

# LOK SABHA

## List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Corporate Affairs; Culture; Development of North Eastern Region; Education; Environment, Forest and Climate Change; Finance; Labour and Employment; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Tourism; Tribal Affairs)  
(कॉर्पोरेट कार्य; संस्कृति; उत्तर-पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास; शिक्षा; पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन; वित्त; श्रम और रोजगार; कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता; पर्यटन; जनजातीय कार्य मंत्रालय )

### Total Number of Questions — 20

#### Harassment of Women in Work Places

241. SHRI M. SELVARAJ:  
SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken measures to ensure safety of women workers in garment factories in view of the high prevalence of gender-based violence and harassment against these workers during the COVID-19 pandemic;

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

(c) the number of workplace complaints received during each of the last two years and the current year from female workers in garment factories, State/UT-wise?

#### Kendriya Vidyalayas/Navodaya Vidyalayas in Haryana

†242. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Kendriya Vidyalayas/Navodaya Vidyalayas (KVs/NVs) set up in Haryana during the last three years and the current year, district-wise;

(b) whether the Government has implemented any scheme to set up new KVs/NVs in all districts of the State;

(c) the number and names of districts of Haryana where there is no KVs; and

(d) the time by which KVs/NVs are proposed to be set up in the said districts of the State?

#### Quality Education under Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan

243. SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:  
DR. HEENA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to improve the standard of education and school infrastructure in rural India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to improve education along with the funds disbursed for Government schools for infrastructure such as library, laboratory, sports facilities and teaching aids during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to establish high schools and inter colleges in the country particularly in Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and West Bengal as per the norms of Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of new high schools and inter colleges required in the country particularly in Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and West Bengal as per the norms of SSA?

#### Online Classes for Differently Abled Students

244. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the struggles faced by differently abled students in accessing online classes;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon to increase their accessibility to quality education;

(c) whether the drop-out ratio among differently-abled students has increased since 2020, owing to COVID-19 pandemic; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government with regard to alter the mode of education to make it more inclusive?

#### Allocation of Funds for Tribal Development

†245. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated under various tribal development schemes to different States of the country during the last five years;

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(b) the details of schemes under which funds have been released for the Scheduled Tribes during the said period;

(c) the details of funds allocated under various schemes to Fifth Schedule and Sixth Schedule areas during the last five years;

(d) the details of the funds allocated under various schemes to various Autonomous Councils and Other Bodies of the North Eastern States during the last five years; and

(e) the details of the works carried out by the funds allocated to various Autonomous Councils and others during the period?

#### **Preservation and Development of Cultural Heritage of Himalayas**

246. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):  
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of CULTURE

संस्कृति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing the Scheme of Financial Assistance for preservation and development of Cultural Heritage of the Himalayan region;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of proposals received from the Himalayan States during the last three years;

(d) the details of the new programmes prepared for the preservation and development of cultural heritage of the Himalayan States during the said period; and

(e) the amount released to the State Governments and Non-Governmental Organizations for this purpose during the said period, State-wise?

#### **ESIC Hospitals/Dispensaries**

†247. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:  
SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Employees' State Insurance Corporation(ESIC) hospitals/ dispensaries set up in the country including Maharashtra, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu along with the plan of the Government to increase the number of the said hospitals/ dispensaries ;

(b) whether the Government proposes to include ESIC Health Scheme in the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the number of workers covered under ESIC is constantly increasing and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the measures being taken by the Government to cover more beneficiaries under ESIC;

(e) the steps taken by the Government to improve the medical services being provided by ESIC in the country; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to set up new hospitals/Dispensaries of ESIC in the country and to upgrade the old hospitals/dispensaries?

#### **Skill Development in Bihar**

†248. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR YADAV:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of youth nominated from Bihar for Skill Development Training under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana during the last three years; gender-wise;

(b) the district-wise number of such youths in Bihar who got employment or jobs after the training during the last three years, gender-wise;

(c) the total amount of funds allocated and spent for the said programme during the last three years;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up Skill Development Training Centres in Madhubani, a backward district of Bihar; and

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

#### **Increasing Air Pollution**

249. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:  
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण,वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had monitored the factors and quantum of reduction of air pollution levels during the COVID lockdown;

(b) if so, whether the Government had studied the same in depth to understand the various factors which contribute to pollution and the proportion of their contribution along with the steps taken by the Government to convert the findings of the study into evidence-based policy measure;

(c) the names of the cities or regions in the country where air pollution reportedly has increased during the last two years along with the main reasons for deterioration in air quality therein;

(d) whether the Environment Pollution Control and Prevention Authority has been implementing the graded action plan to tackle pollution level in various cities of the country and if so, the details in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government proposes any action plan to maintain the air quality in the cities which have major public health concerns and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to implement the aforesaid action plan in the country?

