## **LOK SABHA**

#### List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

Wednesday, March 30, 2022/Chaitra 9, 1944 (Saka)

(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)

## Total Number of Questions — 230

#### **BIS Mark to Cup Lump**

#### 4371. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry proposes to grant BIS Mark to cup lump;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the concerned department in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has received any request/representation in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details of the such request/representation so received; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

#### **Minorities in Central Government Jobs**

## 4372. DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details including the number of individuals from minority communities recruited by the Central Government during the last two years;
- (b) the percentage of individuals among all minority communities employed in the Central Government jobs;
- (c) whether there has been a change in the percentage of minorities in the Government jobs during the last five years; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Cyber Appellate Tribunal**

4373. SHRI RAJBAHADUR SINGH:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH SOLANKY:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI BRIJBHUSHAN SHARAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of cases brought to the notice of the Cyber Appellate Tribunal and the orders passed during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government plans to act on the recommendation of the Standing Committee to have more than one Bench of the Tribunal, if so, the details thereof: and
- (c) whether any plan is proposed to increase the number of benches for speedy disposal of such cases and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Copper Mask

4374. SHRIMATI KAVITHA MALOTHU: DR. G. RANJITH REDDY: SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA: SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that Advanced Research Centre for Powder Metallurgy and CCMB, Hyderabad, has prepared a mask with copper to wear during this pandemic which gives 99.9% protection from the infection;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which it is likely to come into the market; and
- (d) whether this mask can be compared with other masks available in the market and if so, the details thereof?

## Law on Work from Home Concept

†4375. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT: SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL: Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to encourage work-from-home concept in the Central Government offices wherever feasible as prevalent in private sector;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any work study about the feasibility of such a move;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to enact a law on "work from home" concept and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has taken any steps in this direction so far; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reason therefor?

#### **Natural Calamities**

†4376. SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:
SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:
SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state the State-wise number of natural calamities witnessed during the last one decade particularly in West Bengal?

## Rise in Sea Level

4377. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY: SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY: SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in the next three decades, cities like Chennai may witness a marginal decrease in its annual rainfall due to rapid urbanization, threat of sea-level rise and decrease in rainfall that are likely to affect the fragile freshwater coastal aquifer;
  - (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) whether sea level is likely to rise by 2050 due to various factors including global warming that would impact the freshwater aquifer;
- (d) whether the proposed installation of desalination plants may reduce ground water extraction and maintain the freshwater aquifer and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the State-wise studies done in this regard along with the reports prepared and the future action plan prepared by the Government to tackle this issue?

#### Vacancies in Central Government

4378. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a0 the details of vacancies in Central Government as on Ist March, 2022, Ministry/Department-wise;

- (b) the details of vacancies in Central Government as on 1st March, 2022 in Group A, B, C and D; and
- (c) the details of vacancies as on Ist March, 2022 in Central Government in various categories like SC, ST, OBC and General, category-wise and Ministry/department-wise?

#### **Automated Weather Stations**

†4379. SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has established Automated Weather Stations which aims to provide accurate weather information to the people, especially farmers in the country; and
- (b) if so, the State/location-wise number of such weather stations?

#### Financial Assistance Scheme for Artisans

4380. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that the livelihood of artisans has deteriorated due to the Covid-19 Pandemic in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has proposed any financial assistance schemes for the benefit of these artisans; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Quality of Food Grains**

4381. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

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 foodgrains has reached record level in the last three years and if so, the details thereof, year-wise;

- (b) whether the huge quantity of foodgrains with Food Corporation of India (FCI) has shorter shelf life and these foodgrains gets shrivelled and lacks luster and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has made any assessment of losses to the public exchequer from the huge wastage of foodgrains and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is taking any measures to safeguard the quality of foodgrains by setting up adequate infrastructure for its storage; and
  - (e) if so, the action plan chalked out in this regard?

## Merger Proposal in FCI

#### †4382. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the proposal of merger of movement and depot cadre in Food Corporation of India was approved by the competent authority in the year 2020 itself after the recommendation of a general manager level committee;
- (b) if so, whether the above merger was placed before the Board of Directors of the Corporation for their approval and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is a fact that a similar proposal has been given by specialised agency after human resource audit of the corporation;
- (d) if so, the details of the financial benefits to the corporation and the revenue accrued along with the various other benefits in operational activities on account of the above merger; and
- (e) whether the benefits inherent in the merger have been ignored and the approval of the competent authority given earlier for the proposal of merger has not been implemented and now the corporation has formed another committee; and
  - (f) if so, the reasons in this regard?

#### **Private Telecom Service Providers**

†4383. SHRI RAMSHIROMANI VERMA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the telecom sector in the country is currently dominated by private telecom service providers and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the factors responsible for the low share of the Government Telecom Providers in the telecom sector despite having a huge infrastructure; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the share of Government Telecom Providers in the

telecom sector and the success achieved by the Government in this regard?

#### **Complaints Redressal on e-Commerce Platforms**

†4384. SHRI GYANESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made it mandatory for all e-commerce entities to have a nodal compliance officer and a resident grievance officer for redressal of consumer complaints on e-commerce platforms and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the regular steps taken by the Government to ensure a filtering mechanism for e-commerce entities to identify goods on the basis of country of origin and fair opportunities for household goods; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Efficient Distribution of Foodgrains**

†4385. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the new initiatives/measures taken by the Ministry to streamline the implementation processes to ensure timely and efficient procurement as well as distribution of food grains; and
- (b) the impact of these initiatives/measures taken thereon?

#### **Aspirational Districts**

4386. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH: SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

- (a) the salient features of the Aspirational Districts programme;
- (b) the achievements made so far under the said programme along with the details of pending work and the steps taken/being taken by the Government to complete the pending works; and
- (c) whether the Government has planned to enhance digital connectivity in these districts and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Digi Locker

†4387. SHRI NAYAB SINGH:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether important documents for Government benefits, employment, financial inclusion and education can be obtained through Digi locker directly from the issuing agencies in real time;
- (b) if so, the number of issuing agencies so far along with the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to include documents like Indian Passport, Foreign Passport, Electoral Photo Identity Card (EPIC) issued by Election Commission of India, Foreign Citizenship document of India, Person of Indian Origin Card, Marriage Certificate and Ration Card etc. in Digi locker; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the timeline of including above said documents in one Digi locker?

#### **AGR Dues on Spectrum Auction**

4388. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the move to convert Annual Gross Revenue (AGR) dues and interest on spectrum auction installments, owed by private telecom companies, into equity in those companies have been approved and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has planned to formulate a regulatory setup to govern these companies' affairs and if so, the details, thereof;
- (c) the details of the persons appointed from the Government's side in order to oversee the company's functioning;
- (d) the details of the Government plans on holding the equity in these telecom companies viz Vi India Limited and Tata Teleservices Maharashtra Limited;
- (e) whether the infusing of the Government equity into private companies is in contradiction with the new Public Sector Enterprise (PSE) Policy notified on 4th February 2O21, which calls for bare minimum presence of the government in strategic sectors; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Competition faced by Indian Textile Industry

4389. DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI SELVAM G:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRIMATI MANJULATA MANDAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian textile industry is facing competition from foreign textile industry including neighbouring countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the efforts made/study undertaken by the Government to make it competitive with the international textile industry including our neighbouring countries:
- (c) the present share of Indian textile industry in production and exports in comparison to other developing nations;
- (d) whether the Government has taken measures to improve textile exports and competitiveness of Indian textile industry and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the efforts made by the Government to cut the production cost of textile sector including cotton textiles and shortage of workers in textile and clothing industry in the country to make it competitive with the other countries like China?

## Infrastructural Projects in Karnataka

4390. SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA: SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA: DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of infrastructural projects started by the Government in Karnataka during the last three years;
- (b) the details of the currently released report on infrastructural projects in Karnataka;
- (c) whether the Government has constituted a Task Force with the objective of effective delivery of projects in Karnataka and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the measures that are being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the number of infrastructural projects in the State?

## **Common Facility Centre**

†4391. SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL: SHRI MITESH RAMESHBHAI PATEL (BAKABHAI): Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently formulated any scheme to set up Common Facility Centres (CFCs) at block/municipality level in order to provide basic facilities for development of handloom industry in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the criteria for setting up the said centres?

## Redevelopment of Stations in Telangana/Andhra Pradesh

4392. SHRI VENKATESH NETHA
BORLAKUNTA:
SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:
SHRIMATI KAVITHA MALOTHU:
SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:
DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether NITI Aayog has recommended redevelopment of 400 stations in the country including Telangana and Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details of stations identified for redevelopment, State/district-wise;
- (c) the details of blueprint prepared for redevelopment of identified stations in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh along with the progress made so far in this regard;
- (d) the estimated revenue that the Railways is likely to generate from such redevelopment particularly from Telangana and Andhra Pradesh;
- (e) whether the Railways is likely to utilize the revenue so generated from redevelopment in the States itself and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether the Ministry is planning to redevelop more stations and if so, the details thereof?

## **Non-Technical Vacancies**

4393. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of vacancies in Non-Technical Popular Categories (NTPC);
- (b) the total number of candidates shortlisted in these categories;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the protests by railway job aspirants against the recruitment rules; and

(d) whether the Government has amended the rules and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Data on Call Drop**

#### 4394. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government maintains any data on call drops in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is true that the problem of call drops and bad call signal is persistent in tourist areas and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to remedy such issues; and
- (e) whether the Government has held any meetings with TRAI and telecom company representatives on these issues and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Environmental Issues in Mining**

### †4395. SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the future of mining in the country seems uncertain due to various reasons such as legal frame work, overuse of resources and environmental issues;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the schemes being formulated by the Government to address the said problem and other issues in this regard?

#### Fare and Facilities of Suburban/Non-Suburban Areas

4396. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) whether Delhi/NCR under Northern Railway is still under non-suburban division:
- (b) if so, the total suburban and non-suburban divisions under Indian Railways as on date;
- (c) the details of differences in fare and facilities of suburban and non-suburban areas of Railways;
- (d) the rules in place to upgrade non-suburban stations to suburban and providing commuting benefits therein;

- (e) whether the Government is planning to introduce uniform suburban train services of Delhi/New Delhi/ Anandvihar and Sarai Rohilla at par with Kolkata, Mumbai and Chennai; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Agro Automatic Weather Stations**

## 4397. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL: SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress of setting up Agro Automatic Weather Stations (AWS) in 200 District Agromet Units (DAMUs) across the country; and
- (b) if so, the details of the funds allocated and utilised for this purpose?

#### **Amount received from Auction of Coal Mines**

†4398. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE: Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

the details of such States to which entire amount received from the auction of coal mines has not been transferred by the Union Government along with the reasons therefor?

#### **Agricultural Export Potential**

## †4399. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any studies on the country's agricultural export potential;
- (b) if so, the type of such study and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the possibilities of such studies in the future; and
- (d) the details of the agreement for expanding the scope of agricultural trade between India and other countries during the last three years?

