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List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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

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

Total Number of Questions — 230

Restructuring of Loans for MSMEs

921. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to restructure loans for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector and asked Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to consider scheme for restructuring of stressed assets of MSME borrowers subject to necessary conditions;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to extend the timeline for implementations of Basel III norms of capital adequacy, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the RBI Board directed to set up an expert Committee to deliberate on economic capital framework; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Level of Particulate Matter in Air

†922. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the level of Particulate Matter (PM) in air in different parts of our country at present along with the limit of Particulate Matter in air necessary for healthy environment;
- (b) the details of cities which have higher Particulate Matter level at present;
- (c) whether the Government has launched National Clean Air Programme for tackling air pollution;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the manner in which it is likely to be implemented across the country?

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Export Credit

923. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE ਕਿਜ ਸੰਤੀ

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the export credit has declined 26 per cent during the last financial year which was followed by 21 percent fall during the first quarter of the current financial year;
- (b) if so, the extent to which recent frauds are responsible for low credit to small exporters;
- (c) whether Federation of Indian Exports Organizations has urged Government to increase credit flow to exporters which are already reeling under high oil prices and repeated delays of Goods and Services Tax reforms; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken or being taken by the Government to rescue the small exporters and increase credit inflow and timely reforms in GST etc.?

Adulterated Milk

†924. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI: SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether adulterated milk harmful for health is being sold in the markets of the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the provisions made by the Government in this regard;

- (d) the steps taken by the Government for the strict implementation of the said provisions to provide quality milk to people in the country; and
- (e) the results achieved so far in this regard?

Know Your Budget Series

925. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has started the Know Your Budget Series on social media to educate the general public about the budgetary process;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the implementation of budget declaration;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether majority of such declarations have totally failed to achieve targets and if so, the details thereof?

Currency Swap Agreement

926. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has approved Currency Swap Agreement with Japan recently, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether this bilateral Currency Swap Agreement is a milestone in mutual economic cooperation and special strategic and global partnership between two countries, if so, the details thereof;

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- (c) whether the Currency Swap Agreement is likely to benefit India; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Mitigating Greenhouse Effect by Organic Agriculture

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

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that organic agriculture contributes to mitigating the greenhouse effect and global warming through its ability to sequester carbon in the soil;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that a number of studies revealed that soil organic carbon contents under organic farming are considerably higher and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is taking any measures to work in collaboration with other Ministries to mitigate the greenhouse effect and global warming; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Negotiable Instruments Act

928. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to amend the Negotiable Instruments Act

to check piling of cheque bounce cases in courts; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which such proposal is likely to be considered?

SAARC Development Fund

929. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of SAARC Development Fund;
- (b) whether SAARC Development Fund is in the process of developing an e-commerce platform to enable seamless trade of goods and services across SAARC member states and if so, the details thereof including the regulatory and operational framework of the platform; and
- (c) whether SAARC Development Fund is working on a roadmap to strengthen its credit portfolio and tap the financial market before converting itself into a full-fledged SAARC Development Bank and if so, the details thereof?

Identification of Polluted Rivers

930. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any monitoring committee to identify the most polluted rivers other than in Gangetic region across the country;

- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the total number of polluted rivers identified by the Government for the last five years;
- (c) whether the Government has prepared any action plan for cleaning of those polluted rivers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the financial allocation made for the purpose?

Cleaning of Polluted Rivers in Maharashtra

†931. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) the measures being taken by the Union Government to make the rivers pollution free in the State of Maharashtra which have already been declared polluted;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government proposes to direct the State Government and the authorities such as Krishan Khore Vikas Mahamandal, Vidarbh Vikas Mahamandal, Marathawada Vikas Mahamandal in the process of making such rivers pollution free:
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether any guidelines or manual have been prepared or likely to be prepared in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Development of Ayad River

†932. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether the Government has allocated funds for the development of Ayad river;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the item-wise details of the funds spent so far; and
- (c) the details of the works being undertaken for the beautification of Ayad river in Udaipur along with the time by which the said work is likely to be completed?

Medical Colleges

933. SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any action has been taken by the Government to upgrade various medical colleges in Kerala under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken to upgrade Alleppey medical college?

C-Section Deliveries

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

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per a recent survey conducted by IIM (Indian Institute of Management), Ahmedabad, a large number of caesarean deliveries are done in private hospitals with profit motive;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take any action against such malpractices by private hospitals; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Investment in Rural Areas

†935. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes any scheme to promote investment in rural areas, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps for creating awareness and protecting small investors, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether several sections of the new Companies Act relating to protection of investors have not been notified by the Government so far, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for expeditious and proper implementation of the said Act; and
- (e) whether several companies have not paid dues of small investors, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Environmental Clearance for Metro Project

†936. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवाय परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal for environmental clearance/Coastal Regulation Zone clearance from State Government of Maharashtra in respect of Mumbai Metro Rail line-2 (Charkop-Bandra-Mankhurd corridor);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the current status of the said proposal; and
- (c) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be cleared along with the reasons for the delay in this regard?

Bamboo Cultivation

937. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps in order to skill youth in environment, forest and wildlife sectors and enable them to be gainfully employed/self-employed;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any step to promote bamboo cultivation/ plantation on a large scale; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Opening of Bank Branches at Naxal Hit Areas

†938. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a decision was taken by the Union Government to open the branches of the nationalized banks at 150 places in 8 naxalite affected districts in collaboration with the State Government of Chhattisgarh and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of places of the above said districts in which the branches/ Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) have been opened in compliance with the said decision as on date:
- (c) the names of the places of the remaining districts in which the branches/ ATMs of banks are yet to be opened; and
- (d) the time by which the branches/ ATM facility of the remaining banks are likely to be provided?

Utilisation of Ethno-Medicinal and **Traditional Plants**

939. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to promote research in traditional and ethno-medicines in the country;

- (b) the types of traditional medicinal plants found in the North Eastern States of the country along with their medicinal value;
- (c) the States where most of the ethno or traditional medicines are found across the country; and
- (d) the details of agreements/MoUs signed with foreign countries for research and development of traditional medicines?

Expenditure on Advertisements

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

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance that Banks, Financial Institutions and Departments are publishing their advertisements in Hindi, Regional Languages and English to create awareness among people and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the expenditure spent on advertisements in Hindi and English by Banks, Financial Institutions and Departments is higher than the money spent on Regional Languages from the year 2014 to 30th September, 2017 and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken cognizance that there is a need to emphasize more on advertisements in regional languages to enable people all over the country reap the benefits of the Government and its institutions; and
- (d) if so, the response of the Government in this regard?

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SHe-Box

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

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the SHe-Box;
- (b) the details of the number and nature of complaints received from private/public entities through SHe-Box since its inception, State/UT-wise including West Bengal;
- (c) the number of complaints disposed of so far; and
- (d) whether it has reduced the cases of sexual harassment at workplace across the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Funds Allocated/Granted under Various Schemes

942. SHRIMATI P.K. SREEMATHI TEACHER:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated/ granted under various schemes of the Ministry to the State of Kerala during the last four years;

- (b) the details of funds released under such schemes to the State during the last four years;
- (c) the details of funds yet to be released/due to the State; and
- (d) the time-frame fixed to release the remaining funds to the State of Kerala?

Indigenous Ayurvedic Medicine

943. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

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

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any user friendly mechanism to promote indigenous Ayurvedic medicines;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details about the mechanism and modalities available for promotion of indigenous Ayurvedic medicine?

Rare Diseases

944. SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME GOWDA: SHRIMATI ANJU BALA: SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the Indian Society for Clinical Research (ISCR) an estimated 70 million patients are living with life threatening rare diseases;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether no comprehensive data is maintained on prevalence of rare diseases and the associated morbidity/mortality and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government has formulated a National Policy for Treatment of Rare Diseases and if so, the details thereof along with the funds sanctioned during each of the last three years, Statewise;
- (e) whether the construction work of new CGHS Dispensary in Patparganj, Delhi has been completed and if so, the details thereof along with probable date of its opening; and
 - (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Ready-to-use Therapeutic Food

945. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether her Ministry has supported the use of Ready-to-use Therapeutic Food (RUTF), if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the decision of introduction of RUTF has been left to States, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any study or initiated any pilot project in this regard, if so, the details of results thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (d) whether RUTF has been tested in other countries, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether any alternate mechanism has been put in place in other countries to ensure that affordable and nutritious food is accessible to malnourished children?

Sub-Standard Quality Food

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

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that a number of hotels and restaurants are serving sub-standard quality food to the customers resulting in incidents of food poisoning, and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the action taken by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has extended the deadline for hoteliers and restaurants to get the mandatory licence and registration under the Food Safety and Standards Act:
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure more effective monitoring and regular inspections of hotels and restaurants in the country in order to check such incidents?

Funds Released under Various Schemes

†947. SHRI KIRTI AZAD: SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) the details of the funds released to Darbhanga in Bihar and Sonepat in Haryana under various schemes of his Ministry;
- (b) whether the funds released under the said schemes have been utilized under the respective schemes;
- (c) if so, the details of the schemes under which the work has been completed or is near completion; and
- (d) the reasons of non-completion of works under the said schemes?

Transfer of Asiatic Lions

948. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Supreme Court had ordered in 2013 that Asiatic Lions from Gir Forests in Gujarat be transferred to the Kuno Sanctuary in Madhya Pradesh, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the order has been complied with, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether environmental experts and scientists have recommended that Asiatic

Lions in Gir forests be relocated to other sites in Gujarat and other States, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to relocate Asiatic Lions from Gir forests to other sites in Gujarat and other States, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

State Cancer Institute

†949. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Union Government has received any proposal/request to establish 'State Cancer Institute' in Bilaspur from Chhattisgarh Government;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the decision taken by the Government in this regard?

Targets under Various Schemes

†950. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI P.P. CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes launched in his Ministry since the year 2014 till date along with the details of the targets set and the achievements made under each of the said scheme, year-wise;

- (b) the details of the proposals received from various States along with the proposals approved under the schemes sponsored by his Ministry, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of funds allocated and utilized for implementation of various schemes of his Ministry during each of the last four years and the current year, scheme and State/UT-wise; and
- (d) whether the Government has set any time limit for completing the pending schemes and if so, the details thereof?

National Policy for Women 2017

951. KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the draft National Policy for Women 2017 has been submitted to the Cabinet for approval and if so, the details thereof: and
- (b) the tentative date by which the cabinet is expected to approve the said draft Policy?

GST Revenue

952. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a shortfall in terms of the expected and actual GST revenue and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the amount expected to be earned by the Government for the current fiscal year?

