; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to prevent such cases in future including consultation with State Governments along with the details of the advisories issued to the States and Police Departments in this regard?

#### Irregularities in PDS

1351. SHRI BHARTRUHARI  
MAHTAB:  
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:  
SHRI RAJU SHETTY:  
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:  
SHRI OM PRAKASH  
YADAV:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER  
AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC  
DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण  
मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidents of black-marketing/irregularities in the functioning of Public Distribution System (PDS) have increased during the last three years and the current year despite the fact that the Union Government has issued advisories to State Governments and held meetings, conferences etc. with them;

(b) if so, the number of such complaints forwarded by the Union Government to the State Governments and the action taken/being taken by the concerned State Government on such complaints during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Union Government has received requests/proposals from the State Governments for additional/higher allocation of foodgrains under PDS during the said period; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the action taken/being taken by the Union Government on such requests/proposals so far?

#### Embryo Transfer Technology Centres

†1352. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:  
SHRI NARANBHAI  
KACHHADIYA:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN  
MAHATO:  
SHRI CHANDRA  
PRAKASH JOSHI:  
SHRI SUMEDHANAND  
SARSWATI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to promote animal husbandry in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of Embryo Transfer Technology Centres being run in the country at present and the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) the number of Embryo Transfer Technology Centres set up during the last

three years along with the number of such centres proposed to be set up in the country, State-wise?

#### Shortcoming in MSP

†1353. SHRI SUMEDHANAND  
SARSWATI:  
SHRI NARANBHAI  
KACHHADIYA:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN  
MAHATO:  
SHRI CHANDRA  
PRAKASH JOSHI:  
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the average or Minimum Support Price (MSP) provided by the Government to the farmers for their produce is less than the cost of production of crops;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to formulate any concrete policy in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor along with the details thereof?

#### Crime by Juveniles

†1354. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN  
YADAV:  
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI  
DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:  
SHRIMATI REKHA  
VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of crime by juveniles has increased in the country;

(b) if so, the total number of such cases filed during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the reasons for such growth, if so, the details and outcome thereof;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to check the involvement of juveniles in crimes and to wean them away from such activities along with the extent of success achieved in this regard;

(e) whether the Government proposes to start a new education system to build model character of the youth in the country so as to check juvenile crimes and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the remedial measures taken by the Government to check such crimes and to rehabilitate the children having criminal records?

#### Status of NCRMP

1355. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:  
SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:  
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:  
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:

SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:  
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project (NCRMP) Phase I along with the details of approved/functional cyclone shelters at present, State/UT-wise;

(b) the States that are covered under the NCRMP Phase II and the approximate coastline proposed to be covered under the project in Phase I and Phase II;

(c) the total cost involved in the project and the amount incurred on the project till date, State/UT-wise along with the aims and objectives and principal component of the project;

(d) whether NCRMP will be funded by World Bank and if so, the quantum of funds provided by World Bank; and

(e) whether State Governments would also partially contribute funds for the project, if so, the details thereof and the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

#### Condition of Potato Cultivators

1356. SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:  
SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the condition of the potato growers in various States including Uttar Pradesh is not improving due to non-payment of fair remunerative price for their produce and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the farmers are dumping potatoes on roads as they could not recover even the cost price of their potato crops and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to procure potatoes directly from the farmers at higher MSP rate and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to check exploitation of potato farmers by the traders and provide them remunerative price for their produce?

#### E-Visa

1357. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:  
SHRI LALLU SINGH:  
SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:  
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:  
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:  
SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:  
SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the visa on the arrival policy along with entry points designated for e-visa and number of foreigners issued the said visa during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) the details of the number of countries involved under this policy so far;

(c) whether the Government has included/proposes to include some more

countries under this policy and simplify the procedure for e-visa and make it more secure;

(d) if so, the details thereof, country-wise;

(e) whether the Government has recently got some relaxation from any of the countries under this policy; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

#### Fake News

1358. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:  
PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA:  
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:  
SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that some fake news are uploaded on Internet platforms which are likely to disrupt public peace and incite criminal offences including communal violence;

(b) if so, whether the Government has identified those elements who are spreading fake news;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government to handle the fake news problem;

(d) whether there is a need for strict legal provisions to be invoked in case the microblogging site did not comply with the requests of the authorities to promptly remove objectionable content; and

(e) if so, the steps initiated by the Union Government in this regard?