## Digital Village Project in Andhra Pradesh

4400. SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY: SHRI N. REDDEPPA:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Digital Village Project envisaged to digitize the Gram Panchayats (GPs) from each district has expired in October, 2021;
- (b) if so, whether all identified 700 GPs have been made completely digital;
- (c) if so, the details thereof with a particular reference to the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) whether the Government is planning to replicate aforesaid pilot project in other GPs of the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether any GPs have been digitized under CSC e-Governance Service and if so, the details thereof with a particular reference to the State of Andhra Pradesh?

## **Procuring Surplus Parboiled Rice**

## 4401. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

- (a) whether the Government is procuring surplus parboiled rice from various State Governments for Kharif Marketing Season (KMS) 2021-2022 and upcoming Rabi Marketing Season in 2022;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to stop procurement of parboiled rice completely from the parboiled rice producing States and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the parboiled rice and raw rice procured by the Food Corporation of India from the year 2015 to 2021, State-wise; and
- (e) whether the Government has noticed any decline in demand for parboiled rice in India and abroad, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for not procuring parboiled rice from the States?

## **NEIDS**

## 4402. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI: SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Ministry has received any feedback on the efficacy of the North East Industrial Development Scheme (NEIDS) from the Federation of Industry and Commerce of North Eastern Region, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of private sector investment generated by the NEIDS in the North East between 2017 and 2022, year and State-wise;

- (c) the details of total investment in the North East Region in absolute terms and percentage share of total investment in India between 2007 and 2022;
- (d) whether the share of investment under NEIIPP was 8.3% of the national share in 2017, while the percentage of national share reduced to 0.002% in 2019 under NEIDS and if so, the reasons for such a decline;
- (e) whether the Government intends to notify a new industrial policy for the North Eastern Region before expiry of the NEIDS on 31st March 2022 and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Introducing High Speed Bullet Trains**

#### 4403. SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has any plans to introduce high-speed bullet trains between the IT power centres of India - Chennai, Bengaluru and Hyderabad and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Ministry also has plans and proposals to enhance rail connectivity between the aforesaid locations and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the stations in Tamil Nadu have Wi-fi amenities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the stations in Tamil Nadu have implemented any thermal screening and contactless payment solutions and if so, the details thereof?

### Non-resumption of Senior Citizens concession

4404. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of senior citizens who availed concession and the amount of revenue foregone as a result of concession during 2019-20;
- (b) the number of senior citizens who actually travelled and the amount of concession saved during 20 March, 2020 to 31 March, 2021 and 1 April, 2021 till date in the current Financial Year (FY) after the withdrawal of the said concession;
- (c) whether the amount of concession saved is meagre as compared to the earnings of Railways and most of the senior citizens have been fully vaccinated; and
- (d) if so, the reasons for non-resumption of senior citizen concession?

#### **AGR Dues**

4405. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to return the Bank Guarantees (BGs) to the telecom companies worth almost Rs.23,000 crore kept in connection with their outstanding Adjusted Gross Revenue (AGR) dues and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the reasons behind the returning of the Bank Guarantees when telecom companies did not comply with the judgement of Supreme court in AGR Due case;
- (c) whether the Government will buy or receive shares in any of the telecom companies and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is not taking any action against the telecom companies who fails to pay the AGR dues and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of the pending AGR dues to the Government company-wise?

#### **Food Wastage Reduction Policy**

4406. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

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 conducted any survey to determine the food wastage in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to develop a food wastage reduction policy in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the measures taken by the Government to reduce food wastage in government offices, canteens, food outlets, etc.; and
- (f) whether the Government has taken measures to incentivize a reduction in food wastage in private spaces and if so, the details thereof?

## **Blockchain Engineering**

4407. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU: 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 is aware that there is a huge demand of blockchain engineering talent in the country;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is taking any steps to promote blockchain engineering which can lead to generation of a large number of jobs in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of the training programmes and dedicated programmes in the blockchain technology being conducted and likely to be conducted by the Government in future?

## Digital India Scheme and Aadhaar

4408. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्टॉनिकी और सचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received several applications regarding problems of updating the details in Aadhaar and thus incorporating Aadhaar number with other Government documents;
- (b) if so, the details of the action taken therein and the measures being taken to ensure that the Digital India scheme is inclusive and accessible to senior citizens and people with disabilities;
- (c) whether the Government intends to accommodate the emerging Web 3.0 into the Digital India scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons thereto?

## Semiconductor Shortage

4409. SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:
SHRI BRIJBHUSHAN SHARAN SINGH:
SHRI RAJBAHADUR SINGH:
SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:
SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH SOLANKY:
SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:
SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken any surveys or studies to evaluate the impact of semiconductor chip shortage in the country and its consequences on the Indian industry if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government is taking any short-term measures to offset the shortage of semiconductor chips for the Indian industry and if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether the Government has negotiated and concluded deals with international chip fabricators to help Indian manufacturers and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the current semiconductor chip fabrication capacity and value of the output in our country along with the measures being taken to augment the same?

#### **Electronic Hardware Manufacturing Sector**

4410. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified major impediments faced by the electronics hardware manufacturing sector in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to remove impediments; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Technology Development Centre in Maharashtra

4411. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Maharashtra has significant number of science students having knowledge and potential and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up a Technology Development Centre in Maharashtra; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **GST on Handloom Products**

4412. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

- (a) whether the Goods and Services Tax (GST) has increased the sale price of Handloom products in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has made any study to find out its impact on marketing turnover of handloom

products and also on the earnings of the weavers engaged in this profession;

- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the number of persons engaged in the Handloom Sector of the country particularly in Odisha; and
- (f) the details of the corrective steps taken by the Government to save the Handloom sector of the country and the persons engaged therein?

#### **ISRO** Assets

#### 4413. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether New Space India Limited (NSIL) is leasing out ISRO assets to private companies;
- (b) if so, the details of the assets that have been leased out by NSIL till date to private sector companies;
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken to ensure that India's sovereignty is not compromised by leasing ISRO assets to private companies by NSIL?

### **Investment in Textile Industry**

4414. SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:
SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE
PATIL:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the year-wise details of total amounts of funds invested in the textile industry, handloom and handicraft industry in Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal separately during the last three years;
- (b) the number of textile industries functioning there at present; and
- (c) the number of sick industries that have been considered for revival in Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal during the last three years and the steps taken by Government to revive them again?

## **Boiling Water Reactors**

4415. SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान्न मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the nuclear plants functioning in the country and proposed nuclear plants are having boiling water reactors;
- (b) if so, the number of plants having such type of reactors:

- (c) whether the Atomic Regulatory Commission is having any proposal to install filters after studying the Japan released radiation into the atmosphere;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether boiling water reactors without the filter ensure safety and if so, the details thereof?

## Policy for Allocation under PDS

†4416. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

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 policy governing allocation under the Public Distribution System (PDS) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Rajasthan is entitled for allocation of various items under the Food Security Act and if so, the details thereof along with the allocation during each of the last three years and the current year, item-wise;
- (c) whether there is any provision to increase the allocation to the States according to the increase in population; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Rajasthan?

#### Disposal of Non-working Coaches/Wagons

## 4417. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of passenger coaches and goods wagons in the Railways which are not in working condition since many years, zone-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps for disposal/reuse or use of the said coaches/wagons for other purposes; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

## **Auction of Coal Mines for Commerical Mining**

4418. SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has launched 2nd attempt of auction of coal mines for commercial mining in 2021;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the details of bids received for such auctions;

- (c) the details of revenue likely to be generated from such auctions along with the number of employment opportunities in coal mining sector;
- (d) whether it has also witnessed that several firsttime participants from non-end user categories have participated in the auction process; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government for the success of non-end user category in coal mining sector?

#### Value Added Organic Products

## 4419. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA: SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage contribution of India in the global value-added organic food export market and the details of measures taken to boost value-added organic cultivation of fruits and vegetables;
- (b) the percentage distribution of various valueadded organic products that are exported from India;
- (c) the details of nation-wise import and export of the top hundred value-added organic products during the last three years; and
- (d) whether the Government is planning to promote the exports of organic value-added vegan products under APEDA to meet the growing demand from the international market and if so, the details thereof?

#### Raising Platform at Edakkad Railway Station

4420. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal for improvement of the platform surface along with raising the platform from medium level to high level at Edakkad Railway Station within Kannur Lok Sabha Constituency;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Railway Board has approved the proposal to raise the platform at Edakkad Railway Station, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
  - (d) the expected timeline for execution of the project?

## Funds Utilized under CSR Project

4421. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN: MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry have failed to utilise hundred per cent funds allocated for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) projects towards the local development during the last five years;
- (b) if so, the quantum of funds allocated and utilised during the last five years;
- (c) whether the Government has some special budget for infrastructural development in local areas to develop its property, schools, parks, etc. through Public Private Partnership (PPP) model; and
- (d) if so, the details of such PPP models, area-wise including Maharashtra, Raiganj districts in West Bengal and details of funds allocated/spent by subsidiary companies from 2017-18 to till date?

### Use of Explosive in Blasting the Mines

#### 4422. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether coal mines use explosives for blasting the mines and source them through eight agencies which import material from Russia, Ukraine, Bulgaria and Turkey;
- (b) if so, the extent to which the Russia-Ukraine conflict has hit the material availability in the country;
- (c) the alternative arrangements made by Indian coal mines for smooth production; and
- (d) the extent to which the coal production has been hit due to these reasons?

#### Land Acquisition for Railway Project

4423. SHRI RAMALINGAM S.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) whether large quantum/area of land had been acquired from the private land owners by the Railways for execution of various railway line projects across the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways has provided any employment to people whose land had been acquired for execution of various railway projects;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Public WiFi Hotspots**

## 4424. SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI: SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated under the BharatNet project for setting up of public WiFi hotspots;
- (b) the number of public WiFi hotspots set up in rural areas under the Bharatnet project, State-wise, including Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) whether the Government has any data on usage of such WiFi hotspots by rural public? If so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is planning to set up such hotspots in more public areas in the rural regions and if so, the details thereof?

### **Coal Supply to Fertilizer Companies**

4425. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the coal is being needed and used in a fertiliser production;
- (b) if so, whether this coal raw material was supplied by the private coal companies in the past;
- (c) whether the prices of coal raw material is being increased often due to Foreign Direct Investment and privatisation of coal minings; and
- (d) the action taken to contain the prices of coal supplied to fertiliser companies?

#### **Facilities for Manpower Training**

†4426. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the facilities available for training of manpower in the field of biotechnology; and
- (b) the measures being taken by the Government to increase the availability of high quality manpower in the biotechnology sector?

