

## LOK SABHA

### List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS Friday, August 3, 2018/Shravana 12, 1940 (Saka)

(Ministries of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Corporate Affairs; Environment, Forest and Climate Change; Finance; Health and Family Welfare; Women and Child Development)  
(आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष); कॉर्पोरेट कार्य; पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन; वित्त; स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण; महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय )

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#### Handing Over of PSEs to Private Management

2761. SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS:  
Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री  
be pleased to state:  
(a) whether shares of any Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs) have been sold during 2014 to 2017 period;  
(b) if so, the details of such enterprises and percentage of their shares sold;  
(c) whether their management's were handed over to private sector; and  
(d) the details of number of enterprises will be handed over to private sector in the near future?

#### Disinvestment of PSUs in Kerala

2762. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:  
Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:  
(a) the details of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in Kerala for which the disinvestment plan approved by the Government;  
(b) whether any of such PSUs are in profit and if so, the details thereof; and  
(c) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the objection against privatization of such profit making PSUs and if so, the details thereof?

#### Pollution by Synthetic Fertilizers

2763. SHRI D.K. SURESH:  
SHRI NALIN KUMAR  
KATEEL:  
SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:  
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 indiscriminate application of synthetic fertilizers has been polluting

water bodies and destroying ozone layers and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether agricultural pollutants have the potential for damage on a much larger scale;

(c) if so, whether the Government has taken steps identify the said problems;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is taking any measures to combat the likely damage by the said pollutants and if so, the details thereof?

#### Polluted Cities

2764. SHRI ARKA KESHARI DEO:

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 14 of the world's most polluted cities are located in India as the data released by World Health Organisation (WHO) recently;

(b) if so, the name of these cities;

(c) whether the Government has set a time-limit to make these 14 polluted cities of the country as a model cities of the world; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the road-map chalked out for the purpose?

#### Bribery Nexus in Exchange of Old Currency

2765. SHRI SIRAJUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any report about bribery nexus involving Reserve Bank of India/other Bank officials in exchanging of old notes during whole processing of demonetisation and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken action to nab the culprits; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Barren Forest Land

†2766. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALIAS HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of area of barren forest land in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to use the said area of land;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Waterborne Infectious Diseases

†2767. 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 is aware that a large number of people die due to water based infectious diseases every year;

(b) the total number of bacteriologists working in the country at present;

(c) whether the number of bacteriologists is adequate in view of the population of the country;

(d) whether there is a provision for well equipped mobile laboratories in hilly, remote, inaccessible and backward areas; and

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

#### Rejuvenation of Rivers

2768. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes new strategy for rejuvenation of rivers and making a rejuvenation plan for selected stretches of rivers in initial stages for conservation as the present strategy is limited only to tackling pollution load from domestic wastewater and regulation of industrial pollution;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any river stretches have been identified in this regard; and

(d) if so, the list of the stretches of the rivers identified thereof?

#### Desilting of Lakes and Ponds

2769. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of steps taken by the Union Government for desiltation and deepening of existing ponds and lakes across the country;

(b) the details of various schemes being implemented by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the total fund allocated and spent in last three years for the purpose, years and State/UT-wise?

#### GST Exemption for Handloom Weavers

2770. SHRI K.R.P.

PRABAKARAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any appeal from the handloom weavers to withdraw the five and 12 per cent Goods and Services Tax (GST) on handloom products and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is taking action in this regard; and

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

#### Yoga Training Courses for Tourists

†2771. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:

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 organized any short term yoga training courses in the country for the foreign tourists coming on tourist visa;

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

(c) the details of short term course in terms of number of days;

(d) whether teachers/institutes/yoga centres providing training to the foreign tourists can award any certificate of training to them; and

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

#### Lifestyle Diseases

2772. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidences of Cardiovascular and other lifestyle diseases are on the rise in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the estimated number of people presently suffering from such diseases and those died therefrom during each of the last three years and the current year, disease and State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has set any target to reduce the incidence of such lifestyle diseases, if so, the details thereof and the measures being taken by the Government in this regard along with the funds allocated and utilized for the purpose during the said period, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the further measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Decrease in Greenhouse Gas Emissions

2773. SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH HOODA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decrease in Greenhouse Gas Emissions has been recorded in the past five years in the major cities including NCT Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of the reduction noticed, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of the framework adopted by the Government to meet the Greenhouse Gas Emission reduction targets as envisaged by the Paris Climate Deal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Representation from Whistleblowers at MSEI

2774. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representation from whistleblowers at Metropolitan Stock Exchange of India (MSEI) regarding irregularities and fraud that amounted to hundred of crores;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the magnitude of the fraud and the name of persons involved in it; and

(d) the action taken by the Government in the matter so far?

#### **Sakhi Suraksha DNA Laboratory**

2775. KUMARI SHOBHA  
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is establishing Sakhi Suraksha Advanced DNA Forensic Laboratory dedicated for women related cases and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government proposes to distribute Special Forensic Kits for rape cases to all police stations and hospitals and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Fall in GDP**

2776. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's economic growth was pushed downward in 2017 due to the goods and services tax as well as protracted issues of corporate and bank balance sheet problems;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India's GDP grew at 6.6 per cent in 2017 down from 7.1 per cent in 2016, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether India's GDP is likely to grow 7.2 per cent in 2018 and 7.4 per cent next financial year; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Use of PVC Pipes in Households**

2777. SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been conducted to find out effects of use of Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC) pipes containing lead in households and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details regarding hazardous effects on humans on account of consumption of water through PVC pipes containing lead; and

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to lay down standards for use of lead in Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC) pipes and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Debt of Telecom Companies**

2778. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Bank of India (SBI) has written to Government about the highly unsustainable levels of debt of telecom companies and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the total amount advances given to various telecom companies by Public Sector Banks and the extent these loans are expected to be sticky, Bank-wise;

(c) whether the SBI has asked Government to offer relief packages to telecom companies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

#### **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme**

2779. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:  
SHRI SIRAJUDDIN  
AJMAL:  
SHRI CHANDRAKANT  
KHAIRE:  
SHRI VINOD KUMAR  
SONKAR:  
SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) scheme, districts selected/covered and the Child Sex Ratio (CSR) thereunder along with the funds allocated, released and utilised under the scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the scheme is progressing successfully and if so, the details thereof indicating the targets fixed and the achievements made under the scheme during the said period;

(c) whether the Government has made any impact assessment of the scheme, if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(d) whether there has been any improvement in the sex ratio since the year 2014 when the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao campaign was launched; and

(e) if so, the sex ratio at present and the sex ratio before the year 2014 State/UT-wise?

#### **Buildings for Anganwadi Centres**

‡2780. SHRI RAM TAHAL  
CHOUDHARY:  
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR  
HANSDAK:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that a number of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) in the country, particularly in Jharkhand do not have their own buildings and are running from rented premises and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) the expenditure incurred on paying rent for such premises along with its percentage in the total expenditure incurred on AWCs in the country, particularly in Jharkhand during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) the present provisions regarding hiring buildings/rooms for AWCs;

(d) whether the Government has received any complaints with regard to violations of aforesaid provisions during the said period;

(e) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and the action taken thereon; and

(f) the further measures taken by the Government for construction of permanent buildings for AWCs?

#### **Reform in Banks**

‡2781. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of reports from a prominent global rating agency indicating that Non Performing Assets (NPAs) in the Indian banks is much more than expected and tighter regulatory standards continued with generous capital injections should strengthen balance sheets of the banks and there is an urgent need for reforms; and

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

### CSR Irregularities

†2782. SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN PATEL:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of companies registered in the country, State-wise;

(b) the number of companies, out of these, come under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) penalized funds collected/spent, developmental works taken under CSR during the last three years;

(c) the number of farmers associated/ under CSR in the country at present;

(d) the details of kinds of irregularities committed by companies under CSR; and

(e) the details of measures suggested by the Government to check such irregularities?

### Ayurveda Institutes

2783. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

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 conducts any thorough study about the availability of students and qualified faculties, etc. before issue of affiliation/approval to the new Ayurveda institutes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government for smooth functioning of Ayurveda institutes and protection of the interests of students studying therein?

### Mandi Tax

†2784. SHRI SHYAMA CHARAN GUPTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any action is being taken to abolish mandi tax imposed in Uttar Pradesh on other States after the roll out of GST on 07th July, 2017; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### Unsecured Loans

2785. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the unsecured loans in the banking system grew at four times that of overall growth in bank credit over the last three years if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether at the end of March, 2018 outstanding unsecured loans stood at close to Rs. 5 lakh crore constituting 26 per cent of all retail loans up from 21 per cent at the end of Financial Year and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the yield from unsecured retail loans range between 1.5 per cent and 4 per cent which is higher than secured loans, depending upon the credit rating of the borrower; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Water and Noise Pollution

†2786. SHRI NATUBHAI GOMANBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to reduce water and noise pollution in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### Data Breach at Banks

2787. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the data breach at 19 Indian banks has led to more than 32 lakh debit cards being blocked or recalled and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government is having any roadmap to check such incidents in future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Women Entrepreneur under MUDRA Yojana

2788. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women entrepreneurs who have availed credit under the Micro Units Development and Refinance Agency Ltd. (MUDRA) Yojana since its inception State/UT-wise including Maharashtra; and

(b) the steps Government proposes to take to cover more women entrepreneurs under MUDRA Yojana?

### Amount Collected by EPCA

2789. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amount collected by the Environment Pollution Control Authority (EPCA) is far less than the targets fixed;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the amount collected during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to make the shortfall in the collection of green cess;

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

### Tax on Sanitary Napkins

2790. SHRIMATI KIRRON  
KHER:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total revenue collected by the Government through tax on sanitary napkins in the past year;

(b) whether the Government plans to provide tax exemption to sanitary napkins to increase affordability; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

### Shortage of Anganwadi Workers/ Helpers

2791. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND  
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Anganwadi Supervisors/Workers/Helpers in the country, State/UT-wise including the State of Gujarat;

(b) whether there is an acute shortage of Anganwadi Supervisors/Workers/Helpers throughout the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the remedial measures being taken by the Government in this regard, State/UT-wise; and

(d) whether the Government has constituted any committee for undertaking a review of various benefits being extended

to them such as revision of honorarium/minimum pay scale/regular Government job/pay-scale equivalent to the primary teachers, insurance, etc. and if so, the details thereof?

### ADB Projection on GDP

2792. SHRI A.  
ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to Asian Development Bank (ADB) India's projected GDP growth of over 7 per cent for the current fiscal is amazingly fast and if this momentum is maintained the size of the economy can double within a decade;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether ADB has suggested that India should focus on increasing domestic demand; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

### Cases of Gold Smuggling

2793. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA  
RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cases of gold smuggling, contraband smuggling, smuggling of items through airports/ports unearthed and consignment seized by Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether DRI has seized a sizeable quantity of gold concealed in gadgets recently;

(c) if so, the details thereof and action taken by DRI against the offenders; and

(d) the preventive steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to check such incidents?

### Conservation of Bio-diversity

2794. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

Will the Minister of  
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND  
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the areas identified for conservation/development of bio-diversity in the Himalayan region in the country;

(b) the number of institutes engaged to carry out research work with regard to conservation of bio-diversity in the country; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to meet the international target of identifying wildlife and marine protected areas by 2020?