Waiting Period at AIIMS

†953. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that patients have to wait for at least one year for treatment in AIIMS especially for skin and kidney diseases, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether this prolonged waiting time is also applicable to OPD consultation in AIIMS in addition to surgical procedures; and
- (c) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to ensure that people do not have to wait for long period for the treatment of various serious diseases?

Naturopathy Day

954. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

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

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

- (a) whether the Government recently celebrated Naturopathy Day and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to construct Naturopathy centres in some places in the country including Goa, if so, the details thereof: and
- (c) the other measures proposed by the Government to promote Naturopathy in the country?

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Expired Medicines

955. MOHAMMED FAIZAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the methodology/mechanism being followed by the Government to ensure that expired medicines and non-surgical consumable items are kept away from the Government and private hospitals; and
- (b) the details of monitoring done in this regard?

Strengthening of Banking Sector

956. SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance that banking is the life blood of Indian economy and at the time of downfall different types of business help them to invest more and more and earn profits and to change the laws of banking sector to help them in recession from the downfall of every sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken to strengthen the banking sector;
- (c) whether the Government has made any effort to improve banking services in education sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Cases of Kidney Disease

†957. SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cases of kidney failure among people is increasing every year in the country and treatment of which is only through dialysis or transplantation, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (b) whether there is shortage of donors and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) whether the Government is considering to simplify the process of organ donation and if so, the details thereof?

Artificial Ripening of Fruits and Vegetables

†958. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some chemicals which are banned in the developed countries and are harmful for human health are being used to artificially ripen the fruits and vegetables in our country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the concrete steps taken by the Government to ban the use of such chemicals?

HIV Infected People

959. DR. K. GOPAL: SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN: स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has the third largest population of HIV infected people in the world:
- (b) if so the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto:
- (c) whether India has declared its aim to decrease new HIV infections by 75 per cent in the period between 2010 and 2020 and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether India is committed to eliminating AIDS by 2030 and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measures being taken by the Government to intensify the reach out to vulnerable population?

Environmental Clearance for Construction of New Dams

960. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) the details of proposals for construction of new dams for which environmental clearance had been given in the last five years, State/UT-wise; and
- (b) the details of pending proposals for new dams along with the present status of the same, State/UT-wise?

ICDS Conditional Cash Scheme

961. SHRI KONAKALLA NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to replace the provision of take-home rations and supplementary nutrition as part of its Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS) to plug leakages with conditional cash scheme;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a pilot project is being carried out to evolve the outcome of the project if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether it is true that there is difference of opinion among the various stakeholders on the implementation of the above scheme and if so, the details thereof?

AYUSH Education

962. SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has set any regulator/regulatory mechanism to check AYUSH education and AYUSH products in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of companies found selling fake AYUSH products and the action taken against them?

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

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

National Commission for Women

963. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the incidents of sexual harassments of women at work place in the country has increased over the years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of complaints received by the National Commission for Women (NCW) during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has also launched SHe-Box online complaint management system to register complaints related to sexual harassment of women at work place and if so, the number of complaints registered in the system during the said period along with the action taken thereon:
- (d) whether the NCW has proposed setting up of Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) in each and every Government department/institution/ autonomous body in the country and if so, the details thereof along with its compliance status: and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure protection of women from sexual harassment at work place in the country?

AYUSH Policy for Uttar Pradesh

964. SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether AYUSH policy is being formulated for the State of Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof and the agencies or institutions from which suggestions are being sought;
- (b) whether advice is also sought from people's representatives or doctors of Ayurveda department working in the rural areas and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the salient features and purpose of the AYUSH policy being formulated and the time by which the said policy is likely to be implemented?

RBI's Surplus Fund

965. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had set up a panel for framing guidelines for the transfer of the RBI's surplus funds to the Government:
- (b) if so, whether the panel has submitted its report to the Government;

- (c) if so, the details thereof and the main recommendations made by the panel;
- (d) the action taken/being taken by the Government on the recommendations of the panel; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to tackle challenges faced by banking and non-banking sector in the country?

Ranking of Hospitals

†966. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per a survey conducted by the Government, the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in Delhi is not included in the top 10 hospitals of the country in the ranking of the hospital in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto:
- (c) whether 25 per cent patients are not satisfied with the hospitals in the country as per the findings of the said survey which was based on the feedback of the patients;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the remedial steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard including removing the shortcomings and correcting the system in the hospitals?

Fantasy Sports

967. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to regulate fantasy sports, if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon;
- (b) the number of cases with consumer courts regarding disputes on fantasy sports;
- (c) whether as per Supreme Court's decision it is a 'game of skill' and not gambling or betting, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether fantasy sport forms comes under Entry 34 of the List II under Seventh Schedule of the Constitution, if so, the details thereof and if not, the status of such sport under the Seventh Schedule; and
- (e) whether the Government intends to enact laws to govern the financial transactions in the industry, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Death due to Air Pollution

968. SHRI G.M.
SIDDESHWARA:
SHRIMATI RANJANBEN
BHATT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that increasing pollution and rapid industrialization is making India's air more toxic and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there are around one lakh deaths every year due to breathing ailments;

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- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the death cases due to air pollution reported in various cities of the country including Delhi;
- (d) the details of Carbon di-oxide concentration level in India's metro cities;and
- (e) the preventive measures taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Surrogacy Deaths

969. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the increasing incidents of surrogacy deaths from various parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of such incidents reported during the last three years, State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether the Government has issued directions to the States/UTs to set up surrogate homes in all Government hospitals to facilitate proper monitoring of such cases and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any new guidelines are proposed by the Government to deal with surrogacy and if so, the details thereof?

Pending Payment by IT Department

†970. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Income Tax (IT) Department of East Pune region has not implemented the payment of 1/30 of the minimum wages of daily wagers/casual workers till December, 2008 whereas all the regional offices of Income Tax Department has already implemented it;
- (b) if so, the reason for non implementation of the above mentioned payment as well as not imparting any training to the daily wagers/casual workers by the Income Tax Department, Pune region;
- (c) whether Central Board of Direct Taxes and the Department of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions have given order for its implementation;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government for implementation of paying 1/30 of the minimum wages by the IT Department of East Pune region to the daily wagers/casual workers?

Kidney Diseases in Uddanam Region of AP

971. SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the untimely death of people due to kidney diseases in Uddanam region of Srikakulam district in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether a team of experts has been sent to Uddanam to find out the reasons

and to curb deaths due to kidney diseases and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of financial assistance given to the kidney patients from the Central Government?

Child Malnutrition and ICDS

972. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 40 out of 1,000 infants in India do not survive till their first birthday, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether malnutrition is a major cause of infant deaths and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether funding for child development scheme remains insufficient and if so, the response of the Union Government thereon:
- (d) the budget allocation for the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) since 2016-17 till 2018-19 in comparison to previous financial years and the reason for decline in allocations over the years and some States facing deeper cuts than others:
- (e) whether the scheme is presently able to cover only about 50 percent of the children under the age of six and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to cover 100 percent children under the age of six within ICDS?

TB Elimination

973. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has committed to eliminate tuberculosis by 2025, requiring a reduction of 10 percent a year, but in 2017, it only managed a 2 percent reduction from the previous year;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is also true that positive TB test is not always a cause for worry and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is also true that the Government is focusing on preventive treatment of those who are in contact with people who have tested positive; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Bad Debts

†974. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) have successfully recovered their bad debts, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the amount of debt written off by banks during the last three years along with the amount recovered out of it?

Use of Indian Currencies in International Flight

975. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

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Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the RBI guidelines constrain purchase of meals and merchandise by Indian flyer in Indian Currency on international flights of Indian Airlines, private as well as Air India, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether a private airlines has recently not accepted Indian currencies for meals etc. on an international flight, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether his Ministry has received any request from the private airlines to relax this condition so that the Indian flyers can purchase meals, etc. on international flights using Indian currencies, if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether his Ministry is likely to relax this condition for the conveniences of Indian flyers; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ICDS-CAS

976. SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified fake beneficiaries registered with anganwadi centres across the country and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard, State/UT-wise; and

(b) whether the Government has launched Integrated Child Development Services – Common Application Software (ICDS-CAS) application for smartphones to identify fake beneficiaries enrolled under Anganwadi and if so, the details thereof along with the details of the smartphones distributed by the Government with CAS State-wise?

Authority for Sanctioning Adoption

977. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved District Magistrates/Collectors as the competent authorities for sanctioning adoption instead of the courts;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to amend the Juvenile Justice Act in this regard; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Complaints against e-Bay Company

†978. DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a complaint had been registered in his Ministry against e-bay company in January 2018 for selling unbilled imported Apple mobile phones in India;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and reasons for not taking action in this regard even after lapse of one year; and
- (c) the time by which enquiry is likely to be completed in this regard?

Zero Balance Jan Dhan Accounts

†979. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Jan Dhan accounts will remain operational in the absence of transactions and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether banks are recovering their charges from Jan Dhan accounts and debit charges from the deposit money continuously due to which balance of lacs of Jan Dhan accounts remained zero now;
- (c) if so, the status of zero balance Jan Dhan accounts; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to check such levy of charges arbitrarily recovered by the banks and if so, the details thereof?

Terror of Monkeys

980. SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the civic agencies of Delhi have failed to control the terror of monkeys in different parts of Delhi particularly in North Avenue, South Avenue and its adjacent Government offices:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the same:
- (c) whether the Government has provided funds for a pilot project on immune-contraception for controlling the population of wild animals responsible for damage and destruction of crops;
- (d) if so, the details of funds provided by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has noted the misutilization of their funds by the State/UT and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to curb the menace of monkeys in North Avenue, South Avenue and its adjacent Government offices?

Medicated Mosquito Nets

†981. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has a scheme for providing medicated mosquito nets in the country;

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- (b) if so, the detail thereof along with its availability to the people during the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether there is huge gap in the demand and supply of these mosquito nets and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to take measures to ensure adequate availability of these to prevent diseases like malaria, dengue and chikungunya; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Debt Burden of PSBs

982. SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) have recorded close to Rs. 1.7 trillion in losses between December 2015 and June 2018, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to improve the debt burden of the PSBs;
- (b) the percentage of Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) of PSBs out of the total Gross NPA (GNPA) along with the number of loans from PSB, that have turned into NPAs during the last five years;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for the recovery of loans;
- (d) whether the Government is planning to set up specialized monitoring agencies for loans above Rs. 250 crore and a separate vertical for NPAs, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government is thinking of privatizing PSBs which are under huge debt, if so, the details thereof?