## Strengthening Handloom Industry

4427. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the handloom industry is facing numerous problems due to inadequate process, supply chain, lack of sales support and non-existent of proper branding for the finished goods and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the price fluctuations in the open market eat up the profit margins of the weavers as more than 60% of the sales happen in the local markets;
- (c) if so, the remedial measures taken by the Government to strengthen the handloom industry in India during last five years including the current year; and
- (d) the detail of the schemes being implemented and funds allocated/utilized for strengthening and promotion of handloom industry during the said period, year-wise and scheme-wise?

## Loco pilot Traning Centre at Hardoi or Sitapur

†4428. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to take necessary steps to establish the latest Advanced Loco Pilot Training Center, Advanced Rail Path Training Center or Multi Departmental Training Center at Hardoi or Sitapur in the State of Uttar Pradesh;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Data Centres and Digital India Programme**

4429. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:

SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:

SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO

MANDLIK:

SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is considering to establish its Data Centre region to accelerate India's digital momentum and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of likely benefits to be accrued by setting up of such a Data Centre in the country;
- (c) whether the Government has achieved its desired targets set under the Digital India Programme and if so, the details thereof;

- (d) whether the Government is also considering to devise a New National Data centre Policy and if so, the details thereof along with the salient features of the said policy;
- (e) whether the Government has held any consultations with the stakeholders in this regard and if so, the details thereof along with the response of the stakeholders thereon; and
- (f) the details of the steps taken by the Government to make India a global Data Centre Hub?

#### **Replacement of Coaches**

4430. SHRI SURESH KUMAR KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is planning to replace the coaches of Kalka-Shimla heritage train and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether it is likely to increase the speed of the train and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the likely impact on the cost of the journey as a result thereof?

#### **Offensive Posts Online**

## 4431. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that people have been booked for posting offensive posts online under the repealed section 66A of Information Technology(IT) Act 2000;
- (b) if so, the details of the persons that have been booked and convicted so far after repeal of section 66A of IT Act, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the persons that have been booked and convicted under aforesaid law in the State of Odisha; and
- (d) whether the Government provides compensation to aforesaid persons for using repealed law against them for their so-called offensive post online and if so, the details thereof?

## Research on Marine Biotechnology

## 4432. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government intends to conduct scientific research on marine biotechnology at the Institute of Life Science (ILS), Bhubaneshwar and if so the details thereof;

- (b) whether there is a need to enhance focus on scientific research on biotechnology in that Institute; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken to set up such research wing at ILS, Bhubaneshwar?

#### Age Relaxation to UPSC Aspirants

4433. DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:
SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:
SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:
SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY
BHATT:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any request/proposal from the UPSC aspirants particularly for IAS and IPS aspirants to grant Age and Attempt relaxation in examination and if so, the details thereof along with the details of action taken or porposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to give relaxation of two years due to Covid-19 to the candidates preparing for competitive examinations, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether those candidates who were deprived of appearing in the examinations due to Covid-19 would be given another chance and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government is considering to issue answer key in 10-15 days, result in a fixed timeframe and send the copies of main examination on the e-mails individually to the candidates on time for their information, if so, the details thereof including the guidelines and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Reports of FDI Equity Inflow**

## 4434. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- a) whether it is a fact that the Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) used to publish sector-wise reports of FDI equity inflow with details of shares of top investor countries, top RBI regions receiving investment and top companies receiving FDI equity inflows in the particular sector until 2013;
- (b) if so, the reasons for discontinuing the release of such detailed reports; and
- (c) the year-wise details from 2014, of the industries viz., metallurgy, power, electrical equipments, computer software and hardware, electronics, telecommunications, automobile, air and sea transport, railway components, industrial machinery, medical and surgical appliances, chemicals, drugs and pharmaceuticals, textiles, services, education, hotel and tourism, trading, and construction?

#### **Modern Storage Facilities at Block Levels**

#### 4435. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

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 drawn any action plan to create modern storage facilities at grass root and block levels for essential commodities as these have the potential to increase farmers income;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is laying emphasis on covergence and aggregation of all storage infrastructure in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons tehrefor?

## **Demand of Steel and Metals**

### 4436. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

Will the Minister of STEEL

इस्पात मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there would be a huge demand for the steel and metals in view of rapid urbanization in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the current production and growth of the steel sector;
- (c) the details of the status of the production of steel and metals at present in the country; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any measures to further growth of the steel sector and if so, the details thereof?

#### National Broadband Mission in Rajasthan

4437. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the amount of funds disbursed to the State of Rajasthan for the National Broadband Mission (NBM) including the details of different heads of fund utilisation;
- (b) the details of the amount of funds utilised in the State of Rajasthan for the implementation of the NBM;
- (c) the district-wise list of villages where the NBM have been successfully completed; and
- (d) whether the Government has any plans to extend the Mission after the completion of the envisaged period of its implementation in 2022 and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Integrated Perimeter Protection Projects**

4438. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has initiated the Integrated Perimeter Protection projects in various atomic and nuclear power stations of Nuclear Power Corporation of India (NPCIL) including KAPS, MAPS at Kalpakkam and KKNP 1&2, 3&4 at Koodankulam in Tamil Nadu; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the projects executed during the last seven years along with their value?

#### **PLI Scheme for Telecom Sector**

4439. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI: SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the PLI Scheme in the Telecom Sector has been rolled out and if so, details thereof;
- (b) whether any special provision for the MSME sector has been made in the Scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the number of domestic and global eligible applicants for the Scheme;
- (d) the projected investments in the Telecom Sector due to the Scheme;
  - (e) the financial outlay reserved for this scheme;
- (f) the companies that have been eligible and given approval under the PLI Scheme; and
- (g) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to reduce dependence on other countries for importing telecom and networking products?

## **Inclusion of Pan Methi in Spices Commodity**

†4440. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to instruct the Spices Board of India to include the world famous 'Pan Methi' of Nagaur in Rajasthan in the spices commodity;
- (b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be undertaken;
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;

- (d) whether the Government proposes to give GI tagging considering the high quality of Methi of Nagaur (Rajasthan);
- (e) if so, the time by which it is likely to be undertaken; and
  - (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Construction of Over Bridge at Kotikulam Station

### 4441. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has acquired land for constructing a Railway Over Bridge (ROB) at Kotikulam railway station in Kasaragod district;
- (b) if so, whether the acquisition of railway land was started as a part of the railway project in 2006-2007 but has not reached the tender till now;
  - (c) if so, the details and reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has noticed that this project has been inordinately delayed;
  - (e) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether the Railways is taking steps to hand over the land to Roads and Bridges Development Corporation (RBDC) Kerala to float the tender;
- (g) if so, the time by which the same is likely to be done; and
- (h) whether any action is pending in this regard from the State Government/RBDC due to which Railways is not handing over the original land for ROB and if so, the details thereof?

#### Vijayawada-Gudur Railway Line Project

#### 4442. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has allocated Rs. 1,000 crores for Vijayawada-Gudur third line project;
- (b) if so, the details of works done so far and the time by which this project is likely to be completed; and
- (c) the details of cost and time overrun of the project?

## **UN Clean Seas Programme**

4443. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the detailed objectives that India seeks to achieve through the United Nations Clean Seas Programme;

- (b) whether the Ministry has undertaken any research/policy measures to achieve such objectives and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any steps have been taken to study the level and nature of marine litter in the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Production Target Fixed by Coal India Limited**

4444. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of targets fixed by Coal India Limited for production of coal during the current year;
- (b) whether the Government has made any assessment regarding production of coal for fulfilling the requirement of power sector;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to augment coal reserves in view of coal shortage being reported in coal run power plants across the country?

## Agricultural Export

#### †4445. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to promote agricultural export from the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of efforts being made by the Government in this regard;
- (d) the details of the products being included under the same;
- (e) the details of the estimated funds required for this; and
  - (f) the time by which this is likely to be implemented?

#### **Observation Satellite EOS-4**

4446. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:

SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:

SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO

MANE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has recently launched its observation satellite EOS-04 and two small satellites into orbit;
- (b) if so, the aims and objectives of launch of such satellites;
- (c) whether the desired objectives/targets have been achieved successfully and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the time in which such a satellite has been made and the total expenditure incurred on the development of such satellite along with the cost of its launch;
- (e) whether ISRO has also launched satellites of some other nations with EOS-04 and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of total number of satellites likely to be launched by ISRO during the current year?

#### **NIDAN Kendras**

#### 4447. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the guidelines to set up 'NIDAN KENDRAS' in specific areas of the country;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to set up 'NIDAN KENDRAS' in AIIMS and other Government hospitals at district and block-level across the country including Bihar;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is planning to set up infrastructure for training more clinicians; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **CSC for Cyber Services**

## †4448. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA: SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up Common Services Centres(CSC) to make cyber services available in Gram Panchayats (GPs);
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the number of CSCs set up in the States of Jammu and Kashmir and West Bengal so far, district-wise; and
- (d) the time by which all GPs are likely to get a dedicated CSC in the country including the States of Jammu and Kashmir and West Bengal?

## Phase I and II of BharatNet

4449. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of the funds so far allocated, released and utilized under Phase-I, Phase-II of the BharatNet project separately, State/UT-wise, especially in Tamil Nadu?

#### Promotion of Handloom Sector in Assam

## †4450. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK: SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Assam is traditionally rich in handloom sector;
- (b) if so, the steps taken/being taken to promote handloom sector in the State especially among the various tribes in this State/region;
- (c) whether the Government has any new proposal to promote this sector in the State; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Sustainability of Textile Industry

## 4451. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has considered improving sustainability of textile industries through use of natural dyes, natural fabric, recycling etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the amount of funds invested into research and development for the same;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to identify and reward textile manufacturers who have been making textile products sustainable;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has conducted studies to understand the adverse effect of synthetics in Textiles including the effluents and residue of the same; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof including the actions taken thereon to mitigate the same?

### NABL

## 4452. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) approved laboratories that are operating in India, State-wise;

- (b) whether the Ministry is aware of any private labs operating in States without NABL Certification; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including the action taken against such laboratories?

#### **Infrastructure Facilities of ISRO**

#### 4453. MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has decided to open up its space to the private sector:
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the proposals received from various companies for using ISRO's infrastructure facilities;
- (c) the quantum of revenue earned by ISRO from launching satellites of various private and international agencies during the last three years; and
- (d) the steps taken or proposed by the Government to develop ISRO's space business to earn more revenue, particularly from abroad?

## **Textile Policy**

#### 4454. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the textile policy at the national level was formulated nearly 20 years ago;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to revisit the Policy and formulate a new one taking into account various developmental, technological, marketing and other changes in the world;
- (c) whether the Government has initiated to formulate a new textile policy in place of old one; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

## Adarsh Station Scheme in Telangana

4455. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

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 the country including Telangana under this scheme;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated, released, sanctioned and utilised in this regard during the last three years;

- (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 Telangana under this scheme; and
  - (g) if so, the details thereof?

