# **LOK SABHA**

# **List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS**

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(Prime Minister; Ministries of Atomic Energy; Coal; Commerce and Industry; Communications; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Earth Sciences; Electronics and Information Technology; Mines; Parliamentary Affairs; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; Railways; Science and Technology; Space; Steel; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Textiles)

(प्रधान मंत्री; परमाणु ऊर्जा; कोयला; वाणिज्य और उद्योग; संचार; उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण; पृथ्वी विज्ञान; इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी; खान; संसदीय कार्य; कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत और पेंशन; योजना; रेल; विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी; अंतरिक्ष; इस्पात; सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन; वस्त्र मंत्रालय)

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# Career progression of Sportspersons

1. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
SHRI SHA.BRA.DR.JAI SIDDESHWAR
SHIVACHARYA MAHASWAMIJI:
SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme is being formulated by the Government for career progression of sportspersons of Railways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including the measures being taken by the Government to encourage a large number of railway sportspersons in the country particularly of the rural and tribal areas of the Country; and

# **Addiction to Online Gaming**

# †2. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the youth of the country are getting addicted to online gaming apps mainly due to the advertisements to earn crores of rupees by playing such games at home;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether various cases in this regard are being registered in various police stations daily and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the rules under which these gaming apps have been sanctioned by the Government;
- (e) whether any initiative is being taken by the Government in this direction in view of the future of the youth; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

# **5G Technology in Telecom**

3. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY: DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India would require as much as 2.2 Crore 5G-backed skilled manpower by the year 2025 as per the Telecom Sector Skill Council and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is taking any steps to skill or upskill people in 5G based technologies such as Internet of Things (IoT), Artificial Intelligence, Cloud Computing, automation, etc;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

# Wastage of Foodgrains

# †4. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a huge quantity of food items gets wasted every year and if so, the plan to stop such wastage along with the details thereof;
- (b) the State-wise details of seven main food items wasted during the last five years along with the value thereof; and
- (c) whether any reasons for this wastage have been found and if so, the details thereof?

# **Boost to Electronics manufacturing**

# 5. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to boost electronics manufacturing in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is preparing a plan to broaden and deepen electronics manufacturing, exports and share in global value chains and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the role of global value chain is a key factor in the expansion of electronic manufacturing in the country; and
  - (d) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

# Schemes for development of Handloom and Handicraft Sector

6. SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes being implemented for the development of handloom and handicraft sectors in the State of Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Andaman & Nicobar Islands and the details of the benefits accrued as a result of these schemes during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the funds allocated/released and utilised under these schemes during each of the last three years and the current year separately, State-wise;
- (c) the details of employment opportunities generated in these sectors during the said period, statewise with special reference to Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Andaman & Nicobar Islands;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to meet the targets fixed for the development of handloom and handicraft sectors and for increasing the employment opportunities; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government for revival of handloom/handicraft industries including textiles in the country?

# **Aspirational Districts Programme**

†7. SHRI BALAK NATH:
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:
DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:
MS. DIYA KUMARI:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:

SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI: SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified backward districts for development of education, healthcare and infrastructure facilities under Aspirational Districts Programme in the country including districts of Maharashtra, Bihar, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the criteria set for selecting such districts;
- (c) the details of the works executed in these districts during the last three years particularly in Maharashtra, Bihar, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Gujarat along with the funds sanctioned, released and utilized in this connection since its inception;
- (d) the names of the schemes implemented/being implemented in the Aspirational Districts of the country including the abovesaid States during the last three years;
- (e) the details of major focus of social economic survey in these districts; and
- (f) whether the Government proposes to include other backward districts of the country including the districts of abovesaid States particularly Alwar, Sikar, Satara, Solapur, Latur, Araria, Rajsamand and Jalore districts, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

# Stoppage at Kishanganj

## 8. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry of Railways is going to consider starting a new Jalpaiguri-Patna Shatabadi Express with stoppage at Kishanganj to reduce the travel time and distance between Jalpaiguri and Patna; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

# Expenditure on Scientific R&D

9. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:
SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the annual Government expenditure on scientific Research/Development (R&D) of Science and Technology in the country and its percentage share of GDP;
- (b) the comparative details of other developing and developed countries in terms of expenditure being made towards this end;
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to increase allocation in the field of Science and Technology;
- (d) the frequency of audit performed on the research outcomes by the Government; and
- (e) the problem of plagiarism in research encountered by the Government along with the remedial action taken/ being taken in this regard?

# Carbon emitted by Steel Sectors

# †10. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the quantum of Carbon emitted by the Steel sector during the last five years;
- (b) whether any target has been set by the Government to make the Steel sector free from Carbon emission and if so, the steps being taken by the Government to reduce Carbon emissions in the Steel Sector; and
- (c) whether the Government is working to promote the sources of new and renewable energy for production of Steel and if so, the details thereof?

# Directorate of IN-SPACe

# 11. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the current structure and directorate of IN-SPACe including the experts appointed therein;
- (b) whether the Government has finalised any rules/ law on structure, functioning and process of IN-SPACe and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the number of applications received, approved and pending before IN-SPACe for authorizing space activities of Non-Government Private Entities (NGPEs) and sharing of technology and facilities of DoS by NGPEs since its inception; and
- (d) the details of the NGPEs which have been allowed and details of the technology and facilities of DoS approved to be shared?

# **Future Energy Materials**

#### 12. SHRI VISHNU DATT SHARMA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is making efforts to promote research and innovation in future energy materials in general, and in aluminium ion batteries, sodium ion batteries, polymer batteries and graphene based batteries in specific;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Identification of Export Hubs**

†13. SHRI BRIJBHUSHAN SHARAN SINGH: SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI: SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA: SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of districts identified as export hubs in Rajasthan, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh under the Districts as export Hubs Scheme, along with the details thereof;
- (b) the district-wise export data for the top five export products for each of the districts of above mentioned States;
- (c) the details of the products and commodities identified under the scheme in the said States;
- (d) the value of the products exported under this scheme from the said States, district and product-wise details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government can state the measures taken to promote exports of traditional Kondapalli and Etikoappa toys of Andhra Pradesh, Rice and Rice based products from Balasore, Odisha, Mehendi (Henna based products) from Pali, Rajasthan, Amla and Amla based products from Pratapgarh areas Uttar Pradesh and Pulses and Sugarcane based product from Gonda-Baharaich; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

# **GST on Textile Products**

# 14. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to increase GST on textile products;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps recently to improve the competitiveness of the textile sector in India; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### 12th Ministerial Conference

## 15. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the allegation that draft text on disciplines on fisheries subsidies to be tabled in the 12th Ministerial Conference (MC12) of the World Trade Organization is a charter for eradication of the entire small scale, traditional and marginal fishermen communities and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Article 05 of the proposed draft dictates cancellation of every single form of subsidy including subsidies on costs of fuel, insurance, price support on catch, subsidies on operating losses and even modernization of vessels and if so, the details thereof including the stand of the Government in this regard; and
- (c) whether the Government has introduced the Polluter Pays Principle in the text of the negotiations at WTO for the fisheries sector; if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to safeguard the interest of the domestic fisheries sector against the heavily subsidized high sea fishing by developed countries?

# **Apparel and Garment Manufacturing Centres**

# 16. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA: SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of apparel and garment manufacturing centres functional in the country especially in the North-Eastern Region and Uttar Pradesh and the cost of setting up of each centre during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government is implementing Pradhan Mantri Paridhan Rozgar Protsahan Yojana (PMPRPY) for boosting employment in the garment sector;
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of employment generated during the last three years;
- (d) whether the Government is implementing any scheme for incubation in apparel manufacturing, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken to promote apparel manufacturing and its export in the country?

# **Problem faced by Coal Sector**

# 17. DR. A. CHELLAKUMAR: SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient problems being faced by the coal sector in India;
- (b) whether the quality of domestic coal is deteriorating gradually and becoming unfit for power generation; and
- (c) if so, the steps that Government plans to take in this regard given that India faced a low coal supply for generating electricity recently?

#### **Common Service Centres**

## †18. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of Common Service Centres (CSC) setup under Digital India Programme in the country so far;
- (b) the details of Stree Swabhiman Yojana being run by the Government through CSC;
- (c) the Statewise details of total number of sanitary napkin micro manufacturing units set up under Stree Swabhiman Yojana in the country so far; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to include other activities relating to social concerns and Women's empowerment in the above said scheme and if so, the details thereof?

# ICDP

19. SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR: SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON: SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Coffee Board is implementing Integrated Coffee Development Project (ICDP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with its salient features and the achievements made;
- (c) the details of the developmental activities being carried out by the Coffee Board to enhance the productivity of coffee in the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (d) the status of implementation of the scheme 'Integrated Coffee Development Project', especially for

promotion of organic coffee production in the country, State-wise;

- (e) whether many coffee growers have suffered losses due to crop failure;
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of compensation disbursed under the scheme during last three years and the current year; and
- (g) whether the Government has also estimated the loss to coffee plantation sector due to lockdown and the COVID fallout and if so, the details thereof and the corrective action taken by the Government in this regard?

# **Government Vacancies for Reserved Categories**

20. MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of vacant posts in the Government jobs reserved for other backward clases (OBC), Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) at union level, department-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to fill these vacancies;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the reasons for such high number of vacancies; and
- (e) the number of Secretaries and Under-Secretaries in the Central Government belonging to SC, ST and OBC communities?

# **Removal of Import Duty on Cotton**

21. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY: SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has taken up with the Ministry of Finance the need for removal of 10% import duty on cotton to improve the textiles and clothing sector; if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Ministry has also discussed rising raw cotton and yarn prices alongwith other issues plaguing the textile sector/workers; and
- (c) the details of the measures proposed to deal with aforesaid issues and the present status thereof?

# **Internet of Things**

22. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA): DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR: SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR: SHRI BHOLA SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has released 'Code of Practice for securing consumer Internet of Things (IoT)' in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Internet of Things (IoT) is one of the fastest emerging technologies across the globe which provides enormous beneficial opportunities for society, industry, and consumers;
  - (d) if so, the Government's reaction thereto;
- (e) whether the Government is working on for the development of an eco-system for 5 billion connected devices by 2022 as per the National Digital Communication Policy (NDCP), 2018;
  - (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the other steps being taken by the Government in securing consumer IoT devices and ecosystem as well as managing vulnerabilities?

## **Coal Production**

†23. SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:
SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:
SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Coal India Limited is ready to meet the growing demand for coal in the power sector;
- (b) if so, whether the company is emphasizing on increasing the production to augment the supply for the coal based power plants;
- (c) whether a large percentage of coal based power generation in the country depends on the supply of Coal India Limited and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Coal India Limited has sufficient coal in its coal mines and if so, the details thereof?

# **FDI Inflow**

24. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK: SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether it is a fact that the country has attracted highest inflow of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the current financial year;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof, sector-wise;

- (c) the details of the total FDI received during the last three years;
- (d) the details of the Government's plan to attract more FDI in current years and facilities provided for that purpose; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

# Mission Karma Yogi

# 25. SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH: SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a capacity building Commission has been setup as envisaged under Mission Karma yogi;
- (b) if so, the details of the Chairman and other Members of the Commission and the process that was followed for their selection and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the timeline for setting up the Special Purpose Vehicle, "Karmayogi Bharat"?