### Pre-Payment of Home Loan

2795. DR. HEENA  
VIJAYKUMAR  
GAVIT:  
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:  
SHRI DHANANJAY  
MAHADIK:  
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA  
SULE:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL  
VIJAYSINH  
SHANKARRAO:  
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the present guidelines issued by RBI regarding pre-payment of home loan by an individual;

(b) whether individual has rights to pre-pay the home loan amount sanctioned to him/her;

(c) whether the individual can pay any amount as pre-payment without any penalty on pre-payment charges, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether certain banks/institutions like LIC Housing Finance charge pre-payment charges from its customers who have opted to pre-pay the home loan amount, if so, whether this is not against RBI guidelines in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the RBI/Government will take action against such banks/institutions and save the customers, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Government to simplify the procedure regarding pre-payment of home loan and given direction to banks not to charge pre-payment charges?

### Non-Filing of Annual Statements by Companies

2796. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:  
SHRI PARBHUBHAI  
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:  
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE  
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of companies filed their financial statement during the last one year across the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of the number of companies which have not filed their financial statement during the last one year across the country, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra, Gujarat and West Bengal;

(c) whether the Government has prepared a list of those shell companies;

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

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government against these shell companies?

#### Expenditure on National Parks

†2797. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the expenditure incurred by the Union and State/UTs Governments on the conservation of National Parks during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the revenue earned from national parks through tourism during the said period, State/UT and year-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government for increasing Tourism and conserve maintenance of national parks of the country?

#### Goods and Services Tax Network

2798. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:  
SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of businesses, individuals and unofficial entities that are registered with the Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN);

(b) the percentage of total registered businesses, individuals and unofficial entities that are using the GSTN to file their returns and pay taxes;

(c) whether the GSTN has suffered any technical glitches since it became operational and if so, the present capacity of GSTN and steps taken to reduce such glitches in the future; and

(d) whether the GSTN includes a provision for an offline utility for entry of details to reduce inadvertent errors that might occur during online filing and if so, the details thereof?

#### National Clean Air Programme

2799. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) to tackle the problems of increased air pollution during the winter season;

(b) if so, the aims, objectives along with the salient features associated with the programme thereof;

(c) whether the Government plans on implementing the NCAP in the other parts of the country as well and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has taken any initiatives to encourage the use of technology in increasing the plantation and forest cover of the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### Amount Recovered as Income Tax

†2800. SHRI CHANDRAKANT  
KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount recovered as income tax during the year 2017-18 along with the amount targeted to be recovered during the current year;

(b) whether movable and immovable properties have been sold in the process of recovering the outstanding tax, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the quantum of movable and immovable property sold to recover income tax during the last three years?

#### De-Recognition of Medical Colleges

2801. SHRI RAGHAV  
LAKHANPAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has de-recognised certain medical colleges for lack of requisite infrastructure and skilled manpower;

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

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the infrastructure including laboratory facilities in the medical colleges including the funds allocated and medical colleges benefited during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government has received any proposals from the States/UTs in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon, State/UT-wise?

#### Vitamin D Deficiency among Women

2802. SHRI DIBYENDU  
ADHIKARI:

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 Vitamin D deficiency among Indian women, if so, the details thereof and necessary steps taken in this regard;

(b) whether it is a fact that Vitamin D deficiency is one of the major reason of obesity and arthritis; and

(c) if so, the details thereof including the proposals to support with dietary supplement and reduce the risk of developing rheumatoid arthritis in women?

#### Status Report in Chit Fund Scam

2803. SHRI BADRUDDIN  
AJMAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status report in chit fund scam till date;

(b) the number of persons arrested in this regard; and

(c) the remedial and administrative action taken to stop such type of scam in future in the country?

#### **Deposit Insurance Cover**

2804. SHRI KONAKALLA  
NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is proposing on revising the deposit insurance cover and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has sought the Government to raise the present limit of deposit insurance cover from Rs. 1.00 lakh to Rs. 1.50 lakhs, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has responded to the request of the Government of Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of the proposals received by the Government from other State Government; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

#### **Disinvestment of Coal India Limited**

2805. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to off load a stake in state run Coal India Limited (CIL) and to speed up the asset sales after a disastrous attempt to find a buyer for the cash strapped national airlines and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government's plan to raise about US \$ 12 billion during the current year from asset sale is at a risk after a high profile plan to sell Air India grounded to half as no prospective buyer emerged and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the CIL is the world's biggest miner of the fuel and has reported strong shipment numbers in recent months due to demand from power plants and if so, the details thereof?

#### **E-waste Recyclers**

2806. SHRI GODSE HEMANT  
TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of E-waste recyclers/dismantlers in the country is inadequate and any Committee has also made observations in this regard and if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon;

(b) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of authorized E-waste recyclers/dismantlers and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is taking steps to increase the coverage of Extended

Producer's Responsibility under the E-waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2011;

(d) if so, the details thereof including amendment to the rules to incorporate internationally recognized best practices; and

(e) whether the Government has any plan to extract gold from E-waste and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Multi-National Accounting Firms**

2807. SHRI ASADUDDIN  
OWAISI:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hon'ble Supreme Court has taken a serious view of alleged illegal operations of multi-national accounting firms in India and asked the Union Government to set up a Committee of experts to look into the matter of illegalities and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the steps taken or being taken by the Government on the Hon'ble Court remarks?

#### **Claims under Central Excise and Service Tax**

†2808. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the refund claims for central excise and service tax charges by

industries in Madhya Pradesh have been kept pending for a number of years, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has organized camps in industrial areas for refund of the said claims; and

(c) if so, the details of the refund claims, industrial area-wise?

#### **GST on Education**

2809. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the objective of the Government is to keep education out of the purview of Goods and Services Tax (GST) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the GST exemption has been extended to the level below higher education and any service provided by higher educational institutions attracts 18 per cent GST and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has taken cognizance that countries such as Australia, South Africa, etc. have exempted tax on higher education and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Admission of Disabled Students**

†2810. DR. RAM SHANKAR  
KATHERIA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering any kind of amendment in present policy for admission of differently abled students in medical colleges and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has permitted the students affected with 21 types of disabilities to appear in NEET Exam, but the level of such disability is yet to be decided;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to specify the level of disability in the aforesaid types of disabilities and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Turnaround Plans by Bank

2811. SHRI G.M.  
SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the RBI has directed/instructed the Public Sector banks to submit their turnaround plans;

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

(c) the details of the banks that have complied and not complied with the direction of the RBI; and

(d) the further action proposed to be taken by the Government on the proposals submitted by the Banks?

#### Funds for Orphanages

†2812. SHRI VINOD KUMAR  
SONKAR:

SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN  
YADAV:  
SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI  
PAATLE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND  
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of orphanages functioning in the country along with the number of children living therein, State/UT-wise, particularly in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh;

(b) the details of schemes implemented for the welfare of orphans along with the funds allocated/released and utilized to run these orphanages during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding misbehavior/mismanagement in these orphanages, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(d) whether any suggestions have been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh regarding functioning of orphanages and the orphans living in them, if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government on these suggestions so far; and

(e) the further measures taken by the Government for the smooth functioning of orphanages?

#### Third Party Food Safety Audit

2813. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN  
MAADAM:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated the process of getting third party safety audit of food conducted in various places of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives thereto;

(c) whether the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India has empanelled national and international agencies to audit food safety and hygiene standards of canteens, cafeterias and hostel mess of several IITs and IIMs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Facilities in Juvenile Homes in Delhi

2814. DR. A. SAMPATH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND  
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Juvenile Correctional Homes in Delhi lack the required reform facilities that help delinquent children revert to normal life and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) the details of such juvenile delinquent homes in Delhi and the extent to which they have been equipped with the required reform facilities in the matter; and

(c) the action plan of Government to further improve such facilities?

#### Progress of GST

2815. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the revenue from the Goods and Services Tax (GST) touched Rs. 7.19 lakh crore between August, 2017 and March, 2018 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the monthly revenue average from GST was at Rs. 89,885 crore for the said period and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the deficit perturbing, with rising compliance and e-way bills, collections too may rise this year and if so, the details thereof?

#### Health Projects

†2816. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently launched five health projects in AIIMS, New Delhi and Safdarjung hospital at a cost of Rs. 1700 crore and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of AIIMS and other hospitals in various States particularly in Bihar and ongoing/pending health projects in such hospitals and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the AIIMS and other hospitals in the States do not provide better



medical treatment facilities which has resulted in influx of patients in AIIMS, New Delhi and if so, the details thereof?

**Cost of Medical Treatment**

2817. SHRI BHEEMRAO B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Court has issued directions for taking immediate steps to reduce the huge cost of medical treatments;

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

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to reduce the huge cost of medical treatment?

**Customer Care Services under Financial Inclusion**

†2818. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether nationalised banks are opening customer care centres in the country under financial inclusion policy and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Bihar;

(b) whether the concerned banks keep the details of the financial transactions and other bank related services/activities of its customer care centres and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the commission of the Incharge of the customer care centres provided by the Government is transferred to his account directly; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Amendment to Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956**

2819. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Panel appointed by the Supreme Court had suggested numerous amendments to the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

**Environmental Risks of Renewable Energy**

2820. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified any environmental risk of renewable energy projects especially wind mills;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any study has been conducted in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details and its major findings thereof?

**Noise Standards for Airports**

2821. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has issued a notification for setting noise standards for all airports across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether airports have been categorized as industrial zones and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the defence airports and aircrafts are also covered under the notification; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Discharge of Waste Water Underground**

2822. DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:  
SHRI PASHUPATI NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether big industrial companies are discharging their waste water underground by digging deep borings and the Board or other institutions are not taking any action against such industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take action against such industries, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to make appeal to the public through print and electronic media for identifying such industries; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Central Funds to Local Bodies**

2823. SHRI LADU KISHORE SWAIN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allocation of grants-in-aid as recommended by the Fourteenth Finance Commission towards the local bodies since 2015-16, State-wise and separately for rural and urban local bodies; and

(b) the details of allocation of non-plan revenue deficit grants to States since 2015-16, State-wise?

**Misleading Advertisements**

2824. SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:

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 his Ministry proposes to take collaborative efforts with the Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and State

Governments against misleading advertisements with respect to AYUSH drugs;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this direction so far;

(c) whether the Government proposes to enact a new legislation containing the existing and proposed provisions of both Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisement) Act, 1954 and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in pursuing the legislation to get into law;

(d) whether the Government is taking any measures on a regular basis for effectively preventing the publication of inappropriate and misleading advertisements in respect of AYUSH drugs; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Pollution due to Plastic in Oceans**

2825. SHRI P. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is large scale pollution due to plastic in oceans and their beaches, which is affecting the marine life and environment;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the remedial measures the Government proposes to take in this regard?

#### **National Women Entrepreneurship Council**

2826. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to establish National Women Entrepreneurship Council (NWEC) and if so, the details and the salient features/objectives thereof;

(b) whether the Council will be umbrella organization for socio-economic gender parity, financial inclusion and economic empowerment of women in India and to promote women entrepreneurs;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the other major activities/functions envisaged for the Council; and

(d) the present status of the proposal along with the time by the which the Council is likely to be established?