#### Coking and Non-Coking Coal Reserve

1456. SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI SELVAM G:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRIMATI MANJULATA MANDAL:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the coking and non-coking coal reserves and their production in the country during the last five years, year and State-wise;
- (b) the quantity of coking coal existing in the country at present and the quantity of demand thereof;
- (c) whether there is huge difference in the demand and production of coking coal and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether India is to remain heavily dependent on imported coking coal and if so, the present status thereof;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to acquire coking coal reserves sites in foreign countries;
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the time by which those are proposed to be acquired along with the amount of funds earmarked for the said purpose?

## Post Office Savings Bank

4457. SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY VASANTH:

DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

- (a) the details of the number of customers served by post office savings banks in the country, State-wise including the estimated savings thereof; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to promote the post office savings in the coming years?

#### **Transporting Foodgrains to Godowns**

†4458. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

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 number of wheat godowns in Maharashtra especially in Parbhani Parliamentary Constituency;
- (b) whether wheat is regularly unloaded at various railway stations of Maharashtra and is transported to godowns;
- (c) if so, the facilities provided by the Government in this regard along with the area and name-wise details of the contractors to whom the contract has been given;
- (d) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that wheat under Food Corporation of India (FCI) had been kept carelessly at Parbhani railway station and animals including pigs have eaten such wheat;
- (e) if so, the names of the quilty persons mainly responsible for the said negligence;
- (f) whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard, if so, the action taken against the culprits; and
- (g) whether any inquiry committee has been constituted in this regard, if so, the details of the report of the said committee and the action taken by the Government?

#### **Awareness on Cyber Attack**

†4459. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the objective and current status of Cyber Swachhta Kendra;
- (b) the details of the works carried out through the aforesaid centres to spread awareness regarding cyber attacks; and
- (c) the details of the measures being taken to create awareness regarding cyber attacks among internet users in the State of Gujarat?

## **Coal Royalty**

4460. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of royalty given on coal to various States during the last ten years, year and State-wise;
- (b) whether there have been demands among the coal bearing States to increase royalty on coal; and
- (c) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Mega Silk Park

#### 4461. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set mega silk park in Mysore district of karnataka and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the employment that is likely to be generated in the region by setting up of such park; and
- (c) the funds sanctioned by the Government for setting up of the said park?

#### **Development of Semiconductor**

4462. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH: SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of the amount of investment envisaged under the scheme for the development of sustainable semiconductor and display ecosystem in the country and the amount of funds earmarked for the same?

## Ease of Doing Business 2.0

4463. SHRI VISHNU DATT SHARMA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is considering to extend ease of doing business 2.0 reforms, specifically to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) to make factory production faster, improving logistics, strengthening value chains and reducing compliance among other things;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons thereof?

#### Low Carbon Bricks

†4464. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT: SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI: DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that construction industry produces 70-100 million tons of construction and demolition (C&D) waste every year;
- (b) if so, whether the Government considers developing a technology for producing energy efficient wall material and low carbon bricks using the C&D waste to promote sustainability;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government considers resolving the problem associated with disposal of C&D waste; and
  - (e) if so, the details of the action taken thereof?

## **Expansion of Coal Mines**

4465. SHRI PINAKI MISRA: SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to slow down or halt the frantic expansion of coal mines in the country in the wake of climate change commitments and the aggressive plans for a diversification to renewable sources of power and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the newly opened coal mines are expected to last for at least 30-40 years and the manner in which the Government is planning to meet the netzero targets by 2070, if the new capacity expansion goes unabated and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has a plan for retirement of existing and newly operational coal mines to achieve the energy transition targets, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the various steps taken by the Government to achieve the energy transition?

## **Central Consumer Protection Authority**

4466. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

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 planning to constitute a Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA);

- (b) if so, the details thereof and the date on which this body is likely to be constituted;
- (c) whether the rules relating to the composition and functioning of the CCPA have been finalised;
- (d) if so, the details of the members of this Authority and proposed functioning of CCPA;
- (e) whether CCPA will have judicial powers to prosecute the organisations which are indulging in anticonsumer activities;
- (f) if so, whether there will be a provision of invoking legal suit to recall an entire batch of faulty products based on a single complaint; and
  - (g) if so, the details thereof?

## Water Hydrant at Sirsa

#### 4467. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has received any request regarding provision of water hydrant at Sirsa station in Haryana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken so far by the Ministry; and
- (c) the list of works completed/sanctioned for the development of the stations under her Lok Sabha Constituency by the Railways since 2019?

#### **Domestic Investment in Atomic Energy**

†4468. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether domestic investment is not sufficient for producing atomic energy in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details including the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any plan has been prepared to promote domestic and Foreign Direct Investment in atomic energy sector;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to set up any plant for producing atomic energy in Maharashtra; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof, district-wise?

### Training and Certification under PMGDISHA

4469. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the participants that have been trained and certified under the Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA) as of February 2022, State-wise including district level details for the State of Rajasthan;
- (b) the details of the certifications that have been issued to women and girl child under the scheme, Statewise including district level details for the State of Rajasthan;
- (c) whether the Government looks into any potential scope of employment for certified individuals under the aforesaid scheme and if so, the details thereof and if not, whether any future collaborations with private sector parties is under consideration;
- (d) whether the Government will launch phase two of PMGDISHA after March 2022 and if so, whether it will be based on needs and requirements of the mapping done during the first phase; and
- (e) whether the Government is planning to merge the aforesaid scheme with educational institutions to ensure their online continuity even after the pandemic for the benefit of students from remote and rural areas and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Guidelines for Geospatial Sector**

#### 4470. SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the new guidelines have taken effect to completely deregulate the geospatial sector for Indians and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the details of the measures being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to assess its impact and identify the bottlenecks so that the full potential of the geospatial sector can be realized?

## Genome and DNA Sequencing

## †4471. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the genome and DNA sequencing of COVID-19 in the country;
- (b) the list of the total number of bio-repositories fixed by the Government for COVID-19; and
- (c) the details of the efforts being made by the Government for the development of biotechnology in the country in view of the circumstances arising out of COVID-19 in future?

## Shut Down of Rice Mills in West Bengal

#### 4472. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

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 rice mills in the State of West Bengal, district-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has shut down any rice mills in West Bengal;
  - (c) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government intends to set up new rice mills in Bishnupur constituency of Bankura district; and
- (e) if so, the time by which the Government intends to do the same?

#### Sale of Sub-Standard Goods

## 4473. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

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 that markets in the country are flooded with sub-standards goods particularly electrical goods, which are harmful for the consumers;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) to check the sale of sub-standard goods in the country;
- (c) whether BIS had conducted any raids during the last two years to unearth the sale of sub-standard goods, particularly, electrical goods;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State and Union Territory-wise; and
- (e) the action taken against the traders found guilty by BIS?

## Salient Features of One Station One Product

4474. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY: SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA: SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) the salient features of the proposed One Station One Product programme;
- (b) the details of the estimated amount of funds to be spent for this programme;
  - (c) the details of the targets fixed in this regard;

- (d) the time by which it is likely to be implemented;
- (e) whether the Government has conducted any trial so far in this regard;
  - (f) if so, the details and outcome thereof;
- (g) whether the Government has identified the stations for implementation of this programme; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Assam?

## Startups in Odisha

#### 4475. MS CHANDRANI MURMU:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the number of Startups functioning in Odisha since 01 January, 2019, year-wise;
  - (b) the total value of the Startups in the State;
- (c) the details of the total number of indirect employments generated by the Startups in Odisha during the last three years, district-wise; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government to popularise Startup ventures and support them in Odisha?

#### **Rail Coach Restaurant**

†4476. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a rail coach restaurant has been set up in the circulating area of main station under West Central Railway zone in Jabalpur;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the general public has also been extended the facility along with the passengers;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the food items are made available at economical rates and if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether starting of such restaurants at other stations of Jabalpur is also proposed; and
  - (g) if so, the details thereof?

## Management of Buffer Stock

†4477. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the limit of fixed storage for buffer stock by the Government for various food items;

- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to set up storages under Public Private Partnership (PPP) model to manage the proposed buffer stock of pulses and tackle the problem of food shortage due to crop loss in any year and also resultant spike in the prices of essential food items;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Handloom Design Resource Centres**

4478. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of places in the country where Handloom Design Resource Centres are located, Statewise:
- (b) whether the Government has recently set up ten Handloom Design Resource Centres in various States in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof along with its functions;
- (d) whether it is also proposed to build handloom eco-systems in the country; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Funds allocated under CSR

†4479. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether various Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) under the Ministry have allocated funds under Corporate Social Responsibility(CSR) during the last three years till date;
- (b) if so, the names of areas, quantum of funds and names of items for which funds have been spent, particularly in backward and Scheduled Tribes dominated areas of the country during the said period, PSU-wise and the number of person benefited therefrom, locationwise; and
- (c) the concrete steps taken by the Government to spend funds under CSR, particularly in backward and scheduled tribe dominated areas of the country, particularly Shahjahanpur Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh?

## NMET

4480. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

- (a) whether the National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) is carrying out regional and detailed exploration for augmentation of mineral resource of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the locations where the said trust has found minerals during exploration activities during last four years with the names and quantity of minerals explored;
- (c) whether there is any proposal pending to explore minerals in Western Uttar Pradesh;
  - (d) if so, the details and reasons therefor;
- (e) the welfare measures undertaken by the Trust for the families of mining workers; and
- (f) the other steps and measures being taken by the Government for strengthening of mines sector in India?

#### **Rain Gauges and Radars**

## 4481. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of rain gauges and radars in the State of Kerala;
- (b) the total number of rain gauges in Kerala that are required according to the Bureau of Indian Standards;
- (c) whether the Government has received any request to increase the number of rain gauges to the level prescribed by Bureau of Indian Standards; and
  - (d) if so, the action taken in this regard?

## New Tax Rules

4482. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the new tax rules will benefit all the players in the Industry and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has calculated the tax to be paid by each operator as per the new policy; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof pertaining to the tax liability of each operator as per the new tax regime?

## **Unclaim money in Department of Post**

†4483. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR: DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no claimant of crores of rupees in the department of Post and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether the Government has identified such customers and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to spend this amount for social work, enhancing postal services and other developmental works; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Development of Coal Industry**

4484. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated a plan/ programme for the development of coal industry during the current year and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the amount of funds allocated in this regard for financial year 2022-23 and the funds released and expended during the financial year 2021-22 for the States particularly West Bengal; and
- (c) the future initiatives being taken in this regard for West Bengal?

#### **Indian Space Association**

## 4485. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched the Indian Space Association (ISpA) and if so, the details thereof and the aims and objectives behind the move;
- (b) the details of reforms undertaken by the Government in space sector;
- (c) whether the launch of ISpA is likely to boost private participation in space sector and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether India accounts for only 2% of the space economy in the global market front though having huge potential; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to increase the global market share?

