LOK SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

Friday, March 25, 2022/Chaitra 4, 1944 (Saka)

(Ministries of AYUSH; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Defence; External Affairs; Health and Family Welfare; Law and Justice; Ports, Shipping and Waterways; Women and Child Development)

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Total Number of Questions — 20

Kidney and Heart Diseases

†*321. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the increase in the number of kidney, heart and poverty-borne diseases along with diseases like Hepatitis-B, HIV and Tuberculosis in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps/measures being taken by the Government to provide timely medical facilities to the people suffering from the above diseases and prevent the spread of the bacterial and viral diseases?

Indian Fishermen in Captivity

*322. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the increasing incidents of Indian fishermen being apprehended and their fishing vessels being seized by the Pakistan authorities during the last few years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of Indian fishermen particularly the fishermen from Tamil Nadu in captivity during the last three years, year-wise and till date along with the losses incurred to the fishermen as a result thereof;

(c) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to get the release of the captured Indian fishermen and their fishing boats/vessels and provide any financial assistance for the losses incurred to them;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

AYUSH Health & Wellness Centres in Rajasthan

†*323. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the district-wise and place-wise details of Ayush Health and Wellness Centres functioning in Rajasthan;

(b) whether the Government is considering to set up new Ayush Health and wellness Centres in the state;

(c) if so, the district and location-wise details thereof along with the current status of setting up of such centres; and

(d) the district-wise details of the proposals received for setting up of such centres in Rajsamand, Nagaur, Pali and Ajmer districts during the last three years along with the plan of the Government for setting up of the said centres?

Compulsory Voting

†*324. SHRI CHANDAN SINGH: SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to enact any law to enforce compulsory voting in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has received suggestions from any organization or the State Governments to make voting compulsory and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has proposed to make voting certificate mandatory to avail benefits and schemes provided by the Government in order to increase the percentage of voter turnout in various elections, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of democratic countries in the world where voting is compulsory?

Defence Expenditure

*325. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the overall trend in defence spending is not encouraging and the defence expenditure as a proportion of the Government expenditure has been falling steadily since 2014-15;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase defence spending upto three per cent of Gross Domestic Product for ensuring the operational preparedness of the defence forces?

Production of Ayurvedic Medicines

†*326. SHRI GUMAN SINGH DAMOR: DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any national policy for production of Ayurvedic medicines and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the annual demand and production of raw materials like herbs and other substances required for Ayurvedic medicines indicating the percentage of raw material received from farmers and forests separately, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether raw materials for manufacturing Ayurvedic medicines is being imported and if so, the details thereof including quantum of import during last three years, country-wise;

(d) whether there is any proposal for its procurement from tribal areas in view of its abundant availability, if so, the details thereof and if not, whether such a proposal will be considered in future;

(e) whether the Government has any policy to procure these ingredients from the farmers with a view to double their income; and

(f) if so, whether the Government has entered into any agreement/understanding with the farmers/ organizations and if so, the details thereof?

Administration of First dose of COVID-19 Vaccine

*327. SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noted a decrease in the number of people taking the first dose of COVID-19 vaccination in the last few weeks and if so, the details thereof; (b) whether the Government is on course to achieve the target to fully inoculate all adults by the year-end;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the steps taken to promote and facilitate vaccination of the remaining population?

Welfare Schemes for Women and Children

*328. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA): DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched Mission Shakti, Mission Vatsalya, Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0. to provide integrated benefits to women and children;

(b) if so, the details along with the physical and financial progress of these schemes, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has announced to upgrade two lakh anganwadis under the Saksham Anganwadi Scheme;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps being taken by the Government for welfare of women and children affected by COVID-19 pandemic?

Illegal Pathological Laboratories

†*329. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a large number of illegal and unauthorised pathological laboratories are operating unchecked throughout the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up a regulatory body in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other steps taken by the Government in this regard as per the guidelines of the apex court?