#### **Plastic Free Zones**

2827. SHRI R.

GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently declared all the protected areas as 'Plastic Free Zones' in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the zones declared, State-wise;

(c) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to make these zones as 'plastic free zones' in reality;

(d) whether the Government is also considering any rehabilitation or alternative source of income generating businesses/trades for the people who involved in these plastic related industries/trade in the country; and

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

#### **GST Amendments**

2828. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed as many as 46 amendments to the Goods and Services Tax (GST) laws – Central Goods and Services Tax, State Goods and Services Tax, Integrated Goods and Services Tax and Compensation of States Act and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has invited stakeholders comments on the draft proposals for amending GST laws by July 15, 2018; and

(c) if so, the response received by the Government in this regard?

#### **Safe Cities**

2829. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved projects for creating safe cities across the country under the Nirbhaya Fund;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the list of States/places selected thereunder;

(c) whether projects for safe cities will have special focus on women safety in public spaces and quick response systems to create deterrence against crime;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the funds allocated for each city selected for the above purpose?

#### **World Bank Loans**

†2830. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made repayment of World Bank loans borrowed by the previous Government to some extent so that the annual interest liability being paid every year is reduced; and

(b) if so, the details of the repayment amount of said loans and the extent and nature of benefits occurred therefor, year-wise?

#### **Insolvency Process**

2831. SHRI C.N. JAYDEVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether under the insolvency process the Government has allowed the lenders to accept Rs. 5,050 crore offer from a prominent bidder with regard to one of

the bankrupt textile companies after taking a deep haircut of 83 per cent of lenders claim amounting to Rs. 29,500 crore; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### Loan to Deposit Ratio

†2832. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any norms have been fixed regarding loan-to-deposit ratio of the nationalised banks;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the nationalised banks in the country are not complying with this loan-to-deposit ratio;

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

(e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Cutting of Forest Trees

†2833. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints regarding cutting of forest trees;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to enact any law or stringent measure to check falling/cutting of forest trees; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Native Tree Species

2834. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether training is being given to the forest department officials of Delhi with regard to the study of native tree species which are felled; and

(b) the details of trees or native vegetation likely to replace old trees under the compensatory afforestation plan?

#### Interest Subsidy on Medium Term Converted Loan

†2835. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide interest subsidy on medium term converted loans on the lines of short term loans;

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

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### World Economic Outlook

2836. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether International Monetary Fund's latest World Economic Outlook update has projected 7.8 per cent growth for India in 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the growth rate of India compared with other developing economies?

#### Environment Clearance for Irrigation Projects

†2837. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether small and medium irrigation projects from various States including Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra are pending with the Union Government for environmental/forest clearance;

(b) if so, the details of such pending projects, State/UT-wise and project-wise;

(c) the reasons for delay in granting environmental/forest clearance for such projects and the details of projects sanctioned during the current year, State/UT-wise;

(d) the time since when the above mentioned irrigation projects are under consideration of the Union Government; and

(e) the other steps taken/proposed by the Government to clear other pending projects?

#### Public Participation in Banking

2838. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed a Central Scheme/Policy to ensure the participation of the public in the working of Banks; and

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years along with the number of participants/stakeholders, scheme, State/UT-wise including Bundelkhand?

#### Packed Food in Anganwadi Centres

2839. SHRI VIRENDER KASHYAP: SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide/distribute packed foods in Anganwadi centres through post offices;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this plan will be applicable in all the districts and whether the Government has constituted any Committee to study the plan before its implementation and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government provides eggs in Anganwadi centres to tackle the problem of under-nourishment among children; and

(e) if so, the details thereof indicating the expenditure incurred in this regard during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise?

### Implementation of Waste Regulations

2840. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to create an adequate funding mechanism for implementing waste regulations and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has hosted State Environment Ministers Conference recently and if so, the details and outcomes thereof;

(c) whether the Government has initiated a Consistent Monitoring Mechanism to address the issue of Waste Management and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the steps taken to create wealth out of waste, which results in reduced dependency on virgin natural resources, relieves land requirement for landfill and reduces landfill burden;

(e) the steps taken for the implementation of six waste management rules in the country; and

(f) whether the Government has directed States/UTs to prepare a State policy for the same and if so, the details thereof?

### Funds for Anganwadi Centres

†2841. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any provision of funds for providing medicine kit, utensils, furniture and other items in each Anganwadi centre and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the funds being provided for the purpose are sufficient; and

(c) if not, the steps taken by the Government to enhance the allocation of funds for the purpose?

### Notified Forest Area

2842. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR DIWAKER:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total notified forest area in the country in each State especially Uttar Pradesh and its Hathras region along with the measures being taken for development, upgradation and conservation of forest areas of the State;

(b) the cases of encroachments and mining activities pertaining to these areas notified during the last three years and the current year along with the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether illegal forest/trees cutting instances have taken place in these areas

during the said period and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

### Special Package to Odisha

2843. SHRIMATI RITA TARAI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government appreciating the genuine concerns of the State Government and keeping in view the developmental needs of the most vulnerable and backward Regions of Odisha provide a special package to the State for continuation of programmes/schemes from the budget provision available with NITI Aayog; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### Number of Tigers

2844. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of tigers as assessed during the last three census, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether a large number of animals have been at risk or are becoming extinct due to various reasons during the last five years; and

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

### Kidney Transplants

2845. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of renal failure cases is on the rise and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the demand for kidney for transplantation is increasing year by year but the availability of kidneys for transplantation is far too inadequate, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has any concrete proposal to bridge this gap by encouraging cadaver transplantation and organ-donation if so, the details thereof?

### Universal Basic Income Programme

2846. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to provide Universal Basic Income programme with the objective of avoiding inefficiency and wastage associated with subsidies and poverty alleviation;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the salient features and advantages of Universal Basic Income and the fiscal implications arising out of implementation of Universal Basic Income;

(c) whether the Government has ascertained the views of State/UTs regarding the implementation of Universal Basic Income in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the timeframe by which the Government proposes to implement Universal Basic Income?

#### **Looting of Banks/Cash Vans**

†2847. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidents of looting of banks/cash vans in various parts of the country have increased during the last five years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the total amount of money looted during the said period, bank, year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued any guidelines to the banks in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to strengthen security in banks/cash vans to check the occurrences of such looting cases in future?

#### **Amendment in Prohibition of Child Marriage Act**

2848. SHRIMATI P.K. SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to amend "The Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006";

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

(c) the present status of the proposal along with the time by which the proposed amendment is likely to be enacted?

#### **GST Collections**

2849. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains month-wise data of Goods and Services Tax (GST) collections available with the Government from July 2017 to June 2018;

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

(c) whether this month-wise data is available on an accrual basis, *i.e.* net off refunds, set-offs and readjustments done to data of GST collected each month;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for not maintaining such data;

(e) whether the Government maintains data of Integrated Goods and Services Tax (IGST) collected and apportioned to the Central Government each month, if so, the details of the same from July 2017-June 2018 and if not, the reasons for not maintaining such data; and

(f) whether any IGST funds collected have not been apportioned or remain unresolved from July 2017-June 2018 and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Taxes on Gift Items**

2850. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has urged the Ministry of Finance not to levy taxes on the gift items presented to one's wife and daughter-in-law;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the response of the Ministry of Finance thereto?

#### **Trauma Care Centres on NHs**

2851. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the facilities available on National Highways have the capacity to provide trauma care in accidents within the ambit of the golden hour;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of trauma care centres functioning in general hospitals in the country at present, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of new trauma care centres proposed to be set up by the Government during the next five years;

(d) whether a proper system of communication between ambulances and trauma care centres has been built for all National Highways and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve the conditions of trauma care centres on National Highways?

#### **Awareness about Breastfeeding**

2852. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per UNICEF, WHO and Global Breastfeeding Collective, less than 50 per cent of children in India are breastfed within one hour of birth;

(b) whether early breastfeeding will prevent death of nearly 1 lakh children every year due to diarrhoea and pneumonia and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has launched any programmes/schemes to increase awareness about the importance of breastfeeding among women in the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Destruction of Natural Resources**

†2853. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:

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 Union Government against chemical industries destroying the natural resources and climate of the naturally blessed Jammu and Kashmir by emission of effluents and causing changes which are extremely harmful for all organisms;

(b) whether the Government has undertaken any review in this regard during the last five years;

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

(d) the future action plan prepared by the Government in this regard?

**Government Hospitals in Tribal Dominated Areas**

2854. SHRI JITENDRA CHAUDHURY:  
SHRI BHEEMRAO B. PATIL:  
SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Government hospitals in the tribal dominated areas as on date in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has undertaken any survey regarding the health needs of tribal people in tribal dominated areas across the country considering the fact that the tribal people are confined to particular habitation which are generally far from cities/town/villages;

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

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up hospitals and healthcare centres equipped with all infrastructural facilities in the tribal dominated and far-flung areas with a view to mitigate the sufferings of the tribal people; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Anti-Dumping Duty on Steel Imports**

†2855. SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has imposed fifty seven per cent anti-dumping

duty on the import of stainless steel for providing relief to the domestic steel industry and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is a provision to impose the said duty for five years, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government proposes to impose separate rate of duty on the steel to be imported from various countries varying from maximum of 57 percent for China and minimum of 5.39 percent for Thailand under the same provision; and

(d) if so, the reasons for imposing the duty at separate rate on steel along with the rate of duty imposed in this regard, country-wise?

**Withdrawn Amount by FII**

2856. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:  
SHRI MAGANTTI VENKATESWARA RAO (BABU):

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the breakdown of the amount of money withdrawn by Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) between the years 2008 to 2018, year-wise; and

(b) the measures taken by the Government to stem the outflow of FII investment from India over the last four years?

**Artificial Ripening of Fruits and Vegetables**

2857. SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a large number of chemicals which are banned in developed countries are currently being used to ripen the fruits and vegetables artificially, which is injurious to health;

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

(c) the concrete steps taken by the Government to ban such chemicals?

**Food Safety and Standards Regulations (FSSR)**

2858. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:  
SHRI D.K. SURESH:  
SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:  
SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:  
SHRI RAGHAV LAKHANPAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether several sweets and snacks products sold in the country follow neither domestic standards under Food Safety and Standards Regulations (FSSR) nor Codex Standards created by UN's Food and Agriculture Organization and World Health Organization (WHO), if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has issued draft Food Safety and Standards

(Labelling and Display) Regulations, 2018, if so, details thereof along the objective and the salient features of the said draft;

(c) whether the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) proposes to bring in stricter quality standards for the preparation of sweets and snacks products, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures proposed to enforce such standards along with the times by which said standards will be implemented?

**Shelter Homes for Women**

2859. DR. RAVINDRA BABU:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Shelter Homes for women in the country, both in the Government and private sector;

(b) the total number of women benefited by these homes during each of the last three years and the current year State/UT-wise;

(c) whether these homes are also providing vocational training to women; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the efforts being made for their useful employment after training?