#### Digital India Programme in the Country

4486. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the Digital India Programme is delivering good governance to the common citizens in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the steps taken by the Government to ensure coordination among different agencies involved in the aforesaid programme;

- (c) the details of the Information Technology (IT) Support provided to AtmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyan; and
- (d) the details of the contribution of Digital India in tackling COVID-19?

## Storage Capacity in Maharashtra

#### †4487. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large quantity of foodgrains is left to rot or is wasted because of lack of sufficient storage space;
- (b) if so, the details of quantity of foodgrains produced, procured, stored and damaged along with the required, available and leased storage capacity by Food Corporation of India (FCI) during each of the last three years and current year in Maharashtra;
- (c) the details of the steps taken for the construction of additional storage space with private partnership along with the assistance provided by the Government including the storage capacity created during the said period; and
- (d) the steps taken for sufficient storage and management of foodgrains to ensure adequate use of these foodgrains under various welfare schemes?

## Review of Ayushman Bharat Scheme

#### †4488. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether NITI Aayog has reviewed the Government's Ayushman Bharat Scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the people suffering from various serious diseases are not getting the benefits under the Ayushman Bharat Scheme and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether NITI Aayog proposes to send the corrective points in the Ayushman Bharat Scheme to the concerned Ministry so that the people can get complete health benefits under the scheme?

## Safety Provisions in Railways after Earthquake

4489. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is in the process of devising a standard operating procedure for operating trains immediately after an earthquake;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether the Railway Board has also written to the General Managers of all Zonal Railways to share their views on the safe operation of trains after the occurrence of an earthquake;
- (d) if so, whether the Railways had not stipulated any action regarding running of trains after an earthquake and if so, the facts thereof;
- (e) whether 58.6% of the country's land mass is prone to earthquakes of moderate to very high intensity;
- (f) if so, whether the Railways intends to have safety provisions in the General and Subsidiary Rules (G&SR) regarding actions post earthquake; and
  - (g) if so, the details thereof?

#### ROBs/RUBs in Rajasthan

†4490. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to convert all railway crossings to Rail Over Bridges (ROBs) and Rail Under Bridges (RUBs) in Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the number of ROBs and RUBs constructed/ likely to be constructed as on date in Rajasthan, particularly in Alwar district;
- (c) the amount of funds sanctioned and spent for the said purpose; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to formulate any new policy for the construction of ROBs and RUBs and if so, the details thereof?

## **Projects for Development of Uttar Pradesh**

4491. SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of projects approved by NITI Aayog for the development of Uttar Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the current status of the implementation of the said development projects especially in Sultanpur Parliamentary constituency; and
- (c) the details of the amount of funds released by the Government for the purpose during the said period?

#### **Data Network related Issues**

4492. DR. M.P. ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

- (a) whether BSNL has taken steps to address the Data network related issues in Kerala;
  - (b) If so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has fixed any time limit to fully implement 4G wireless services in Kerala; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the delay, if any?

#### **Lateral Recruitment Scheme**

#### 4493. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted an evaluation of the Lateral Recruitment Scheme(LSR) viza-viz Recruitment through Civil Services and other examinations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the recruitment through LSR is in addition to the promotions given to the traditional recruits through Civil Services and Other Examinations;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the proportion in which the vacancies at the Joint Secretary and Director Level are divided amongst traditional recruits and lateral entrants?

## PM Gati Shakti Project

†4494. SHRI SANJAY SETH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of schemes being implemented under Pradhan Mantri Gati Shakti project as on date along with the aims and objectives of this project;
- (b) the details of the benefits provided to Jharkhand State under Pradhan Mantri Gati Shakti Project; and
- (c) the details of the schemes being implemented in Naxal affected areas by the Government, district/schemewise?

#### **National Policy on Synthetic Biology**

4495. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE: SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to work on a national policy on synthetic biology, an emerging science

that deals with engineering life forms for a wide range of applications from making designer medicines to foods; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Will the PRIME MINISTER

#### Funding for LIGO-India Project

4496. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether funding has been approved for the Laser Interferometer Gravitational wave Observatory (LIGO)-India project;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the amount sanctioned so far and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the proposed project seeks to collaborate with other countries working on gravitational waves and if so, the details thereof?

#### Extension of Rail Services in Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra

†4497. SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR: SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to extend rail services and introduce new trains in Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra during the next financial year;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the total budget allocated and utilized, year-wise during the last three years and the current year for the railway divisions of Chhattisgarh including Bilaspur railway zone and for the railway divisions of Maharashtra including Solapur and Pune railway zones; and
- (d) the additional measures taken for extension of railway amenities in the said highest revenue generating railway zones?

#### Digital Data of Land

†4498. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT: SHRIMATI GEETA KORA: SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA: SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has the exact data in digital format regarding the ownership of all pieces of land in its possession across the country and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) if not, whether the Railways proposes to prepare digital data to protect land under encroachment from further encroachment, to free encroached land and for better management of land owned by it;
- (c) if so, whether the Railways has any plans to free the land from encroachment and use it for commercial purpose; and
  - (d) if so, the details in this regard?

#### Rail connectivity with mining Districts

4499. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is mapping the mining districts across the country to connect them with rail network in a bid to bite into a bigger slice of the freight transportation pie;
- (b) if so, the details of the plan prepared therefor, State-wise, particularly in Maharashtra;
- (c) the details of the survey approved so far by the Union Government in this regard;
- (d) the details of the products which Railways intends to transport at competitive pricing;
  - (e) the source of funding of these lines; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to complete these lines without delay?

## **Policy of Data Sharing**

#### 4500. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is in possession of any data of different State Governments on Sustainable Development Goals;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the committee has recommended changes in the policy of data sharing and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to frame a policy to share data, doing away with the existing means that would centralise database on different variables with the cross bifurcation of caste groups; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof including the mode of dissemination of data?

#### **Vacancies in Consumer Courts**

4501. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

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 consumer courts at the district, State and Central level, district and State-wise;
- (b) the number of vacancies in each court in respect of President, members and nodal officers in each court and the time since when these have remained vacant;
- (c) whether the Supreme Court recently fined the States for not filling up the vacant posts; and
- (d) if so, the action taken to fill up all the vacant posts in the consumer courts all over the country?

#### **PLI Schemes**

4502. SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT: SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total revenue generated by firms that are beneficiaries of the various Product Linked Incentive (PLI) Schemes of the Government in 2021;
- (b) the total amount of funds provided as incentive so far;
- (c) the details of the contribution of the various sectors to the generation of employment before and after the launch of the PLI Schemes;
- (d) whether the Government is planning to launch the PLI Scheme for other sectors in the near future to boost domestic manufacturing and employment; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ROB** at Nellore City

#### 4503. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to construct any Railway Over Bridge (ROB) within the Nellore City Limits;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the amount sanctioned for the same;
- (c) whether the Government plans to construct overbridges in the suburbs of Nellore district for the benefit of public; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Construction of Over Bridge**

†4504. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether, in view of the reply to Unstarred Question No. 472 dated 1 December, 2021, the construction work of Over Bridge at LC Gate No. 109 situated between Malwada and Raniwada Railway Stations is going on at a very slow pace since the last two years;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether, due to frequent movement of goods and passenger trains on this route, LC Gate No. 109 has to be closed repeatedly due to which ambulances get stuck here and patients have to wait for hours; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to complete the construction of this bridge at the earliest?

#### **Aadhaar Seeding under ONORC**

## 4505. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

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 eligible beneficiaries under National Food Security Act and the status of Aadhaar seeding of beneficiaries under the One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) reform, in terms of percentage and in absolute numbers, State/UT and district-wise in Bihar;
- (b) the details of inter-State and intra-State portability transactions, State/UT and year-wise since the inception of ONORC scheme;
- (c) whether it is a fact that some States are yet to implement the ONORC scheme and if so, the details and reasons for delay along with the steps taken; and
- (d) the details of the additional borrowing done by the States for implementing the ONORC, State and yearwise?

#### Raising Height of Railway Platforms

†4506. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any plan to raise the height of Surajgarh, Chirawa, Nawalgarh, Mukundgarh, Nua and Bissau railway platforms;
  - (b) if so, the details in this regard; and
  - (c) the time by which it is likely to be done?

#### 3D Printing

4507. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken many initiatives for promotion of 3D printing and computer based designing;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the demand for 3D printing is increasing in India and if so, the details thereof?

#### Millets Export

#### 4508. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of quantity and price value of millets exported from the country during the last three years and the current financial year;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to prepare a plan involving new areas/countries in consultation with Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to give a boost to the export of millets from the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### Wheat Export

## †4509. DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL: SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to export wheat in view of the rising demand of wheat in the global market;
- (b) if so, the details of wheat exported during the last year; and
- (c) the quantity of wheat decided to be exported by the Government in view of the ensuring Rabi Crop season?

## **ODOP**

### 4510. SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of districts covered under One District One Product (ODOP);

- (b) whether the districts in the State of Andhra Pradesh have been covered under the said initiative;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the details and the number of districts that are still not covered under ODOP in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (e) whether the initiative achieved its goal of boosting exports in the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### Modernizing Amenities/Facilities at Stations

#### 4511. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government intends to redevelop and modernize amenities and facilities for passengers at the railway stations in Kerala namely, Ezhukone, Mavelikkara, Chengannur, Changanassery and Kuri under Southern Railways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with funds allocated and works in progress/proposed/awaiting sanctions;
- (c) whether the Government further intends to construct under pass at Chenthara, Mylom, and Kariyara to facilitate ease of traffic and further construct a rail over bridge in lieu of Avaneeswaram level cross to decongest traffic movement and ensure ease of traffic that is likely to aggravate in the event of post covid resumption of train services from Kollam-Sengottai path;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with details of any representation received in this regard from Kerala Government and appropriate authorities of Southern Railways; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

## Plantation Scheme of Railways

†4512. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL: SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI: SHRI ARUN SAO: SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has proposed to plant nearly five crore saplings around the railway tracks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of saplings planted as on date along with the names of railway divisions where these have been planted;
- (c) whether Bilaspur, Korba, Janjgir-Champa, Raipur, Durg and Bemetara districts under South East Central Railway of Chhattisgarh and all railway zones of

Maharashtra particularly Satara and Solapur districts have also been covered under the plantation scheme of the Railways; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Direct Benefit Transfer Pilot Scheme**

#### 4513. SHRIMATI HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL:

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 up Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) pilot scheme in lieu of foodgrains in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the results achieved in all such areas where the Government had completed the pilot scheme or the scheme is going on;
- (c) the rationale behind starting DBT pilot scheme in the country;
- (d) the benefits the Government has accrued out of the said scheme; and
- (e) whether DBT scheme is a means to begin the era of non procurement of foodgrains from States like Punjab and Haryana, if so, the reasons therefor?