Children Born in Swadhar Greh/ Short Stay Homes

983. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any statistics about the children born in 'Swadhar Greh' and 'Short Stay Homes' in the country, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has started any multi-care facilities for children born in destitute conditions; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the progress made thereunder?

Land Customs Stations

984. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Land Customs Stations sanctioned and commissioned in the North East region; and
- (b) the details of the total funds sanctioned, released and utilized till date for developing the Land Customs Station at Dawki in Meghalaya?

National Health Policy

985. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per Economic Survey 2016-17, Government expenditure (States + Centre) as percentage of GDP for 2016-17 (BE) was 1.4 per cent, whereas world average was 5.99 percent;
- (b) if so, the actions being taken by the Government to meet the target of 2.5 percent of GDP as public spending on health set by the National Health Policy, 2017:
- (c) whether the Government has a roadmap to increase public spending on health to 2.5 percent of GDP;
- (d) if so, the details of the plan of action including designated timeline and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (e) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to ensure an increase in State sector health spending to the target mentioned in the National Health Policy, 2017; and
- (f) the number of identified high priority districts and whether there has been an increase in the availability of paramedics and doctors as per Indian Public Health Standard (IPHS) in these districts, since the rollout of the Policy, if so, the details thereof?

Benefits of Economic Growth

986. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI: Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of performance of the economy during each of the last four years, sector-wise along with the factors responsible for the slow down;

- (b) the details of the growth forecast for the current and subsequent years along with the changes made;
- (c) whether the benefits of the economic growth are enjoyed by all the people and not by a specific class only, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to boost the economic growth and to ensure equal benefits of such growth to all classes of society?

Subsidy under PMMY

987. SHRI LADU KISHORE SWAIN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of loan given under MUDRA scheme in the country since its implementation, State-wise;
- (b) the total amount of loan given to the Ganjam region of Odisha during the last three financial years;
- (c) the details of category of loans and institution-wise loan provided to various beneficiaries, Category/Institution-wise; and
- (d) the amount of subsidy given under the scheme, State-wise?

Compensation for Victims of Sexual Crimes

988. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated/created any compensation fund for the children who are victims of sexual crimes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the total amount granted under such fund during the current year and under which scheme the money for this fund is being utilized:
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether the Government has any plan of action towards creating such a fund and if so, the details thereof?

Working Condition of Doctors

989. SHRI J.C. DIVAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the tremendous stress on the doctors in Andhra Pradesh at Government hospitals due to the poor infrastructure and misbehaviour of patient's kin during emergency situations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and reaction of the Government thereon; and
- (c) whether there is need for overhauling of healthcare system to restore faith in the medical profession, if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Overcharging by Hospitals

990. SHRI K.R.P. PRABAKARAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received complaints of overcharging by certain hospitals which repeatedly call CGHS beneficiaries for review and send them to other labs and clinical facilities;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective action being taken by the Government in this regard?

Environmental Pollution

991. SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that environmental pollution is on the rise in the country and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government is aware that the callous attitude of authorities including police is one of the main reason for the said pollution and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has put any mechanism in place to fix the responsibilities on the authorities concerned for the irregularities and illegalities committed by them and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the strict implementation of the rules in this regard?

Change in Rupee Coin

†992. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to change all rupee coins of the denominations one to ten, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps in this direction so far;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Gender Neutral Laws

993. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the Government has proposed to bring in gender neutral laws on crimes related to sexual assaults:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the male child sexual abuse is an ignored reality in India and if so, the details thereof: and
- (d) whether the boys who are sexually abused as children spend a lifetime in silence because of the stigma attached to male survivors of sexual assault and if so, the details thereof?

Deaths due to Extreme Weather Events

994. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India accounts for second highest number of deaths in the world due to extreme weather events;
- (b) the number of extreme weather events like floods, excessive rain, cyclones in India during last three years, State/ UT-wise and year-wise;
- (c) the number of people who died in these extreme weather events during last three years, State/UT and year-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has commissioned any study on the effects of climate change on people of India, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the measures taken by the Government to reduce the effect of extreme weather events and climate change on the people?

Disaster Cess under GST

995. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

- (a) whether the National Disaster Relief Fund (NDRF) is lacking sufficient funds to meet the natural calamities of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

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(c) whether in the prevailing circumstances the Government is contemplating on introducing "Disaster Cess" under the Goods and Services Tax (GST) to help the States hit by natural calamities and if so, the details thereof?

Loan Waiver

†996. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR HANSDAK:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any review/investigation of the work of loan waiver and writing off debts by RBI Board/ Bank Board;
- (b) if so, the outcome of the said review/investigation;
- (c) whether the banks have any right to protest over the decision of their Board and RBI Board on loan waiver and writing off debts; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Diversion of Forest Land

997. SHRI S.P.

MUDDAHANUME
GOWDA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the economic viability of any development projects that involve diversion of forest land may now reduce with Government coming up with a new cost benefit analysis guidelines;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and the extent of its impact;
- (c) whether the Government has not revised the Net Present Value despite court order:
 - (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the time by which the same is likely to be revised?

Financial Literacy

998. DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted surveys to measure financial literacy in rural populations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise, including Kerala and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the ratio of public and private sector banking agents to population in rural areas. State/UT-wise:
- (d) whether the Government has an action plan to increase personalised banking services to improve financial literacy and awareness in rural areas; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Companies under NCLT Adjudication

†999. COL. SONARAM CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases against several big companies are *sub judice* under National

Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether there have been mergers and acquisitions owing to bank loan during the last four years and the current financial year and the impact thereof on prices?

Forest Cover in Urban Areas

1000. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether forest cover in urban areas has been disappearing very fast and is well below six per cent in some metro cities; and
- (b) the present status of smart cities which have the target of having maximum green covered area?

Anti Retroviral Therapy to Marginalized Populace

1001. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide health services to vulnerable groups like drug addicts, sex workers, eunuch/transgenders etc.;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that rapid and easy access to anti retroviral therapy is crucial to such marginalized populace;
- (d) if so, the necessary steps taken in this regard;

- (e) whether it is also true that international funding for treatment of such people has decreased and often its withdrawal affects prevention and treatment services to such people; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Effects of Climate Change

†1002. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of India's Intended Nationally Determined Contribution (INDC) for mitigating the effects of climate change;
- (b) whether the Government has sought/proposes to seek technological support from other countries to implement INDC:
- (c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether the developed countries have committed to provide financial assistance for implementation of INDC and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of other efforts being made by the Government to mobilize funds for the implementation of INDC?

CSR Funds

1003. DR. A. SAMPATH:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

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be pleased to state the total quantum of Corporate Social Responsibility funds invested in the country during the last five years, Year and State/UT-wise?

Zoological Park on Unused Land

†1004. SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to set up a zoological park on unused land near cities held by forest department;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the likely use of the said unused land that are without even a tree?

ATM Frauds

1005. SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI: SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the recent spurt/increase in cases of Automated Teller Machine (ATM) frauds in the country, if so, the number of such cases reported/registered, investigated and action taken during the last three years, State/UT-wise particularly Gujarat;
- (b) whether the Government has formulated a policy to check such frauds, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the measures being taken by the Government in this regard including steps to strengthen safety and security at ATMs particularly in secluded areas?

Swadhar Greh Scheme

1006. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the budgetary funds allocated/released and utilised under the Swadhar Greh scheme during the last four years;
- (b) whether State Level Monitoring Committees have been set up in all States/ UTs and meetings have been conducted as per guidelines in all States/UTs, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) the number of meetings conducted since the launch of the scheme and action taken based on Quarterly progress reports of implementing agencies, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the residential facilities in some States/UTs under this Scheme, are catering to more beneficiaries than the sanctioned capacity; and
- (e) if so, the details of measures being taken by the Ministry to expand the capacity under the said scheme?

Health and Wellness Centres under PMJAY

1007. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Ayushman Bharat is an umbrella of two major health initiatives, Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) and Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY);
- (b) if so, the key components of PMJAY and HWCs along with the number of HWCs operationalised as on 31.12.2018. State-wise:
- (c) the Package of services envisaged and the key benefits for community under AB-PMJAY:
- (d) the objectives, operational guidelines and key features of Ayushman Bharat-PMJAY:
- (e) the number of empanelled hospitals and beneficiaries admitted under AB-PMJAY as on 31.12.2018;
- (f) the names of the States who have signed MoU with Government for implementation of the same; and
- (g) whether the Government is focusing on 'Affordable Healthcare' and 'Preventive Healthcare', if so, the details thereof?

Jallikattu

1008. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

(a) whether the Jallikattu is allowed to be held in the current Pongal Season in various parts of Tamil Nadu with a new set of hard and fast guidelines regulating the sport of bull-taming with strict adherence to the rules regarding cruelty to

- animals and ensuring safety to the participants and onlookers, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the conduct of the Jallikattu was in strict adherence with the rules prescribed, if so, the details of the rules for the conduct of the sport;
- (c) whether his Ministry has any statistics regarding the number of bulls injured or dead in the current season, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any Guinness World Record event was attempted in the conduct of Jallikattu in Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof?

Recalibration of ATMs

1009. SHRI A.

ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the troubled banking industry proposes to pay another Rs. 100 crore to recalibrate Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) for dispensing the new Rs. 100 notes across the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the introduction of the Rs. 200 note is already expected to cost banks over Rs. 100 crore for ATM recalibration, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the banks had already spent over Rs. 110 crore to recalibrate ATMs after the introduction of the new Rs. 500 and Rs. 2,000 notes; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

GST Glitches

1010. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

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Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of implementation of Goods and Services Tax (GST) in the country;
- (b) the revenue being generated through Integrated Goods and Services Tax (IGST), Central Goods and Services Tax (CGST), State Goods and Services Tax (SGST) since its inception, Month/Statewise:
- (c) whether the traders faced problems in submitting returns for 2017-18 due to severe problems in servers, particularly in October, 2018; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to facilitate traders to file their returns without any problem?

Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000

1011. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases related to child abuse registered in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise:
- (b) whether the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 has a provision for Juvenile Police Unit in every Police Station and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether such units have been set up in every police station and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

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

Check on Population Growth

1012. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India is expected to overtake China in population in the next 3-5 years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the rate of population growth in the country, State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether the Government has introduced any schemes and innovative solution to reduce the population growth in the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Outstanding Credit to MSMEs

1013. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether according to RBI data the credit outstanding to the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) has dropped by 1.4 per cent in the month of September 2018, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to improve the credit flow along with measures taken to revive the critical condition of MSMEs?