**Medicinal Plants**

2860. SHRI VINOD LAKHAMASHI CHAVDA:

SHRI DUSHYANT  
CHAUTALA:

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 it is a fact that 93 percent of the wild medicinal plants used for making ayurvedic medicines are endangered and extinction rates are currently 1000 times higher than normal due to deforestation and climate change and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has implemented the National Mission on Medicinal Plants through the National Medicinal Board;

(c) if so, whether the board has failed to conserve the rare medicinal plants in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government to protect the diminishing number of medicinal plants across the country; and

(e) whether the Government proposes any incentives to the farmers to promote herbal/medicinal farming and if so, the details thereof?

**Observation and Special Homes**

†2861. SHRIMATI NEELAM  
SONKER:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Observation and Special Homes for children in conflict

of law in the country and the programmes being run to reform children in these homes;

(b) whether adequate arrangement for rehabilitation of children is done at the time of release of children from the reform homes; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**Use of Potassium Bromate and Iodate in Bread**

2862. SHRI R. DHRUVA  
NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether bread manufacturers use potassium bromate and potassium iodate for treating flour which damages human health and the same has already been banned by the European Union and other countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has banned use of these food additive in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Acquisition/Merger/Sale of PSUs**

2863. SHRI K.N.  
RAMACHANDRAN:  
SHRIMATI V. SATHYA  
BAMA:  
SHRI PR. SENTHIL  
NATHAN:  
SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN  
R.K.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given nod for the acquisition, merger and sale of certain Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and allied companies with Private and Public Limited Companies;

(b) if so, the details and the expected gains for the Union Government thereof;

(c) the details of various legislative process and steps taken by the Government for the smooth execution of such mergers and acquisitions of companies in near future; and

(d) the effective steps taken by the Government for smooth transfer of assets and liabilities and the Union Government's stand on this?

**Disinvestment of HNL**

2864. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to close down or disinvest the Hindustan Newsprint Limited (HNL), Vellore Unit in Kottayam District, Kerala;

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

(c) whether the Government has received any representations from any quarter regarding the closure/disinvestment for this unit;

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

(e) whether the Government has received any recommendation/proposal for taking HNL Unit, Vellore and if so, the

details and the response of the Government thereon?

**Effects of Global Warming**

†2865. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:  
DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether abnormal weather conditions like tsunami, heavy rainfall and drought in different parts of the country are effects of global warming;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of areas which are worst affected due to climate change;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any scientific study/analysis in respect of climate change due to global warming and adverse effect of the same on the country's environment and if so, the results and outcome of the studies thereof;

(d) the details of funds allocated by the Government for study on climate change and its impact; and

(e) the details of discussion held and agreements signed on the issue at various international forum in recent years along with the action plan of the Government to address the issue of climate change?

**Pending Projects of Tamil Nadu**

2866. SHRI R.P.  
MARUTHARAJAA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of central projects for Tamil Nadu are pending due to non-release of funds by the Central Government and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the time since from these projects are pending along with the reasons therefor;

(c) whether steps are being taken to expedite the matter; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Medical Termination of Pregnancy Bill

2867. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:  
DR. A. SAMPATH:  
DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:  
SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to review and strengthen the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Amendment Bill, 2014;

(b) the timelines set in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to treat advanced pregnancies of minor rape victims and those of women with fetal abnormalities as exceptions and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of steps taken by the Government regarding the Supreme Court directives to set up State medical boards to expedite action in abortion cases?

### Waste Disposal

2868. DR. C.  
GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes for waste disposal and rejuvenation being implemented in the country;

(b) whether the waste management companies are facing land acquisition problem due to environmental problems in the nearby area;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

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

### Violations of COTPA, 2003

2869. DR. PRITAM GOPINATH  
MUNDE:  
DR. ANBUMANI  
RAMADOSS:  
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL  
SHIVAJIRAO:  
SHRI C.R. PATIL:  
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA  
BARNE:  
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH  
SHINDE:  
SHRI VINAYAK  
BHAURAO  
RAUT:  
SHRI DHARMENDRA  
YADAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has booked a number of violators of the Designated Smoking Area (DSA) during the year 2017-18 under Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products (Prohibition of Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 2003 (COTPA, 2003);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the amount of fine collected there from, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study on the impacts of DSA in India, if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, whether the Government has received any representation in this regard, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is considering any proposal to remove certain provisions allowing DSA under the COTPA, 2003 as followed in various countries for tobacco control; and

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

### Bitcoin Investors

†2870. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN  
YADAV:  
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI  
DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to/has issued notices to Bitcoin investors;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such investors identified by the Government so far; and

(d) the details of action taken against them along with the outcome thereof?

### National Health Accounts

2871. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.  
SCINDIA:  
SHRI KAMAL NATH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the recently released National Health Accounts report on health expenditure incurred by the Government;

(b) if so, the details and objectives of the National Health Accounts report;

(c) whether per-capita expenditure on Health by the Government per citizen is much lower as compared to other developing countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to increase per capita expenditure on each citizen?

### Special Package to Bihar

†2872. SHRI JAI PRAKASH  
NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has announced and implemented the special relief package for Bihar during 2015;

(b) if so, the head-wise amount allocated thereto;

(c) whether the remaining amount is yet to be allocated; and

(d) if so, the time by which the entire amount is likely to be released to Bihar?

### Sino-Indian Agreement on Anti-Cancer Drugs Tariff

2873. DR. KULAMANI SAMAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE



स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India and China have entered into a deal to reduce tariff on Indian medicines including anti-cancer drugs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether as per the deal both the countries have been agreed to grant the licenses to Indian companies to sell cancer drugs in Indian market; and

(d) if so, the details thereof including the criteria on which the licenses will be granted?

#### Population Control Programmes

†2874. DR. KARAN SINGH  
YADAV:  
SHRI ASHOK  
MAHADEORAO NETE:  
SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is expected to become the most populous nation by the year 2024 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the schemes and programmes being run by the Government to control and stabilise the growth of population along with the expenditure incurred on these schemes during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has sought World Bank funds for implementation of the said programmes and if so, the details thereof; and

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

#### Economic Growth

†2875. SHRIMATI HEMA  
MALINI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the average annual economic growth rate of the country during the last four financial years has been much higher compared to the average annual economic growth rate of previous four financial years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise?

#### Forest Land

†2876. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the region-wise total area of land reserved for forest land in various States/UTs of the country including Rajasthan;

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

(c) whether the Government has conducted any assessment regarding illegal occupation/encroachment of the said land for years and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether State Governments have also been directed by the Union Government to take any action in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to free such land from encroachment?

#### Health Card

†2877. SHRIMATI SANTOSH  
AHLAWAT:  
SHRI SUMEDHANAND  
SARSWATI:  
SHRI OM PRAKASH  
YADAV:  
SHRI R. DHRUVA  
NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to introduce health card for the citizens of the country on the lines of aadhaar card and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the card is likely to be issued;

(b) whether health card scheme is also likely to cover the rural population and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether some States have issued health card to its citizens and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is contemplating to link such health cards issued by the State Governments with the pan India card and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the provisions proposed for ensuring confidentiality of the information collected by the Government?

#### Bank Service in Rural Areas

2878. SHRI KODIKUNNIL  
SURESH:  
SHRI NAGENDRA  
KUMAR PRADHAN:  
SHRI HARI MANJHI:

SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR  
PANDEY:  
SHRI BALABHADRA  
MAJHI:  
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:  
SHRIMATI RANJANBEN  
BHATT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the banking services are badly affected in rural areas, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the total rural population covered by banking service and ATMs at present, State/UT-wise including Odisha;

(b) whether the Government proposes to provide the banking service at panchayat level in rural areas, if so, the details thereof and the number of Panchayats that have not been covered with banking facility so far along with the time period by which it will be covered, State/UT-wise including Gujarat;

(c) whether the Government has prescribed any yardstick to open bank branches in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the percentage of population that have not been covered according to such yardstick;

(d) the practical problem faced by the Government to facilitate banking services at panchayat level areas and the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(e) the manner in which the Direct Benefit Transfer scheme is likely to be implemented in the rural branches; and

(f) the steps taken to enhance the penetration of banking services at Panchayat level?

**e-Waste Management**

2879. SHRI DUSHYANT  
CHAUTALA:  
SHRI MULLAPPALLY  
RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of  
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND  
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been tremendous growth in the generation of e-waste in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the National Green Tribunal has sought response from the Government on a plea alleging rampant violations of e-waste management rules notified;

(c) if so, the details thereof and follow up actions taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether it is also a fact that tonnes of second hand or used goods are being dumped in our country leading to a pile-up of e-waste and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has granted any permission to private agencies to import such second hand wastes from other countries for the last five years; and

(f) the details of import of e-waste in the country during the last three years and the current year along with the steps taken to impose ban on import of hazardous e-waste?

**Bad Loans of Agriculture**

2880. PROF. A.S.R. NAIK:  
SHRI ADHIR RANJAN  
CHOWDHURY:  
SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Centre has provided funds to States for waiving off loans of farmers, if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has pointed that the fiscal stress faced by States are due to several factors including farm loan waiver and higher borrowing by them could crowd out Private investment and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Banks during the last couple of years have witnessed spike in the bad loans of agriculture and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Agricultural Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) have increased to 23 per cent in 2017 and if so, the details thereof?

**AAR of GST on EPC**

2881. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER  
REDDY:  
SHRI KONAKALLA  
NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is mulling over bringing a central Authority for Advance Rulings (AAR) to decide on potential Goods and Services Tax (GST) liability and remove the confusion and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the AAR has decided that Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) activities of a company are liable for GST;

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

(d) whether as per Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Circular all EPC activities would be considered as composite supply and attract only 5 percent GST and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has received any representation from any company to review and clarify the matter and if so, the details thereof?

**NPAs and Bad Loans**

2882. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA  
BAMA:  
SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:  
SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of banks affected by Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) along with the number of private and Public Sector Banks (PSBs) having NPAs/bad loans as on date public sector and private sector banks, bank-wise;

(b) whether NPAs in these banks have increased sharply during the last three years, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount of NPAs/bad loans targeted to be recovered by these banks in the year 2018-19 along with the action taken in this regard?

**Strategic Investment Fund under NIIF**

2883. SHRI SUMAN BALKA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to set up a fund under the National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF) dedicated for strategic investments, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the NIIF plans to raise Rs. 8,000 crore from various sources to fund projects worth Rs. 16,000 crore for the current fiscal, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether an India-UK Green Growth Equity Fund (GGEF) is also being set up under the fund to funds vertical of NIIF and to anchor commitments of GBP 120 million each from Government of India through NIIF and Government of UK; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with time frame given to establish the fund?

**Development of AYUSH**

†2884. PROF. CHINTAMANI  
MALVIYA:  
SHRI S.P.  
MUDDAHANUME  
GOWDA:  
SHRI PARVESH SAHIB  
SINGH:  
DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:  
SHRI BHEEMRAO B.  
PATIL:  
SHRI N.K.  
PREMACHANDRAN:  
DR. ANUPAM HAZRA:  
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 (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures being taken by the Government for the promotion and development of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) in the country along with the targets fixed and the achievements made under the various schemes being implemented in the AYUSH sector during the last three years and the current year scheme and State/UT-wise;

(b) the amount of funds earmarked and allocated for the purpose during the above period, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up an independent office of the Central Controller of Drugs for AYUSH to strengthen the regulatory measures for the efficacy and quality of these medicines and if so, the details thereof and the infrastructure available for this purpose at present;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up All India Institute of Ayurveda Science in different States and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and location-wise; and

(e) the other key policy initiatives being adopted by the Government to promote India as a global hub of AYUSH?