#### Value Addition in Cold Chain Projects

†1359. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:  
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR  
SINGH:  
SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of facilities being provided regarding the cold storages facilities for training and creating awareness among the farmers with regard to value addition of their produce along with the details of the value addition facilities available in the functional cold chain projects, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether any mechanism exists to fix the rates for storage and value addition of agri-products to enable the farmers to avoid cold storage facilities; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Subsidy under PMAY

†1360. SHRI PASHUPATI NATH  
SINGH:  
DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR  
RAY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of beneficiaries provided subsidy under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana across the country including Jharkhand during the last two years and the current year along with the details thereof, State-wise; and

(b) the total number of housing units constructed and proposed to be constructed in Jharkhand State under the said scheme during the last three years, category-wise?

#### Special Rehabilitation Package

1361. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Kerala had requested a special rehabilitation package to help rehabilitate those affected by Cyclone Ockhi;

(b) whether the special package is separate from the amount released under the NDRF, since it is for long-term rehabilitation and reconstruction works;

(c) whether the Ministry has released the total funds requested by the State Government of Kerala;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Real Estate Regulation Act

1362. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made public the draft rules for implementation of the Real Estate Regulation Act to jail errant builders and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the draft rules provide that a builder by paying 10% of the estimated cost of the plot or building could avoid going to jail and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) a detailed note on the draft rules and its provisions thereon?

#### NBFCs for FPI

1363. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI  
KHADSE:  
SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:  
DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a non-banking financial company (NBFC) with Rs. 2,000 crore to fund food processing industries as a boost in this sector and double farmer's income and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this would be a Government institution or a private company with some Government shareholding and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the rate of interest to be charged by the company will be lower than prevailing bank interest rates and if so, the details thereof and the time by which all formalities will be over and the company will be functional;

(d) whether the Government also proposes to provide subsidy for setting up of mini food parks near agriculture cluster and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is of the opinion that food processing sector is "golden sector" and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether India has the potential to become world food factory and if so, the details thereof?

#### Rating System for Cities

1364. SHRI KUNDARIYA  
MOHAN BHAI  
KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a rating system for the cities based on their living standards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the parameter identified/adopted for the ratings;

(d) the benefits of such rating; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to improve the urban facilities in the cities?

#### Price Ceiling of Stents

1365. SHRI KONDA  
VISHWESHWAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether both drug-eluting stents and bare-metal stents have been placed in the same price-ceiling group and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether clubbing of the said stents in the same price ceiling group is likely to restrict the choice of stents and affects the choice of medical device used in treatment; and

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

#### Monitoring of Pesticide Use and Gender Disparity in Agriculture

1366. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री



be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to monitor the using of fertilizers and other inputs in agricultural practices by the farmers based on the dosage mentioned in Soil Health Card to ensure nutrition value in food;

(b) the efforts taken by the Government to overcome the declining farm holdings among farmers in India;

(c) the effective steps taken by the Government to counter and balance the gender disparity in ownership of cultivable land in agriculture; and

(d) whether the Government has taken any steps for women to have access to financial resources and modern inputs to make farming more productive and if so, the details thereof?

#### Foreign Funding of NGOs

†1367. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:  
DR. BANSHILAL  
MAHATO:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) in the country receiving financial assistance and donations from foreign countries presently, State-wise including Chhattisgarh;

(b) whether the Government has issued notices/directions to all the NGOs to reveal the donations and financial assistance received from the foreign countries;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of NGOs to which notices have been issued by the Government and the number of NGOs which have submitted the concerned details to the Government; and

(e) the action taken by the Government against fake NGOs, State/UT-wise?