SMS based Service

†1014. SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to start an SMS based service that will enable patients to know the affordable alternatives of medicines prescribed by doctor and if so, the details and salient features thereof:
- (b) the time by which the said service is likely to be started; and
- (c) whether patient is required to consult the doctor before purchasing the suggested affordable alternative medicines under the said scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Junk Food

†1015. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: SHRI ARVIND SAWANT: SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) conducts testing of foodgrains distributed under Public Distribution System (PDS);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of samples taken and reports presented during the last three years and the current year:
- (c) whether the Government has taken note that sales and consumption of junk

food is increasing in the country particularly in and around schools and if so, the details thereof:

- (d) whether the Government proposes to impose restriction on the sale and consumption of junk food in the country particularly in and around the schools to check the risk of various diseases among people and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government also proposes to take any steps to tackle the problem to save the health of our children by encouraging food industry to promote nutritional food and if so, the details thereof?

Increase in number of Billionaires

†1016. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of billionaires has been continuously increasing from the year 2000-01 to till date;
- (b) if so, the number of the billionaires in the country during the said period and as on date, year-wise; and
- (c) the value of the total assets of the said billionaires during the said period?

GDP and **Employment**

†1017. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

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- (a) whether the annual growth rate of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has been satisfactory for the last several years;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereon:
- (c) whether despite the continuous economic growth additional avenues of employment could not be created in view of the requirements of the country;
 - (d) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to change the present model of economic development, if so, the details thereof?

Surface Water Pollution

1018. SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE: SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment/conducted any study to ascertain the pollution level of surface water in the country;
- (b) if so, the details and outcome thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether an international organization viz. Water Aid has given any remarks regarding pollution level of India's surface water in the recent past;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether the Government proposes any comprehensive policy to deal with water pollution in the country, if so, the

details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be implemented in the country; and

(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to keep a check on water pollution in the country?

Corporate Tax

1019. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the corporate tax in India is higher than that prevalent in the neighbouring countries, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the impact of such high corporate tax on the competitiveness of the Indian Corporate Sector in the international market, if so, the details and the outcome thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the Government has received requests/representations from various quarters in this regard, if so, the details thereof along with the action taken/being taken by the Government on such requests/representations so far; and
- (d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to give the conducive infrastructure to the Indian Corporate Sector to make them competitive in the International market?

SEBI Fine on Companies

†1020. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV: SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of companies fined by Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) during the last three years along with the reasons for which these companies have been fined;
- (b) whether the said fines have been recovered; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the efforts being made by the Government to recover the said fines and the outcome thereof?

Cases of Zika Virus

1021. SHRI JITENDRA CHAUDHURY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of people affected by Zika virus in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether twelve new cases of Zika virus have been reported in Jaipur and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether there is any contradiction regarding the total number of infected people in Jaipur and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the further steps taken/being taken by the Government for early detection and treatment of the said disease?

Doctor-Population Ratio

1022. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO: SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL: SHRI PINAKI MISRA: SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR: SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR: SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE: SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV: SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM: SHRI V. ELUMALAI: SHRI C. MAHENDRAN: SHRI VINAYAK

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

BHAURAO RAUT:

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the doctor/population ratio is low in the country as per the WHO recommendations, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the number includes AYUSH practitioners along with allopathic doctors, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of allopathic doctors registered in the country and the number of such doctors serving the Government and the public sector institutions;

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- (d) whether the Government has analyzed the reasons for which the doctors prefer private practice over serving in Government institutions, if so, the details thereof:
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the availability of specialist in Community Health Centres (CHCs) especially in the rural/remote areas of the country;
- (f) whether the Government has issued any directions/guidelines to States in this regard, if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the corrective measures being taken by the Government to tackle the situation and improve the doctor-population ratio in the country?

Enforcement of Laws to Ensure Safety of Women

†1023. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the measures taken for enforcement of various special laws enacted to ensure the safety of women;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study regarding increase in crime against women despite having stringent laws, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) the details of the progress made in the implementation of 'one stop centre' to ensure consolidated support and assistance to women; and
- (d) whether awareness has been created among implementing agencies regarding enforcement of women safety laws, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Contractual Appointment of Doctors

†1024. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether doctors are appointed on contract basis in AIIMS, Delhi and other hospitals in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of doctors appointed on contract basis across the country, State-wise;
- (c) whether the doctors appointed on contract basis have been regularized; and
- (d) if so, the number of doctors regularized so far?

Unethical Practices by Private Hospitals

1025. SHRI VINAYAK
BHAURAO
RAUT:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether several patients and health groups have criticized excessive and unethical pricing by private hospitals and stressed need for regulation of healthcare charges, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether as per the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) about 25 per cent of a hospital bill is the cost of non-scheduled formulations, or those medicines that are not under price controls, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether NPPA has recommended a policy intervention to address the unethical practices carried out by private hospitals, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the initiative taken by the Union Government to frame policy to address the unethical practices carried out by private hospitals; and
- (e) the time by which the policy is likely to be framed and implemented?

Amendments to GST

†1026. SHRI RAM KUMAR SHARMA: SHRI P.K. KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had implemented a new taxation regime under Goods and Services Tax (GST) with a view to reform the taxation process in the country two years ago and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether amendments/changes have been made in the said regime since implementation of the new taxation policy upto December, 2018 and if so, the number of such amendments/changes made since implementation of GST till December, 2018 along with the reasons therefor and its impact on various sections of the people; and

(c) its likely impact on the growth of trade and industry and the overall development of the country?

Children Living under Miserable Conditions

1027. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the miserable condition of children who have been victim of malnutrition, child marriage, child labour, trafficking and illiteracy, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has formulated/implemented schemes/ programmes for the development, protection, and welfare of said children;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the funds allocated under the said schemes/programmes along with its utilization during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to protect the interests of such children and improve their condition?

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NPA of Indian Lenders

1028. DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) accumulated by Indian lenders are higher than those of banks in most major economies, including the US, UK, China and Japan, if so, the details thereof and the rank of India out of the major world economies plagued by bad loans;
- (b) whether gross NPAs increased to 10.2 percent in September, 2017, compared to 9.6 percent in March, which has cautioned against further deterioration as gross NPAs could inch up to 10.8 percent by March 2018, if so, the details thereof and the measures taken to reduce the gross NPAs;
- (c) whether the Government and Reserve Bank of India (RBI) are readying to deal with the bad loan problem, including a one-time settlement scheme for weak sectors and penal action against siphoning of funds, if so, the details thereof and the plan/scheme prepared/formulated by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether any comprehensive strategy has been chalked out by the Government to nab the defaulters and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has obtained forensic audit report of the banks on major defaulters and if so, the details thereof and the time by which action is likely to be initiated against the defaulters?

National Clean Air Programme

†1029. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:
SHRI BHARAT SINGH:
SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME
GOWDA:
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:
SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH
YADAV:
KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) to tackle the increasing air pollution problem across the country recently:
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including its objectives, funds allocated and salient features;
- (c) whether NCAP will be launched in the 43 smart cities falling in the list of 102 non-attainment cities, if so, the details thereof along with the cities chosen under the programme, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes tentative national level target of 20 per cent 30 per cent reduction of PM 2.5 and PM10 concentration by 2024, if so, the details thereof along with the names of the cities which have recorded high levels of PM 2.5; and
- (e) whether city specific action plans are being formulated for 102 non-attainment cities identified for implementing mitigation actions under NCAP and if so, the details thereof?

Financial Assistance for Health Infrastructure

1030. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received proposals from the States regarding financial assistance for improving the infrastructural and other facilities in their respective Government hospitals;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State/UT-wise including Tripura along with the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to allocate more funds to the States for this purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Medical Implants

1031. DR. KAMBHAMPATI HARIBABU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made it mandatory for hospitals, which are dealing in medical implants, to report cases to Medical Device Adverse Event (MDAE), maintained by the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC) and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) the details of action taken on MDAE reports during the last four years; and

(c) whether the Government has provisions in place to compensate the affected patients and if so, the details thereof along with the patients compensated during the last four years, State-wise?

Medicinal Plants

†1032. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: SHRI HARISH CHANDRA *ALIAS* HARISH DWIVEDI:

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

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

- (a) the quantity of medicinal plants and herbs produced in the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand during the last three years;
- (b) the State-wise details of the financial assistance provided to promote the farming of Medicinal Plants and herbs during the said period;
- (c) the quantity of medicinal plants exported from these States during the said period:
- (d) the steps taken to promote production of Ayurvedic and herbal medicines in the country particularly in Madhya Pradesh; and
- (e) whether the Government encourages/proposes to encourage the farmers for farming of medicinal plants under any scheme, if so, the details thereof?

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Indian Medicines

†1033. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA: SHRI GEORGE BAKER: SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

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

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise details of the research conducted/being conducted regarding ancient Indian Medicines across the country including Gujarat, Maharashtra and West Bengal along with the outcome thereof;
- (b) the State-wise details of the funds allocated and utilised in the last three years and the current year so far including Gujarat, Maharashtra and West Bengal;
- (c) whether the Government has signed any Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with IITs in this regard, if so, the details thereof along with the targets set therefor: and
- (d) the details of the funds likely to be sanctioned for the same?

Digital Payments

1034. SHRI P.K.

KUNHALIKUTTY:

SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.

SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has recently constituted a high level Committee headed by Infosys Chairman to suggest measures to strengthen the safety

and security of the digital payments in the country;

- (b) if so, the details of the composition of the Committee and the time by which the Committee is likely to submit its report to the Government;
- (c) whether there are several gaps in the present ecosystem and people are afraid to make use of the digital transactions; and
- (d) if so, the extent to which those gaps are likely to be removed in order to increase the customers confidence and trust?

Environment Clearance for Real Estate Projects

1035. SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has notified exempting real estate projects with a built up area of upto 50,000 square metres from the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process and from having to obtain a prior environmental clearance;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) its likely impact on the ground water or surface water resources and pollution check in the area?

Child Welfare Committees

1036. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA: KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is aware that a large number of children in shelter homes across the country are often left unsupervised, subjected to corporal punishment, given sub-standard food, devoid of medical or legal aid and languish for years without proper education or skill development;
- (b) if so, the facts and details in this regard;
- (c) whether a large number of shelter homes are not presenting children before the Child Welfare Committees or Juvenile Justice Boards as mandated by the Juvenile Justice Act; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Relief to Natural Calamity affected Farmers

1037. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA RAJESHWARI SINGH: DR. A. SAMPATH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government/ Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued guidelines for relief measures including interest free agricultural loans to the farmers affected by drought and considers any special scheme of giving loans to the recent flood affected farmers of Kerala and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the benefits of scheme have also been provided to farmers in the States/UTs particularly drought hit Kandhamal region of Odisha and flood affected Kerala and if so, the details thereof

- along with the funds disbursed to the States/ UTs during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to expedite the identification and sanction of loan to the farmers?