#### **Action on Fund Diverting Real Estate Companies**

†2885. SHRI PRATAPRAO  
JADHAV:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether in contravention of real estate guideline the real estate companies have diverted the money taken from home

buyers for the purposes other than the house construction leaving them in dire straits;

(b) if so, the action being taken against such real estate companies along with the measures being taken to safeguard the interests of home buyers;

(c) whether the Government proposes to appoint a separate audit agency for conducting regular audits of builder companies and preparing annual reports in this regard; and

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

#### **New Medical Colleges**

2886. SHRI CH. MALLA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up 24 new Government-funded medical colleges by 2021-22, in addition to 58 medical colleges that were to be established and attached to district hospitals by 2019 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has denied 82 existing medical colleges permission to accept students for the 2018-19 academic session and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has rejected proposals to approve 68 new medical colleges; and

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

#### **Vidyalakshmi Portal for Education Loan**

2887. DR. ANBUMANI  
RAMADOSS:  
SHRI MALYADRI  
SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the students are unable to avail speedy education loan with single window system from banks and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of education loan applications submitted through Vidyalakshmi Portal in the year 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 and the total number of applications sanctioned and rejected as on date along with the details of average time taken by the Banks to decide on the applications;

(c) whether the several applications are pending with banks for more than six months; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the banks to rectify the situation?

#### **e-Way Bill**

2888. SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G.  
FATEPARA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has launched the e-way bill system;

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

(c) whether the system crashed soon after the launch, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Union Government has sought a report on the failure of the system from the States and other agencies, if so, the details thereof and the response received thereon, State-wise including Gujarat; and

(e) the corrective steps being taken thereon?

#### **Income Tax Notices**

2889. SHRI M. MURALI  
MOHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the Income Tax Department/officials of IT Department have sent notices for individuals/small, medium and large scale enterprises, Government employees for the old cases of more than six/seven years and harassing them and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any proper mechanism is put in place to settle the cases by giving opportunity for one time settlement and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any instructions have been issued to the IT Department to open special counters to settle their cases by imposing minor penalties and prevent their harassment; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Forest Density**

†2890. SHRI VIKRAM USENDI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the forest density in the country has declined a lot due to illegal forest cutting;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is taking any steps to stop illegal forest cutting so that some concrete action could be taken against the forest/wood mafia and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the scheme formulated by the Government to increase forest cover in the country; and

(e) the amount of funds allocated for the aforesaid scheme to States including Chhattisgarh, State/UT-wise?

#### Contamination of Soil by e-waste

2891. SHRI PONGULETI  
SRINIVASAREDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether improperly-handled electronic waste (e-waste) is contaminating sections of the city's/town's groundwater and the soil, if so, the details thereof and the reasons for such situation;

(b) whether the Government has analysed the soil samples which has several mounds of unprocessed electronic waste and has found, among other pollutants, copper in the region's topsoil in mg/kg in many parts of the country, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the contamination in the sub-soil where plants take root can mean

that these residues can be absorbed into plant systems and find their way into human tissues; and

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

#### AYUSH Schemes

†2892. SHRI UDAY  
PRATAP SINGH:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) the ongoing AYUSH schemes in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh;

(b) the details of the budgetary allocation made for the implementation of the said schemes;

(c) whether any scheme for the construction of a new buildings for AYUSH dispensaries is under consideration/has been proposed by the Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Impact of Pollution

2893. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:  
PROF. PREM SINGH  
CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of a recent Lancet countdown report 2017 on health impact of pollution in the country;

(b) if so, the details and the major findings of the report;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) the corrective steps taken in this regard?

#### Child Deaths

2894. SHRI S.P.  
MUDDAHANUME  
GOWDA:  
SHRI MULLAPPALLY  
RAMACHANDRAN:  
SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken a note of the incidents of mass child deaths in various States due to lack of emergency health care;

(b) if so, the details of child deaths reported in the last four years and current year due to lack of emergency health care, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has sought report from any States on such incidents during the above period;

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

(e) whether the Government has taken necessary measures to prevent such incidents and if so, the details thereof?

#### NRI Matrimonial Disputes

2895. SHRIMATI KAVITHA  
KALVAKUNTLA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Integrated Nodal Agency (INA) has issued Look Out Circulars regarding Non-Resident Indian (NRI) matrimonial disputes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the manner in which the INA will be helpful in such cases especially if guilty people abscond from the country and are in foreign countries?

#### Undernutrition and Obesity

2896. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:  
SHRI CHANDRA  
PRAKASH JOSHI:  
SHRI NARANBHAI  
KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that India is facing double trouble of undernutrition and obesity, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether scheduled tribes children are the worst affected with undernutrition while urban children are facing obesity, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any plan to solve the problem; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Violations of Environmental Regulations**

2897. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

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 many companies of the manufacturing industry in the country are violating environmental regulations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in view of the aggravating smog problem, the Government plan to impose stricter punitive measures for violating environmental regulations and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is planning to invite civic participation in discussions relating to the rising level of air pollution in India and if so, the details thereof?

**SDRF under 14FC**

2898. SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR PRADHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the recommendations of the Fourteenth Finance Commission (14 FC) in regard to provide share to different States for implementation of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and the present position of same;

(b) whether the Government of India is to implement the 14 FC's recommendations;

(c) if so, the time by which it will be implemented; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Cord Blood Banks**

2899. SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a marked increase in the number of Cord Blood (CB) banks in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) has taken note of the reports that over 500 unregistered companies dealing with Cord Blood cells are fleecing unsuspecting consumers;

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

(d) the details of initiatives taken by the Government to regulate private stem cell banks and curb unethical practices in cord blood and stem cell banking in the country?

**Growth of Life Insurance Sector**

2900. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the current interest rates are adversely affecting the growth of life insurance sector in India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the percentage of growth in terms of new subscribers of life insurance during the year 2017-18; and

(c) the total number of people in Delhi were covered under Life Insurance?

**Funds to Jharkhand**

†2901. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total details of funds provided under various Central schemes during the financial year 2017-18, State-wise;

(b) the details of the amount received and utilised by the State Government of Jharkhand;

(c) whether the State Government of Jharkhand has given any clarification regarding the amount not utilized by it; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Displacement of Villages from Protected Areas**

†2902. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any special scheme is being implemented for the displacement of villages from protected areas;

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

(c) whether more funds are required by the State Government for the displacement of villages from protected areas; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the efforts being taken to increase the said amounts?

**Expansion Plan of PSBs**

†2903. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:  
DR. PRABHAS KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of expansion plans of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) under Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana with ATM facility, State/UT-wise including Odisha;

(b) the number of PSBs opened under the said scheme during the last five years and the current year, bank and State/UT-wise;

(c) whether there is a proposal to open new bank branches of State Bank of India (SBI) in villages under Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether any survey has been done by SBI in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the said branches of SBI are likely to be opened?

**Setting up of Regional Office**

†2904. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to set up a new regional office of his Ministry in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government has received any letter from the State Government of Rajasthan regarding setting up of the new office; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the place/city identified for the purpose?

#### One Time Loan Settlement

†2905. SHRI SADASHIV  
LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of one time loan settlements made by the nationalised and private sector banks during the last three years in the country as on date, bank/State/UT-wise particularly in Maharashtra;

(b) the total amount of loan disbursed to debtors by the nationalized/private sector banks and the amount of funds recovered from the said debtors during the one time settlement process;

(c) whether the said process was carried out as per the norms laid down for one time loan settlement; and

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

#### Digitisation of Anganwadi Centres

2906. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the current mechanism being used by the Government to monitor Anganwadi centres in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to digitize the mechanism of monitoring the Anganwadi Centres including attendance and services; and

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

#### Environmental Clearance

2907. SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:  
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR  
SINGH:  
SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:  
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:  
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:  
SHRI CHHOTE LAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of projects from various States are pending for environmental clearance and if so, the details thereof, project and State/UT-wise including Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the time by when proposals were submitted, reasons for delay and the present status of each of such project;

(c) whether the time frame for mandatory forest and environment clearances to new industrial units is too long and if so, the details to time taken normally to accord approval;

(d) whether the Government has any mechanism to speed up the environment clearance of infrastructure projects and ensure transparency and accountability and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has taken steps to reduce the time frame considerably and make environmental clearance more easy, simplified and transparent and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the time by which each of the above projects are going to be cleared by the Government?

#### Fee for MBBS Course

2908. SHRI RAJENDRA  
AGRAWAL:  
SHRI SISIR KUMAR  
ADHIKARI:  
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 fees being charged by private medical colleges for MBBS course are different in various States and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether the Government has received complaints from the parents/students etc. regarding charging of higher fees under various quota including management quotas and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has done any study on the students who scored high marks but would not take admission due to very high fees and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take steps to bring uniformity in fee structure of MBBS course across the country and if so, the details thereof indicating the time by which it is likely to be done; and

(e) other measures being taken by the Government to put a mechanism and check commercialisation of medical education by private institutions?

#### Increase in Wealth

†2909. SHRI RAM KUMAR  
SHARMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase in the assets of billionaire to the tune of upto 20 per cent in the wealth/assets owned by rich persons in the country during the last several years, if so, the details thereof along with the years in which the wealth owned by such billionaires have increased upto 15-20 per cent;

(b) whether the above increase in wealth has been attributed to the Government economic reforms; and

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

#### Curtailing of Electricity Bill on Street Lights

†2910. SHRI SANJAY KAKA  
PATIL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any rule has been framed by the Fourteenth Finance Commission to empower the States to curtail electricity bill on street lights installed from the funds allocated to Gram Panchayats; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the directions issued to the States by the Union Government in this regard?