#### **Adarsh Station Scheme**

# 26. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE: SHRI MANOJ KOTAK: SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the Adarsh Station scheme;
- (b) the details and number of railway stations upgraded so far in Maharashtra and Rajasthan under this scheme;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated, released, sanctioned and utilised in this regard during the last three years, year-wise including Bhusawal Division;
- (d) the details of the targets fixed and achievements made till date with regard to the said scheme;
- (e) the details of amenities and facilities provided/ likely to be provided at these stations and the present status of work and estimated time for the completion of the upgradation works;
- (f) whether the Government proposes to cover some more stations of Rajasthan under this scheme; and
  - (g) if so, the details thereof?

# **National Single Window System**

# †27. SHRI GYANESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Departments that have been linked with the National Single Window System so far; and
- (b) the definition and functioning of National Single Window System including the details thereof?

# **Development of Textile Industry**

# †28. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of workers associated with textile industry in the country; State-wise including Bundelkhand:
- (b) the details of the steps taken by the Government during the last three years for development of textile industry, market availability of textile products and employment protection of workers;
- (c) whether the Government is considering special assistance and economic measures due to over dependence of the workers on textile industry of Bundelkhand workers; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **API Manufacturers**

29. SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:
SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:
SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:
DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) the details of policies and schemes to bolster the Active Pharma Ingredients (API) manufacturers in India;
- (b) the details of funds allocated, sanctioned and disbursed during the past five years for the purpose, State/Union Territory-wise, specially in the State of Maharashtra, West Bengal and Madhya Pradesh;
- (c) the details of API production State-wise and the manner in which the schemes, policies and funds allocated have bolstered the manufacturing of API during the past five years;
- (d) the details of the mechanism for imposing subsequent duties on competitive market along with the projected benefits to the API manufacturers; and
- (e) the details of any other changes being stipulated for improving the status of API manufacturers, State/Union Territory-wise, specially in the State of Maharashtra, West Bengal and Madhya Pradesh?

# **Banning Social Media handles**

30. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY: SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.: SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government banned multiple social media handles which are creating fake and inciting content on twitter, youtube, facebook and all other platforms, etc.:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon since 2014 onwards to till date:
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the penalties imposed/collected and the corrective steps taken/being taken;
- (d) whether the owners of abovesaid social media accounts are being identified by the Government for action under the law and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has taken a decision to review social media platforms on their due diligence and if so, the details thereof?

# Implementation of Agriculture Export Policy

31. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:
SHRIMATI KAVITHA MALOTHU:
SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA:
SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the Ministry has proposed Rs. 260 crores for implementation of agriculture export policy;
- (b) if so, whether it is true that the Finance Minister has not allocated any money for this;
- (c) if so, whether the Ministry is planning to implement the above policy;
- (d) if so, whether there is any possibility of getting money at RE stage; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

# **Negligence of Postmen**

†32. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR: SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA: DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether negligence on part of the postmen in delivery of door to door postal mails particularly in rural

- areas is bringing a slur on the reputation of the postal department and indirectly benefitting the private companies;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to issue any guidelines regarding the timely and door to door delivery of mail by postmen and if so, the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to launch any nation-wide helpline for redressal of such complaints and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Group Insurance Scheme for Powerloom Workers**

33. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of budgetary allocation to the Group Insurance Scheme for Powerloom Workers for the years 2017-2022, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the total number of workers covered under the scheme, year-wise; and
- (c) whether there has been a declining trend in the total number of workers covered by this insurance scheme; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

# **Minimum Support Price**

34. SHRI SHA.BRA.DR.JAI SIDDESHWAR SHIVACHARYA MAHASWAMIJI: SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA: DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is taking any steps to settle the pending and current claims of Minimum Support Price(MSP)operations in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the proposals received from Maharashtra and Karnataka and the action being taken to settle the pending and current claims of MSP?

# **Export of Rice**

# 35. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed any increase in agricultural exports from 2018 -2021, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) the details of Basmati, Par Boiled Rice and Non Par Boiled Rice exports made by India from the year 2015 2021:
- (c) the details of the countries which are potential importer of Basmati, Par Boiled Rice and Raw Rice from India:
- (d) whether the Government has surpassed the limitations set by WTO on agricultural exports;
- (e) whether the Government has any targets in export of Par Boiled and Raw Rice in coming years against the WTO norms;
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the details of the measures taken by the Government to tackle the International pressure on Indian agricultural exports?

# **Extension of Nuapada-Gunupur Railway Line**

# 36. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status on the extension of Nuapada Gunupur railway line upto Therubali railway project;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to mitigate any delays;
- (c) the updates on setting up new Railway Division at Rayagada under ECoR; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to expedite the project and the time by when the project would be made operational?

# **Operational Guidelines for PCI Scheme**

37. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has issued the operational guidelines recently for the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for the textiles sector;
  - (b) if so, the details of the outlay approved therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has set up an Empowered Group of Secretaries (EGoS) to monitor the progress of the scheme and take appropriate action to ensure that the expenditure is within the prescribed outlay; and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the EGoS is also empowered to make any changes in the modalities of the scheme and address any issue related to genuine hardship that may arise during the course of implementation;
  - (e) if so, the details in this regard; and

(f) the time period fixed for the implementation of the scheme?

# **Disposal of Nuclear Wastes**

## 38. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has devised safe disposal methods of nuclear waste from atomic power stations;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any monitoring mechanism to ensure safety of life and nature around these plants; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Complaints Regarding Corruption**

#### †39. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received complaints regarding alleged corruption and irregularities from Madhya Pradesh particularly in Bhopal division of West Central Railway;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the action taken on the complaints received against the officers due to their departments being in the 'Agreed List' during the last two years and the current year;
- (d) whether any scheme for removing corruption and irregularities as well as making the functioning transparent has been formulated by the Government or is under the consideration of the Government; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

# **Installing mobile towers**

### †40. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration to install towers in areas without BSNL signals of Rajasthan, Gujarat, Jharkhand and Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the places where such towers are likely to be installed; and
- (c) if not, the reasons for not installing such towers in other places?

# **National Broadband Mission**

41. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the National Broadband Mission aims to provide 10 Mbps broadband speed at the end of this fiscal i.e., 2021-22;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is in line to achieve this target;
- (c) whether it is true that broadband speed of 4 Mbps target in 2020-21 has not been achieved so far;
- (d) If so, the manner in which the Government is planning to achieve 10 Mbps at the end of 2021-22;
- (e) whether it is also true that a target of 25 Mbps by 2022-23, 30 Mbps by 2023-24 and 50 Mbps by 2024-25 is planned to be achieved; and
- (f) if so, the details of the plan of action that the Government has to achieve in this regard?

## **Export incentive policies for Texttile Sector**

†42. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has formulated several export incentive policies for textile sector which also allow 100% FDI through automatic route in this sector;
- (b) if so, the details of the steps taken in the Parliamentary Constituency of Karnal, Panipat;
- (c) whether the Production Linked Incentive(PLI) scheme is likely to prove as a booster for the textile manufactures and whether this scheme is likely to promote 10 segments of the Man-Made Fabric(MMF) and products of technical textiles and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the said scheme in Parliamentary Constituency of Karnal, Panipat?

## **Teledensity & Mobile Service Coverage**

#### 43. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of data on the teledensity and mobile service coverage in the Northeast Region(NER) between 2014 and 2021, State and year-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is currently taking any measures to improve teledensity and mobile service coverage in the NER and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) The status of implementation of Bharat Net in the NER and the details thereof;
- (d) Whether the Government is employing new technologies to overcome geographical barriers in order

to expand telecom coverage in the NER, if so, details thereof; and

(e) Whether the Government took any measures to expand internet coverage or access to internet connections in the NER for students during the COVID pandemic and if so, the details thereof?

## **Sugar Mill Condition**

#### 44. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that sugar mills throughout the country are under critical financial condition;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to revive these sugar mills;
- (c) whether the Government has considered using sugarcane as bio-fuel to revive these sugar mills and to make them financially viable; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Fixation of Selling Rates**

# 45. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

be pleased to state:

रेल मंत्री

- (a) whether there is a criteria for fixation and revision of selling rates of food, eatables and beverages by Railway Board for tea, breakfast, standard meal and by Zonal Railways for regional cuisine and eatables popular in the region;
- (b) if so, the detailed instructions for periodical revision and instructions followed by IRCTC to revise the selling rates from 12-12-2019 ,Central Railway from 08-07-2021 and Western Railway from 28-07-2021; and
- (c) whether such instructions have not yet been adhered to by the rest of the Zonal Railways and if so, the reasons thereof?

# **Protecting Rights of Consumers**

# 46. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any mechanism to protect the rights of the consumers and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) the steps taken by the Government to protect consumers against unfair trade practices;
- (c) the number of consumer courts operational in the country and the number of cases disposed of during the last three years; and
- (d) the other steps being taken by the Government to strengthen the rights of the consumers?

## **Development of Semi Conductor**

47. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK: SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:

SHRI BHOLA SINGH: SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA): DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR: DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY: SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes the comprehensive program for the development of sustainable semiconductor and display ecosystem in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has proposes to set up a specialized and independent "India Semiconductor Mission (ISM)" in the country;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the abovesaid program will usher a new era in electronics manufacturing by providing a globally competitive incentive package to companies engaged in semiconductors and display manufacturing as well as design;
  - (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the details of the other steps being taken by the Government in furtherance of the vision of Aatmanirbhar Bharat and positioning India as the global hub for Electronic System Design and Manufacturing?

## **Optical Fibre Cable**

†48. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:
SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:
SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:
SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:
SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:
SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN:
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of optical fibre cable laid in Jharkhand, North-eastern States including Assam, Bihar, Jammu-Kashmir, Haryana and Madhya Pradesh under the National Optical Fibre Network Project so far; and the time-frame to achieve the remaining targets;
- (b) the details of the number of gram panchayats of Singhbhum district in Jharkhand, Darang, Udalguri and Nalbari districts in Assam, Rohtas, Kaimur and Supaul districts in Bihar, Jammu district in Jammu-Kashmir, Sidhi district in Madhya Pradesh and the various districts of Maharashtra and Haryana connected with broadband and wi-fi hotspot under the said project so far;
- (c) the number of such gram panchayats in abovesaid districts of respective States which have not been connected under the said project so far including the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of the amount allocated, released and spent under the said project during the last three years along with the cost outlay to complete the said project year and State-wise; and
- (e) the details of the problems faced in the implementation of the said project?

#### **Solar Power Plants at Stations**

49. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY: SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has been establishing solar power plants at all the railway stations in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of railway stations so far identified for installation of Solar Power Plants, particularly in the State of Andhra Pradesh; and
  - (d) the progress thereof as on date?

# **Gatiman Express**

# †50. SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to make train journey cheaper in AC Coaches;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Railways has any proposal to run Gatiman Express train between Indore-Delhi and Indore-Mumbai in the near future;
  - (e) if so, the time by when it is likely to be started;
  - (f) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(g) the scheme made by the Government to make the rail journey safe and comfortable?

# **Coal Production by States**

## †51. SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the names of coal producing states along with the quantum of coal they are producing annually;
- (b) whether any survey for accessing annual consumption of coal has been conducted by the Government;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any action plan has been chalked out by the Government to meet the shortfall and to increase production of coal and if so, the details thereof?