NCISM Bill

1038. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

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

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed amendments to clause 33(1) (d) and 33 (3) (c) of the National Commission for Indian Systems of Medicine (NCISM) Bill, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether this will promote unqualified persons to allow practice in Indian Systems of Medicines (ISM), if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether this will also attract back door entry to the ISM practice, if so, the response of the Government thereto and the actions proposed to be taken to address this concern?

AIIMS

1039. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI: SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Government is aware that the AIIMS at Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Jodhpur, Patna, Raipur and Rishikesh which were conceived as centres of excellence in medical care have failed in accomplishing the desired objectives;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the establishment of the AIIMS in six States has had any impact on the patient load in AIIMS, Delhi, from these States; and
- (d) if so, the details in this regard and the number of patients referred to or transferred from the regional AIIMS to AIIMS, Delhi, for treatment since the operation of these regional AIIMS?

Death of Elephants due to Train Accidents

1040. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether since 1987 to till date about 290 elephants have died due to train accidents;
- (b) whether the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India *vide* its order dated 2.9.2014 had directed the Railways to take steps to ensure protection of wildlife and also that the action to be taken against the erring drivers causing such accidents;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the number of elephants died since the Supreme Court's order and the number of cases registered against such loco pilots along with the total number of them punished since September 2014?

Blood Banks

1041. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has a centralized blood banking system in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, whether the Government proposes to introduce a centralized blood banking system similar to the 'Hub and Spoke' model;
- (c) whether it is fact that nearly 2% of all blood donors have some kind of infection in this country, if so, the details thereof: and
- (d) the total number of Blood banks in the country, State-wise and the steps taken by the Government to promote the concept of 'Repeat Regular Blood Donor (RRBD)?

Harassment of Women

1042. SHRI ABHIJIT MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to tackle cyber harassment meted out to Women; and
- (b) the steps undertaken by the Government to prevent harassment of women especially in office/workplace in the light of the Vishaka guidelines?

Direct and Indirect Taxes

1043. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE ਕਿਜ ਸੰਤੀ

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the direct taxes that have been collected during 2017-18 and 2018-19, along with changes in tax base and tax to GDP ratio;
- (b) the details of the indirect taxes collected under Goods and Services Tax (GST) in the last two years and the percentage change in collection from non-GST indirect tax collection:
- (c) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding the working of the GST Network and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government has conducted large scale awareness and training workshops for traders and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises to teach the working of the GSTN and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the penalties that are being imposed on those for not filing their GST returns in the stipulated time including the penalties collected by the Government?

Air Pollution Levels

1044. DR. KULAMANI SAMAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

(a) whether a recent study by the Indian Council of Medical Research has

found that 77 percent of country's population was found to be exposed to ambient air pollution levels above the national safe limit and worst hit States are Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, Uttarakhand and 26 percent premature deaths/disease burden have taken place due to air pollution;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the position in each of these aspects at the time of independence and at present, in all States and Union Territories; and
- (d) the corrective steps taken by the Government in each of these aspects?

Charges Levied by Banks

1045. SHRI N.K.
PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance that the banks are levying huge charges for rendering service and imposing such charges without the consent of the customers and deduct the amount arbitrarily from the accounts;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the Government to reduce the charges and to ensure that prior notice is issued;
- (c) the details of charges imposed by State Bank of India (SBI) for each service;
- (d) whether the Government has taken cognizance that the service charges of the banks are not affordable;
- (e) if so, the action taken by the Government to regulate the service charges imposed by the banks; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to establish a system to regulate and monitor the charges imposed by the banks and if so, the details thereof?

Anti-Dumping Duty

1046. SHRIMATI BHAVANA
PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI PATIL:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI
TUMANE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had in the recent past levied anti-dumping duty on import of four wheelers alloy wheels, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the difficulties being faced by the domestic manufacturers of two wheelers alloy wheels and proposes to safeguard/protect such manufacturers by contemplating on imposing anti-dumping duty for two wheelers alloy wheels similar to four wheelers alloy wheels/maximum import price similar to steel; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

Impact of Climate Change

†1047. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently taken cognizance of impact of climate change in metro cities like Delhi resulting in rise in pollution to very dangerous level thereby adversely affecting the health of children, elderly persons and women;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether any guidelines have been issued to the States/UTs Governments in this regard, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has fixed any emission standards to check air pollution; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Kvansanur Forest Disease

1048. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the Kyansanur Forest Disease (KFD) also called as monkey fever which has taken toll of 5 people in Karnataka particularly in Shivamogga district in last few months and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Union Government has taken any measures to control the disease; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Anganwadi Centres and Mini AWCs

1049. DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR
GAVIT:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a huge gap between the number of sanctioned and operational Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) and Mini-Anganwadi Centres (MAWCs) in the country during each of the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether a large proportion of the said centres are operating/running from rented buildings/semi-pukka buildings/open/partially covered spaces and do not have basic amenities such as toilets, potable water, separate kitchen, medicine kits etc. and if so, the number of such centres in the country. State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether the funds released by the Government to States have been fully utilised/spent on the upkeep of the said Centres during the said period and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to regularise the service of Anganwadi Workers/ Helpers and bring them at par with the Government employees in terms of salary, allowances and other facilities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to bridge the gap between sanctioned and operational AWCs/ MAWCs and provide adequate basic

amenities in them along with the efforts taken to protect the interests of AWs/AHs working therein?

Central Research Institutes

1050. DR. PRABHAS KUMAR SINGH:

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

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up/proposes to set up Central Research Institutes (CRIs), Regional Research Institutes (RRIs), hospitals, colleges of naturopathy and yoga systems in Odisha especially at Nrushingnath in Bargarh District; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the status in this regard at present?

Eco Sensitive Areas

1051. ADV. JOICE GEORGE: SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether the Government is progressing with final notification of Eco Sensitive Areas (ESA) across Western Ghats, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to include more areas under ESA, if so, the details thereof;

SHRI SATAV RAJEEV: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:

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- (c) whether the Government of Tamil Nadu has raised objections in this regard, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the consultation with State Governments has been completed, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has any commitment regarding declaration of ESA, if so, the details thereof?

Malnutrition Among Women

†1052. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA

ALIAS HARISH

DWIVEDI:

SHRI G HARI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the incidence of malnutrition among women is higher as compared to men and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the incidence of malnourishment among children is largely under reported in many parts of the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the faulty methods employed to diagnose malnutrition has led to poor detection of cases of malnutrition and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of efforts made by the Government to reduce malnutrition among women and children in the country?

Shortage of AYUSH Doctors

†1053. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL: SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is acute shortage of AYUSH doctors in the country, if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken to meet the requirements;
- (b) the number of posts including that of doctors/specialists lying vacant at present in AYUSH hospitals in the country particularly in metro cities;
- (c) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to fill up the said posts; and
- (d) the other measures taken/being taken by the Government to reduce the shortage of doctors in all AYUSH hospitals/dispensaries of the country?

Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs)

1054. DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:
SHRI BALABHADRA
MAJHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) appointed under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) in the country along with the incentives/wages provided to them, State/UT-wise;

- (b) whether the Government has assessed the performance of ASHAs in reducing various health problems including infant mortality rate/maternal mortality rate in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total funds allocated/released/ spent on ASHAs during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to increase the honorarium to ASHA workers in the Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) areas and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the further steps taken/being taken by the Government for the welfare of the ASHAs?

Price of Polio Vaccine

1055. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a rise in the price of the Polio Vaccine and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government has sought funds to the tune of Rs. 100 crore from an international donor to bear this cost hike and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the availability of the vaccine would be affected in case the Government doesn't receive the funds and if so, the details thereof?

Cases of Faulty Implants

1056. SHRI MANSHANKAR NINAMA: DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL "NISHANK": Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has come across cases of faulty implants being supplied to Government hospitals by a multinational company and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether it is a fact that 02 out of every 10 implants done at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi have gone wrong and patients have to come for revision surgery and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the top financial regulator in the United States has slapped a huge fine/penalty on a leading manufacturer of orthopaedic implant devices for violating its corruption norms in India, China and Kuwait and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government has initiated any investigation into the matter and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the measures being taken by the Government to regulate the medical devices market which has so far remained unregulated and if so, the details thereof?

Withdraw Kerosene Subsidy

1057. KUNWAR BHARATENDRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government intends to withdraw kerosene subsidies completely

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in the next few years, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:

- (b) whether Government has taken stock of the affected households as a result of this policy, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government is preparing a plan or strategy for households that lack a grid connection or reliable source of power, if so, the details thereof?

Cancer Patients

1058. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware about the increase in the number of cancer patients in the country particularly in Western Maharashtra and Karnataka State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to start new hospitals equipped to treat cancer patients in Maharashtra and Karnataka; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Daily Dose Treatment for TB

1059. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken to implement the Supreme Court direction asking the Government to administer daily dose treatment to Tuberculosis patients and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether it is true that the Government has adopted only six out of the sixteen recommendations made by the World Health Organization for diagnosing and preventing tuberculosis; and
 - (c) if so, the reasons therefor?

Poshan Abhiyan

1060. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has signed an agreement with the NASSCOM, for ensuring effective implementation of Poshan Abhiyan across 36 States and Union territories; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Health and Wellness Centres

1061. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open more Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) in the country;
- (b) if so, State/UT-wise details thereof; and
- (c) the number and details of such HWCs presently functional, State/UT-wise?

Assest Expansion of Public and Private Sector

1062. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU: Will the Minister of FINANCE ਕਿਜ ਸੰਤੀ

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the public sector asset expansion has been higher than the private expansion in the past four years, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether his Ministry has collected and evaluated data points in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details of fixed-asset growth trend in private and public sector; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any necessary steps to address gaps between asset growth in public and private sector and if so, the details thereof?

Income Tax Department

1063. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any measures/steps to enhance the technology backbone of the Income Tax Department;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any time frame has been stipulated in this regard; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Misuse of Antibiotics

1064. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL: DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the doctors have expressed their views at a conference during antibiotics awareness week that excessive use of antibiotics boosts various diseases and causes damage to human organs and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether it is also true that use of the drugs has more than doubled between 2000 and 2015 and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether it is also true that misuse and overuse of antibiotics have made once easily treatable bacteria infections harder and often impossible to cure because bacteria evolve rapidly to evade antibiotics, leading to drug resistance and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is also true that this phenomenon is on the rise not only because of inappropriate use of antibiotics in human medicine but also due to practices in the agricultural industry and if so, the details thereof:
- (e) whether it is true that no new antibiotic drug has been launched after 1975 and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether the Government is likely to formulate any effective guidelines to check the misuse of antibiotics and if so, the details thereof?