### Digital Payments Economy

†2911. SHRI JANAK RAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has instructed its departments/offices/public sector firms and autonomous bodies to encourage their employees to use debit cards for personal transactions and serve as ambassador for the Government's push for a digital payments economy and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has asked its Ministries/Departments to liaise with banks to ensure that all the employees possess a debit card; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

### Fraud Awareness

2912. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken appropriate steps to create awareness among the investors about the fraud schemes; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### Welfare and Rehabilitation of Orphan Girls/Widows

2913. DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:

SHRI DHANANJAY

MAHADIK:

SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

SHRIMATI SUPRIYA

SULE:

DR. HEENA

VIJAYKUMAR

GAVIT:

SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

SHRI MOHITE PATIL

VIJAYSINH

SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data about the number of widows/destitutes/old women and orphan girls in the country and if so, the details thereof State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government implements or proposes to formulate any scheme for the welfare and rehabilitation of orphan girls/widows including the re-married widows and establishment of widow and orphanage girl homes and imparting skill training to them for self employment;

(c) if so, the details thereof indicating the financial assistance provided thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

### Escape of Children from Juvenile Homes

2915. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidents of children running away from Observation and Special Homes for Juveniles in the country have come to the notice of the Government;

(b) if so, the number of such incidents reported during each of the last three years and the current year along with the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry in this regard and if so, the details and outcome thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the said homes maintain records of their visitors and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

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

### Review of CSR Policy

2916. SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:  
DR. A. SAMPATH:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to have a thorough review of the policy of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) of private sector/corporates and if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof;

(d) whether cases of abuse involving young girls in orphanages have been reported, if so, the details of such cases reported during the said period and the action taken thereon;

(e) the regulatory mechanism put in place for the functioning of the orphanage including private orphanages in the country; and

(f) whether the Government has any proposal to have aftercare and rehabilitation scheme for all adolescent girls above the age of 18 coming out of orphanages across the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### NPAs of PSUs

†2914. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:

SHRI KAUSHALENDRA

KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) is involved in Non Performing Assets (NPAs) cases of banks;

(b) if so, the names of the PSUs in the NPAs list and the amount outstanding against each;

(c) whether interest on outstanding amount is being waived off by the Government for the recovery of NPAs in the case of PSUs, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether this facility is being provided even to other debtors and if so, the details thereof?

(b) whether the Baijal committee's report on CSR has not been implemented on a nation-wide basis and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the CSR policy has been a failure with regard to social welfare policies and objectives and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the total CSR funds spent in 2016-2017 across the country; and

(e) whether the corporates have been diverting the CSR funds to the benefit of their own companies and if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government for making the scheme more effective and result oriented?

#### Awareness Programmes on Organ Donation

2917. SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:  
SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:  
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:  
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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

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

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

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

#### Revenue Deficit of Andhra Pradesh

2918. SHRI RAYAPATI SAMBASIVA RAO:  
SHRIMATI BUTTA RENUKA:  
SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether at the time of bifurcation, Andhra Pradesh inherited substantial revenue deficit and the estimated resource gap was calculated at around Rs. 16,000 crore and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the amount of the estimated resource gap disbursed till date and if so the details thereof;

(c) whether the disbursed amount was lesser than the estimated and if so, the reasons for the same;

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is likely to extend the last date of 31st March, 2018 for seeding the Aadhaar with bank accounts;

(b) if so, the last date prescribed by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the total number of such account holders who have linked their bank accounts with the Aadhaar, State/UT, bank-wise?

#### Assistance to Medical Colleges in Kerala

2921. PROF. K.V. THOMAS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposal for assistance to medical college in Kerala and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the assistance given to Government Medical Colleges in Kerala, especially in Cochin Cooperative Medical College and the Cochin Cancer Institute during the last four years?

#### Growth Rate

2922. SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the growth rate registered in the fourth quarter results of GDP data;

(b) whether the structural reform policies such as demonetisation, Goods and

(d) whether according to Fourteenth Finance Commission (14th FC), Andhra Pradesh will be the only major State to remain in deficit even in 2022 and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the revenue deficit calculated for 2015-16 for Andhra Pradesh by 14th FC comes to around 7700 crore and if so, the details thereof and the justification of the Union Government in this regard; and

(f) the percentage of resource gap has already been sanctioned to the State and the reasons for delay in sanctioning the balance amount?

#### Research in AYUSH Drugs

2919. SHRI KONDA VISHWESHWAR REDDY:

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 ongoing research for developing new drugs in AYUSH by the various Government institutions;

(b) whether any tie up has been made with CSIR or other apex institutions for development and marketing of drugs related to diabetes; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Aadhaar Seeding

†2920. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री



Services Tax and digitization have contributed to this development, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which the double digit growth has benefited the construction sector, FDI, expansion in manufacturing and financial inclusion schemes with regard to employment?

### Implementation of Schemes

2923. SHRI NARANBHAI  
KACHHADIYA:

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 implemented by his Ministry along with the targets fixed and the achievements made under the various schemes in the country including Gujarat during the last three years including current year, Scheme-wise and State-wise;

(b) the total number of persons/family benefited from the schemes implemented in the country including Gujarat during the last three years including current year, Scheme-wise and State-wise; and

(c) the details of the project run by his Ministry including Gujarat during the last three years including current year, Project-wise and State-wise?

### Deposits in Jan Dhan Accounts

†2924. SHRI SUNIL JAKHAR:  
COL. SONARAM  
CHOUDHARY:  
SHRI VIRENDER  
KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) account holders are enrolled in Banks with zero deposits and if so, the details of such accounts having zero deposits along with breakup of accounts with Rs. 100, Rs. 500 and Rs. 1000 above;

(b) whether some of the accounts under the said Yojana have deposits of more than Rupees one lakh and if so, the details of such accounts;

(c) whether the PMJDY accounts opened through banking correspondence has a credit limit of upto Rs. 50, 000 in a year and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering to issue necessary direction to the banks to increase the credit limit of PMJDY accounts in case credit is being received from the Government under some social welfare schemes, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to deposit Rs. Fifteen lakh in each of Jan Dhan accounts and if so, the details thereof?

### Applicability of Forest Right Act

2925. SHRI BALABHADRA  
MAJHI:

Will the Minister of  
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND  
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Forest and Environment proposes to extend the

applicability of the Forest Right Act to the poor fishermen of Bhitarkanika wild life sanctuary to fish inside the sanctuary like their forefathers; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

### Domestic Black Money

†2926. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government promised deposit of Rs. 15 lakh in the account of every citizen by bringing back black money stashed abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons for the failure of the Reserve Bank of India in releasing its data regarding domestic black money so far?

### Legalising Gambling and Betting

2927. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Law Commission of India in its Report submitted to the Government recently has recommended that Government should consider legalising gambling and betting as a regulated activity to generate revenue, if so, the status thereof;

(b) whether the recommendation has been accepted by the Government; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereon?

### Reversion to OPS

†2928. SHRI MANSHANKAR  
NINAMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) had given order to the Union Government to provide the benefit of Old Pension Scheme (OPS) in place of New Pension Scheme (NPS) to the employees appointed after 1 January, 2004, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has issued notification for the employees of every Central/State Government and autonomous bodies in this regard as per the said order of the Bench; and

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

### Sickle Cell Anaemia

2929. DR. SUNIL BALIRAM  
GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to launch a programme for prevention and control of sickle cell anaemia, thalassemia and haemophilia in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the programme is likely to be launched;

(c) the extent of financial and technical assistance/commodities being provided by the Government to the States/UTs for the investigation, prevention and control of the

aforesaid blood disorders during the last three years and the current year; and

(d) the measures being taken by the Government to promote research in order to develop therapy of hereditary blood disorders through stem cell in the country?

#### Yoga Centers in Naxal Affected Districts

2930. SHRI CHIRAG PASWAN:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to open Yoga Centres in the naxal affected districts of Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana

2931. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:  
SHRI SHYAMA CHARAN GUPTA:  
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:  
SHRI VIRENDER KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana along with target set and achievements made under the

scheme so far State/UT-wise including Jharkhand;

(b) the number of beneficiaries enrolled and availed loans under the MUDRA Yojana since inception along with the quantum of loan disbursed, Bank/State/UT-wise including Jharkhand and Bihar;

(c) whether small and medium level entrepreneurs are finding it more convenient to get loans from banks under MUDRA Yojana, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any criteria has been fixed for providing loans under Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana by the banks and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the cases have been reported wherein some banks are not co-operating and demanding for collateral security to release MUDRA loan to the needy people; and

(f) if so, the details of such complaints received by the Government along with the action taken against such banks for not adhering to the procedures laid down under the said scheme, State/UT-wise including Bihar?

#### Purchase of Medicines under CGHS

†2932. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that only such medicines are purchased in CGHS, whose expiry date is very short;

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

(c) whether any investigation has been conducted in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken in this regard; and

(e) the other corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken to avoid such type of purchases?

#### Remuneration to ASHA Workers

2933. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to utilise the ASHA workers more efficiently and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the remuneration and facilities given to the ASHA workers are not sufficient and if so, the action taken by the Government to increase their remuneration and facilities;

(c) whether the Government proposes to give scientific and technical training to the ASHA workers so as to meet the requirement of the village people and if so, the details of the action taken in this regard;

(d) whether the Government also proposes to introduce a system for updating and monitoring the various issues in health sector through IT network in all villages by the ASHA workers; and

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

#### Balika Samridhi Yojana

†2934. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Balika Samridhi Yojana in the country has been discontinued, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the number of girl child benefited from the scheme during the period of its implementation;

(c) whether the Government has launched any other alternative scheme in its place and if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated, released and utilised thereon during the last three years;

(d) whether the Government is contemplating to allocate more funds for the said scheme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### NBFCs

2935. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Non Banking Finance Companies (NBFCs) in the country are operating without requisite registration;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to scrutinise these NBFCs in the wake of the recent scams noticed therein; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Insurance to People Associated with Co-operative Societies**

†2936. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rural people associated with primary minor forest produce co-operative societies are provided the benefit of insurance scheme;

(b) if so, the details of the provisions under this scheme; and

(c) the details of the insurance amount distributed during the last five years?

**Pollution Standards**

2937. DR. PRABHAS KUMAR SINGH:  
SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government or any of its agencies are conducting periodic test on the level of pollution in various cities of the country including Odisha;

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

(c) whether the Government has fixed pollution standard for cities in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to make the cities pollution free in the country?

**Merchant Discount Rate**

†2938. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to cut Merchant Discount Rate (MDR) on payment of transaction made through cards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that after the introduction of 'Digidhan Mission' to promote digital payments consumers are being forced to make payments through digital mode and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is not appropriate to do away with MDR completely instead of curtailing its rate which is a burden on the consumers and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reaction of the Government in this regard?

**Rupee Volatility**

2939. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rupee ended at 49.57/58 against the dollar, its lowest since 15 May, 2009, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the currency's fall is the largest single-day fall since 12, November, 2008 when it dropped 2.6 per cent during the peak of the global financial crisis post the Lehman Brothers bankruptcy, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India has adequate foreign exchange reserves to deal with the current volatility in the rupee, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government plans to raise funds through Foreign Currency Non-Repatriable (FCNR) deposits, sovereign bond or through other routes to increase forex reserves; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government and the measures taken?

**Pending Funds Release to Andhra Pradesh**

2940. SHRIMATI BUTTA RENUKA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Section 46 (3) of the Andhra Pradesh (AP) Reorganisation Act interprets that the Centre shall make available a special development package for AP, along with adequate incentives and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of basis on which the package for backward districts is decided;

(c) the reasons for addressing backward grant for a district of the size of Anantapur with the smallest district of

Bundelkhand used for comparison when there is a huge disparity between the two; and

(d) whether an amount of Rs.350 crore are still pending for release which was approved for release but withdrawn even though the State has already submitted Utilization Certificate (UC) for the last two years?

**Corporate Social Responsibility**

2941. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of amount utilised by the public and private sector companies under the Corporate Social Responsibility and the major tasks undertaken during the last three years; and

(b) the details of the number of the Panchayats which have been provided with Corporate Social Responsibility fund under the Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana?