#### **Underground Optical Fibre Cable**

#### †4514. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Gram Panchayats (GPs) connected by underground Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) as on date, district-wise:
- (b) the details of complaints received regarding laying of cable lines and the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether GPs have not been provided with telephone connections despite completion of cable laying works; and
- (d) if so, the details of such GPs along with the reasons therefor?

## Modernisation and Upgradation of Pre-existing SCL

4515. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY: SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the initiatives taken up by the Government under India Semiconductor Mission to make India a manufacturing hub for Semiconductors;

- (b) the details of the steps taken up by the Government for modernisation and upgradation of preexisting Semiconductor Laboratory(SCL);
- (c) the details of the amount of expenditure to be incurred for setting up of Compound semiconductors and Semiconductor ATMP/OSAT facilities in the country;
- (d) the details of the locations that have been identified for setting up of the aforesaid facilities;
- (e) whether the Government is planning to set up any aforesaid facility in the state of Rajasthan; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

#### Technology Improvement/Development of Railways

4516. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK: SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working on technology improvement/development for modernisation of Indian Railways;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is making a policy to enable involvement of private sector for research and development in Railways; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Surrendering of Posts**

#### 4517. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the posts surrendered by the Railways during the last three years and the current year, zone-wise;
- (b) whether the Railways has identified the number of posts to surrender and if so, the details thereof, division-wise;
- (c) whether the Railways has directed the various divisions for surrendering the same in this financial year itself;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Import of Palm Oil

4518. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has allowed the import of refined palm oil without license for one more year till December, 2022;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total quantity of palm oil imported from June, 2021 till date;
- (d) whether it is also true that free import was necessitated to contain the domestic edible oil prices;
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **Misleading Advertisements**

## 4519. SHRIMATI RITA BAHUGUNA JOSHI: SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received complaints about various false advertisements, especially related to cosmetic products, junk foods and beverages;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to curb such false promotion and advertisements done by reputed multinational brands in the last one year;
- (d) whether the Government is going to take serious action against the false promotion/advertisements of such products affecting perception of kids about the use of such products and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has also received complaints against companies making fake claims to attract consumers; and
- (f) if so, the initiatives taken by the Government to tackle such fake claims?

#### Financial Assistance to Handloom Workers

## 4520. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to handloom workers, handloom agencies/weavers for raw materials and purchase of infrastructure development of looms and accessories;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated and disbursed under various such schematic interventions for handloom workers, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to overcome the challenges being faced by handloom workers and to promote handloom in the country including Odisha;
- (d) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take steps to support the handloom sector and to enable

wider market for handloom weavers to enable them to sell their products directly to various Government Departments and organizations; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the number of weavers benefitted during the last three years, State/UT-wise including Odisha?

#### **Incentives to Cement an Steel Plants**

#### 4521. DR. TALARI RANGAIAH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has given any incentives to cement and steel plants in the country, particularly in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (b) if so, the details of the funds allocated and released State-wise, particularly in Anantapur district of Andhra Pradesh?

#### Impact of Russia-Ukraine War on Tea Export

#### 4522. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that Russia-Ukraine war has subdued export demand, especially to Russia and Ukraine, for orthodox leaf teas and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Russia alone imports over 20% of the total tea exports from the country and the lion's share of the export is being routed through the Kochi port;
- (c) if so, the details including the share of exports to Ukraine:
- (d) whether the Government is taking any initiative to find new market for Indian tea;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether the soaring freight rates which reached an all-time recent high, has also hurt the exporters and if so, the details in this regard?

#### **Posts Laying Vacant**

## †4523. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the posts lying vacant in the Railways;
- (b) whether the Government plans to fill up the vacant posts as well as create new ones;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the measures being taken by the Government to check malpractices in the Railway Recruitment Examinations and punish the offenders involved therein?

#### **Nutritious Food to Backward Tribal areas**

#### †4524. DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme meant for providing nutritious food to the backward and tribal areas is being implemented by the Government and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the said scheme run by the Government is being implemented in Madhya Pradesh and if so, the details of the districts in Madhya Pradesh where this scheme is being implemented;
- (c) if not, whether it is likely to be implemented in Madhya Pradesh in the near future and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the number of beneficiaries benefitted from the scheme during the last three years?

## **Import of Non-Coking Coal**

#### 4525. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of coal production data for the last five years, grade-wise;
- (b) the details of coal import data for the last five years, grade-wise;
- (c) whether the non-coking coal imports are increasing despite having large proven coal reserves and if so, the reasons therefor barring Covid-19 affected years; and
- (d) the details including the number of private commercial coal mines operational in India and the output produced from such mines?

#### Cases with CBI

#### 4526. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state the details including the number of registered cases which are under investigation with CBI during the last five years and the current year?

#### **Promotion of Startups/Private Companies**

#### †4527. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken to promote private companies of the country, especially startups in the space sector;
- (b) whether any amount has been released/ is proposed to be released for these startups; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Apple iphone and ipad

#### 4528. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has denied permission for import of used Apple iphone and ipads which are sold as Apple certified and pre-owned after repair by the original equipment manufacturer;
- (b) if so, the details of the reasons for such rejection and the guidelines for import of electronic items;
- (c) whether aforesaid electronic multinational will be instructed to manufacture these items in India under Make in India policy of the Government;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is considering import of electronic items for warranty replacement; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

## **Production of Micro Chips and Semiconductor**

4529. SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has invited foreign companies to start production of Micro Chips and Semiconductor in the country; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

#### WiFi in Gram Panchayats

4530. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has intensified operationalisation of WiFi in Gram Panchayats (GPs) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of GPs with operational WiFi as on date, State/UT-wise including Gujarat; and
- (c) the details of the financial outlay for this year dedicated for GP internet services?

## **Criteria for Stoppage of Trains**

#### 4531. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any criteria to decide stoppage of trains at a particular railway station;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of all the trains having stoppage at Laxmipur Road, Jimidipeta, Bissamcuttack and Therubali railway stations in Koraput and Rayagada districts of Odisha;
- (d) whether the Government intends to increase stoppage of trains at the said railway stations given the inconvenience to general public in these tribal dominated areas due to discontinuation of train stoppages post COVID-19; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **Modernisation of IMD**

#### †4532. SHRI DULAL CHAND GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the programme related to the modernization of India Meteorological Department (IMD);
- (b) whether the Government proposes the modernization and upgradation of all the weather forecasting centres across the country; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

## BRAP

#### 4533. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) the status of ranking States based on the achievements of goals on the Business Reform Action Plan (BRAP);
- (b) the year in which this exercise was last conducted;

- (c) the reasons for the delay in carrying out this exercise:
- (d) the steps being taken by the Ministry to nudge States to adopt practices and reforms which attract investments;
- (e) whether the Ministry has made an effort to quantitatively gauge the impact of these reforms on the investments in the States; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for stopping the Ministry from carrying out such an exercise?

## Impact of Ukraine-Russia Conflict on Commercial export

4534. PROF. SOUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ukraine-Russia conflict has affected the commercial export of India;
- (b) if so, the details of commercial crops being affected by said conflict;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to overcome such impact; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to help such exporters?

#### **Innovations in Startups**

#### 4535. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government agrees with the view that Startups need to be mentored and encouraged to cautiously bridge the gap between innovation and urban concerns;
- (b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Hallmark Jewellery

## †4536. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL: SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

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 check the purity of jewellery without hallmarks;
- (b) the procedure in place for getting the purity of jewellery checked;

- (c) the State-wise details of jewellery purity testing centers; and
- (d) whether any time limit and fee has been fixed for the testing centres for issuing test reports after checking the purity of jewellery and if so, the details thereof?

## **Import of Nuclear Fuel**

# †4537. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the year-wise details of the quantity of nuclear fuel imported during the last three years;
- (b) the year-wise details of country's expenditure incurred on import of the said fuel;
- (c) the details of nuclear fuel imported during the current financial year and proposed to be imported during the next financial year;
- (d) whether the available nuclear fuel stockpile is sufficient to meet the country's demand at present and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to speed up the process of domestic mining of nuclear fuel and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Ease of Doing Business**

#### 4538. MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which the Government is planning to enable businesses for quick registration/compliances to make India a favourable business destination across the globe and primarily in the Asian region;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to introduce and implement efficient systems like in Singapore to help businesses get off the ground quicker; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

## Forecasting of Avalanches

## †4539. SHRI GUMAN SINGH DAMOR:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

- (a) whether any scientific study has been conducted to find out the reasons for the occurrence of avalanches and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the steps taken to forecast and prevent the occurrence of avalanches; and
- (c) the quantum of loss caused by avalanches every year?

#### **Backward Districts**

## †4540. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the reasons and outcome of backwardness in tribal and rural districts of the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof, district and State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to eliminate the backwardness of the said districts?

## **Telecommunication System in Tribal Areas**

†4541. SHRI DURGA DAS (D.D.) UIKEY: SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संछार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme is under consideration of the Government to promote telecommunication system in tribal areas and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government also proposes any scheme for remote areas of Betul and Khargone Parliamentary Constituencies in Madhya Pradesh and if so, the location-wise details thereof;
- (c) the district-wise details of the schemes of the Ministry operating in Madhya Pradesh at present;
- (d) the areas of Madhya Pradesh at present where schemes of the Ministry have not reached yet; and
- (e) whether these schemes are likely to reach in these areas in future and if so, the details thereof?

## **Food Waste Index Report**

## 4542. DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per the 'Food Waste Index Report 2021', released by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) 50 kg of food per person per year is being wasted in India, which is one of the highest in the world;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has set some time bound target to curb the food wastage problem; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Development of BSNL and MTNL**

†4543. SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV: SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state the complete details of the assets of MTNL in Delhi and Mumbai?

#### **Online Transfer of Funds**

4544. SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY: SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to soon launch a service allowing online transfer of funds between postal and bank accounts as part of "Anytime-anywhere Post Office Savings" and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the post offices across the States are connected with the core banking system and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps being taken to resolve the same and also identify post offices which are/were in rural areas; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the present status thereto?

#### **Artificial Intelligence**

4545. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to implement any programme for upskilling or reskilling of individuals in the field of Artificial Intelligence and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the aforesaid planning also caters to the individuals in two and three tier cities and rural areas if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the aforesaid programme has a component of job placements after its completion and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is considering any provision or incentive for a person from economically weaker background to avail the programme and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Fake Social Media Accounts**

†4546. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

## Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any plan to combat misleading information, messages contents and advertisements being spread through fake social media accounts and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to enact any separate law to prosecute criminal cases against the mongers, fraudsters and people spreading fake news through social media platforms;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said law is likely to be enacted; and
- (d) the State-wise details of the data related to criminal cases registered in this regard along with the actions taken thereon during the last two years?