## **Policies for Domestic Steel Sector**

#### 52. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated policies aimed at bolstering the domestic steel sector; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

# **Consumer Price Index**

# 53. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to ensure the representation of Members of Parliament in supervision of the implementation of Central and Central funded State projects in their respective constituencies;
- (b) if so, the details regarding the steps being taken for the same:
- (c) whether the Government has any data regarding the rising benchmark of consumer price index of the country; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

# **Distribution of Foodgrains**

54. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH: SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR: SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL: SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL: SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE: SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

- (a) whether the Government has distributed food grains to poor people apart from PDS during Covid;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Union Government has distributed pulses apart from wheat and rice in the said scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Bihar; and
- (e) the quantum of extra funds spent by the Government on the distribution of the said food grains and pulses, the State-wise details thereof?

# **Expansion of State Data centres**

#### 55. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has provided assistance to the Government of Maharashtra for expansion of State Data Centre; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise including the Bhandara-Gondia district and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Damage to Coffee Plantations**

# 56. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the distress of coffee growers due to double whammy of unseasonal heavy rains in the midst of a harvesting season and loss of coffee plants and bean in Malnad districts of Karnataka namely Kodagu, Chikmagalur and particularly in Sakleshpur, Alur blocks of Hassan a major coffeegrowing region of the country;
- (b) if so, the details of loss of crop area due to landslide and heavy rain, district-wise;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the Government is paying meagre compensation of Rs. 6000 per acre to the distressed coffee planters, if so, the details and the

steps taken by the Government to pay adequate compensation to farmers keeping in view of increased cost of labour, fertilizers, chemicals, etc.;

- (d) whether the Government has any plan to waive off loan borrowed by the coffee planters and announce special package to protect the interest of distressed farmers; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **High Speed network**

# †57. SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Wi-Fi and other high speed networks and mobile networks is not available in the remote rural areas of Madha Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the people of this area has to face many difficulties and hardships due to this and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the POS machines do not function due to non-availability of network there resulting in nondelivery of ration on time;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there is any proposal to install mobile towers in Maharashtra including Madha Parliamentary Constituency; and
- (f) if so, district and State-wise details of the mobile towers installed?

# **Proposals for Allotment of Iron Ore Mines**

†58. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the proposals by the State Governments including Rajasthan to the Union Government for the permission of allotment of iron ore mines during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) the number of such proposals received/sanctioned and pending during the said period;
- (c) the reasons for the pendency of the said proposals; and
- (d) the details of the special campaigns launched to explore and exploit the iron ore in the States?

# Launching of Chandrayaan-III

59. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU: SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU: Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a delay in the launching of Chandrayan 3 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the reasons for the delay in the Chandrayan 3 mission and the likely time by which the mission will be accomplished including the functions of the mission;
- (c) the details of the various space missions delayed since the last three years, year-wise; and
- (d) the future plan of the Government in this regard for the next three years, year-wise?

## **Direct Train from Bijnor**

†60. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating upon running a direct train from Bijnor to Delhi;
- (b) the policies of the Government for proper cleanliness and beautification of the railway stations;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to sell or lease out the unutilized land near all the railway stations of all the four metro cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata and B grade cities;
- (d) if so, the effective policies of the Government for enhancing the income from the Railways; and
- (e) the policy of the Government to reduce the train fare?

# **Freight Smart Cities**

#### 61. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of the proposed 'Freight Smart Cities';
- (b) the details and the budget outlay and phases of implementation for Freight Smart Cities;
- (c) whether the 10 cities for the project have been identified and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether cities in the State of Rajasthan are under consideration for the project and if so, the details thereof district-wise?

### **DLI Scheme**

62. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI RAVI KISHAN: SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV: SHRI MANOJ TIWARI: SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sought/invited applications recently from indigenous companies, startups and various MSME units for its Design Linked Incentive (DLI) Scheme to develop semiconductor chip in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response received by the Government in this regard;
- (c) the details of the aims and objectives of Design Linked Incentive Scheme;
- (d) the details of facilities likely to be provided by the Government to domestic companies involved in manufacturing of integrated circuits, chipsets, system on chips, systems and IP cores and semiconductor like design;
- (e) whether the Government also proposes to provide any financial assistance to such domestic companies and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of eligible criteria set by the Government for the domestic companies involved in semiconductor manufacturing to avail the incentives and benefits under the abovesaid scheme?

## **Requirement of Steel**

#### 63. SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steel requirement of Railways for 2021-2022;
- (b) whether the demand for steel by the Railways has been met by SAIL;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Railways had procured steel from Jindal Steel and Power Limited for the current year and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Ministry is of the opinion that additional steel needs to be imported to meet its demand requirements, and if so, whether any effort has been made by the Railways to import steel?

# **Frequency of Train**

†64. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of days on which the Visakhapatnam-Kirandul Night Express (18513/18514) under the East Coast Railways was being operated before corona pandemic;
- (b) the number of days in a week the said train is being operated at present; and
- (c) whether there is a continuous demand by the public representatives and passengers to operate this train entire week as it was earlier?

# **Export of Palasa Cashew**

# 65. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY: SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is aware of the plight of cashew processors and exporters of Andhra Pradesh in exporting Palasa Cashews in the international market and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps to promote and facilitate the export of the Palasa Cashews; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

# **Technological Upgradation of Fund Scheme**

# 66. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated and disbursed to the State of Tamil Nadu under the Technological Upgradation of Fund scheme(TUF), since 2019;
- (b) the district-wise details of those who were paid subsidies under the TUF in the State of Tamil Nadu, since 2019; and
- (c) whether the Government has taken any effective measures to ensure the timely disbursement of subsidies under the TUFS to its respective beneficiaries and if so, the details thereof?

# Storage of Edible Oil

# †67. SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Union Government has asked the States to provide the details of storage of oil seeds and edible oils with the mill owners and stockists;
- (b) if so, the steps being taken to check irregularities in the hoarding of edible oils and bringing transparency in the availability thereof;

(c) the measures being taken by the Ministry to ensure that the oil seeds and oils of Gujarat are mainly used in the country?

# Foodgrains to Jharkhand

## †68. SHRI SANJAY SETH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the district-wise details of the food grains provided to Jharkhand so far under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana(PMGKY);
- (b) the number of families benefitted under this scheme from entire Jharkhand, district-wise including Ranchi Parliamentary Constituency; and
- (c) whether there is any proportionate share of Central Government and State Government under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Vande Bharat Trains in Andhra Pradesh**

### 69. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number and routes of Vande Bharat Express trains planned for the State of Andhra Pradesh(AP);
- (b) whether the Government is planning to start Vande Bharat express trains on the Vijayawada-Hyderabad, Vijayawada-Tirupati, and Vijayawada-Vishakhapatnam routes and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of road map to induct 75 trains by August 2023; and
- (d) the production capacity of Vande Bharat Express at the Integral Coach Factory(ICF) and measures being taken to enhance the production capacity at ICF to meet the target?

# **National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission**

# 70. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of consumers complaints filed since inception in various agencies under National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission;
- (b) the number of cases disposed of since inception; and
- (c) the number of cases pending with percentage of total disposal?

# **Godowns in Gujarat**

# †71. DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of cold storages and food grain godowns in Gujarat, district-wise including Botad and Bhavnagar districts;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of cold storages and foodgrain godowns;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Amount of Royalty**

#### 72. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to amend the amount of royalty being paid to States for minerals and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has constituted a study group for the purpose of amending the royalty rate for major minerals;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the progress made in this direction by the said group; and
- (d) the time by which the royalty rates for minerals are likely to be amended/increased?

# Changes in CA Policy

# 73. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) whether the frequent changes in Conditional Access (CA) policy, by allowing foreign experience to count and increasing the sufficient quantity for MSDAC from 510DP to 5000DP on 12.04.2021, is contradicting the Make In India policy, 2017 and 2020 of the Government of India, as with such changes any foreign OEM can get direct registration in Approved Vendor easily and awarding Indian companies slow death;
- (b) if so, whether such change from 510DP to 5000DP was properly authorized and followed, as per the RDSO guidelines;
- (c) the details of the company that got upgradation to approved RDSO, S&T vendor with the change in CA policy sighted above;

- (d) the methodology used to check the authenticity of their foreign experience;
- (e) whether proper channel verification(certification from respective country consulate) was adopted before awarding any Tender Approval to such company; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

# **Chip Manufacturing**

74. SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is planning to develop an entire ecosystem for the chip manufacturing industry;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government proposes to give incentive for setting up local factories; and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the response received by the Union Government in this regard;
- (e) whether the Union Government approved any scheme to boost the semiconductor and display manufacturing in the country; and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of the other steps taken by the Union Government to make the country self-reliant in electronics manufacturing?

# **Issues of Call Drop**

## †75. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has focused on the issues of call drops;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the Government is likely to resolve these network issues?

# Aspirational Districts in Madhya Pradesh

†76. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of districts of Madhya Pradesh where special projects are likely to be proposed by the Government;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the names of aspirational districts of Madhya Pradesh where the Government has proposed to launch special projects;
- (d) whether there is any special plan under consideration of the Government for tribal dominated areas; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **Hike in Price of Commodities**

#### 77. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that there has been unusual hike in price of essential commodities like rice, pulse, edible oils, food grains, potato, onion, tomato, etc. in the country which is creating problem for common people of the country;
- (b) if so, the steps taken/to be taken by the Government to find out the reasons behind this and the measures adopted to control this situation; and
- (c) the details of prices of these items during the last five years?

# Price Manipulation by Cotton Corporation of India

78. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA: SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH: SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV: SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI: SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to address concerns regarding the role of Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) in manipulating cotton prices in favour of MNCs, if so, the details of Kapas procurement done by CCI from the State of Andhra Pradesh for the year 2021-22;
- (b) whether purchase centres were set up by CCI in the State of Andhra Pradesh for procurement operations of cotton for the year 2021-22; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the Government has taken steps to regulate soaring prices of cotton in the year 2021-22; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Encroachment of Railway Land**

79. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether large stretches of railway land are being encroached upon in various parts of the country including Tamil Nadu;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether such encroachments have been causing serious operational and other problems;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Railways thereto; and
- (e) the measures taken by the Railways to remove such encroachments?

# **Chip Exports**

## 80. SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY VASANTH:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved Rs. 76,000 crore scheme for chip making in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the above said scheme would help in tiding over chip shortage, promotion of more employment opportunities in various sectors in the country and also help in chip exports, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

# **Shifting from Coal Based Economy**

### 81. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is to abide by its netzero commitment through coal phase down in the country;
- (b) if so, the said commitment causes to increased emphasis on atomic energy generation and if so, the details thereof?
- (c) whether the Government currently has any plans to shift from a coal-based economy to an atomic energy based economy; and
- (d) if so, the response of the Government in this regard?

# Setting up of Regional Rail Museums

# 82. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways had any proposal to set up Regional Rail Museums in various States in the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the locations identified for the same and the estimated cost of the projects; State/UT/location-wise; and
- (c) the time by which the new Rail Museums are likely to be set up?

#### **Textile Parks**

### 83. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved the construction of any textile parks in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with timeline set for this purpose;
- (c) whether Uttar Pradesh has the potential of emerging as a major textile hub in India and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is considering any further projects for development of textiles in Uttar Pradesh;
  - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government recently for the development of the textile sector?

### **Annual Carbon Emissions**

### 84. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the annual carbon emissions produced by the steel sector in India in comparison to European Union nations and North America and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study to understand the environmental impact of the steel industry emissions in line with the Paris Agreement and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government aims to introduce a carbon credits market system which allows a company based on past production as well as expected production, a limited carbon emissions capacity and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of the technological innovations being developed within the country and also being imported from other countries to improve the efficiency of the steel sector in India?