**Additional Loans Guidelines**

†2942. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry proposes to amend the guidelines regarding prior permission of Union Government for availing additional loan by the States;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which it is likely to help the States availing loan; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Schemes for Women and Children through NGOs

†2943. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes being run by the Government for empowerment of women and development of children in the country, particularly in Maharashtra through the Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs);

(b) whether the Government has set up any mechanism for monitoring the works being undertaken by the NGOs in the country, particularly in Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of women and children benefited from these schemes during the said period, scheme and State/UT-wise;

(d) whether these schemes have resulted in improving the living standard of beneficiaries; and

(e) if so, the details thereof indicating the assessment made and the outcome thereof?

### Reduction in Budget Outlay

2944. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes in progress for which the funds were enhanced in the Revised Estimates (REs) of 2017-18 budget but were reduced in the annual budget of 2018-19;

(b) the manner in which the Government envisages the progress of such

schemes whose allocation has been curtailed; and

(c) the manner by which the Government proposes that these schemes would bear the brunt of inflation and continue progressing at the same pace?

### Childline Helpline

2945. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:  
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:  
SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH  
YADAV:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features and objectives of Childline Helpline service set up by the Government for children in distress;

(b) whether the Government has expanded helpline to more locations in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of calls received by the helpline during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Ministry has signed any agreement with the Ministry of Railways to rescue and rehabilitate runaway, kidnapped and trafficked children and if so, details thereof and children rescued so far; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to empower and protect women and children in the country?

### Revival of Closed SMEs

2946. SHRI PR. SENTHIL  
NATHAN:  
SHRI K.N.  
RAMACHANDRAN:

SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN  
R.K.:  
SHRIMATI V. SATHYA  
BAMA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has taken cognizance that many private companies and several Small & Medium Enterprises (SMEs) registered with Registrar of Companies (ROCs) were severely affected or closed down in one year since the introduction of Goods and Services Tax (GST);

(b) if so, the details of the companies shut down, State-wise;

(c) the effective steps taken by the Union Government to facilitate such distressed SMEs and bring back them to normalcy; and

(d) the details of the loss of jobs due to this regression in Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector and the Government's stand in this regard?

### GST Rates

2947. SHRI KALIKESH N. SINGH  
DEO:  
SHRIMATI KIRRON  
KHER:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to reduce the number of Goods and Services Tax (GST) rates to only three rates and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the introduction of GST improved the tax compliance in the services sector and if so, the details on insurance and financial services, State-wise; and

(c) whether the GST has helped to bring the unorganized players into the tax net in the manufacturing sector and if so, the details of taxes collected from unorganized sector under GST?

### Protection of Olive Ridley Turtles

2948. SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to preserve and protect Olive Ridley Turtles during their breeding season off the coast of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the rookeries been set up in the State and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there has been any change in the population of Olive Ridley turtles in the years since conservation effort have been undertaken; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Impact of Climate Change

2949. SHRI D.S. RATHOD:  
SHRI KUNDARIYA  
MOHAN BHAI  
KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the World Bank report indicating climate change is likely to hit living standards of Indians;

(b) if so, the details of the other major findings of the report relating to India along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the hotspot districts identified by report particularly in Gujarat; and

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

**Pending Project Proposals of Madhya Pradesh**

2950. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh seeking funds for certain projects pending for approval of the Union Government as on June 2018;

(b) the reasons for delay in sanctioning funds for the above-mentioned proposals; and

(c) the time by which the Government is likely to accord its approval to these proposals?

**Restructuring of National List of Essential Medicines**

2951. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:  
SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:  
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to restructure National List of Essential Medicines (NLEM) which may include medical devices, disposables and consumables and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the perceived benefit therefrom;

(c) whether many unapproved drugs continue to be available in the market and if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto including the measures taken to monitor compliance and enforce law regarding the same; and

(d) whether the Ministry has proposed changes to the Drugs and Cosmetics Rule 1945, requiring pharma companies to disclose information about their operation, products etc. and if so, the details thereof?

**Creation of Posts**

†2952. SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:  
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:  
SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:  
SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted any Committee for creating new posts by abolishing those which are lying vacant for a long time;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the name of the members of the said Committee; and

(c) the time by which the said committee is likely to give its report?

**Structural Reforms**

2953. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:  
SHRI D.K. SURESH:  
SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced string of structural reforms;

(b) if so, the details of the various reforms introduced during the last three years and the current year, sector-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to study the impact of the said reforms on the economy and overall development of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Funds to States and their Progress**

†2954. SHRI TAMRADHWAJ SAHU:  
SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Governments have received grants-in-aid from the Union Government during the last three years and the current year; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard as on date, State-wise?

**Over Use of Antibiotics**

2955. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:  
SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the world's largest consumer of antibiotics and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether use of antibiotics has doubled between 2000 and 2015 as against global antibiotic increased of 65 per cent;

(c) if so, the details and the reasons for the same;

(d) whether US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has warned against the fluoroquinolone class of antibiotics which cause serious health problems and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the said antibiotic is widely used in the country in various generic versions of the drugs; and

(f) if so, the details and the reasons for the same along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

**Review of  
Companies Act, 2013**

2956. SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:  
SHRI ASHOK  
SHANKARRAO  
CHAVAN:  
ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV  
SAWAIKAR:  
SHRI CH. MALLA REDDY:  
SHRI T.  
RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN  
MAHATO:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH  
SINGH:  
SHRI GAJANAN  
KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE  
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted a 10 Member Committee to review the penal provisions in the Companies Act, 2013, if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives thereto;

(b) the terms of reference of the Committee and the time by which the Committee is likely to submit its report to the Government;

(c) whether the move will reduce the burden of trial courts in the country and rather allow them to concentrate on more serious offences and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has evolved an mechanism to check the malpractices of listed companies in stock exchange and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure strict compliance of corporate governance of listed companies so that to protect the minority stakeholders?

**Financial Frauds/Scams in Banking  
Sector**

†2957. SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH  
BHOLE:  
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR  
HANSDAK:  
SHRI PANKAJ  
CHAUDHARY:  
SHRI RAJU SHETTY:  
SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:  
SHRI HARISH MEENA:  
SHRI A.P. JITHENDER  
REDDY:  
SHRI SHIVKUMAR  
UDASI:  
DR. K. GOPAL:  
SHRI RAJENDRA  
AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to ascertain the nature and trend of financial frauds/scams in banking system and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the case of frauds/scams in the banking system particularly in Public Sector Banks (PSBs) has shown an increasing trend and if so, the number of such cases of frauds registered and the quantum of money involved during the last five years;

(c) whether the cases of financial frauds committed in banks including nationalised banks are being inquired into

**AB-NHPM**

†2959. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:  
SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:  
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:  
SHRIMATI HEMA  
MALINI:  
SHRIMATI KAVITHA  
KALVAKUNTLA:  
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI  
TUMANE:  
SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:  
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR  
SINGH:  
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:  
SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:  
SHRI PARBHUBHAI  
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:  
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:  
SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:  
SHRI CHANDRAKANT  
KHAIRE:  
SHRI D.S. RATHOD:  
SHRI OM PRAKASH  
YADAV:  
SHRI SISIR KUMAR  
ADHIKARI:  
SHRI SUMEDHANAND  
SARSWATI:  
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:  
SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:  
SHRI KUNDARIYA  
MOHAN BHAI  
KALYANJI BHAI:  
SHRIMATI SANTOSH  
AHLAWAT:  
SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:  
SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ayushman Bharat  
National Health Protection Mission  
(AB-NHPM) aims at providing a coverage

by the Government and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is facing technical problems in conducting the inquiry and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is likely to include banking and tax experts to streamline the said inquiry and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Prevention of Corruption Act needs amendment in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

**Kidney related Diseases**

†2958. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:  
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR  
HANSDAK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of steep rise in the number of kidney related disease in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of patients reported with kidney failure in the Government hospitals in the country during the last two years, year and State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that the dialysis facilities are very costly and inaccessible to ordinary patients; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of hospitals/dispensaries having dialysis facilities in various States/UTs of the country at present?

of Rs. 5 lakh per family annually benefiting more than 10 crore poor families in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with salient features of the said Mission;

(c) whether many State Governments have shown reluctance to implement the said Mission in their States as they already have similar Mission, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has completed the empanelment of hospitals under the said Mission and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the long term action plan formulated by the Government for the successfully implementation of the said Mission?

#### **Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana**

2960. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:  
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:  
SHRI VINOD  
LAKHAMASHI  
CHAVDA:  
SHRI PARBHUBHAI  
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:  
SHRI SUNIL JAKHAR:  
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR  
SINGH:  
SHRI NATUBHAI  
GOMANBHAI PATEL:  
SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) along with the target set and achievements made so far under the Yojana;

(b) the number of account holders, amount deposited, the number of accounts having no transaction and the number of accounts out of them frozen by the Government due to non-transaction under the PMJDY since its inception across the country, year and State/UT-wise including Maharashtra, Gujarat and West Bengal;

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for coverage of maximum area under the yojana;

(d) whether the Government proposes to give debit and credit cards along with increased limit of ATM use by the PMJDY account holders and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is planning/proposing to provide the benefits of the Pradhan Mantri Jeewan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJBY) to the PMJDY account holders across the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the time by which it is likely to be linked?

#### **Appointment of Protection Officers**

2961. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH  
SHINDE:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH  
MUNDE:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA  
BARNE:  
SHRI VINAYAK  
BHAURAO RAUT:  
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:  
SHRI DHARMENDRA  
YADAV:  
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL  
SHIVAJIRAO:  
SHRI KUNWAR  
PUSHPENDRA SINGH  
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND  
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether sufficient number of Protection Officers (POs) with independent charge under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 have not been appointed by the State Governments and UT Administrations to prevent violence against women and ensure protection of the rights of women;

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

(c) whether the Government has requested the States/UTs to provide immediate protection and relief to women facing violence within families and if so, the reaction of the States/UTs thereon;

(d) whether there is a need to translate Form IV of the Act which enumerates the rights of the women, into local languages and if so, the action taken by the Government thereon; and

(e) whether the Government has requested the States/UTs to allocate separate budget for the smooth functioning of POs, providing support to survivors, capacity building for staff and for generating awareness and if so, the reaction of the States/UTs thereon?

#### **Economic Situation**

2962. SHRI KAMAL NATH:  
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.  
SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the economic experts in the Union Government have been stepping down and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government proposes to issue a White Paper on the economic situation in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take any corrective steps in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Financial Fraud in Electronic Transaction**

2963. SHRI CHANDRA  
PRAKASH JOSHI:  
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.  
SCINDIA:  
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:  
SHRI NARANBHAI  
KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidents of the financial frauds have increased particularly using mobile phones, internet banking and digital transactions, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the regulators are not taking any concrete steps beyond issuing Pro-forma warning, if so, the details and the reasons therefor;

(c) the manner in which Government is planning to tackle this problem; and

(d) whether a decline in the usage of digital mode of transactions by the customers have been noticed by the Government after such breaches and if so, the details thereof along with its impact on financial inclusion through digitization?