Vacant Posts in Medical Colleges

†1065. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL "NISHANK":

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to fill up large number of the vacant posts in the medical

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colleges in the country specially in Himalayan, inaccessible naxalite, bordering areas along with the steps proposed to address shortage of equipments and infrastructure in medical colleges;

- (b) whether the Medical Council of India has made any relaxation in the norms for colleges in remote, bordering and hilly areas; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Fines Imposed by National Green Tribunal

1066. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether National Green Tribunal (NGT) panel has recommended imposition of huge amount as fines on Volkswagen;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether such types of fines have been imposed on any other manufacturing companies in the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Involvement of NGOs in CSR

1067. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY: SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of organizations working in the social sectors including

Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) involved in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) projects such as environment, skill development, water and sanitation through CSR activities across the country, State/UT-Wise including Jharkhand; and

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned/allocated/utilised by the above said organizations/NGOs during the last three years?

Study on the Impact of GST and Demonetisation

1068. SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO(AVANTHI):

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a legislative panel has asked the Government to study the impact of the 2016 invalidation of high-value banknotes and 2017 and introduction of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on key economic benchmarks such as Gross Domestic Product (GDP), investment and industrial production; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and steps being taken to commission the study and if not, the reasons therefor?

Demonetisation

1069. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the main objectives of the Government behind demonetisation and the extent to which the said objectives have been fulfilled:

- (b) whether there has been a decline in GDP growth after demonetisation, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to increase the GDP?

Audit of CSR Spent

†1070. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds spent by the Government and Private Sector Banks and companies under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) during the years 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18;
- (b) whether the Government has audited the CSR funds spent by the said Government and Private Sector Banks and Companies and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the amount spent out of the said CSR funds for constructing toilets etc. for the welfare of local people in Patna region under Swachh Bharat Mission?

Upgrading of Health Sub-Centres into Health and Wellness Centres

1071. SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI: SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is in the process of upgrading Health Sub-Centres (HSC) into Health and Wellness Centres

- (HWC), if so, the number of such HSCs upgraded in HWCs till date, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the human resources proposed at each HWC along with the number of human resources posted at such HWCs-State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether there are any gaps in the human resources proposed at HWC and actual availability, if so, the details and reasons therefor along with the initiatives taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether there is any specific outcome/output of converting HSC into HWC, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the number of HWCs functional in tribal areas of Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Uttarakhand?

Endangered Bird Species

1072. SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to conserve and improve the population of endangered bird species of the country;
- (b) the details regarding endangered birds whose population continues to decline in spite of schemes and programmes of the Government to protect them;
- (c) whether power transmission lines across forests are one of the reasons for the declining bird population and if so, details thereof; and
- (d) the steps being taken to address the issues relating to protection of endangered birds and removal of power transmission lines in forests/national parks/ wildlife sanctuaries?

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

Upgrading of Physiotherapy Course

1073. DR. K. KAMARAJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the diploma courses in physiotherapy have been upgraded to Bachelors Degree and if so, the objectives and reasons therefor:
- (b) whether the Government had conducted any study regarding the impact of such an upgradation;
- (c) whether the specialisation courses like ortho, cardio, sports and neurology in physiotherapy are available and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for starting these courses; and
- (d) the details of employment opportunities, pay scales and group of services likely to be inducted in Government services for physiotherapists?

Benami Transactions

1074. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN: DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government/ Enforcement Directorate (ED) has conducted raids against the persons involved in Benami Transactions to attach their benami properties and unaccounted cash;
- (b) if so, the details of such assets and cash attached by ED during the past three years;

(c) whether the Government has taken severe criminal action against such benami property holders; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Schemes for Development of Women and Children

†1075. SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:
SHRI OM BIRLA:
SHRI KIRTI AZAD:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI P.P. CHAUHAN:
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER
KAUSHIK:
SHRI DEVUSINH
CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes launched by the Government under the Ministry of Women and Child Development since 2014 till date along with the details of the targets set and the achievements made under each of the said schemes, year and State/UTwise including Bihar and Haryana;
- (b) the details of the proposals received from various States along with the proposals approved by the Government under the schemes sponsored by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated, released and utilized for implementation of various schemes of this Ministry during each of the last four years and the current year, scheme and State/UT-wise;

- (d) whether the released funds have been utilised properly by the State Governments and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government to ensure full and proper utilization of the released funds; and
- (e) whether the Government has set any time limit for completing the pending schemes and if so, the schemes under which the work has been completed or is near completion and if not, the reasons therefor?

SECURE Project

1076. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE: SHRI GEORGE BAKER: SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the Securing Livelihoods, Conservation, Sustainable Use and Restoration of High Range Himalayan Ecosystem (SECURE) Project;
- (b) the number of States being covered initially under this project along with the targets set under the project; and
- (c) the details of the funds sanctioned for the project, State/UT-wise including West Bengal?

GST Policy for Real Estate Sector

1077. SHRIMATI ANJU BALA: SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME GOWDA: SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether several policy changes have been recommended for implementation of Goods and Services Tax (GST) by GST Council in its recent meetings and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has constituted Group of Ministers (GoM) on issues related to lottery and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government has also constituted Group of Ministers (GoM) for boosting the Real Estate Sector under the GST regime by providing a Composition Scheme for Residential Construction Units and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for simplification and better implementation of GST?

CARA

1078. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV: SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME GOWDA: SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

- (a) whether 90 percent of 11 million abandoned Children are girls and only a few thousand of them are adopted every year, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of abandoned children living in Government and non-Government homes, State and gender-wise;

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- (c) whether report of corruption in adoption process reducing it to a commercial transaction has come to the notice of the Government and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto:
- (d) whether Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA) has succeeded in regulating placement agencies and avoiding procedural delays/duplication in adoption process, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Evasion of Customs Duty

1079. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR
GAVIT:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of importers undervaluing foreign foods for evading customs duty, if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the number of cases reported and detected by the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) and the estimated loss of duty due to undervaluation of goods;
- (c) whether DRI/Department of Revenue has issued show cause notices to some firms in this regard;

- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against such firms; and
- (e) the further remedial steps taken or being taken by the Government in this regard?

Implementation of Schemes

†1080. SHRI P.P. CHAUHAN:
SHRI KIRTI AZAD:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER
KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the year-wise details of the schemes launched by the Government under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare since the year 2014 till date along with the details of the targets set and the achievements made under each of the said schemes:
- (b) the State-wise details of the proposals received from various States along with the proposals approved by the Union Government under the schemes sponsored by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare;
- (c) the scheme-wise and State-wise details of the funds allocated and utilized for implementation of various schemes of this Ministry during each of the last four years and the current year; and
- (d) whether the Government has set any time-limit for completing the pending schemes and, if so, the details thereof?

Funds Released for AYUSH

†1081. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK: SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

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

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds released to Darbhanga in Bihar and Sonepat in Haryana under various schemes of this ministry;
- (b) whether the funds released under the said schemes have been utilized under the respective schemes, if so, the details of the schemes under which the work has been completed or is near completion; and
- (c) whether works have not been completed, if so, the reasons therefor?

Forensic Audits of Brokerage Firms

1082. KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

ਕਿਜ ਸੰਕੀ

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) had commissioned three auditing firms to carry out forensic audits of brokerage firms who have gained preferential access to servers

- of National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether these auditing firms has submitted its report to the SEBI and if so, the details of the report;
- (c) the number of brokerage firms found involved in getting preferential access to NSE server:
- (d) the *modus-operandi* adopted by such broking firms; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the NSE to strengthen its infrastructure to avoid such type of malpractices by brokerage firms in future along with the action taken/proposed to be taken by the SEBI against such guilty firms?

Death of Elephants

1083. SHRI GAJANAN

KIRTIKAR:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

- (a) the number of elephants that have died unnaturally in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any inquiry in each of the matter and if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

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- (c) whether the wildlife elephants have made chaos in the life of people living in different parts of the country as they have ruined most of the villages and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any necessary steps in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the number of houses destroyed and persons killed by the wild elephants during the last three years, State/UT-wise; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to minimize the impacts of human-wildlife conflict including human-elephant conflict?

Complaints against Insurance Companies

1084. SHRI T.

RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has laid down guidelines for the insurance companies regarding unfair business practice at the point of sale indulge by them and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has taken cognizance of increasing complaints against the public and private sector Insurance Companies under the category of unfair business practice;

- (c) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the reasons therefor along with the action taken/being taken by the Government on each complaint;
- (d) whether the Government has fixed any time frame to resolve such complaints; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the number of complaints that have not been resolved in the fixed time frame during the said period along with the reasons therefor?

Child Adoption

†1085. SHRIMATI RITI
PATHAK:
SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G.
FATEPARA:
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of children adopted by Indians and foreigners during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the child adoption has declined during the said period;
 - (c) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has received complaints regarding complicated formalities involved in the adoption procedure, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government to simplify child adoption procedure in the country?

New AIIMS

1086. PROF. K.V. THOMAS: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL: SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.: PROF. SAUGATA ROY: SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of new AIIMS sanctioned during the last five years and the amount of funds spent/proposed to be spent in this regard, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has sanctioned a proposal for setting up new AIIMS in various parts of the country including at Mahoba in Bundelkhand;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (d) whether the six AIIMS initially set up by the Government have started working in full swing, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government for the expansion of healthcare facilities in Mahoba, Hamirpur and Tindwari of Uttar Pradesh?

Patients Affected by Drug Resistant TR

1087. SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
SHRI RAJENDRA
AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of patients affected by Drug Resistant Tuberculosis and deaths therefrom have increased in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Revised National TB Control Programme has achieved the desired results and addressed the problem of Drug Resistant TB successfully in the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of the funds provided by the Government under the said programme during the said period, State/ UT-wise; and
- (e) whether the Government has any proposal to review the Revised National TB Control Programme to control the Drug Resistant TB effectively across the country and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be reviewed?

Packaged Fortified Food for Children

†1088. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of underweight children in India is almost double the number in Sub-Saharan Africa and if so, the details thereof;

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- (b) whether food fortification has proved to be one of the most effective ways to supplement the nutrition needs of the population across the world and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether a scientific panel has been set up on 'Food Fortification and Nutrition', a strategy which showed remarkable result in the treatment of Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) in Africa and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the experts have been cautioning against "quick fix" of buying commercial products instead of focusing on sustainable measures such as care and support for mothers, clean drinking water and food security to treat malnutrition;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government in this regard; and
- (f) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government for creating awareness about malnutrition and method to eradicate this problem?