# Sevoke-Rangpo Rail Project

# 85. SHRI RAJU BISTA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) the total estimated cost of Sevoke-Rangpo Rail Project and the estimated date of completion of the project;
- (b) the details of the steps taken/intends to be undertaken by the Ministry to minimise long term environmental impacts of the project;
- (c) whether the Railways is aware that a large number of people living in villages impacted by the Sevoke-Rangpo are seeking fair compensation from the Railways; and
- (d) if so, the details of the compensation paid to the households and families impacted in this regard?

# Vacant Land in Prayagraj

## †86. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the land lying vacant in Prayagraj, North Central Railway and Northern Railway;
- (b) whether there is any plan for commercial use of these vacant lands and if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of places and the area of land and terms and conditions on which this land is being given for commercial use; and
- (c) whether the Railway Land Development Authority (RLDA) has been entrusted the responsibility for this work; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

# **IP Applications**

## 87. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any increase in the number of IP applications for green technology in the last five years;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof, sector-wise;
- (c) whether the Ministry has initiated any action to encourage innovation in new green technology development in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Ministry has taken any steps or plans to implement any measure to encourage consumers to favour products and services which integrate green technologies; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the consumers' reaction thereto?

#### Zero Based Time Table

# 88. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA: SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is fact that prior to implementation of Zero based Time Table, Ahmedabad-Chennai Navjeevan Express parked idle for 13 hrs in the yards used to be at Ahmedabad;
- (b) if so, whether any Public Representatives have submitted representation highlighting the possibilities of easy turnaround extension of operations of Ahmedabad-Chennai Navjeevan Express from Ahmedabad to Rajkot;
- (c) if so, the details of the action taken in this regard; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and the time likely to be taken thereof?

## Crisis in Rubber Sector

#### 89. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the crisis in rubber sector and the plight of small and marginal farmers due to fall in the price of natural rubber;
- (b) whether the Government has any plans to bring natural rubber under Minimum Support Price Scheme (MSP) Scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received recommendation of the task force on the rubber sector for considering natural rubber as agricultural crop and bring it under the MSP scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken in this regard?

# **Business with China**

## 90. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) the details of the amount of business done with China both in terms of volume and value since 1st January 2021 till 31st December, 2021;
- (b) whether there is an increase in both value and volume *vis a vis* for the same period of corresponding year 2020;
- (c) if so, whether there is a rise in terms of both value and volume and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details and the value and volume of the five major imports and exports to China during the years 2020 and 2021?

#### **New Trains**

#### †91. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of new trains introduced in the country during the last two years alongwith the stations of their origin and destination particularly those in Bihar; and
- (b) the percentage of railway passengers increased due to the introduction of these new trains?

## **Revenue from Sale of Tickets**

92. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Railways has earned a whopping sum of several hundreds of crores from various types of tickets sold such as tatkal, premium tatkal, dynamic fares, etc. during the year 2020-21;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that this was achieved despite the fact that most of the train services were cancelled or suspended through most of the year due to Covid-19 pandemic and if so, the facts thereof;
- (d) whether it is also a fact that the passengers in these three categories are usually last minute travellers who avail these services by paying premium charges;
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

# Rail Kaushal Vikas Yojana

93. SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI: SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL: SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA: SHRI BRIJBHUSHAN SHARAN SINGH: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the aims, objectives, goals and expected outcome of the Rail Kaushal Vikas Yojana;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to provide ease of access to the candidates in the rural areas for enrolment to the scheme;

- (c) the number of applications received, assessed and accepted under the scheme:
- (d) the details of the steps taken for standardization and evaluation of training centres; and
- (e) the number of candidates trained and recruited under the scheme and the expected timeline for achieving the goals of the scheme?

#### PM Mitra Park

94. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise details of proposals received to set up PM Mega Investment Textiles Parks (PM MITRA) alongwith proposals that have been accepted;
- (b) the details of districts that have been shortlisted to set up PM MITRA by Andhra Pradesh Government;
- (c) whether the Production Linked Investment (PLI) Scheme be leveraged to attract investments to build Mega Investment Textiles Parks and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of proposals received from Andhra Pradesh for PLI Scheme in man-made fibre (MMF) and Technical Textiles sector?

#### **Augmentation of GRP**

95. SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
SHRI SHA.BRA.DR.JAI SIDDESHWAR
SHIVACHARYA MAHASWAMIJI:
DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to augment the Government Railway Police (GRP) strength in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether there is any such proposal received from the Government of Karnataka:
- (d) if so, the present status of the action being taken and if not, the time by when it will be considered/sanctioned?

# Linkage of Aadhar and Voter ID

96. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN: SHRI BENNY BEHANAN: SHRI ANTO ANTONY: SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering any provisions to prevent the misuse of the linkage between the Aadhaar and Voter ID and if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the data within the Voter ID database can interact with the data across databases linked to Aadhaar; and if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the Government has investigated potential misuse of Aadhar data for election purposes, such as voter profiling; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the measures to prevent the same, and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Textile Schemes**

97. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH: SHRI N. REDDEPPA: SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY: SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented welfare measures for women, backward castes and disabled individuals under the central sector Textile schemes and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government in the State of Andhra Pradesh to generate employment for women, SCs, STs, OBCs and disabled in the textile industry?

## **Export of Major Cereals**

#### 98. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether export of major cereals like wheat and rice is on the rise during the last three years;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that purchase from the farmers by the Government agencies is also on the rise; and
- (d) if so, the State-wise purchase thereof, agri commodity-wise during each of the last three years including current year?

## Mobile towers in Aspirational districts

†99. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Cabinet has approved the setting up of mobile service/towers in the uncovered villages in aspirational districts of Odisha;
- (b) if so, the details of the amount of funds being spent on this project in Odisha including Kalahandi and Nuapada districts;
- (c) the number of villages where approval has been given for setting up of towers alongwith the number of persons likely to be benefitted there from; and
- (d) the details thereof and the time by which the said task is targeted to be completed?

# **Postal Employees**

# 100. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to use the existing post offices and postal employee population for multi pronged activities of the Government schemes of various departments;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the effective steps taken by the Government to use the existing infrastructure and lands belonging to postal department; and
- (d) the details of the total employees in postal department, State-wise along with the asset value?

#### **Comprehensive Privacy Model**

# 101. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to devise a comprehensive privacy governance model capable of adapting to the needs of different stakeholders;
- (b) if so, the details of the steps taken/being taken by the Government keeping in view the fact that privacy is a delicate, personal and inordinately subjective concept, and the problem is too complex to be addressed only by regulation and legal mandates; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **BSNL Services**

†102. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that services of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) are mostly interrupted in different parts of the country including Chattisgarh;

- (b) if so, whether the complaints from the State Governments have been received by the Union Government:
  - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Union Government has taken any remedial steps in this regard; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

# Restoration of train from Kannur to Byndoor

## 103. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is going to take appropriate steps to restore the existing train from Kannur(CAN) to Byndoor (BYNR);
- (b) if so, instead of leaving Kannur at 4.30 am, the train is going to be rescheduled to reach Byndoor in the morning and also extend it to Rameshwaram connecting pilgrim centers of Palani, Madurai, etc. for more economic viability;
- (c) whether there are any possibilities to re-start this train accordingly with the new time schedule and destinations; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

## New Railway Lines in Tamil Nadu

# 104. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of new railway lines that are pending in the country including Tamil Nadu, State-wise;
- (b) whether adequate funds are available for completion of these projects and work on some of the new railway lines is in progress and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the said projects are likely to be completed?

# **Export of Handloom Articles**

†105. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the countries to which handloom articles have been exported as on date during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has prepared any special scheme keeping in view the increasing demand of Indian handloom articles in foreign countries; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

## **Prices of Steel**

#### 106. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the steps taken by the Government to bring down the prices of steel to ensure that cost of the essential commodity comes down;
- (b) the details of the steps taken by the Government to bring down the prices of raw materials like iron ore, scrap steel, steel pellets and discourage the export of such items so as to make these easily available for use in steel plants;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to reduce tariffs on steel imports in case the price rise continues and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether there is any proposal by the Government to grant fiscal and other relief to those domestic manufacturers of Thermo Mechanically Treated (TMT) bars, particularly used in the construction sector, towards controlling its recent huge upswing in prices and if so, the details thereof?

# **National Food Security Act**

## 107. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government aims to amend the National Food Security Act 2013 and renew the prices given under Schedule 1 as the subsidized prices were fixed for a period of three years from the date of commencement of the Act:
- (b) if so, whether the Government plans to raise the subsidized food prices mentioned in the Schedule;
- (c) if so, the details of the amendment along with the timeline of its implementation;
- (d) if not, whether the Government aims to further reduce the subsidized prices mentioned in the Sschedule or keep it the same; and
- (e) if so, the reasons for keeping the same prices or decreasing them along with the details of the existing subsidy expenditure in the country?

## **Ration Distribution in Gujarat**

# 108. SHRI C.R. PATIL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

- (a) the details of the contributions made by the Government to the ration distributed through Public Distribution System(PDS) in Gujarat;
- (b) whether the Central Government has conducted or proposes to conduct Audit of the Public Distribution System; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

# **Surplus Sugar Production**

### 109. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the current levels of surplus sugar production in the country, and the details of export of the sugar surplus in the last five years;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to enhance sugar exports;
- (c) the sugar import in the country in the last five years; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to curb excess sugar imports, and the achievements of these measures thus far?

# **Startup Companies**

# 110. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of startup companies started during the last three years in the State of Uttar Pradesh, Tripura and other North Eastern States;
- (b) the total amount of funds raised by these startup companies till date and the profitability established;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to ease the regulatory regime for startups, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the other steps taken by the Government to boost the startup India programme in the country especially in Uttar Pradesh (Jhansi and Lalitpur) and NER?

### **National Textile Corporation**

### 111. SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of State-wise number of textile mills under the National Textile Corporation(NTC);

- (b) the details of number of employees working in each of these mills;
- (c) whether many of these mills are not operational at present and the employees are not being paid their salaries and other benefits for a long time; and
- (d) if so, the details of the arrears and the time by which it is expected to be paid?

## **Investment in Startups**

# 112. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN: MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government would set aside Rs.1000 crore for investment in Indian startups;
- (b) if so, the details on the manner in which entrepreneurs can access this fund;
- (c) whether there would be any specific criteria, with regard to sector, type and scale of business, for access to this fund:
- (d) whether it is a fact that the Union Government plans to keep track of the manner in which funds taken from this account are utilized by startups; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Tide 2.0

## 113. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

- (a) whether the TIDE 2.0 scheme was operational during first and second wave of Covid-19 and if so, the State-wise details of incubation centres that were operational under the above said scheme;
- (b) the State-wise details of number of startups under TIDE 2.0 scheme, divided as per their area of research and operation, alongwith the number of startups emerging from the State under above-said scheme;
- (c) whether the Government has considered extending the timelines given to start-ups under the TIDE 2.0 scheme due to Covid-19 and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is considering any intellectual property rights assurances to prototypes developed under the TIDE 2.0 scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government is planning to procure prototypes developed by startups under the TIDE 2.0 scheme; and if so, the details thereof?