#### Expenditure on Education of SCs

1368. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the budgetary allocation for education of Scheduled Caste students during the last five years;

(b) whether the budgetary allocations have been fully utilized by the States during each financial year and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there was any shortfall in the disbursement of budgetary allocation of funds for the education of Scheduled Castes during the said period; and

(d) whether the Government is wise to the delay, if any, in the disbursement of scholarships to Scheduled Caste students and if so, the details thereof?

#### Social Audit of JNNURM

1369. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to establish any independent social audit and public accountability of JNNURM (BSUP and IHS DP) along with a Manual on Social Audit to ensure that the benefits of projects under JNNURM reach the intended poor beneficiaries and the projects are implemented in a

participatory manner involving the poor; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### Land Parcels

1370. PROF. PREM SINGH  
CHANDUMAJRA:  
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM  
GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has asked the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) to identify land parcels in the capital city of each State to set up facilities which could function as central secretariats;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives behind the move;

(c) whether CPWD has been able to locate the land parcels in every State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Convicts in Correctional Homes

1371. SHRI SISIR KUMAR  
ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that after 14 years of life terms, a large number of convicts are still lodged in different correctional homes of the country;

(b) if so, the number of convicts who have completed 14 years in the correctional homes, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal or taken a decision to release the

said convicts upon remission of their punishment and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether such prisoners are ready to be assimilated in the society and if so, the details thereof?

#### Sukma Encounter

1372. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that nine maoists and two jawans were killed in Sukma encounter on 26.11.2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether naxal activities in the region had started showing a decline in the past several months; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Doubling of Income of Farmers

1373. SHRI DUSHYANT  
CHAUTALA:  
SHRIMATI NEELAM  
SONKER:  
SHRI KONAKALLA  
NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether inter-ministerial committee constituted by the Government has submitted the recommendations on doubling farmers' income by 2022; and

(b) the details of action plan prepared by the Government to double the income of farmers and the kind of actions initiated by the Government on the recommendations

of the inter-ministerial experts committee constituted for the purpose?

### Consumer Cases

†1374. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken a decision to implement a new provision of providing immediate relief to the consumers through stay order in the cases filed in the consumer courts;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether the Government proposes to implement such provisions in favour of the consumers immediately?

### Projects for Farmer's Income

1375. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN: ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning some schemes for doubling farmers' income through food processing;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of such projects initiated by the Government;

(d) whether the Government has observed that a major share of vegetables and fruits produced are damaged due to lack of processing industries; and

(e) if so the details thereof?

### Quality of Generic Drugs

†1376. SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA: SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding the quality of generic drugs;

(b) if so, the number of complaints received in Madhya Pradesh and the action taken thereon by the Government;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the quality of drugs; and

(d) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to further improve the quality of generic drugs?

### Atrocities against SCs

1377. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gujarat saw 50% increase in the cases of atrocities against Scheduled Castes in eight years as per a data of the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that in comparison to 2006, cases of atrocities lodged during 2010 had risen by over 50 per cent to 1515 by the end of 2017; and

(d) if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

### Beneficiaries under NFSA

†1378. DR. KRISHAN PRATAP:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the beneficiaries under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), State-wise;

(b) the total budget allocated to States by the Union Government including the budget demanded by the States for this programme;

(c) the number of 'ration cards' already been linked with the AADHAAR and the number of ration cards found fake in this process along with the details thereof;

(d) whether the State Food Commissions' in States have established any mechanism for the redressal of grievances related to distribution of ration under the guidelines of NFSA; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Cash for Food Plan

1379. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

NEW DELHI;

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to do a 'cash-for-food' plan in two districts of Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the social audit of direct benefit transfer of food subsidy in Ranchi's Nagri Block; and

(d) whether the Government supports the idea of 'cash-for-food' plan and if so, the details thereof?

### Antyodaya Anna Yojana

1380. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the norms/guidelines adopted for identification of Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) families in the country;

(b) the total number of beneficiaries covered under the AAY, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received any request from the States for increasing the number of beneficiaries under AAY; and

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

SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA

*Secretary General*

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1187	In heading: <u>for</u> "Growth of Chemical Industry Industry" <u>read</u> "Growth of Chemical Industry"
1192	Part (c); line 1: <u>for</u> "deatils" <u>read</u> "details"
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