### PM Poshan Yojana

†250. SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has renamed Mid Day Meal Scheme as Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman Scheme;

(b) if so, the additional difference and benefits likely to accrue in the said scheme with the change of the name thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal to cover more number of children in addition to the 12 crore children of 11 lakh government schools under the said scheme to address the problem of malnutrition; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Collection of Cess

251. SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:  
SHRI VENKATESH NETHA  
BORLAKUNTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cess collected on income tax from Telangana since 2013-14, year-wise;

(b) the details of distribution of cess so collected on income tax for primary, secondary and higher education and also for health since 2013-14, year-wise and department-wise;

(c) whether there are any dues still pending to be paid to Telangana in any of the said financial years; and

(d) if so, the reasons for such pendency along with the steps taken to release the same?

### Impact of the Ken-Betwa Link Project

252. SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

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 impact of the Ken Betwa Link Project on local population that is likely to be displaced by the project implementation;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of persons to be displaced and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the displaced persons will be relocated and provided with any forms of compensation;

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

(e) the details of the measures taken to ensure that local populations were provided detailed information about the project before being asked to attend public hearings?

### Skill Development of Street Vendors

†253. SHRI GYANESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposals have been submitted by States for skill development of street vendors under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana to help them in earning more revenue;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the employment opportunities created for hawkers in the country including Madhya Pradesh in this regard;

(d) whether the Government proposes to expand this programme for street vendors in Madhya Pradesh; and

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

### Sacred Groves in Meghalaya

254. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been undertaken to promote Sacred Groves in Meghalaya for a sustainable community-driven future and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any funds have been allocated and released for the preservation of these Sacred Groves and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any study has been undertaken by the Government to assess the potential of Sacred Groves in creating a sustainable future and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Dropout from Schools under Delhi Government**

255. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the number of schools under the ambit of the Delhi Government and the number of students enrolled in the current year and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is also aware of the high number of dropouts from Delhi Government schools from class 9 onwards and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any investigation to look into the reasons for the increasing number of students being pushed by the Delhi Government schools into National Institute of Open Schooling centres over the years and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Union Government proposes to hold talks with the Delhi Government to ensure vulnerable students are not left out of the education fold?

#### **Results of UGC-NET Exam**

256. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the passing percentage of eligible candidates is 6 per cent for the two term examinations held in December, 2020 and June, 2021 as per the National Testing Agency (NTA) notification and if so, the details thereof

(b) the current policy of the Government/NTA about the percentage of candidates clearing the University Grants Commission (UGC)-National Eligibility Test (NET) exams;

(c) whether UGC-NET exams results of NTA for the two terms i.e. December, 2020 and June, 2021 were declared together recently;

(d) whether the passing percentage would have increased to 12 per cent for UGC-NET eligibility as two term examinations were conducted together; and

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

#### **Import Duty on Cotton**

257. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal explaining the need for removal of 10 per cent import duty on cotton to improve the Textiles and Clothing sector because of rising raw cotton and yarn prices;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures being taken in this regard?

#### **Cutting of Trees for Developmental Projects**

258. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has data on the total number of trees which were removed for the purpose of construction and development of public infrastructure projects across the country in 2021 and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) the total number of trees planted in view of compensatory afforestation in 2021, State-wise and the total amount of funds spent towards this cause;

(c) whether the number of these trees matched the target of compensatory afforestation set by the Government and if not, the reasons for the same;

(d) whether the Government has considered mandating compensatory afforestation as part of all public and private infrastructure projects in the country; and

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

#### **Reservation in Ph.D Programmes at IITs**

259. SHRI GIRISH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

शिक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether students from the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe communities have significantly poor representation and acceptance rate in Ph.D programmes at the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last five years and the current year, course and category-wise and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the corrective steps taken/to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Proposals on Tribal Development**

260. SHRI. RAMESH CHANDRA MAJHI:  
SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS

जनजातीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals received by the Union Government from the Government of Odisha and Himachal Pradesh for the various development works related to tribal welfare during the last three years and the current year along with the amount involved therein, scheme-wise and the details of action taken thereon;

(b) whether there are some proposals pending with the Union Government, if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has formulated a new special action plan for economic and educational development as well as upliftment of tribals in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the total funds allocated/ spent for the welfare of tribals during the last three years, State-wise including Odisha and Himachal Pradesh; and

(e) whether any time limit has been stipulated for disposals of the proposals and if so, the details thereof?

NEW DELHI;  
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UTPAL KUMAR SINGH  
*Secretary General*

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