**Doctor-Population Ratio**

2964. KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:  
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.  
SCINDIA:  
SHRI SUMAN BALKA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether allopathic Government doctor in India on an average serves a population of 11,082, which is more than 10 times the recommended doctor-population ratio of 1:1000 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether doctor-population ratio in developing countries is far less than India and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a huge gap between States—while one doctor serves a population of 28,391 in Bihar, the ratio in Delhi is 1:2,203 and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether the Government has taken any steps to ensure the availability of doctors and bring down doctor-population ratio in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Greenhouse Effects and Global Warming**

2965. SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:  
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 the Government has taken measures to work in collaboration with other Ministries to mitigate the greenhouse effects and global warming;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that organic agriculture contributes to mitigating the greenhouse effects and global warming through its ability to sequester carbon in the soil and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether it is also true that a number of studies revealed that soil's organic carbon contents under organic farming are considerably higher and if so, the details thereof?

**Elimination of Lymphatic Filariasis**

†2966. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:  
SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to eliminate Lymphatic Filariasis (LF) as public health problem;

(b) whether LF or commonly known as Elephantiasis is one of the oldest and most debilitating neglected disease, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has proposed the Accelerated Plan for Elimination of LF 2018 for India, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether 100 Districts out of total 256 Endemic Districts have achieved elimination target, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the strategy to eliminate LF in India is based on Mass Drug

Administration (MDA) once in a year for interruption of transmission, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the measures taken to enhance awareness among the affected communities about the LF and its treatment?

**Hostels for Working Women**

†2967. SHRI PASHUPATI NATH  
SINGH:  
SHRIMATI HEMA  
MALINI:  
SHRI VENKATESH BABU  
T.G.:  
SHRI MD.  
BADARUDDOZA  
KHAN:  
SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR  
PATIL:  
DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR  
RAY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND  
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing Working Women Hostels Scheme and if so, the salient features thereof;

(b) the number of hostels sanctioned and presently operational in the country particularly in Delhi and NCR, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of proposals received by the Government under the scheme for construction of hostels in the country along with the number of proposals approved/lying pending and the funds sanctioned, released and utilised thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government monitors the working conditions and occupancies in already constructed hostels and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the further measures taken by the Government to ensure proper implementation and judicious utilisation of funds under the scheme along with construction of the hostels as per the demand to meet growing need of working women in the country?

**Repayment of loans by Industries**

†2968. SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:  
DR. BANSHILAL  
MAHATO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE  
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of industrialists availed loans by banks/Governments, State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh;

(b) whether these industrialists are making timely repayment of the loan instalments;

(c) if not, the details of such industrialists who are defaulting/not repaying the loan instalments and having outstanding amount, bank, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Reserve Bank of India has ordered to recover the amount of loan from such highly indebted industrialists/industries, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government against such industrialists/industries to recover the outstanding loan, industry-wise?



**GST on Eateries and Small Traders**

2969. PROF. PREM SINGH  
CHANDUMAJRA:  
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made large scale changes in Goods and Services Tax (GST) including reduction of GST rates on eateries and flat rates for small traders as suggested by the States;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the benefits to accrue therefrom;

(c) whether this move would lower the tax collection in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps proposed to cover this deficit?

**Environmental Performance Index**

2970. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER  
REDDY:  
SHRIMATI MAUSAM  
NOOR:

Will the Minister of  
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND  
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for slipping from 41 in the year 2016 to 177 in 2018 in the Environmental Performance Index;

(b) whether the Government has taken note and has analyzed the reasons for such performance and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the performance indicators in which India fared the worst and the reasons for such a performance in these particular indicators; and

(d) the details of the proposed plan and steps, if any, aimed at improving India's performance parameters in these particular indicators?

**New Tax Payers**

2971. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:  
SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of new Income Tax payers added in current fiscal year, so far and benefits given to them?

**Homoeopathic Doctors in CGHS Wellness Centres**

2972. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:  
SHRI DHANANJAY  
MAHADIK:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA  
SULE:  
DR. HEENA  
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:  
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL  
VIJAYSINH  
SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of homoeopathic doctors working in the CGHS Homoeopathy Dispensaries in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to deploy specialist homoeopathic doctors in CGHS Wellness Centres to treat non-communicable diseases and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether only generic homoeopathic drugs are made available to CGHS beneficiary and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to include German made homoeopathic medicine in CGHS dispensaries and if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the corrective steps taken by the Government to make available quality homoeopathic medicines?

**Integrated Child Development Services Scheme**

2973. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:  
SHRI KONDA  
VISHWESHWAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND  
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of sub-components of Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to monitor the progress of the scheme;

(c) whether the Government is planning to revise the Scheme which will adhere to quality standards and evolves to address current weaknesses and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any proposal in this line is pending with the Government; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Bed Patient Ratio**

†2974. PROF. RAVINDRA  
VISHWANATH  
GAIKWAD:

SHRI RAGHAV  
LAKHANPAL:  
SHRI BHAIROON PRASAD  
MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government hospitals including AIIMS, Safdarjung and Ram Manohar Lohia in the country along with the number of beds available therein, hospital-wise including hospitals in Delhi;

(b) the number of hospitals and beds required for patients in urban and rural areas, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has allocated funds to the States/UTs for setting up of hospitals and increasing beds and if so, the details of funds allocated/utilized for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to meet the norms prevalent at international level and improve the hospital and bed ratio in the country?

**Forest Fires**

2975. SHRI SISIR KUMAR  
ADHIKARI:  
SHRI MANSHANKAR  
NINAMA:  
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:  
SHRI P. KUMAR:  
SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH  
YADAV:

Will the Minister of  
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND  
CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the forest fire destroys forest wealth including wildlife in various parts of the country;

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

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study to assess the extent of loss caused due to forest fires and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has received satellite alerts for such fires and if so, the satellite alerts received during the last three years and action taken thereon;

(e) whether 90 per cent of the forest fires in the country are man-made and the fire is set on to destroy evidence of non-performance of forest departments, and also for the re-financing of plantations and if so, the details thereof along with the other reasons identified for forest fires; and

(f) whether the Government has formulated any action plan to effectively control the forest fires during the summer months, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government forest management in the country?

#### Maintaining Minimum Balance

†2976. SHRI SARFARAZ ALAM:  
DR. C.  
GOPALAKRISHNAN:  
DR. A. SAMPATH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the banks have imposed several types of service charges, penalties and restrictions on transactions made

through the accounts, ATMs and credit cards and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the banks are also charging penalty for not maintaining the minimum balance in their accounts and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of penalties collected for not maintaining minimum balance during the last three years and the current year, bank-wise;

(d) whether the Government of India has any proposal to withdraw the additional charges charging to the customers by the nationalized banks, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to exempt the account holders from being charged for not maintaining the minimum balance and if so, the details thereof?

#### Average Life

2977. SHRI HARISH MEENA:  
PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

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 differences of the tenure of life of people in various States of the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the present tenure of average life of various States, male and female;

(c) whether the use of chemicals and pollution has caused various ailments and ill-health of the people of the country; and

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

#### States' Stand on Petroleum Products under GST

2978. SHRI BHARATHI  
MOHAN R.K.:  
SHRI PR. SENTHIL  
NATHAN:  
SHRI K.N.  
RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any State is opposed to the move of the Union Government for inclusion/non-inclusion of petroleum products under ambit of Goods and Services Tax (GST); and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### Norms for Sale of Organic Products

2979. SHRI KUNDARIYA  
MOHAN BHAI  
KALYANJI BHAI:  
SHRI D.S. RATHOD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether FSSAI has notified any rules/norms for sale of organic products in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has made it mandatory to obtain certificates and licenses for production and sale of organic products; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### GST Exemption to MSMEs

2980. KUNWAR  
BHARATENDRA:  
SHRI K.N.  
RAMACHANDRAN:  
SHRI PR. SENTHIL  
NATHAN:  
SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN  
R.K.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken or intends to undertake any measures to give exemptions to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) from paying Goods and Services Tax (IGST) by inclusion of Integrated Goods and Service Tax (GST) refund under duty drawback and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any other measures are being undertaken to increase the access to capital for MSMEs and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any plans to exempt Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) having annual turnover of Rs. 50 lakhs or less from the ambit of GST, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has received plea from the State Governments or MSME associations/federations in this regard, if so, the details thereof and the Government's stand in this regard; and

(e) the effective steps taken by the Government to protect the interests of MSME sector from the implications faced by them under GST regime?

**Training to AYUSH Doctors**

2981. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

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

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to provide training to AYUSH doctors for practice of modern medicines;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has issued any directions to the State Governments in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Allocation of Funds for Health Programmes**

†2982. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:  
SHRI ASADUDDIN  
OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total allocation of funds by the Government towards various health programmes and schemes during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the funds allocated for said programmes are not being properly utilised and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether any allocation under the budgetary provisions has been slashed down if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to minimise the gap between utilisation and budgetary allocation?

**External Debt**2983. SHRI RAM CHARITRA  
NISHAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's external debts stood at US \$ 529.7 billion at the end of March, 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there has been an increase of US \$ 58.4 billion year on year, primarily on account of rise in commercial borrowings, short term debt and non-resident Indian deposits; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Annual Growth of NPAs**2984. SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH  
HOODA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the annual growth in Non Performing Assets (NPAs) of Public Sector Banks in the last four financial years;

(b) the details of the likelihood of further rise in NPAs in the current financial year; and

(c) the details of the proportion of NPAs coming from large sized capital intensive businesses as compared to medium and small enterprises?

**Unreported TB and Leprosy Cases**

2985. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of tuberculosis and leprosy cases are not reported and remain unidentified and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to start a universal screening programme for these two diseases, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether screening for other diseases will also be done under this programme, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which said programme will be launched?

**National Health Resource Repository**2986. KUMARI SHOBHA  
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has released the National Health Resource Repository (NHRR) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the objectives and outcomes of the NHRR project; and

(c) whether the Government has initiated universal screening of common Non Communicable Diseases (NCDs) such as diabetes, hypertension, common cancers, tuberculosis and leprosy and if so, the details thereof?

**Shipment via Foreign Post Office**

2987. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Customs Department plans to permit e-commerce shipment via foreign post offices;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the plan to allow e-commerce exports through all foreign post offices would be without benefits from Merchandise Export from India Scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Reusing Medical Devices**2988. SHRI B.V. NAIK:  
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 taken note of complaints/cases related to reuse of disposable medical devices/items especially in cardiology and other super specialties in many private hospitals of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of such complaints received/cases detected during the last two years, hospital and State/UT-wise; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by the Government and the action taken against such hospitals?

**Oxytocin Ban**

†2989. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued instructions to restrict the sale of excessive quantity of oxytocin drug in the country and the drug would be sold on prescription, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any guidelines have been issued in regard to complete ban on the sale of the drug;

(c) whether the orders of the Union Government are not being adhered to in several States;

(d) whether any task force was set up to monitor the sale of oxytocin in every State; and

(e) if so, whether it was successful and if not, the reasons therefor?

NEW DELHI;

July 28, 2018*Shravana 6, 1940 (Saka)***Pollution by Plastic Waste**

†2990. SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assessed the harmful effects of use of plastic as well as pollution caused by increasing plastic waste;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the manner and extent to which plastic waste is getting accumulated in the country;

(c) the number of States in the country which have imposed ban on production and marketing of plastic, State/UT-wise;

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