# **Industrially Backward Districts**

#### 114. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has expanded the list of industrially backward districts in the country including West Bengal and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the district-wise details of schemes being implemented to promote industrialization through DPIIT in West Bengal including North Dinajpur and South Dinajpur districts, during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to initiate 'One District One Product' scheme in each district of the country and if so, the details thereof with special reference to North Dinajpur and South Dinajpur districts; and
- (d) the other new initiatives/steps being taken by the Government for the strengthening of Industrial sector in the Country with special reference to West Bengal?

# **Partnership with Government Companies**

† 115. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to explore the possibilities of partnership/sharing its existing Rail Network with other Government companies;
- (b) if so, the details and the action plan prepared in this regard; and
- (c) the extent to which the Railways is likely to be benefitted by the said partnership?

# Construction of New Railway Line between Gaya-Daltonganj

116. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is aware about the fact that the project related to the construction of a new railway line Gaya-Sherghati-Imamganj-Daltonganj is still pending;
  - (b) if so, the timeline for completion of the project;
- (c) whether the Railways is aware about the fact that the project related to the construction of a new railway line upto Chirimiri-Ambikapur is still pending; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said project is likely to be completed?

#### **Mines Production**

#### 117. SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India's mines production has improved as compared to earlier years among other countries; and
- (b) if so, the details and present status thereof and the further effective action taken in this regard?

#### **Reservation in Government Jobs**

## 118. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there is a persistent demand from various communities for reservation in Government jobs and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken note that such demands are taking place across the country and made to think on the existing reservation system of the Government after 70 years of Independence and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to ensure that all the poor people of the society would get the benefits of reservation and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is taking adequate necessary steps to work out an effective reservation policy for the welfare of all the weaker sections in all the categories of the society; and
- (e) if so, the details and response of the Government in this regard?

# **Domestic Automotive Industry**

# 119. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Covid pandemic, lockdown and various restrictions along with a multitude of headwinds, played spoilsport for the domestic automotive industry;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any stimulus package announced for the automotive industry to recover from the worst position to come back to new normal;
- (d) whether any concessions and incentives are proposed to be offered to the industry in view of the slackening demand sentiment in the two-wheeler category; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Mobile Network

## † 120. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that on one side Wi-Fi and other speed networks are in operation and on the other hand mobile network is not easily available in Siyakara and Padrokhera village of Sanpur Panchayat located in Sirohi;
- (b) whether unavailability or poor connectivity of mobile network is causing many problems to villagers, forcing them to climb on trees to talk on mobile nonoperation of Point of Sale machines causing nondistribution of ration on time;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to install mobile towers in Rajasthan including Jalore Sirohi to over come the connectivity problem; and
- (e) if so, the details of mobile towers established in the State, district-wise?

# **Optical Fibre**

# 121. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI: SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken to connect all the villages of the country with optical fibre by 2023;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount of funds likely to be spend on it, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government plans to provide mobile connectivity in villages which are located in strategic and border areas; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the timeline by which the said connectivity is likely to be provided in the aforesaid areas?

# **Railway Staff Quarters**

## 122. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether staff quarters of Western and Central Railways are in very dilapidated condition in Mumbai;
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any responsibility has been fixed for such condition of the railway staff quarters;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

- (e) the criteria/time frame fixed for major repair of railway staff quarters;
- (f) the time when the periodical major repairing was done last; and
- (g) the steps taken by the Railways to repair the staff quarters immediately?

# **Battery Car at Thane Railway Station**

#### † 123. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to start battery car service at Thane Railway Station and Navi Mumbai Railway Station, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to construct Rest House for motorman in place of closed old toilet on Platform No. 10 of Thane Railway Station and as this place is being misused and warrants immediate action, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the setting up of new ticket counter at the vacant spot near Foot Over Bridge towards Mumbai at Thane Railway Station has been sanctioned;
- (d) if so, whether the work has been started as on date; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Phase I & II of BharatNet

# 124. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

- (a) the status of implementation of Phase I and Phase II of the BharatNet project, State/UT-wise with the number of Gram Panchayats covered so far, State/UT-wise including Bihar;
- (b) whether the Government has fixed a timeline by which all the Gram Panchayats will be provided with Broadband connectivity and if so, the details in this regard, State/UT-wise including Bihar;
- (c) whether the BharatNet project has been severely delayed in meeting the targets under both Phase I and Phase II of the project and if so, the reasons therefor:
- (d) whether it is a fact that Government is implementing the scheme in 16 states via PPP model and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of scheme implementation in the remaining States not covered under PPP mode for BharatNet including Bihar?

## Safforn Bowl Project

#### 125. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of extension of Saffron Bowl project to North Eastern Region (NER) by North East Centre for Technology Application & Reach (NECTAR);
- (b) the amount of funds allocated and sanctioned to Barapani (Meghalaya);
- (c) whether more sites have been identified in Meghalaya under the project;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

# **Problems of Sugar Mills**

# † 126. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of problems of sugar producing mills and farmers respectively in the country;
- (b) whether the Government is taking any steps to address said issues;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the special measures adopted by the Government to make country self-dependent in the field of sugar production?

# **Deaths of Elephants on Tracks**

## 127. SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is cognizant of the deficiencies in the provision of Elephant Passages in Indian Railways as presented in the CAG Report No.5 of 2021;
- (b) if so, whether the Railways has taken steps towards implementing any of the suggestions detailed by the CAG in the report to bridge these deficiencies for preventing Elephant deaths on rail tracks;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Leakage in Public Distribution Scheme

#### 128. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to minimize leakage in Public Distribution Scheme (PDS) for Antyodaya, Below Poverty Line (BPL) and Above Poverty Line(APL) ration card holders;
- (b) whether there are any change in the distribution of PDS ration after the introduction of Aadhaar linking and Biometric authentication; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Auction of Coal Mines**

## 129. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the coal mines auctioned by the Government during the last five years, State and valuewise;
- (b) the number of such auctions that have seen taken place in Odisha;
- (c) the details of total value of the auctioned mines in Odisha; and
- (d) the percentage of the money generated through auction in Odisha that has been utilised in the state?

# **Digital India Internship**

## † 130. SHRI DULAL CHAND GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of sectors that have been benefited so far under the Digital India Internship Scheme of the Government;
- (b) the details of the number of persons benefited by the above said scheme in the State of Bihar; and
- (c) the details of Digital India Internship Scheme across the country?

# **Solar Monitoring System**

# 131. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA: SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that North Central Railway zone has become one of the popular railway zones by setting more than 75% of its routes electrified, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether North central zone has started using solar monitoring system to generate solar energy during last year, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways has taken any steps to speed up the electrification work of railway lines, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Railways to encourage the use of clean fuel to provide safe, secure, faster and reliable transportation facilities across the country?

# Lithium Project in AP

# 132. SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI: SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA: DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is apprised about Geological Survey of India(GSI)'s Lithium Project in Andhra Pradesh under the Field Survey Project 2021-22;
- (b) if so, the details of GSI's findings and the progress made so far under the project in Andhra Pradesh; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Micro Entrepreneurs in Rural Areas

#### 133. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has planned to help Micro Entrepreneurs in rural areas through Startups within the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof including Assam;
- (c) the details of the funds likely to be sanctioned and the details of the target likely to set for help Micro Entrepreneurs in rural areas; and
  - (d) the time by when it is likely to be implemented?

#### **Import of Coal**

# 134. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any shortage of coal in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is going to import coal from abroad to meet the domestic demand; and
- (d) if so, the names of the countries and companies from where the coal is being imported to meet the domestic demand?

#### Low Grade Iron Ore

#### 135. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to beneficiate low grade iron ore into commercial grade to fulfill the demand for raw material in steel making;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) the details of the beneficiation plants for iron ore with iron content between 45-55% for the entire country, State-wise:
- (d) whether the Government has undertaken or sanctioned any Study to ascertain how beneficiation of 45% ore to 60% would benefit the economy and fulfill the demand for raw material in steel making;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether the Government has framed or is in the process of framing any policy to provide incentives to beneficiation and agglomeration industries to encourage them to set up such plants; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Information Technology Hubs**

136. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:
SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is considering to provide impetus to Information Technology Sector to accelerate the growth and help Services Exports to reach \$1 trillion at the end of decade and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has set any target regarding its merchandise export for the current fiscal year and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to achieve the same;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to start Information Technology hubs in Tier-2 and Tier-3 towns and cities in the country to create jobs and uplift the Services Sector along with the development of the region and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has identified the location for establishing such Information Technology hubs and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of the funds sanctioned and released for the abovesaid purpose?

# PM Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana

# 137. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL: DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified more sectors for inclusion in the high-priority sectors list under the PM Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana(PMKKKY);
- (b) if so, the details and the reasons for the sectors so identified;
- (c) if not, whether the Government is planning to include more sectors under the high-priority sectors list; and
- (d) if so, the sector-wise (high priority and other) utilisation of funds under the PM Khanij Kshetra Yojana in Maharashtra?

## Welfare Projects for Miners

#### 138. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has completed welfare projects initiated for the miners in Odisha and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any steps for environmental preservation and to mitigate pollution generated from the mines have been taken for the welfare of localities and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any health coverage is extended to the miners, especially for occupation-related ailments and if so, the details of the coverage thereof and the data regarding beneficiaries in Odisha;
- (d) whether any benefits are offered to spouses and children of miners in case of an accident at the site and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether any digital grievance redressal system has been introduced for miners in Odisha and if so, the details thereof?

## Helipad near Railway Track

# † 139. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a demand to construct a helipad near Railway track;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has any proposal in this regard as on date;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

# Remaining dues from Vodafone

#### 140. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Vodafone has exercised option of converting its accrued interest dues into equity to the extent of 35.8 percent; if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the remaining dues from Vodafone in respect of Spectrum and AGR dues as on 15.01.2022;
- (c) the dues of other Telecom operators in respect of Spectrum and Adjusted Gross Revenue (AGR) dues as on 15.01.2022; and
- (d) whether any other Telecom company is being offered conversion of its dues into equity and if so, the details thereof?

# Use of Cyclotron for Production of Radio Isotope

141. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Cyclotron is used for the production of Radio Isotope which is used for diagnosis and treatment of cancer and if so, the types of cancer in which this Radio Isotope is used;
- (b) whether the Cyclotron-30, the biggest cyclotron for medical use facility in the country is operational now; and
- (c) if so, the cost incurred in the research and construction of it?

# Pradhan Mantri Garib Anna Kalyan Yojana

142. SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH

DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to continue the distribution of food grains under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) Phase V in the light of the continuing impact of Covid pandemic on vulnerable communities;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the State-wise and month-wise details of central allocation and food grain distribution under phase I to V;

- (d) the total number of people benefited by PMGKAY in the Bolangir of Odisha and Jalpaiguri of West Bengal; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government for effective implementation of PMGKAY?

## **Loading of Coal and Cement**

† 143. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that pollution level rises considerably while loading of coal and cement at the godowns, causing much trouble to people residing in the nearby areas, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Railways has taken/is taking any steps in view of the health of the people;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

# **Export of Organic Foodgrains**

# † 144. SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any special measures for the marketing of foodgrains produced through organic farming within the country and abroad and the details of the contribution of these products to the exports of the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the efforts made to promote the marketing of the products produced through organic farming and create awareness about their benefits in the country including Bundelkhand and Uttarakhand during the last three years?

# Setting up of PM Mitra Park

#### 145. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up a number of Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM Mitra) Parks in various States in the country;
- (b) if so, the details along with the outlay thereof, State-wise particularly for the State of Tamil Nadu; and
- (c) the time by when the new PM Mitra Parks are likely to be set up?

