

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS Tuesday, July 24, 2018/Shravana 2, 1940 (Saka)

(Ministries of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Food Processing Industries; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Home Affairs; Housing and Urban Affairs; Parliamentary Affairs; Social Justice and Empowerment)

(कृषि और किसान कल्याण; रसायन और उर्वरक; उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण; खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग; भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम; गृह; आवासन और शहरी कार्य; संसदीय कार्य; सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 230

Mono Rail Project in Kerala

921. MOHAMMED FAIZAL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of “Mono Rail” project in Kerala;

(b) whether the Government has allocated any funds for the said project; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Land Holdings and Assets

922. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government for better utilisation and planning for

Government owned land and other assets in public interest like providing housing for poor, green zones, etc.;

(b) whether the Government has any Centralized data of all the land holdings and assets by each department of the Government and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the land holdings leased or rented to private/public organisations and the total revenue earned therefrom, State-wise?

Spot Immigration Facility

923. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating on introducing a system of providing spot immigration facilities to the selected countries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Welfare of SCs and OBCs

†924. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes including skill development schemes being run by the Government for the welfare of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) and Scheduled Castes (SCs) in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the funds sanctioned, utilised and the achievement made during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and Scheme-wise;

(c) whether any target has been fixed in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, scheme-wise and the achievements made therein?

Rural Godown Scheme

†925. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALIAS HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing the Rural Godown Scheme in the country;

(b) if so, the achievements made under the scheme in the entire State of Uttar Pradesh including Basti region along with the number of godowns constructed therein;

(c) the details of funds allocated under the scheme during each of the last three years and the current year along with the funds utilised therefrom, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government is considering to sanction construction of more godowns and increase their capacity in various States of the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Relief for Flood and Natural Disaster

†926. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to provide immediate relief for deaths due to flood and natural disasters in the country so that financial assistance may be provided to families of victims directly; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Strengthening of Federal Structure

†927. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the existing federal framework of the country is hindering the development of the country;

(b) whether there is a need to further strengthen the federal structure of the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Special Laboratories for the Investigation of Rape Cases

†928. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:
SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish special/exclusive forensic laboratories for investigation of cases related to rape in the country so as to speed up the large number of pending rape cases;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken so far by the Government in this regard?

Agri-Tech Infrastructure Fund

929. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to sensitize and release the subsidy/financial assistance under the Central Sector Scheme of Agri-Tech Infrastructure Fund (ATIF) although the initial costs have been incurred by Regulated Market Committee concerned to expedite immediate launching of e-platform in various States of the country including Odisha; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Bt. Cotton

930. DR. A. SAMPATH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a non-approved third kind of Bt. cotton is being cultivated in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether corrective measures have been taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Drug Abuse

931. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched initiatives to reduce the incidence of drug abuse in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any survey has been carried out to measure the incidence and magnitude of the problem;

(c) if so, the findings of the survey; and

(d) whether any such programme has been launched in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof?

Autistic Children

932. SHRI PARTHA PRATIM RAY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the number of autistic children is increasing day by day throughout the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

Heritage City Tag

933. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of West Bengal has sent any proposal to bring certain ancient and tourist structures under Heritage tag during the last four years; and

(b) if so, the details and status thereof including Bishnupur?

Allocation of Foodgrains to Rajasthan

†934. 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) the details of foodgrains allocated to Rajasthan under National Food Security Act;

(b) whether the Government proposes to allocate additional two lakh metric ton foodgrains to the State of

Rajasthan and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether any request has been received from Rajasthan for issuing instructions to FCI for one time issuance of foodgrains to the State;

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

(e) the details of the action taken by the Government for giving priority to Rajasthan in allocation of sugar?

Reservation for SCs and OBCs

935. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has sought strict adherence to reservation for SCs and OBCs in hiring of contractual employees and consultants;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has also sought similar reservation for outsourced work in various Ministries and Government departments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Swachh Bharat Abhiyan

936. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts made under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (urban) to achieve its objective of eliminating manual scavenging; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to improve the condition of community toilets in the country including Madhya Pradesh?

Setting up of Mega Food Parks

†937. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:
SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI
PAATLE:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of mega food parks set up by the Government in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to set up new mega food parks in Madhya Pradesh;

(c) the details of the conditions fixed by the Government for setting up of new Mega Food Parks;

(d) the details of food parks proposed to be set up in the current financial year State-wise/location-wise and the criteria adopted to set up food parks;

(e) whether the Government has received proposals from various State Governments including Chhattisgarh with regard to setting up of food parks in their respective States; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Wastage of Foodgrains due to Poor Storage Facilities

†938. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER
KAUSHIK:
DR. BHARATIBEN D.
SHYAL:
SHRI KAUSHALENDRA
KUMAR:

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 foodgrains are wasted every year during the rainy season due to lack of proper storage facilities and if so, the details thereof in terms of tonnage;

(b) the action plan prepared by the Government to deal with the said problem;

(c) whether the Government has fixed any accountability in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the foodgrain storage capacity of public and private sector godowns separately in the country at present; and

(e) the total quantum of foodgrains stored in these godowns at present along with the storage capacity lying unused?