FSSAI

†1089. SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO
RAUT:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) is responsible for implementing the Food Safety and Standards (FSS) Act, 2006, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether it is a fact that neither FSSAI nor the state food authorities have documented policies and procedures on risk-based inspections and the FSSAI does not even have a database on food businesses in the country;
- (c) if so, the response of the Union Government thereon:
- (d) whether there is an acute shortage of licensing and enforcement officers in the States which has severely affected food safety measures and if so, the details thereof:
- (e) whether there is lack of food safety authorities in districts and if so, whether the Union Health Ministry has sought appointment of Sub-Divisional Officers as 'designated officers' for food safety in every district; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Shortage of Nurses and Midwives

1090. SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government is aware of the shortage of trained nurses and midwives in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the present nurse-patient ratio in the country:
- (c) the total number of diploma/degree schools and colleges with seats imparting nursing education in the country, State/UT-wise and the steps taken/proposed by the Government to open new nursing educational institutions in the country, location and State/UT-wise:
- (d) whether the Government has received a number of proposals from the States/UTs for setting up/upgradation of nursing institutions; and
- (e) if so, the details of proposals cleared and pending thereof and the reasons therefor?

Government and Private Blood Banks

†1091. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:
SHRI HARISHCHANDRA
CHAVAN:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR
PANDEY:
SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI
DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 74 districts in the country are still without blood banks, if so, the details thereof indicating the names of such districts and the number of Government

- and private blood banks functioning in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether a number of people die due to lack of blood banks in such districts, if so, the details thereof and reaction of the Government thereto along with the remedial steps being taken in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for setting up blood banks on priority basis in remote, rural and border areas in the Country and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether coordination with voluntary organizations, private and public sector is there to encourage voluntary blood donations and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to check and stop illegal sale of blood or related illegal activities?

Online Sale of Medicines

†1092. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines for online sale of medicines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which it provides security to the consumers:
- (c) whether the Government has prepared any draft to amend the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules for sale, storage and marketing of medicines through e-pharmacy and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any complaints regarding delivery of spurious medicines by online e-pharmacy companies have been received during the last three years; and

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(e) if so, the details thereof State/UTwise along with the action taken in this regard?

New Return Filing System of GSTN

1093. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN) will focus on development of new return filing system, improving the user interface, business intelligence and analytics and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the GSTN is already doing simple analytics by matching GSTR-3B and GSTR-1 returns, based on which tax officials are sending notices to taxpayers under GST and if so, the details thereof?

Online Sale of Food

1094. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received complaints regarding poor quality of food sold online and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether there are guidelines/ monitoring system to check the quality of food sold online and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the quality of food sold online?

Avushman Cards

†1095. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA: SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has distributed/is distributing Ayushman Bharat cards;
- (b) if so, the number of Ayushman Bharat cards distributed so far; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to make common people aware about the features of Ayushman Bharat?

Anganwadis

†1096. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has achieved its aims and objectives in improving the nutritional, educational and health status of poor children in the country through Anganwadi Centres;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the condition of Anganwadis across the country to make them more effective?

Genome Editing

1097. SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study on the extent of Research and Development (R&D) being undertaken for Genome editing in India;
- (b) if so, the details and outcome thereof;
- (c) the details of the existing laws and regulations that are in place with respect to Genome editing for healthcare purposes;
- (d) whether the Government plans to bring in new legislation on Genome editing in India: and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Deforestation

1098. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) the details of actual forest cover against the targets fixed for forest cover during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether large-scale deforestation has taken place in the country;
- (c) if so, the details of the area where denudation of forests has taken place during the last three years, State-wise along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to check further denudation of forest area in the country;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to launch a new initiative involving locallevel institutions and private sector to expand forest cover in the country, especially in the rural areas; and

(f) if so, the details thereof including the efforts made by the Government in this regard?

Treatment of Snake Bite

†1099. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI: SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of a new medicine that has been developed for the treatment of snake bite costing just rupees 60;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of persons who have fallen victim of snake bite in the country along with the number of persons died of snake bite every year; and
- (d) the efforts made by the Government to reduce the cost of treatment of snake bite?

Forest Cover

†1100. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) the forest cover in hectares in the country, State-wise along with their percentage;
- (b) the national coverage of forest area in terms of hectares and percentage;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to make any new effort for the expansion

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of forest area in the country, if so, the details thereof:

- (d) the details of funds provided by the Government for conservation, development and promotion of forests in the States including Chhattisgarh during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise; and
- (e) the success achieved as a result thereof?

National Action Plan on Climate Change

1101. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the key achievements under the National Action Plan on Climate Change, along with the cumulative capacity installed under the National Solar Mission till 2018;
- (b) the afforestation activities carried out by the Government over the last five years;
- (c) whether there are any research centres established to study and observe climate change issues across the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the achievements of various projects under the National Water Mission over the last five years?

Specialised Adoption Agencies

1102. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of the Specialised Adoption Agencies (SAAs) established under the Juvenile Justice Act in the country since 2014 year-wise, State-wise;
- (b) the total number of children enrolled and given in adoption under the SAAs since 2014, year and State/UT-wise;
- (c) the number of children who have died in SAAs since 2014, year and State-wise;
- (d) the number of children whose records are not available with the SAAs, year and State-wise; and
- (e) whether the Ministry or Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA) has inspected all the SAAs which have a complaint against them and if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

Healthcare Infrastructure Development under NHM

1103. SHRIMATI P.K. SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of districts identified in Kerala as the High Priority Districts for developing healthcare infrastructure;
- (b) if so, the measures taken by the Government under NHM to strengthen the healthcare infrastructure in Kerala:
- (c) the details of funds allocated, sanctioned, released and spent on healthcare infrastructure in Kerala and physical targets set and achieved so far; and
- (d) the details of districts identified for the purpose in Kerala and status of each district?

Pollution by Generators

1104. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether the Government has any alternative source of environment friendly fuel to replace the pollution causing generators being used now a days;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to use CNG or LPG based generators to make environment pollution free; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Independent Debt Management

1105. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to launch an integrated programme in coordination with the States/UTs to increase savings and investments among the people, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to setup an independent debt management office instead of Reserve Bank of India for better servicing of loans which could lead to substantial reduction in India's interest payments; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Green India Mission

1106. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) the objectives of the Green India Mission (GIM);
- (b) whether the said mission has been successful in fulfilling its mandate and if so, the physical and financial achievements in the last five years and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether it is a fact that the Group of Secretaries in their report on Energy and Environment, submitted to the Government in November-December 2016 had recommended that 'at the Central level, the National Afforestation and Eco-Development Board will be merged with the GIM Directorate and will be managed by the Forestry Wing of the Ministry';
- (d) the steps taken by his Ministry to implement the said recommendation; and
- (e) the time by which his Ministry will implement the said recommendation of the Group of Secretaries and the revamped GIM Directorate will be functional?

Childcare Homes run by NGOs

1107. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has recently directed States to inspect childcare homes run by NGOs;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has also asked the States to identify all childcare

institutions that could be potentially involved in illegal adoptions which is equivalent to child trafficking; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

National Rural Health Mission

†1108. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the provisions being made by the Government for supply of nutritious food to children born in inaccessible and rural areas in the country;
- (b) whether a new project is likely to be started under the Child Health programme of the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of norms likely to be developed by the Government for the physical and mental development of such children?

Promoting Digital Payment by NABARD

1109. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA: SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government through NABARD is promoting digital payment infrastructure, which was supposed to deploy two Point of Sale (PoS) machines in a village having population of less than 10,000 people and if so, the details thereof, State/UT and date-wise;

- (b) the total expenses incurred in the process of issuing PoS machines across the country;
- (c) the details of the manufacturers of these PoS machines;
- (d) the details of the transactions carried through PoS machines during the last three years and current year; and
- (e) the details of the incidents of malfunctioning of PoS machines across the country and the status of such complaints?

CDSCO Report on Faulty Hip Implants

1110. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any report from the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) on the issue of faulty ASR Hip Implants and if so, the salient findings and recommendations thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has accepted and acted upon the recommendations of the said report and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether all of the affected patients in India have received compensation from Johnson & Johnson and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (d) whether consultations were held with patients while deciding the formula, if so, the details thereof along with the basis

of deciding on a formula for payment of compensation; and

(e) whether the Government is proposing to take criminal action against Johnson & Johnson and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Chit Fund Companies

†1111. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU: Will the Minister of FINANCE

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken into cognizance that a large number of fake insurance companies and chit fund companies are functioning in the country especially in the rural and remote areas and they abscond after tempting rural people and making them invest a large amount;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has made any action plan to identify such ineligible/ fake companies in the country and check their activities;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of such fake companies identified and punished during each of the last three years and the current year State-wise including Chhattisgarh; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government for strict compliance of the guidelines of Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India by the insurance companies?

Schemes of Corporate Affairs

†1112. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI P.P. CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes launched by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs since the year 2014 till date along with the targets set and the achievements made under each of the said schemes, yearwise;
- (b) the details of the proposals received from various States along with the proposals approved by the Union Government under these schemes of the Ministry, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated and utilized for implementation of various schemes of the Ministry during each of the last four years and the current year, scheme/ State-wise; and
- (d) whether the Government has set any time-limit for completing the pending schemes and if so, the details thereof?

Irregularities in National Zoo Park, Delhi

1113. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

(a) whether Central Zoo Authority (CZA) has filed various complaints, letters and the affidavits for the irregularities observed and recorded from time to time

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during the visits to National Zoo Park, Delhi:

- (b) if so, the details of the complaints filed along with the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has constituted any Committee to look into the irregularities and complaints launched by CZA on various occasions and instances; and
- (d) the details of the report filed by the Committee and the corrective measures taken in this regard?

Reduction in Air Pollution

1114. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) the tangible results that the Government has seen in its plan to reduce air pollution in Delhi and North Indian States;
- (b) whether the Government has formed an Inter-ministerial committee in this regard, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has consulted the State Government of Punjab in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has noticed that the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has predicted the pollution levels in Delhi to increase in January-February; and
 - (e) if so, the action taken thereon?

Adoption of AB-PMJAY Scheme by States

1115. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIK AR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether all the State Governments have adopted Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of people who have benefited since the launch of the scheme, State/UT-wise?

Fake Currency Notes

1116. MOHAMMED FAIZAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up any squad to keep check on new fake currency notes circulation across the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Food and Nutrition Board

1117. SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Food and Nutrition Board proposes to implement any programme for providing free nutritious food to the pregnant women and children in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Treatment under Siddha Yoga

†1118. SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

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

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of facilities made available for treatment under Siddha Yoga system in the country; and
- (b) the places where the said facilities are available under CGHS?