## **Techno Economic Feasibility Studies of Stations**

#### 4547. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry of Railways is undertaking techno-economic feasibility studies of railway stations through various agencies;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether based on the outcome of these feasibility studies, stations are being planned to be taken up for development in phases, especially the stations located in major cities and important tourist destinations; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Geological Heritage Sites**

#### 4548. SHRI JAMYANG TSERING NAMGYAL:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any data/information about the geological heritage sites in the Himalayan region of India, especially in Union Territory of Ladakh;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
  - (c) if not, the reasons thereofor;
- (d) whether most of the Himalayan geological heritage sites especially in Ladakh are on the verge of disappearance;
- (e) if so, the preventive steps that have been taken/ being taken by the Government to conserve the geological and natural heritage keeping in mind that the protection of geo-heritage sites require legislation; and
  - (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Average Download and Upload Speed

#### 4549. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recorded the average download and upload speed in Mega Bytes Per Second (MBps) in urban cities and rural areas;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the minimum download speed in MBps for 4G internet services to be provided by cellular broadband services in the country;
- (d) whether the Government has announced an increase in the minimum download speed to be provided by broadband services for 4G;
  - (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Government shall pay consumers for the subsequent increase in the minimum download speed provided and if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) whether this will result in an increase in the outof-pocket expenditure for consumers in the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Policy for Mobile Tower Installation**

## †4550. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI: SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated a policy to install mobile towers for providing telecommunication facility and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the network problem in different villages of the country including Sikar and Bharatpur Parliamentary Constituency;
- (c) if so, whether the Government proposes to install mobile tower of BSNL and other companies in these areas to address the network issue; and
- (d) if so, the time by which it is proposed to be installed and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Steps to Prevent Unwanted Calls and Messages

## 4551. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

- (a) the steps taken by the Government for preventing unwanted calls and messages by the telemarketing companies and property dealers;
- (b) whether the Government has any plan to impose penalty on telemarketing companies and property dealers for messaging and calling mobile subscribers;

- (c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether telecom service providers are violating Telecom Commercial Communication Customers Preference Regulation-2018; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/ being taken by the Government thereon?

## **Patent and Trade Mark Applications**

## †4552. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications lying pending for patents and trade marks;
- (b) whether there has been sharp rise in the application lying pending for patents and trademarks;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the proposed action plan for infrastructure development in all the Patents, Designs and Trade Marks offices of the country to reduce the above pendency; and
- (d) the other steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to deal with the rising number of applications relating to patents and registration?

#### Rollout of 5G

## 4553. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Cellular Operators Association of India has demanded that the Government fiberize significantly more towers for effective rollout of 5G and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether connection of mobile towers with optical fibers is needed to handle the massive surge in data that is anticipated with the 5G launch and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether currently only 35% of mobile towers in India are fiberized and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the Government is planning to rollout 5G by the month of August and if so, the details of the funds earmarked to ensure fiberization of mobile towers by then;
- (e) whether it is a fact that telecom operators have asked for easier payment terms for 5G spectrum and if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Government has taken these demands into consideration and if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the details of the status of 5G spectrum pricing recommendations expected from TRAI?

#### **Ration Cards to Poor**

#### †4554. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether many poor persons living below the poverty line have not got ration cards because of which they have been deprived of public distribution schemes of the Government;
  - (b) if so, the response of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the ration cards provided to the persons living below the poverty line are being misused by persons who are not entitled for such cards for availing the benefit of public distribution scheme in connivance with corrupt officers; and
- (d) if so, the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard and the outcome thereof?

#### New Railway Lines in Tamil Nadu

4555. SHRI M. SELVARAJ: DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is on the process of laying of new railway lines, gauge conversion, doubling of railway lines, electrification and signaling in Indian Railways across the country including Tamil Nadu during the last three years;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of new railway lines, gauge conversion, doubling of railway lines, electrification and signaling in new railway lines that have been undertaken/under process completed in Tamil Nadu during the last three years;
- (d) whether the Railways has faced any impediments and hardships while implementing the above schemes in Tamil Nadu; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken by the Government to overcome these hardships?

#### **Promotion of Handloom and Handicraft Sector**

4556. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to revive, promote and develop handloom and handicrafts sectors in Jharkhand and other parts of the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;

- (d) the details of the funds allocated, released and spent under various welfare schemes for handloom weavers during the last three years, State-wise including Jharkhand: and
- (e) the details of the success achieved so far in providing marketing facilities to the weavers and the total number of weavers benefited during the said period, State-wise?

#### Construction of ROBs/RUBs

4557. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:
SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE
PATIL:
SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the construction work of many ROBs/RUBs are pending in Maharashtra, West Bengal and Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the route/location-wise details of these pending railway works;
- (c) the main reasons for delay in completing the above works; and
- (d) the time by which the aforesaid pending railway works are likely to be completed, route-wise?

#### **Funds for New Rail Projects**

†4558. SHRIMATI NAVNEET RAVI RANA: SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA: SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK: SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT: SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to expand railway lines and introduce new trains in Jammu and Kashmir, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Jharkhand:
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the project-wise details of the total funds allocated for the new railway projects along with the funds released and utilized during the last five years and the current year in the aforesaid States, State/year-wise?

### **Private Investment in Coal Sector**

4559. SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:
SHRIMATI KAVITHA MALOTHU:
DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:
SHRI VENKATESH NETHA
BORLAKUNTA:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal before the Ministry to have revenue sharing mechanism instead of rupee/per ton mechanism to attract private investment into coal sector:
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of entry norms liberalized in coal sector?

#### **Objective of PMGDISHA**

†4560. SHRI HAJI FAZLUR REHMAN:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the objectives of the Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA);
- (b) whether the efforts are being made by the Government to connect the villagers of the country under the aforesaid abhiyan and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the number of youth in rural areas of the country who have benefited from the aforesaid abhiyan during the last two years?

#### **Imports of Pharmaceutical Products**

4561. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of imports of pharmaceutical products during each of the last three years, country wise;
- (b) whether India is heavily dependent on China for drug imports and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up specified pharmaceutical zones in order to reduce the country's dependence on import; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which these pharma zones are likely to be set up?

## **Ticketing Service**

†4562. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

- (a) whether the ticketing of unreserved tickets is performed by the halt agents and persons under Station Ticket Booking Sewaks (STBS) at small Railway Stations;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether the Railways is economically benefitted by ticketing through halt agents and STBS and if so, the details in this regard;
- (d) whether the halt agents and STBS are appointed for three years or five years;
- (e) if so, whether the Government is contemplating to extend the period by fifteen or twenty years; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

#### Transfer of employees from Dongargarh

†4563. SHRI SANTOSH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the railway projects in operation in Dongargarh under South East Central Railway along with the total number of employees posted therein;
- (b) whether guards, driver's lobby, loco pilots and assistant loco pilots are being transferred to other places from Dongargarh and if so, the reasons therefor and the places where the said employees are being posted;
- (c) whether more than 300 railway employees have been transferred from Dongargarh to other places and transfer options have been sought from the remaining employees in the last one year and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the schemes envisaged for the expansion of railway projects in Dongargarh that are being considered by the Railways?

#### **Extension of PMGKAY**

## 4564. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to extend PM Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) till March 2024;
  - (b) if not, the reasons for the same; and
- (c) the details of quantity of monthly grains being allotted to States under PMGKAY, State-wise?

#### **Genome Testing Project**

#### 4565. SHRIMATI RAJASHREE MALLICK:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Biotechnology is proposing to launch world's biggest genome testing project in the country and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) the strategy in place to successfully implement the genome testing programme across the country, including the State of Odisha; and
- (c) whether establishments/institutions of private sector are also proposed to be included for genome testing and if so, the details thereof?

#### Development of Railway Infrasructure in Telangana

4566. SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds spent for the development of railway infrastructure in Telangana since 2014, year-wise and division-wise;
- (b) the details of the major activities that were undertaken in railway stations in Telangana for public convenience;
- (c) the details of railway stations which have been modernised/upgraded in Telangana since 2014; and
- (d) the details of new passenger train services that are likely to be started in Telangana in 2022-23?

#### Land Owned by Railways

#### 4567. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR PINTU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total land in possession of Railways in India, State-wise as on date; and
- (b) the details of the total land area of Railways encroached upon by slums, State and city-wise as on date?

## **Coal Mining Auction**

## 4568. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.: SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

- (a) whether coal mining capacity has been allocated / auctioned to various players since January 2015 and if so, the details of all the coal mine allocations as per the envisaged end-use (power, steel, etc);
- (b) the quantum of annual capacity that has become operational till date out of the coal mines allocated/auctioned since January,2015;
- (c) whether the Government planning to auction/allocate more coal blocks till 2030 and if so, the details of overall auction/allocation schedule and the envisaged timeline of its operationalization; and
- (d) the progress of Coal India Limited (CIL) on its Vision -2030 and 1 billion ton production target along with the expected timelines of increase in CIL's mining capacity?

#### **Paddy Storage in Central Pool**

### 4569. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of paddy the Government needs to store in its Central pool to ensure food security;
- (b) the actual amount of paddy stored by the Government in its Central pool;
- (c) the contribution of paddy to the Central pool since 1970, State-wise; and
- (d) the distribution of paddy under various public distribution systems since 1970, State-wise?

## **Declining Quality of BSNL Services**

4570. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Government is aware of increasing customer complaints related to gradual decline in the quality of service and coverage of BSNL especially in rural areas:
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to improve the BSNL services?
  - (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

#### **Automatic Signalling System**

#### 4571. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to utilise the existing railway lines to its maximum utility;
  - (b) if so, the details of action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to introduce automatic signalling system in coordination with the State Government;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Railways is considering the implementation of automatic signalling system in Thiruvananthapuram railway division and if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Railways has prepared any estimate for automatic signaling system in Thiruvananthapuram Railway division;
- (g) if so, the details of estimated amount and the advantage of implementation of automatic signalling system;

- (h) whether any proposal is pending with Railways in this regard; and
- (i) if so, the details thereof and the role of State Government in this proposal?

#### **Pending Cases**

## 4572. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY: SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether large number of cases are pending with the courts of law regarding the cadre allotment of the civil servants in the country;
- (b) whether the Government tried to streamline the process and chaos, if any, in the cadre management of civil servants; and
- (c) whether there is any proposal to increase or decrease the tenure period of the civil servants to their home States from the existing tenure and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Procurement of Foodgrains under Kharif Crops**

#### 4573. SHRI DHARMENDRA KASHYAP:

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 quantity of foodgrains under kharif crops procured during 2021-22 till date, grain and Statewise:
- (b) the details of amount paid to the farmers as on date against procurement of kharif foodgrains during 2021-22 till date, State-wise;
- (c) whether some State Governments have recorded high procurement of kharif foodgrains during the current year; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

#### Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme

4574. SHRI GIRISH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

- (a) the total number of capital investment subsidies issued under Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) between the years 2016 till 2021;
- (b) the total number of capital investment subsidies issued to Uttar Pradesh since 2016 till date;
- (c) the total number of energy-saving machines incentivised since the year 2016 till date;

- (d) the total subsidy released to attract investment in weaving, processing and garment sectors from the year 2016 till date, year-wise; and
- (e) the total amount of funds released under this scheme to projects in Uttar Pradesh from 2016 till date, year-wise?