# **Anti-dumping Duty**

# 146. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has imposed antidumping duty and increased import duty on pulses, food grains, chemicals and other items from certain countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the list of restricted items of import and de-regulated items;
- (c) whether it is true that the DGFT confiscated has allowed the resale of the lentils, pulses and peas at various ports after a period of more than a year and after;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and total quantity of lentils, pulses and peas released after the decision by DGFT;
- (e) whether the lentils, pulses and peas were in good condition and fit for consuming after being released more than 20 months in various ports; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

# **Archiving Call & Internet Data**

#### 147. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has extended the duration of archiving call data and internet usage records of subscribers to two years from one year due to security reasons;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that the amendments in the licenses were issued and extended to other forms of telecom permits and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is also true that the telecom companies can destroy the data stored thereafter if there is no direction from the Government thereto; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

# Steel Authority of India Limited

148. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has sponsored any scheme to provide financial assistance to the students for pursuing professional studies and if so, the eligibility criteria prescribed for those students; and

(b) whether the students living in the periphery of the steel plants will be given priority in selection for professional courses and if so, the details of the steps taken thereon?

# **Startup Incubation**

# 149. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry will consider launching a startup incubation focused specifically towards young entrepreneurs in Bihar to improve the economy of the region;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether startups with good foundational values would be promoted at national level to secure support and funding from nationally-recognized capital growth funds post pre-seed round; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

# Corruption/Criminal Charges Against Higher Officers

## 150. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether charge sheets have been filed in various courts from 01, Jan 2011 to 30, Sep 2021 in regard to corruption or other crimes committed by the higher officers under the jurisdiction of the Union Government and the officers/employees selected by Union Public Service Commission (UPSC);
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of such officers/employees;
- (c) the number of such officers who are still in service despite charge sheets filed against them;
- (d) whether during the period from 01.01.2018 to 30.06.2021, Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has filed charge sheets in 84 cases against 96 higher officers under the jurisdiction of the Union Government including the officers selected by UPSC; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the number of officers out of these who are still in service without suspension?

# **PLI Scheme to boost Steel**

## 151. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has approved any funds under PLI scheme recently to boost production of speciality steel in India; and if so, the details thereof and the amount of money approved therefor;
- (b) the details of the amount of additional investment expected by the Union Government as a result thereof;
- (c) the details of the fresh job opportunities likely to be generated in steel sector; and
- (d) the details of the categories of speciality steel that have been included in the PLI scheme; and the extent to which it will increase domestic production of steel and reduce its import?

#### PM Mitra Scheme in Maharashtra

#### 152. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of Prime Minister Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA);
- (b) the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under the PM MITRA scheme in Maharashtra during the last two years and the current year;
- (c) the salient features of Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme; and
- (d) the manner in which PLI is going to effectively uplift the living standards of the backward areas in Maharashtra?

## 'Make in India' initiatives of CSIR

### 153. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that CSIR and its laboratories are trying their best in 'Make in India' initiatives; and
- (b) if so, the proposal of the Union Government to use and award the research projects of the CSIR laboratories with the State Governments for technology transfer and applications of the products thereof?

# Loss of Foodgrains

# 154. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

- (a) the details of the quantity of wheat and rice lost due to storage, transit, and pilferage during the past five years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Ministry has considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee report for revising standards and guidelines for reducing food losses in storage, transit and avoiding pilferage losses;
- (c) if so, the details of the revised standards and guidelines;
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether technologies such as blockchain can be integrated so as to monitor and ensure that food losses can be brought down; and
- (f) if so, the details of technological solutions piloted or implemented?

# **Stalled Railway Projects**

# 155. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any scheme to complete the railway projects stalled by the State Governments due to lack of budget, at the earliest;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the details of the railway projects stalled by the States/UTs including Parasnath-Madhuban railway line in Jharkhand due to lack of budget; State/project-wise?

# **Proper Storage of Food**

†156. SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether about 50,000 tonnes of food grains are wasted every year due to lack of proper storage system in the country;
- (b) if so, the storage capacity of food grains in the country and whether better facilities are available in it;
- (c) the annual loss due to wastage of food grains and the plan of the Government to increase the storage capacity;
- (d) whether scientific storage facilities are available in all the grain storage locations of FCI; and
- (e) whether cooperation with the private sector is being considered for increasing the storage capacity and if so, the details thererof?

#### **Coal Gasification**

#### 157. SHRI VISHNU DATT SHARMA:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is in the process to achieve coal gasification and liquefication target of 100MT by 2030;
- (b) if so, whether this will include use of underground coal gasification technology as well;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Survey of New Railway Routes

†158. DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of new railway routes sanctioned by the Government in the Budget for carrying out their survey during the last Financial Year, route-wise;
- (b) the names of railway routes of Balaghat Parliamentary constituency sactioned for survey under the railway routes sanctioned for the purpose in the Budget of the Financial Year 2021-22;
- (c) the time by when the survey work is likely to be commenced or whether the said works have started and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Seoni-Katangi railway route is also included under the same;
- (e) whether the new surveyed routes have been undertaken or are likely to be undertaken for construction on priority basis;
- (f) whether the sanction was given for survey of new Katangi-Seoni railway route under Seoni and Balaghat districts of Madhya Pradesh; and
- (g) if so, whether its survey work has been completed and whether approval is likely to be given for constructing this new railway route alongwith the details thereof?

# **Decline in Revenues**

159. SHRI M. SELVARAJ:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the total earnings of Railways from goods and passengers have substantially declined as against the target and if so, the details thereof along with the revenue generated during the last three years, year-wise;

- (b) the reasons behind such a decline and the steps taken to perk up the earnings;
- (c) whether the reduction in revenue collection has had any adverse impact on any of the Railways activities and if so, the details thereof and the action taken to address the same; and
- (d) whether the introduction of a flexifare system and rationalisation of freight rates have improved the fiscal deficit and if so, the details thereof?

# Inclusion of Freight Corridor into PM Gati Shakti plan

160. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is planning to include the East coast dedicated freight corridor running from Kharagpur to Vijayawada in the PM Gati Shakti plan; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

## 2 Vs 2 Agri Market Access

### 161. DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether is it true that United States has approved import of mangoes and pomegranates from India in exchange of supply of cherries, alfalfa hay, pork and pork products to India in pursuant to the 12th India-US Tade Policy Forum meeting held in November, 2021 for implementing the "2 Vs 2" Agri market access;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the advantages and adverse effects in the Indian economy by implementing the above trade agreements; and
- (c) the terms and conditions of export and import in the above trade agreements?

# Narrow Gauge Railway Line

#### 162. SHRI GIRISH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of proposed and sanctioned narrow gauge railway lines that are going to be converted into broad gauge in Uttar Pradesh; location-wise;
- (b) the details of these projects alongwith the time of submission of proposal and the date of its sanction;
  - (c) the present status of the said projects; and
  - (d) the reasons for the delay?

#### 'Make in India' in Steel Sector

#### 163. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has introduced 'Make in India' initiatives in the Steel Sector and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to curtail the steel imports and give boost to steel exports through indigenous steel companies and compete with foreign companies and if so, the details thereof?

# Number of villages with mobile services

### 164. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages which have not yet been provided with mobile services so far, State-wise along with the reasons therefor; and
- (b) the number of Wi-Fi hotspots that have been installed at Gram Panchayats (GPs) and services are provided therefrom, State-wise including Santhal Pargana in Jharkhand?

# **Indian Railway Management Services**

165. SHRI N. REDDEPPA: SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that no vacancies were released under the Civil Services Examination and the Engineering Services Examination for seven out of eight services to be subsumed under the Indian Railway Management Services(IRMS) in 2021;
- (b) the details of vacancies in the eight services to be unified under IRMS;
- (c) whether and how the Government is planning to fill the above vacancies, if any; and
- (d) the timeline decided by the Government for completing the unification of IRMS and recruitment through the IRMS Examination?

# **Discontinuation of Trains**

166. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) whether it is true that eight pairs of trains plying between Bihar, Jharkhand and Bengal have been permanently discontinued;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Ministry has data regarding the total number of trains in Bihar suspended during the last five years;
- $\left(d\right)$  if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to decrease suspension of trains?

## Beneficiary of Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana

#### 167. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of people benefited through Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps for making food grains accessible at reasonable prices especially to weaker sections of the society; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

# **Problem Faced by Textile Sector**

# 168. SHRI RAMALINGAM S.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether textile sector in the country, particularly in Tamil Nadu is facing various problems like increase in inputs, labour problems due to lock out, etc. and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has ever assessed the existing problems and tried to bring out any scheme to strengthen the textile industry;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

# **Production Linked Incentive Scheme**

†169. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has initiated any Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme to help textile industry overcome the impact due to Covid-19 pandemic;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether the demand for textiles made in India is increasing in the world;
- (d) if so, the details of textile exports from India during the last three years;
- (e) whether the Government has received any amount in the form of foreign direct investment (FDI) during the last three years in textile industry; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

## **Promotion of Traditional Textile Industry**

#### 70. SHRI INDRA HANG SUBBA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any policy in place to preserve as well as promote traditional textile industry and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Northeast region is rich in traditional textiles;
- (c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to preserve and promote rich traditional textile industry of the region; and
- (d) the details of State-wise funds allocated, if any, for the development of traditional textile industry?

# Doubling of Lalitpur-Singrauli Rail Line

†171. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the pace of construction work of Lalitpur-Singrauli rail line is very slow and the doubling of rail line from Satna to Reva under Lalitpur-Singrauli railline is halted, if so, the details and reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the irregularities in providing compensation to the farmers affected with land acquisition and wrong assessment of the beneficiaries besides not providing jobs to the dependents are the reasons for the above situation;
- (c) whether it has been decided that the children of farmers whose land have been acquired before 11 November, 2019 will be provided jobs, but this policy is not being followed, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether some villagers have been provided jobs in the same project and if so, the details thereof?

# Structural Reforms in CBI

172. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to pursue structural reforms in CBI to make the agency an independent body like Election Commission/CAG, as directed in a ruling last year by Madras High Court and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, whether the Government proposes to challenge the Madras High Court ruling in Supreme Court and reasons for the basis of this challenge;
- (c) the details of cases referred to CBI which the agency refused to investigate pleading over burden of cases and lack of resources; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to streamline the functioning of CBI and making it immune from Government intervention?

#### **TRAI**

# 173. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.: SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has made any recommendation to Digital Communications Commission (DCC) regarding the reserve price of sale of 8300 MHz;
- (b) if so, the reserve price recommended by the TRAI and the basis on which the fee has been calculated by the TRAI;
- (c) whether the Government has received any objection from the leading telecom operators regarding the fixation of reserve price;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is aware of the fact that due to the Apex Court judgement regarding Adjusted Gross Revenue (AGR) which may eliminate the potential bidders who may be forced to invest huge amount to be eligible; and
- (f) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to ensure fair play in auctioning?

## South Haryana Economic Rail Corridor

174. DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether progress is being made under 'South Haryana Economic Rail Corridor' (Farrukhnagar to Loharu via Jhajjar, Charkhi dadri and Badada) railway project;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the time by when the survey and operationalisation of this project is likely to be completed?

#### PM Gati Shakti - NMP

#### 175. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the objectives and merits of PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan (NMP) for multi-modal connectivity in the country; and
- (b) the role of PM Gati Shakti in the field of infrastructure in the country?