Homes for Disabled Children and Women

†1119. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether homes for disabled and destitute children/women are being run by the Government:
- (b) if so, the number of such homes, State/UT-wise particularly in Rajasthan;
- (c) the nature of financial assistance being provided by the Government and other agencies for running these homes; and
- (d) the funds sanctioned and utilised for the construction of such homes during

the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan?

National Health Protection Mission

1120. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the National Health Protection Mission (NHPM) will provide annual health cover of Rs. 5 lakh each for 10.74 crore families, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is also true that IT stabilization is the limiting factor in announcing a launch date for NHPM; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Closure of PSU Bank Branches

1121. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

- (a) whether the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) are expected to close down around 70 of their total 216 foreign branches and other operations by the end of this year in order to cut costs and preserve capital and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the banks have initiated sale of non-core assets, closure of unviable branches and other steps to reduce capital and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether so far they have closed down 37 overseas operations and other 60-70 operations will be closed down by the end of the year and if so, the details thereof?

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Conservation of Western Ghats

1122. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any decision about the final notification on the Kasturirangan panel report relating to the conservation of Western Ghats;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the final notification is likely to be issued?

UNAIDS Report

1123. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a report by UNAIDS states that only 79 per cent of people with HIV in India were aware of their condition and only 56 per cent of them has access to treatment, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to ensure that the early detection and treatments like viral load tests are made available to them;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the fact that tuberculosis has been one of the leading reasons for death of HIV patients and if so, whether the Government has formulated any scheme for the convergence of HIV treatment under the existing tuberculosis programmes and if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether follow up procedures are conducted to ensure that the virus load tests are done on patients; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Great Indian Bustard

1124. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

- (a) whether only one male Great Indian Bustard, is surviving in Kutch district of Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the reasons for the decline of the male population of the Great Indian Bustard in Gujarat;
- (d) the action taken by the Government to protect the Great Indian Bustard in the country;
- (e) whether the captive breeding facilities are being established to prevent extinction of the bird and if so, the details thereof: and
- (f) the total population of the Great Indian Bustard in the country, State-wise?

Ground Water Pollution

1125. SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether indiscriminate use of chemicals and fertilizers during the last three years is a major cause of rapidly increasing ground water pollution in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to check the pollution of the ground water during the last three years?

GST Rates on Houses

†1126. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the special Committee on Goods and Services Tax (GST) has taken a decision to reduce the house tax rate from 12 per cent to 5 per cent and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government has received complaints that builders are not providing benefit of tax credit to the buyers;
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard; and
- (d) the extent to which the home buyers are likely to be benefited by the said decision of the Government?

National Nutrition Council

1127. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government intends to establish a National Nutrition Council to tackle malnutrition crisis in the country in the near future;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the said Council is likely to be established?

GST Slabs

†1128. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the commodities on which Goods and Services Tax (GST) is being levied at the rate of 28 per cent at present;
- (b) whether the Government has taken a decision to phase out or decrease the high rates of GST and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Waste Management

1129. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

(a) whether the Government has decentralised the waste management in the country to recycle the biodegradable waste into compost; and

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

Environmental Clearance for Projects

1130. SHRI VENKATESH BABU

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of projects were pending with the Union Government since long for want of environmental clearance:
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise and the reasons for such undue delay particularly for the State of Tamil Nadu:
- (c) whether the Government/National Board of Wildlife (NBWL) have cleared number of pending proposals including the projects habitation/adjoining areas of endangered animals; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to protect fauna and flora and the depleting forest cover in the country?

Implementation of PMMY

1131. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total loans granted under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) in Delhi since its inception;

- (b) the total number of beneficiaries under PMMY in Delhi since its inception; and
- (c) the number of women beneficiaries *vis-à-vis* men and rural beneficiaries *vis-à-vis* urban under PMMY in Delhi since its inception?

PSBs' PCA Framework

1132. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the recapitalization will enhance the lending capacity of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) and help them to come out of the Reserve Bank of India's watch list and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether some of the PSBs are likely to come out of the Prompt Corrective Action Framework (PAC) in next few months on the back of improvement in various parameters and if so, the details thereof?

Report of Dr. Shailesh Nayak Committee

1133. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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

(a) whether Dr. Shailesh Nayak Committee consultation with public representatives of coastal areas and fisher community is as per its Terms of Reference;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the report format provided to the Committee to prepare and submit its report;
- (d) whether this Committee was executive Committee or legislative Committee and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether this Committee has limited power to consult stakeholder and include or exclude their issues or objections and if so, the details thereof?

CSR Compliance

1134. SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sent notices to thousands of companies who have failed to spend funds under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) policy, if so, the details thereof and the action being taken by the Government against the defaulters:
- (b) whether the Government has any record of CSR funds spent by the Companies in the last four Financial Years (FY) and the current FY till now and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has filed its interim report on the Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Limited (IL&FS) case naming several high-profile individuals and 302 group companies as respondents; and

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

Prevention of Epidemics

1135. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared a list of all epidemics that regularly affect some or other parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the pre-emptive measures taken by the Government to reduce the toll caused by such epidemics and increase the Government response time;
- (c) whether the Government has reviewed the preparedness of the States/ UTs and adequacy of availability of drugs and vaccines to deal with cases of various epidemics and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the further measures being taken by the Government for proper management of epidemics like bird flu and creation of health infrastructure for its early and precise detection and treatment?

Sakhi Centers

1136. SHRI KESINENI NANI: KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed to implement any scheme for

setting up of One Stop Centres (OSCs), popularly known as Sakhi Centres to support women affected by violence, if so, the details thereof along with the salient features/objectives of the scheme;

- (b) whether the scheme is being financed through Nirbhaya Fund and if so, the details thereof along with the expenditure incurred by the Government for setting up such centres, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of OSC approved, established and functional along with the number of women registered/enrolled thereunder till date, State/UT-wise including Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh:
- (d) whether the Government had proposed to implement the said scheme in all the districts and each OSC will be strengthened with an additional annual grant of Rs. 50,000 for immediate assistance for first aid and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has a mechanism in place to monitor and review the implementation of the said scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Infection in ICUs

1137. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

SHRIS.P. **MUDDAHANUME** GOWDA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study on the increase in the number of complaints with regard to infection in the Intensive Care Units (ICUs) in Government/private hospitals during the last three years, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether the Government has issued any guidelines or taken corrective measures with regard to the said complaints and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposals from States/UTs in order to make ICUs safe and if so, the details thereof?

Sale of Schedule H1 Drugs

1138. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps during 2014-2018 to curb overthe-counter sale of Schedule H1 drugs of the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, 1945 in violation of the law;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of steps proposed to curb Antimicrobial Resistance due to unchecked over-the-counter sales of Schedule H1 drugs?

Take Home Ration (THR) Scheme

1139. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether her Ministry has assessed the impact of the pilot programmes on conditional cash transfer to meet Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) nutrition goals and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether any irregularities have been noticed in the implementation of ICDS's Take Home Ration (THR) Scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of pregnant, lactating women and children who have been benefited under the said scheme; and
- (d) whether the scheme has met its set targets to improve maternal and child health and if so, the details thereof?

Banking Sector Reforms

1140. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the banking sector has failed to meet the targets for weaker sections of the society and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government proposes to undertake any major reforms in the banking sector and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to push banking sector reforms to lift them out of Non-Performing Assets and revive lending growth and if so, the details thereof?

Anemia Cases

1141. SHRI LADU KISHORE SWAIN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any policy has been formulated to make India anemia free and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) the details of quantum of funds allocated under ICDS and its various components since 2014-15 across the country, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to prepare and introduce a separate 'nutrition budget statement' on anemia during the budget session and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has proposed to increase the cost norms for Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) and scale up entitlements thereon and if so, the details thereof?

Government Hospitals

1142. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of fully functional Government hospitals equipped with doctors, staff and basic healthcare facilities per 100 sq. kilometre especially in the rural and underdeveloped regions; and
- (b) the number and details of Government healthcare centres or hospitals proposed to be built and made functional within the next five years to ease the pressure of rising number of patients?

Non Utilisation of Foreign Debt

†1143. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country has to pay huge amount in the form of commitment

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charges due to non utilization of foreign debt amount on time, if so, the details thereof:

- (b) whether the Government have to pay any amount under this head during the last three years; and
- (c) if so, the amount which the Government have to pay along with the reasons therefor?

NMDPC

1144. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to set up a National Medical Devices Promotion Council (NMDPC) in near future;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it will work as a facilitator and developmental body for Indian Medical Devices Industry;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether it will also identify redundant processes and provide technical assistance to simplify the approval processes involved in medical devices industry and if so, the details thereof?

Funds to Telangana

1145. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State

Government of Telangana requesting for release of Rs. 484 crores for the formation of new districts in the State and if so, the details thereof: and

(b) whether any decision has been taken by the Union Government in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

Policy for Overseas Borrowings

1146. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has recently notified new policy for overseas borrowing allowing all the eligible entities to raise foreign funds under automatic route removing sectoral curbs;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the extent to which this step of the RBI is likely to help improve ease of doing business; and
- (d) the manner in which new policy is likely to remove earlier Tracks I and Tracks II sectoral curbs to ease doing business?

Impact of Climate Change on Eco-Systems

1147. DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study to assess the impact of climate change on different eco-systems including agriculture in India during the last two years;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any action plan has been chalked out by Government to combat ill effects of climate changes in coordination with the global agencies; and
- (d) if so, the details and the features of such action plan?

National Nutrition Mission

1148. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of progress and achievements made under the National Nutrition Mission in the light of targets set; and
- (b) the percentage of GDP allocated for the welfare of women and children in the country including healthcare during the last one year?

Shortage of Staff

1149. SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Financial Services (DFS) on its own strength lacks expertise and experienced officials to deal with technical areas and area requiring specialized knowledge and skill relating to banks, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

- (b) whether the officials particularly of the Central Bank of India are working on unofficial manner in the DFS to avoid their out station postings and drawing salary from the Central Bank of India with due promotions;
- (c) if so, the number of such officials of Central Bank of India and the reasons for continuing them in DFS unofficially; and
- (d) the steps taken by the DFS for repatriation of Central Bank of India officials?

Family Planning for Males

1150. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the initiatives being taken by the Government to increase male participation in family planning;
- (b) the name of States having better male participation in family planning in terms of better uptake of male contraceptives;
- (c) whether the Government is devising initiatives to introduce newer contraceptives for males in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is planning to increase frequency of 'Vasectomy Fortnight' in the country and if so, the details thereof?

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