

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Ministries of Civil Aviation; Housing and Urban Affairs; Jal Shakti; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Minority Affairs; New and Renewable Energy; Power; Road Transport and Highways; Shipping; Youth Affairs and Sports)

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Modernisation of Aerodromes

*461. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED
BASHEER:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION
नागर विमानन मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Airports Authority of India (AAI) has entered into any agreement with the US Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) to develop a road map for modernisation of aerodromes in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of further development programmes, if any, to be implemented in this regard?

Economic Development of Minority Community

†*462. SHRI HAJI FAZLUR
REHMAN:

Will the Minister of MINORITY
AFFAIRS
अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the action plan of the Government for the economic development of the minority community in the country; and

(b) the number of students belonging to the said community who after clearing preliminary examinations conducted by the Union Public Service Commission, the Staff Selection Commission and the State Public Service Commission have been provided assistance under the Scheme Nai Udaan being implemented by the Government for the minority community along with the nature of the said assistance?

Training Programmes for Various Sports

†*463. SHRIMATI KESHARI
DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH
AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the training programme for various sports has not started as yet

in the training centre of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) located in district Prayagraj (Allahabad) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the time by which the coaches of various sports like Badminton, Table Tennis, Athletics, Hockey etc. are likely to be recruited to start training programme;

(c) whether there is any proposal to set up any new indoor/outdoor stadium besides the above-mentioned centre and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the funds made available by the Government during the last three years for the development of various sports and to provide training to the sportspersons in district Prayagraj (Allahabad) in Uttar Pradesh?

Development of MSME Sector

*464. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:
SHRI KOMATI REDDY
VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL
AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given special attention for the development of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has directed the banking sector to deal with the MSME loans by appointing officers of General Manager level and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the exemptions and sops being given to MSMEs for speedy development;

(d) whether the measures initiated by the Government in strengthening the MSME sector have gradually started yielding positive results in the development of MSMEs in the country, which are the backbone of the country's economy and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the objectives and the achievements made so far by the MSME sector?

Affordable Housing Projects/Schemes

*465. DR. HEENA GAVIT:
SHRI SELVAM G.:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of affordable housing projects/schemes being implemented in the country along with the funds allocated/spent thereunder since their launch;

(b) whether the Government has identified land for developing affordable housing in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has decided to use huge land parcels belonging to sick and closing Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs) for affordable housing schemes and formulated any policy in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has identified PSEs and places for implementation of these projects and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether proper revenue model, process, bidding criteria, etc. have been firming up in this regard and if so, the details

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

thereof along with the other steps taken/ being taken by the Government to develop and construct affordable housing in a time-bound manner?

Performance of Sportspersons

*466. SHRIMATI KIRRON
KHER:

Will the Minister of YOUTH
AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to enhance the performance of Indian sportspersons which is considered below par *vis-a-vis* international parameters; and

(b) the allocations made by the Government for the development of athletics with a long term view?

Erratic Power Supply by Power Distribution Companies

†*467. SHRI JANARDAN
MISHRA:
SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

Will the Minister of POWER

विद्युत मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to avoid erratic power supply by the power distribution companies even after carrying out the maintenance before the rainy season;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the measures being taken by the Government to avoid such erratic power supply; and

(d) the details of action taken by the Government against such companies for irregular supply of power?

Achievements of KVIC

*468. SHRI RAJA
AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR
SONKAR:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL
AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has been successful in achieving their objectives during the last five years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the development schemes/programmes being implemented by KVIC and the funds allocated therefor during each of the last five years, State/ UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has initiated any reform and development programme for KVIC;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the extent to which it is likely to help KVIC in achieving its objectives and if not, the reasons therefor; and

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

Smart Cities Mission

*469. KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is aware that the State Government of Karnataka has not utilised even one per cent of around Rs. 6462 crore funds allocated to the State under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM), if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of cities covered under SCM in Karnataka since the launch of the Mission;

(c) the funds approved, sanctioned, released and spent so far in Karnataka under the said Mission;

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure that funds for Karnataka's Smart Cities are utilised judiciously and neither diverted nor left unutilised; and

(e) whether the Union Government has received any report from the State Government of Karnataka on the progress of the said Mission in the State and if so, the details thereof?