## Issuance of Orders under Mines and Mineral Act, 1957

†176. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the District Mineral Foundation has been established under the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and under the said Act orders have been issued to the Chief Secretaries of all the States of the country, vide F.No. 7/9/2021 M4 dated 23 April, 2021, that the Governing Council of the District Mineral Foundation shall be headed by the District Collector of the respective district;
- (b) if so, the details of the States which are implementing/not implementing the said order as on date;
- (c) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any steps for the immediate implementation of the above said order by the States, particularly by the State of Maharashtra; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof as on date?

## **Parcel Rate**

# †177. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA: SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) whether parcel rate for carrying parcels by Railways is fixed or flexi fare is applicable for carrying parcels;
- (b) whether some brokers in Delhi are charging exorbitantly high rates in this regard and if so, the steps taken by the Government to check the same;
- (c) whether brokers are allotted certain racks and rate of that rack is different from general fare and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is aware that a few brokers transport the goods without booking and if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps that have been taken by the Government in this regard?

# **Illegal Coal Mining**

#### 178. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the grounds on which the North-Eastern Coalfields (NEC) mined in the Dehing Pakkai Elephant Reserve in the Digboi forest division area without applying for environmental lease and other clearances;
- (b) whether retrospective renewal of lease is not allowed as per the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 framed under Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957;
- (c) whether the retrospective lease granted by the Government of Assam from 2003 to 2023, executed in January, 2021, is therefore illegal as per the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960; and
- (d) whether the Government has data on the NEC's earnings between 2003 to 2023 and if so, the details thereof?

### **Production of Ethanol**

# †179. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA: SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the production of ethanol directly from sugarcane and maize is permitted in the country especially in the North Eastern States including Assam;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the names of major mills producing ethanol directly from sugarcane and maize;
- (d) the State-wise details of the total quantity of ethanol produced in the country during the last three years; and
- (e) the measures being taken by the Government to increase the production of ethanol and promote its use in the country?

## ROBs in Jaunpur

# 180. SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Jaunpur district is surrounded by railway lines from all the sides which leads to large traffic jams in the city;
- (b) if so, whether the Government intends to build Rail Over Bridge (ROB) on all the railway crossings in Jaunpur district to tackle the problem of traffic jams;

- (c) if so, the details of the ongoing ROB projects in Jaunpur district at present;
  - (d) the status of each ROB project as on date;
- (e) whether any project is lagging behind schedule; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

## **Consumer Protection Rules**

#### 181. MS. MIMI CHAKRABORTY:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

- be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government has undertaken consultations with experts and industry stakeholders on the Consumer Protection (E-Commerce) Rules, 2020;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the persons and/or entities consulted with and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the timeline by when the Government will notify and implement the amendments to the Rules?

## Railway Works for Jammu and Kashmir/Bihar

# †182. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA: SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the proposals/requests related to railway works for the States of Jammu and Kashmir and Bihar received by the Government from the Hon'ble Members of Parliament during the last three years along with the details thereof, proposal-wise;
- (b) the reaction of the Government to the said proposals/requests and the action taken so far on such requests/proposals;
- (c) the number of requests/proposals currently pending with the Railways for the States of Jammu and Kashmir and Bihar; and
- (d) the reasons for the pendency of the said proposals?

# **Telecommunication facilities**

# †183. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether tele-communication facilities are not available in the backward and remote villages of Gujarat particularly in Bharuch district;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of such villages in the State and reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action being taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Schemes for development of Textile Sector**

## 184. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is implementing various schemes/projects pertaining to development of textile sector in Maharasthra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated and released during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the share of State Government under these schemes/projects;
- (d) the current status of all these schemes/projects; and
- (e) the total number of people engaged in the textile industry benefited by the implementation of these schemes?

# **Revamping BSNL & MTNL**

# †185. SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA: DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the steps taken by the Government to revamp and develop the BSNL and MTNL;
- (b) whether it is a fact that BSNL and MTNL are not permitted to carry out their technological upgradation and improvement and if so, the reasons therefor as well as the time by when they are likely to be permitted to do so; and
- (c) the details of the improvement works being carried out by both the companies at present?

#### **Pending Railway Projects**

186. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Parliamentary Standing Committee has submitted a report recommending review of various pending railway projects at regular intervals to expedite the evacuation of coal and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the recommendations in the said report regarding Barwadih-Chirmiri Rail Line Project and Chatra-Gaya New Railway Line;

- (c) whether a coordination mechanism has been developed by the Ministries of Railways, Coal and Joint Stakeholders for the said railway line projects;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Railways had written any letter to Coal India Limited regarding the aforesaid railway line projects;
- (f) if so, the dates on which Coal India Limited received letters from the Railways in this regard; and
- (g) whether Coal India Limited has sent any reply in this regard and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

# Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana

#### 187. MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beneficiaries who received assistance through the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY);
- (b) the duration of implementation of this scheme along with the total amount spent; and
- (c) whether the Government is willing to further continue this scheme and if so, the details thereof?

### **Compensation to Textile Workers**

188. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government maintains a centralised data of Textile Workers who work with raw cotton, who have been diagnosed with Byssinosis;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to introduce compensation for textile workers working with raw cotton, who get diagnosed with Byssinosis, including insurance and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to make it mandatory to sensitise employees of potential health hazards similar to byssinosis before engaging them in employment and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to formulate guidelines for textile factories to ensure effective prevention of health hazards like byssinosis and other lung conditions; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof including the time by when the same would be completed?

# **Foods Prepared from Meat**

# †189. SHRI HAJI FAZLUR REHMAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the instant noodles, potato chips and other snacks contain an ingredient that is commercially prepared from meat and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the name of the animal from whose meat, this ingredient is prepared and the percentage thereof used in the above food items; and
- (c) whether the Government has directed the FSSAI registered companies engaged in preparation of such food-items to indicate on the label the name and quantity of the ingredients used therein and if so, the details thereof?

# **Vacant Posts in Information Commissioner's Office**

190. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that there is a large number of vacancies remaining unfilled in the Information Commissioners Office in different States; and
- (b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

# Amendment in Rubber Act

## 191. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to bring amendment in the Rubber Act 1947;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the salient features of the proposed amendments;
- (c) whether the proposed amendment reduces the power of Rubber Board and gives more powers directly to the Government particularly with regard to import and export of Natural Rubber and other items of rubber:
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is planning to bring Minimum Support Price (MSP) for the Natural Rubbers; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof including the criteria for calculating MSP of Natural Rubber?

#### IT Business

#### 192. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the measures taken by the Government to reduce regulatory burden of doing business in Information Technology (IT) sector for enabling small entrepreneurs to compete with the big industries;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to open IT hubs in small towns and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the policy adopted for promotion of Export Services by IT companies in India during the last three years?

## Allocation of Textile Industry

## 193. SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the allocations made for Textile Industry during the last three years;
- (b) the percentage of decrease/increase over the allocations made during this period, Sector-wise;
- (c) whether any new scheme has been launched for the development of Textile Sector during the last three years; and
- (d) if so, the details of the schemes along with the targets fixed for achievement?

# **FDI** in Textile Sector

# 194. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Total amount of Foreign Direct Investment in the textile sector;.
- (b) the details of textile production during each of the last three financial years 2018-19, 2019-20, and 2020-21
- (c) whether Government has received any proposal of Foreign Direct Investment made in the textile sector during the 2020-21; and
  - (d) if so, details thereof State/UT-wise?

# **Coastal Areas Submersion**

195. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted researches/studies to determine if any of India's vast coastal areas are under the threat of submersion in the near future or in the coming decades; and
- (b) if so, the details of coastal areas which are under imminent threat of such submersion and the steps taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government to deal with such threats?

# **Poor Quality of Food**

# 196. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the food served in Indian Railways is of sub-standard quality;
- (b) if so, whether any action has been taken in the last one year on the agencies which took upon itself to serve food in the trains;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the last time when inspection teams checked the food served in trains;
- (e) whether any survey has been undertaken by the Ministry officials to initiate action regarding unhygenic food being served in the trains in the last two years; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

# Height of Platform in Vallikkunnu Station

197. DR. M.P. ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of difficulties being faced by the passengers and the accidents that have taken place due to low height of platform in the Vallikkunnu Railway Station under the Palakkad Division in Kerala;
- (b) if so, the reasons behind the ongoing delay in raising the height of the platform even after a long period and repeated demands from the people;
- (c) whether the Government is likely to take necessary steps to sanction the work of raising the platform at the earliest; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

# Railway Job Scam

†198. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR PINTU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that a large scale fraud is allegedly going on in the name of getting jobs in the Railways and the involvement of many senior railway officials has been found in it;
- (b) if so, whether a high level inquiry has been set up to crack down this fraud and appeal has been made to the unemployed youth who have become victims of this fraud; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **AGR Shares**

## 199. PROF. SOUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of private cellular companies that offered their shares to the Government in-lieu of AGR shares due to the Government:
- (b) the details of the Government shares in various private cellular companies of the country as of now; and
- (c) the steps taken so far to reimburse the dues from other cellular companies?

#### **Textile Workers Hostel**

# 200. SHRIMATI RITA BAHUGUNA JOSHI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether all the Textiles Parks/Manufacturing units in the country is having the Textile Workers Hostel in India;
- (b) if so, the details of such Textile Parks along with the textile workers being accommodated in such hostels;
- (c) if not, whether the Government plans to fix time line to complete hostel project in all the eligible textile production houses; and
- (d) the details of the grants allocated by the Government to the completed Textile Workers Hostel since its inception till December 2021?

#### **Suicides Due to Online Games**

# 201. SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the series of suicide in the State of Telangana due to mounting debt created by online rummy games;
- (b) if so, the details of the action taken in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is considering a complete ban on online gambling or partial regulating it; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Modernisation of Railway Stations**

†202. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO: SHRI DILIP SAIKIA: SHRIMATI GEETA KORA: SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT: SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA: SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of railway stations likely to be modernised by the year 2025 in the country;
- (b) the number of railway stations in North-Eastern States including Assam, West Bengal, Jharkhand, Bihar, Jammu-Kashmir and Madhya Pradesh where modernisation process is going on at present including the details thereof;
- (c) the number of railway stations of Adra and Ranchi divisions under South Eastern railway likely to be upgraded;
- (d) the estimated expenditure of modernisation of railway stations under the Railway including North-Eastern Frontier railway, South Eastern railway and East Central railway;
- (e) the number of railway stations under the railways including North-Eastern Frontier railway, South Eastern railway and East Central railway in which wi-fi facilities have been provided by the year 2021; and
- (f) the number of railway stations out of the total railway stations equipped with electronic display system?

# Commissioning of Thawe-Chapra Rail Line

203. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether third line commissioning of Thawe-Chapra, Maharajganj and Captanganj is pending since long despite repeated requests to complete it;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay;
- (c) whether there is alleged nexus between private bus operators and Railway officials to not complete the

- work so that more private buses can run, if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Railways has fixed responsibility on the construction department for not completing the third line commissioning and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether any time frame has been fixed for completion of this work and if so, the details thereof?