Impact of COVID-19 on Reporting of Cancer and HIV Cases

*330. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the impact of COVID-19 on reporting of cancer cases and detection of HIV cases;

(b) whether the Government anticipates an increase in the reporting of incidence of cancer and HIV during the post pandemic phase; and

(c) if so, the details of the measures being taken by the Government to address the situation?

Gender disparity in healthcare services

*331. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the gender disparity in access to healthcare services in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the necessary steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to imporve access to quality and affordable healthcare services to women in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Janaushadhi Kendras

*332. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any requests from the private players seeking their participation in setting up of Janaushadhi Kendras;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Ayushman Bharat – Health and Wellness Centres

*333. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched Ayushman Bharat - Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs) initiative under the Ayushman Bharat Programme and if so, the details thereof along with achievements made since its launch;

(b) the present status and achievements of Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Primary Health Centres (PHCs), State/UT-wise particularly in Tamil Nadu;

(c) whether the Government has set parameters for setting up of PHCs and CHCs and if so, the details thereof along with the percentage of population covered by PHCs and CHCs during last three years;

(d) whether the Government has received proposals from States/UTs including Tamil Nadu for opening of new CHCs and PHCs and if so, the details thereof along with the funds sanctioned and proposed to be released for setting up of CHCs/PHCs in the country, State/UTwise; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to upgrade all the CHCs/PHCs as ISO certified wellness centres and improve quality of services and if so, the details thereof along with the number of ISO certified CHCs/PHCs functioning in the country, State/UT-wise?

COVID-19 Vaccinations Centres

*334. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of a study which indicates that 89 percent people desired to have the operational hours of vaccination centres extended beyond 9 am to 5 pm and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to provide vaccination round the clock to accelerate the administration of second dose and help informal sector workers along with those in full day employment to get vaccinated; and

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

Effectiveness of Copper against SARS-CoV-2

*335. DR. RAJDEEP ROY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the notification issued in February 2021 by U.S Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) stating that certain copper alloys provide long-term effectiveness against SARS-CoV-2 virus and eliminate the COVID-19 causing virus within two hours due to anti-microbial properties of copper;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to utilize copper in healthcare infrastructure in the wake of US-EPA certification as a long-term and sustainable tool of preventing the spread of infections during times such as the current pandemic; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Establishment of Pharma Parks

*336. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH: SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has announced to establish a number of pharma parks in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of such pharma parks established, so far, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the details of investment made in all those pharma parks, so far, park-wise?

Disaster Resilient Ports in Odisha

*337. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any measures have been taken and implemented to make the ports in Odisha disaster resilient and environment friendly, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any funds are allocated by the Government to repair the ports damaged due to calamities in the State, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any authority has been deputed to oversee the fund allocation and measures taken to mitigate effects of disaster on ports and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has undertaken or plans to undertake a study to analyse health of the coastal region in Odisha affected by construction of ports and if so, the details thereof?

Migration of Indian Citizens

†*338. MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether an increase in the migration of Indian citizens has been registered over the last several years;

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(c) the present status of conferring dual citizenship to these Indian citizens?

Arrest of Fishermen

*339. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Sri Lankan fishermen arrested and their boats seized by the Indian Navy with regard to border violation and other cases from 2014 to till date; and

(b) the total number of Indian Fishermen arrested and their boats seized by the Sri Lankan Navy with regard to border violation and other cases during the said period?

Women Wing of Indian Army

*340. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV: SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to name the women's wing of Indian Army in the name of Belawadi Mallamma, the first known warrior queen who formed the first specially trained women's army in the Indian Subcontinent;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said move is a unique and first of its kind initiative that will also serve as an inspiration to the women who aspire to join the Indian Army and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Indian Army has named any organization/out-fit/wing till date in the name of a woman warrior; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

UTPAL KUMAR SINGH Secretary General

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Question No.	Correction
322	Part (a) line 4: insert "Sri Lankan and" after "seized by the"

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