#### Revival of NTC Mills

## †4575. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any action plan to revive the National Textile Corporation (NTC) Mills closed for many years in Nanded;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be started;
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether after the closure of the mill years ago, the salary, allowances of the employees have not been paid till date;
  - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps to be taken to clear the dues to these employees?

#### **Cyber Complaints**

#### 4576. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the complaints related to the use of the internet cyber mechanism for software attacks, theft of intellectual property, identity theft, theft of software equipment or information, sabotage, operational implementation and information extortion which has surged to very alarming situation:
- (b) if so, the details thereof; year-wise since 2017 including the main five cyber complaints registered in India; and
- (c) the details of the action taken to prevent all such electronic frauds and data breaches including the banking system with effective address of the cyber threats and securing electronic devices from malicious attacks thereof?

## **High-Speed Optical Fiber Network**

†4577. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the work of setting up high-speed optical fiber network has been started by the Government under BharatNet Project in Bihar;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has started the installation work of High Speed Optical Fibre Network in all the Panchayats of Sasaram Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said work is likely to be completed and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **CBT for Graduates/non-Graduates**

4578. SHRI N. REDDEPPA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a common Computer Based Test (CBT) for both graduates and 10+2 candidates for Railway recruitment Board (RRB) exams;
- (b) if so, whether this constitutes an unfair advantage to 10+2 students;
  - (c) if so, the facts thereof;
- (d) whether there has been an increase in the number of students appearing for the second stage of the examination in proportion to the total vacancies and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the time by which this change has been introduced along with the reasons thereof;
- (f) whether the second stage of the CBT is likely to be conducted only after the high powered committee makes a decision; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof including the estimated timeline for the same and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Izzat Pass Facility**

## 4579. SHRIMATI ANGADI MANGAL SURESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the 'Izzat Pass' facility being given to the poor for travel in passenger trains is being continued currently; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Production of Jute**

†4580. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

- (a) whether public and private jute producing companies have achieved their production target set as per the requirement of States in the country during the years 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 and in the current financial year and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the total quantum of bardana (jute) procured for kharif crops in Chhattisgarh during the said period, place and year-wise;
- (c) the demand made by Chhattisgarh to Union Government for bardana (jute) for kharif crops as per the requirement of jute and set standards along with the contract signed for availability/distribution thereof during the said period; and
- (d) whether the Government has provided bardana (jute) as per the demand made by the State during the said period and if so, the details thereof?

## **Upgradation of Thrissur Railway Station**

4581. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is likely to upgrade Thrissur Railway Station into International standards;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has achieved any progress in the Guruvayur-Thirunavaya railway line since 2014:
  - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is considering Guruvayur station for according special status considering its importance in the pilgrim route; and
  - (f) if so, the details and present status thereof?

#### Survey of New Rail Lines in Haryana

†4582. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposals for survey and construction of new rail lines in Haryana during the last five years;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
  - (c) whether all the survey works have been approved;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to re-start operation of passenger trains that were discontinued as a Covid-19 control measure; and
  - (f) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Poor People in the Country**

#### 4583. SHRIMATI NUSRAT JAHAN RUHI:

Will the Minister of PLANNING

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details including the number of poor people in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the details including the number of poor people belonging to SC/ST/OBC and the minorities, State-wise;
- (c) whether the gap between the rich and the poor is continuously widening in the country, if so, details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to bridge the widening gap between the rich and the poor in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Unmanned Railway Crossings in Jaunpur**

#### 4584. SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of unmanned railway crossings in Jaunpur district;
- (b) the steps being taken to convert unmanned crossings into manned ones in Jaunpur district;
- (c) the details of the number of people who lost their lives in these unmanned railway crossings;
- (d) whether any assistance is provided by the Government in case loss of life due to negligence of Railways; and
  - (e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Development of Space Science**

#### 4585. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken/proposed to take any steps for development of space science, space research and satellite technology in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last five years; and
- (c) the achievements made/shortcomings faced by the Government in this field?

#### Pushkar-Merta Rail Line

†4586. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Pushkar-Merta rail line project with a length of 59 Kilometers was sanctioned in the 2013-14 budget at the cost of Rs.323 crores has been approved by the Cabinet Committee of Economic Affairs(CCEA);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether approval of another project of Ajmer-Kota via Nasirabad-Kekdi-Deoli new railway line with a length of 145 kilometers was also sanctioned in the rail budget of 2013-14 at the cost of Rs.821.64 crores and the ROR of which is 6.61 percent is also awaited from the CCFA:
- (d) if so, the time by which the approval is likely to be accorded and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether 45 kilometers long new railway line from Kishangarh to Parbatsar under 'Capital Investment Programme was sanctioned in the rail budget of 2016-17 and this project is to be completed as a joint venture with the State Government; and
- (f) if so, the details of action taken by the Railways in this regard?

#### **International Trade Terms**

#### 4587. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning for a change in the international terms of trade in agriculture;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **New Industrial Policy**

4588. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any steps have been taken to ensure long term competitiveness of manufacturing and industrial sector;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government intends to announce New Industrial Policy; and
  - (d) if so, the probable time for the same?

#### **Regions deprived of Telecommunication Facilities**

†4589. SHRI R.K. SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have conducted any study to identify the regions deprived of telecommunication (phone/internet network) facilities in Uttar Pradesh:
- (b) if so, the details thereof; district-wise including Banda, Chitrakoot and Bundelkhand districts; and
- (c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government for providing telecommunications facilities across the country including Uttar Pradesh?

## Development of Railways in Kozhikode and Malabar Region

4590. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noted that budgets have shown repeated neglect towards people of Kozhikode and Malabar region since 2014 and if so, the details regarding the measures taken for the development of railways in Kozhikode and Malabar region;
- (b) whether capital expenditure granted to Railways is applicable to railway owned companies also and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has provided any grants for capital and revenue expenditure of K Rail Development Corporation Limited and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government plans to run any new trains through Kozhikode railway station as per the budget and if so, the details regarding the newly sanctioned trains?

## Setting up of PM Mitra Park

#### 4591. SHRI P RAVINDHRANATH:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

- (a) the present status of the proposal for setting up of 7 Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel parks under Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA);
- (b) whether the Government has also decided to complete the setting up of such parks within five years in the States including Tamilnadu and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government has also identified the location for the same; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and follow up steps taken by the Government to achieve the completion of

such parks within the time frame along with the amount of funds allocated by the Government till now?

#### Funds Allocated under BharatNet

†4592. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated and spent under the BharatNet project across the country, Parliamentary Constituency-wise, particularly in the Nalanda Parliamentary Constituency;
- (b) whether high speed optical fiber network has been installed in all the panchayats of Nalanda Parliamentary Constituency under the said project; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Optical Fibre Cable laid in UP

†4593. SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH BHOLE:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the optical fibre cable laid in Uttar Pradesh so far under the National Optical Fibre Network Project;
- (b) the number of Gram Panchayats connected with broad band and WiFi hotspots in Kanpur Nagar and Kanpur Dehat districts of Uttar Pradesh so far under the said project along with the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the funds allocated, released and utilized under the said project during the last three years?

## **Startups Proposals**

4594. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the number of Startup proposals received by the Government under the 'Startup India' scheme and the number of entrepreneurs given financial assistance under this scheme in the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether a number of Startups have been denied financial assistance under the Startup India scheme and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the bureaucratic procedure prescribed for scrutinising funding proposals is a big hindrance for the success of the said scheme and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the measures taken by the Government to review the above said procedure to help the Startups grow in the country?

## **Coal Evacuation Railway Projects**

4595. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO
MANDLIK:
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SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO
MANE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to strengthen Indian Railways infrastructure by commissioning 14 critical coal evacuation railway projects for quick transportation to reduce transportation cost of domestic coal:
- (b) if so, the names of the projects selected for the said purpose;
  - (c) the present progress and status of these projects;
- (d) whether the Railways is also considering to develop/construct a dedicated freight corridor to supply coal to power generation plants across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Railways has identified such corridors and has studied its feasibility and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the extent to which such corridors are likely to help in reducing the transportation cost and pressure on national transporter?

## Spices (Promotion and Development) Bill, 2022

4596. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether any objections and suggestions have been received on the draft published on Repeal of Spices Board Act, 1968 and enactment of Spices (Promotion and Development) Bill, 2022;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the last date to submit the receipt of objections/ suggestions;
- (c) whether the Government has received any objections/ suggestions from the State of Kerala; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Using Waterways to Transport Coal**

4597. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India does not use its extensive waterways unlike China or Indonesia to transport coal, making facilities reliant on expensive, time-consuming road and rail transport; and
- (b) if so, the remedial steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

#### **Charging Service Tax in Restaurants**

#### 4598. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is aware of the fact that several restaurants in Connaught Place area in Delhi are charging service tax on the bills generated for dining in the restaurant on the pretext that they have made a reference of it on the notice board at the entrance regarding the same;
- (b) if so, the action being contemplated to stop this malpractice by the restaurants;
- (c) whether the Ministry has received any complaints regarding this matter; and
- (d) if so, the punitive action taken by the Government, State-wise and city-wise?

## **Eliminating Railway Crossings**

4599. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA: SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of unmanned railway crossings, manned railway crossings, Railway Under Bridges (RUBs), Railway Over Bridges (ROBs) in the country and in particular, within the city limits of Bengaluru and Mysuru:
- (b) whether the Government is making efforts to eliminate railway crossings, manned, unmanned or with signal, within city limits, particularly of Bengaluru and Mysuru, to ease traffic and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of railway crossings converted into RUBs/ROBs, etc. in the cities of Bengaluru and Mysuru since 2014 and the funds sanctioned and utilised, along with the details of ongoing and pending projects with the funds disbursed; and
- (d) whether the Government has set any target to remove such railway crossings in the country and if so, the details thereof and the progress made in this regard?

## New Railway Lines in Telangana

SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY: 4600. SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to complete various new railway lines belonging to Nalgonda, Bhongir and Mahabubnagar Parliamentary constituencies in Telangana including Munirabad-Mahabubnagar, Kadapa-Bangalore, Bhadrachalam-Sattupalli, Manoharabad-Kothapalli and electrification for Nandyala-Erraguntla, Dharmavaram-Pakala, etc., if so, the details and the present status thereof in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;
- (b) whether various Railway projects in South Central Railway(SCR) Telangana and Andhra Pradesh are pending since many decades including laying of new railways lines, electrification, doubling of railway projects, guage conversion/construction of by passes/bridges at railway crossings to avoid accidents, setting up of new railway gates, construction of underpasses, etc.; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, zone, route-wise and the action taken thereon since 2014 onwards to till date?

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