Cauvery-Vaigai-Gundar Link Project

*470. SHRI KARTI P.
CHIDAMBARAM:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of feasibility report of the Cauvery-Vaigai-Gundar Link Project in Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether the link canal traverses have been constructed and if so, the details thereof along with the number of link canal

traverses constructed in each district including Sivaganga and Pudukkottai;

(c) the funds allocated/utilized for this project; and

(d) the details of the direct benefits available per year from the link project due to irrigation and also from domestic as well as industrial water supplies?

Khelo India Scheme

*471. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:
SHRI ADALA
PRABHAKARA REDDY:

Will the Minister of YOUTH
AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Khelo India scheme is being implemented across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it has been launched in Rajahmundry in Andhra Pradesh also and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the scheme is likely to be implemented there?

Beautification of National Highways

†*472. SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of ROAD
TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the measures taken by the Government for beautification of national highways spread across various parts of the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to introduce more such projects, particularly for the national highways in Rajasthan; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for this purpose, State/UT-wise?

Execution of Projects by NHAI

*473. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various projects proposed to be executed by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) during the next five years;

(b) the length of new national highways in kilometers constructed during the last five years;

(c) whether there is any financial crunch for the development of national highways; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Impact of Closure of Jet Airways

†*474. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the adverse impact on air service to small cities due to the closure of flight operations by Jet Airways;

(b) whether the Government is aware that there is no daily flight for major tourist

destination cities like Jodhpur and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has issued any instructions to Air India to shift their operation from such cities and operate flights in the sectors generating higher revenue;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for decreasing the air operations of Air India from Jodhpur; and

(e) if not, the measures being taken by the Government to increase air connectivity to Jodhpur?

Cities Selected under SCM

†*475. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of cities of Rajasthan selected among the major 100 cities of the country by the Government under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) along with the phases in which these cities have been selected;

(b) the names of cities of the country where work has been started after allocation of budget under the said Mission, State-wise;

(c) whether necessary budget was allocated for Ajmer city also after its selection for development as smart city under the said Mission, if so, the funds allocated and spent so far thereon along with the period during which such funds were allocated;

(d) whether the work in Ajmer city has almost been stalled due to the laxity of administrative officers; and

(e) if so, the action being taken by the Government to implement the project at the earliest?

Protection of Drinking Water Sources

*476. PROF. SAUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken concrete measures to ensure the purity of drinking water and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether a number of drinking water sources are not being protected properly; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to protect the drinking water sources?

Education of Minority Girls

*477. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS

अल्पसंख्यक कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is devising a holistic policy for the encouragement of girls of minority communities for pursuing education and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the reasons identified for the high dropout among girls of the minority communities; and

(c) the key initiatives taken by the Government for creating awareness and encouraging the minorities towards education?

Development of Waterways

†*478. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING

पोत परिवहन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is working on any project to develop waterways by linking Yamuna and Ganga rivers under which both commercial and passenger transport services are likely to be made available;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether work on the said waterways project is going on smoothly and as per the target fixed in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Iron and Arsenic Contents in Drinking Water

*479. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

जल शक्ति मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether drinking water available to the people in Kishanganj district through water wells/hand pumps has been found to be unsafe and unhealthy due to the presence of high iron and arsenic contents and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any schemes to provide iron/arsenic free drinking water in and around Kishanganj district and all other districts of Bihar facing the same problem; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Closure of Pakistan's Airspace

*480. SHRI A.

GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION
नागर विमानन मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the closure of Pakistan's
airspace following tensions related to the
Pulwama suicide bombing has affected

nearly 400 flights a day including
international flight services of other
countries and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any
plan to take up this issue at diplomatic
level with Pakistan as ultimately passengers
are at a loss with airlines passing on the
higher operating costs and if so, the details
thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA

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