

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Cooperation; Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying; Food Processing Industries; Heavy Industries; Home Affairs; Panchayati Raj; Rural Development; Social Justice and Empowerment)

(कृषि और किसान कल्याण; रसायन और उर्वरक; उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण; सहकारिता; मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी; खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग; भारी उद्योग; गृह; पंचायती राज; ग्रामीण विकास; सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 20

Timely Settlement under PMFBY

*201. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the insurance claims are being paid to the farmers on time after crop damages/failure under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY);

(b) whether in many States, including Rajasthan and Maharashtra, the payment of insurance claims for crop failures in 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 is still pending;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take steps for payment of all these outstanding claims;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the outstanding claims will be fully paid; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Development of Animal Husbandry, Poultry and Pisciculture

†*202. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide special package to certain States for the development of animal husbandry, poultry and pisciculture;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said package is likely to be provided?

FCI Depot in Assam

*203. DR. RAJDEEP ROY:

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 plan to construct Food Corporation of India (FCI) depot in the Cachar district of Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies

*204. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION

सहकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of the Ministry;

(b) whether the constitution of this Ministry will have adverse impact on the primary agricultural cooperative societies in various States and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to bring the primary agricultural cooperative societies functioning in the States under the purview of this Ministry; and

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

Propagating New Plant Varieties

*205. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether agricultural research universities in the country including PUSA Agricultural University are assisting in propagating new varieties of plants to farmers;

(b) if so, the details of the number of mother plants propagated by agricultural research universities in the country and given to farmers;

(c) the details of ongoing innovation research studies on developing new varieties of seeds at different agricultural universities in the country along with locations for their testing;

(d) the number of registered and operational plant nurseries in the country, State-wise; and

(e) the details of the process and scope of involvement of State Governments in agricultural research in collaboration with research universities?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Farmer Produce Organizations

†*206. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:
SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of Farmer Produce Organizations (FPOs) constituted/registered in Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan so far;

(b) the number of FPOs which have been provided benefits/facilities in these States along with the details of benefits/facilities provided, FPO-wise;

(c) the details of the steps being taken for development of these FPOs at present, FPO-wise;

(d) the number of new FPOs targeted to be constituted in the States of Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan; and

(e) whether the Government has achieved its targets, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Seed Market

†*207. SHRI RAJ KUMAR CHAHAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers in the country are unable to reap financial benefits from the country's seed market despite the country emerging as the fifth largest seed market in the world;

(b) if so, the efforts being made by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to reduce the increase in the cost of procurement of seeds for every crop cycle and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is also shortage of certified and quality seeds and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to address these issues?

Scheme to Promote Plantation of Timber Yielding Trees

†*208. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement any scheme to promote plantation of timber yielding trees on the land of farmers in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of States in which the scheme is proposed to be launched including the details thereof;

(c) the details of the norms for providing assistance to the farmers under this scheme;

(d) whether the Government proposes to implement this scheme in the State of Rajasthan also; and

(e) if so, the details thereof including the details of areas to be covered under this scheme?

Modernisation of Police Force

*209. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Andhra Pradesh is one of the six States identified for award of incentive and grants for 2019-20 under Modernisation of Police Force;

(b) whether Rs. 36 crores have been given for the State as incentive;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of requests made by the Government of Andhra Pradesh for financial assistance to further modernize Andhra Pradesh State Police and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Damaged Foodgrains

*210. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether huge quantity of foodgrains is damaged in various godowns of Food Corporation of India (FCI);

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the estimated loss incurred due to damaged foodgrains; and

(d) whether the Government has taken steps to prevent such loss of foodgrains in FCI and if so, the details in this regard?

Increasing Agricultural Land under Irrigation

*211. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in order to achieve the objectives of National Food Security Mission, the Government is planning to increase agricultural land under irrigation; and

(b) if so, the details of proportion of increase in land under irrigation planned by the Government?

Economic Status of the Village Panchayat

*212. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ

पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any survey regarding the economic status of the village panchayat during the Covid-19 pandemic; and

(b) if so, the details including outcome thereof?

Public Service Commission in Puducherry

*213. SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no separate Public Service Commission in the Union Territory of Puducherry;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal for setting up of Puducherry Public Service Commission for Government jobs; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Work to Labourers under MGNREGS

†*214. SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT

ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the labourers registered under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) have been provided 100 days of work in the country, if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the number of labourers who got 100 days of work under MGNREGS during the last three years, State-wise including those in the State of Chhattisgarh;

(c) the number of labourers who have been provided work under MGNREGS since March, 2020 in the State of Chhattisgarh including Bilaspur Lok Sabha Constituency; and

(d) the role of MGNREGS in creating employment, particularly in rural areas during corona pandemic period?

Cooperative Sugar Factories

*215. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION

सहकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating any new policy for the revival of cooperative sugar factories;

(b) if so, whether the Government has allocated any fund for revival of aforesaid sugar factories;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has given any instructions to the State Governments to provide the list of financially poor cooperative sugar factories; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Terna Shetkari Sahkari Sugar Factory

†*216. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Terna Shetkari Sahkari Sugar Factory is lying closed due to liquidation;

(b) the steps being taken by the Government to reopen the said factory/mill keeping in view the problems /difficulties being faced by the farmers and workers of this area;

(c) whether the said factory is proposed to be opened with the help of banks and the ministries concerned have arrived at departmental consensus regarding the rent of the factory/mill and disbursement of P.F. dues amongst workers;

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

(e) the details of the efforts made by the Government to reopen the said sugar factory/mill?

IUU Fishing

*217. SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing poses a threat to our rich aquatic resources and national maritime security;

(b) if so, the current guidelines in place to prevent IUU fishing; and

(c) whether the Government plans to formulate/has formulated specific policies for better compliance to the 'Declaration for Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture' issued by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)?

Digital Services to Farmers

*218. SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI: SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently signed an MoU with a private company for creation/development of digital services and innovation in the agricultural value chain;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken so far by the Government to provide farmers access to digital services and their integration in the agricultural value chain;

(d) the total value of the services being provided by the said company and other details of the MoU; and

(e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure that the personal data of the farmers is not misused by the private company?

Employment under MGNREGS

†*219. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT

ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the beneficiaries under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme(MGNREGS) in rural areas are not getting employment as per the entitled amount, if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard;

(b) the number of beneficiaries in Jharkhand, Odisha, Rajasthan, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh who have got employed in the month of June during each of the years from 2018 to 2021 under MGNREGS;

(c) whether the number of beneficiaries employed in 2021 in these States are less as compared to the previous years;

(d) the percentage of rural population in these States currently unemployed;

(e) whether COVID-19 has affected the employment opportunities under MGNREGS and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken to address this issue; and

(f) the details of employment given under the scheme to the migrant workers who have returned to their homes in rural areas due to COVID-19?

Development of Gramin Agricultural Markets

†*220. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to improve/develop Gramin Agricultural Markets (GrAMs) according to the requirements/demands of the farmers so as to provide right price for their produce so that they could avoid unnecessary expenditure and save time;

(b) if so, the manner and the time by which the same is proposed to be achieved; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

NEW DELHI;

July 28, 2021

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UTPAL KUMAR SINGH

Secretary General

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