### **Rare Earth Elements**

#### 204. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the amount of rare earth reserves India possesses and the installed mining, production and processing capacity;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the global supply chain constraints leading to global shortage of rare earths and by extension Microprocessor chips and whether the Government has assessed its impact on Indian markets and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that China is one of the leading producers of rare earths controlling 90% of the total global production;
- (d) whether it is a fact that despite India possessing one of the largest Rare Earth Reserves, India imports most of its rare earth requirements from China;
- (e) if so, the details of Rare Earth imports during the last five years, Country-wise, element/compound-wise, including both the weight and cost; and
- (f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to make India a leading Rare Earth producer?

# **Road Over Bridge**

### 205. SHRI DHARMENDRA KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a proposal to construct a Road Over Bridge (ROB) across the railway line at Faridpur railway crossing in district Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh;
  - (b) if so, the salient features of this project; and
- (c) the time by which this project is likely to be completed?

# **Land Acquisition Policy**

†206. SHRI MAHABALI SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the new land acquisition policy of the Railways, which provides for completing the work of land acquisition before commencing the construction work of the railway line, may delay the new projects;
- (b) if so, whether any concrete steps are being contemplated to avoid such delay; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

# **Exports of Textile and Apparel**

## 207. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to defer rate hike on Textiles and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has taken steps to increase in exports of textile, Apparel including Handicrafts and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether there is any increase in exports of Textiles and Apparel during April-December, 2021 and if so, the details thereof?

# **Upgradation of Thrissur Railway Station**

208. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government will upgrade Thrissur Railway Station as per International standards;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the passenger trains between Shornur-Nilambur, Thrissur-Kannur, Shornur-Coimbatore will be operated soon;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has achieved any progress in the Guruvayur-Thirunavaya railway line since 2014; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

# **Auction of Coal Blocks**

# 209. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to auction four coal blocks of Kalyan Khani Block-6, Koyagudem Block-3, Sathupalli Block-6 and Shravanapalli instead of allocating the same to the Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) in Telangana;

- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons behind the decision:
- (c) whether the Government has consulted the Board of Directors of SCCL before taking such a decision;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the expenses incurred and the outcomes of the exploration exercise undertaken by the SCCL of these four coal blocks;
- (f) whether there is any application of SCCL pending for allocation of these coal blocks in the Ministry of Coal and if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) whether the Government has any plan to allocate these four coal blocks to SCCL and if so, the details thereof?

## **Coal Exploration**

## †210. SHRI PASHUPATI NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of residential and commercial establishment rules in the vicinity of collieries in Dhanbad of Jharkhand;
- (b) the financial and rehabilitation assistance provided to the people due to the coal exploration expansion works in the vicinity of collieries residential and commercial areas along with the area-wise details thereof; and
- (c) whether the rehabilitation policy is made for human hutments by Bharat Coking Coal Limited in view of expansion of Bharat Coking Coal Limited collieries in residential areas by dangerous and illegal mode;
  - (d) if so, area-wise details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

# **Action Plan for Customer Satisfaction**

# †211. SHRI CHHATAR SINGH DARBAR: SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has finalized any action plan for increasing customer satisfaction particularly in safety, security, punctuality and hygiene during the current financial year;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any task force has been constituted for developing mechanism in this direction; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Five Year Plan

# 212. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that since 2017 after the 12th five year plan, Niti Ayog has stopped framing of five year broadway plan for transparent and objective mechanism of development of the Government;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has received the 12th five year report (2012-2017) from the then planning commission therein and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reason to stop the framework and the present outline programme for overall development of the country?

#### **Enhancement of Amenities**

## 213. SHRI. RAMESH CHANDRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to modernise and enhance amenities at various railway stations in Odisha including Bhubaneswar and Puri, a prominent railway station that is the hub for pilgrims/devotees of Lord Jagannath and Lord Lingaraj;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the allocations, if any, made by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) whether the Government has received any request or proposal from the Government of Odisha in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

# Stoppage at Kishangarh Station

†214. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a long standing demand for the stoppage of train no. 15715-15716 (Garib Nawaz Express), train no. 19333-19334 (Bikaner-Indore) and train no. 12915-12916 (Ashram Express) at Kishangarh (Ajmer) Railway Station and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there has been a stoppage of train no. 15715-15716 (Garib Nawaz Express) at Khairthal, Dausa, Phulera and train no. 19333-19334 (Bikaner-Indore) at Kishangarh Renwal, Nawalgarh, Sudsar and train no. 12915-12916 (Ashram Express) at small or low income stations like Rajgarh, Bandikui, Dausa, Beawar and Phulera, if so, the reasons for not permitting stoppages at these Railway Stations by Railway Board despite these stations being remunerative and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the Comparative details of the total daily passengers as well as the income of Kishangarh (Ajmer) Railway Station to the stations where these trains have stoppage during January 2019 to 31 December, 2019?

#### **Coal Production**

†215. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI: SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL: SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the position of India in terms of coal production in the world:
- (b) the details of quantum of coal production and its uptake by Coal India Limited (CIL) during the last five years:
- (c) the details of quantum of coal production by South Eastern Coalfields Limited(SECL) during the last five years;
- (d) whether the various mines of SECL are working at their full capacity; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and the efforts being made by the Government to increase the production?

# **Space Debris**

# 216. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the ISRO has identified the number and details of space debris created by anti-satellite weapon test conducted by Russia on November 15, 2021;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the tests conducted by Russia has posed risks to civilian space programmes or space situational awareness for satellites of India and led to change of their time or path; and
- (d) if so, the details about those risks and change of the already fixed plan/path including the timeline?

# Niti Ayog's Report on Backwardness of States

217. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH *ALIAS* LALAN SINGH:

SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to provide special status to Bihar State as given to J&K, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and North East to

facilitate the Industrial Development in the State as per the Niti Ayog's reports on backwardness of Bihar and few other States which have slipped to last steps in the country;

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

# **Revival of Closed Spinning Mills**

†218. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise number of spinning mills in the country including Maharashtra;
- (b) the number of such functional spinning mills that have closed down and the reasons for their closure;
- (c) the details of the schemes of the Government for the revival of the closed and sick spinning mills across the country and the impact of such schemes and the status of revival of such mills; and
- (d) the total number of skilled and unskilled labourers laid off due to the closure of spinning mills and the steps taken by the respective State Governments and the Union Government in this regard?

# Season Ticket System

219. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
SHRI SHA.BRA.DR.JAI SIDDESHWAR
SHIVACHARYA MAHASWAMIJI:
SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether several trains and stoppages which were suspended in Karnataka and Maharashtra pre COVID-19 have been restored;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of trains and stoppages in Southern and Northern parts of Karnataka and in Solapur district of Maharashtra that have not yet been resumed;
- (c) whether the Government has noticed that the season ticketing system, which was discontinued as part of the Covid -19 regulations, is not fully operational in Southern and Northern Karnataka, especially in the Mysore, Shimogga, Kolar and Gulbarga districts and in Solapur district of Maharashtra; and
- (d) if so, the action proposed to be taken to reestablish the season ticketing system, suspended trains and stoppages in Karnataka and Maharashtra?

### Allocation of Baardana

†220. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

# SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI: SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the procedure of allocation of 'Baardana' (Jute tags) to the States adopted by Jute Commissioner, Kolkata;
- (b) the quantity of 'Baardana' demanded by the Government of Chhattisgarh for the year 2021-2022 and the quantity for which the money has been paid; and
- (c) the details of the quantity/number of Baardana allocated to various States including Chhattisgarh by the Union Government during the last five years; year and State-wise?

## Impact of Mining on Environment

221. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY: SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY: SHRI N. REDDEPPA: DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any research to map the environmental impact and carbon footprint of mining of major minerals in the mineral rich States of the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to reduce the environmental impact and carbon footprint associated with mining; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

## Fire Accidents in Coal Mines

222. SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of fire accidents occurred in various coal mines in the country particularly Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu along with the loss of life and property caused during each of the last five years, company and State-wise;

- (b) the reasons for repeated fire accidents in the coal mines;
- (c) whether the Government has considered any investigation in this regard and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government against the guilty persons, company-wise till date;
- (d) the funds allocated and spent for ensuring the safety and security of workers in these coal mines during the said period, company-wise along with the funds released to compensate the victims of accidents during the last three years, company-wise;
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to check the recurrence of such accidents in future; and
- (f) the other steps taken by the Government for improvement in the fire-resistance system of coal mines and factories particularly Maharashtra State?

# **Disposal of Works**

†223. SHRI BALAK NATH: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the employees working in Government Departments dispose of the works of the common man within a stipulated time frame and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that the common man loses hope after the frequent visits to Government Departments which leads to their lack of trust in the Government; and
- (c) if so, the efforts being made by the Government to fix accountability of an employee?

# **Under Construction Nuclear Reactors**

224. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:
SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and projected progress to be made on six nuclear reactors under construction and planning in Jaitapur site;
- (b) the details of practices that are supposed to be undertaken to prevent any nuclear leaks in the ongoing projects in Jaitapur district;
- (c) whether any tentative date of completion has been extended on the projects undertaken and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

- (d) the details of the land acquisition between such corridors along with the details of land acquired and compensation and rehabilitation undertaken; and
- (e) whether Bhabha Atomic Research Centre will use the given projects to develop technologies and radiopharmaceuticals for health services?

## **BharatNet Project**

†225. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages provided with internet facility under BharatNet project in Rajasthan and the number of villages thus left;
- (b) the number of such villages where the tribal population is more than fifty percent;
- (c) the time by which the target is likely to be achieved; and
- (d) the details of the quantum of fund to be spent in this regard?

#### **Nuclear Power Plants**

†226. SHRI BRIJBHUSHAN SHARAN SINGH: SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY: SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI: SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and number of operational nuclear reactors, nuclear reactors under construction, nuclear reactors proposed and the expected timeline for these projects;
- (b) the details of combined energy generation capacity of the operational nuclear power plants and the percentage of their overall energy supply contribution in the country;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to enlarge the usage of Thorium for the development of technologies for the third stage of the nuclear power programme; and
- (d) if so, the details of steps taken in this regard and the expected timeline for the same?

## **Telecommunication Facility**

227. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the villages in the country including tribal areas of various States have been linked with the telecommunication facilities, particularly mobile telephone facilities and if so, the details of the number of such villages and tribal areas thereof, State/UT-wise;

- (b) the target fixed and achieved by the Government and the details of action plan, if any, for extension of the telecommunication services across all the villages in the country during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether the Government has noticed that a tribal student from Panniyode tribal hamlet at Kannavam in Kannur District of Kerala, fell down from a tree and was seriously injured when he climbed for getting mobile signal to check his plus one seat allotment status; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the number of students forced to climb trees for attending online classes due to network?

# Land Acquisition for Mumbai-Ahmedabad Bullet Train Project

228. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of land acquisition for the Mumbai-Ahmedabad Bullet Train Project;
- (b) the amount of private land that has been acquired by the National High-Speed Rail Corporation;
- (c) whether the Government has completed the payment of compensation to the private landowners

from whom land has already been acquired; and

(d) the number of cases pending before and disposed of by courts and tribunals against the Government in relation to the project?

# Laying New Rail Lines in Uttar Pradesh

229. SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ):

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of surveys conducted for laying new railway lines in the country including Uttar Pradesh during the last three years, State/UT-wise; and
- (b) the further steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

## **Awareness Programmes for Railway Employees**

# 230. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken for observing Energy Conservation Week along with conducting various awareness programmes for railway employees and the public by displaying posters, distributing pamphlets and organising seminars in this regard; and
- (b) the response received in this regard and the time by when such programmes are likely to be conducted?

UTPAL KUMAR SINGH
Secretary General

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