Aadhaar based Biometric Authentication in PDS

939. DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:

DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether many workers were reportedly denied rations from the Public Distribution System (PDS) shops for failing to have Aadhaar based biometric authentication and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the people who have been denied ration are mostly elderly persons who could not procure food after the Aadhaar enabled point of sales machine could not authenticate their biometrics, if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) the number of point of sale equipment in Fair Price Shops for the identification of beneficiaries under the scheme of automation of Fair Price Shops that has been set up in the country during the last three years, State-wise; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide incentives to the States that achieve cent per cent implementation of the scheme and if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the steps taken by the Government to achieve cent per cent coverage of the scheme?

Installation of Automated Kiosks

940. DR. K. GOPAL:
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to install automated kiosks e-Gates for speedy document and identity verification;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether at the e-Gates, foreigners can present their machine readable passports, place their fingerprints on the scanner and complete a customs declaration; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Funds for Hostels for SCs and OBCs

†941. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to release Central assistance/share for the construction of hostels for Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Indian Citizenship for Displaced Persons

†942. COL. SONARAM
CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the provision for conferring Indian citizenship to displaced people in the country;

(b) whether the displaced people from Pakistan are living in districts like Barmer-Jaisalmer etc. of Rajasthan State adjoining the international border near Pakistan;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether a number of displaced people are still deprived of basic facilities due to non-conferring of Indian citizenship despite following all the rules and regulations formulated by the Government in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government is taking/prepare to take specific steps/considering to provide citizenship and all related facilities to the said deprived and displaced Pakistani Nationals; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Procurement of Paddy

†943. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken by the Government to procure paddy from Madhya Pradesh during the current year;

(b) whether due to lack of required godowns for storage of paddy in Madhya Pradesh, the entire production of paddy of farmers could not be procured;

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to give bonus to the farmers in Madhya Pradesh for procurement of their entire paddy produce; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Housing Units in Jharkhand

944. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY: SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of targets set by the Government for construction of housing units in Jharkhand under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) during each of the last three years;

(b) the details of housing units constructed in the State during the said period, location-wise; and

(c) the details of funds allocated in this regard during the said period?

Model Act on Contract Farming

945. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.: SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Government has released model law for contract farming and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the two draft proposals brought forward by the Government on contract farming received wide criticism from industry and farmers groups, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to address the concerns expressed by the industry and farmers groups on contract farming;

(c) whether the Government has asked the State Governments to adopt the model act on contract farming and if so, the details thereof and the response of the State Governments thereto; and

(d) whether it is also true that once the contract farming is adopted, it would help entry of private players into the farm sector as it would induce competition and ensure assured and better price for farm produce to farmers through advance agreements and if so, the details thereof?

Revival of Loss Making PSUs

946. SHRI P. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to revive loss making Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises (BRPSEs) has completed examination of some of the sick Public Sector Undertakings;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the names of those Undertakings; and

(e) the details of recommendations made by BRPSE and the decision taken by the Government thereon?

Climate Resilient Agriculture

947. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to promote climate-resilient agriculture across the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any scheme which covers small and medium farmers, who are more vulnerable to the impact of climate change and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any of the States has any such projects and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is aware that impact of climate change will hit small and marginal farmers very badly in the coming years and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the precautions recommended by the Government in this regard?

Production of Mushroom

†948. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL "NISHANK":

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the production of mushroom in various parts of the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to produce special species of mushrooms in the hilly areas of Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir;

(c) if so, the number of persons benefited so far under the scheme;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to set up food processing units

for mushrooms and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the system to deal with the challenges of extremely slow implementation of the schemes related to agriculture and horticulture in the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Circulation of Fake Currency

949. SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR
KATEEL:
SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large amount of fake currencies are in circulation in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received complaints against the various militant outfits and other agencies involved in the circulation of fake currency in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the stringent measures taken by the Government to put an end to the circulation of fake currency in the country?

Godowns on Rent

950. SHRI DUSHYANT
CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of godowns on rent maintained by the Food Corporation of India, State wise;

(b) whether the Government is planning to increase construction of godowns with increased capacity and technological upgradation; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the financial implication for the same?

Strategic Deployment of NDRF

951. SHRI MULLAPPALLY
RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the absence of a permanent unit of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) is causing delays in rescue operations in the State of Kerala which is prone to natural disasters like flood and landslide;

(b) whether the Government would consider a permanent unit of NDRF in Kozhikode, Kerala; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Affordable Houses

†952. SHRI ASHOK
MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the price of houses have become out-of-reach of the common people; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to provide houses to the common man at affordable price?

Suicide by Debt Ridden Farmers

953. SHRI DIBYENDU
ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has failed to stop suicides of debt ridden farmers in the country;

(b) whether the Government has also failed to provide the requisite MSPs to farmers so far in the country;

(c) if so, the proposal of the Government to support farmers with right prices for farm products and stop suicides of farmers; and

(d) the details of suicides by debt ridden farmers reported in the country since 2014, State-wise?

Salient Features of PDS

954. PROF. RICHARD HAY:
SHRI PARESH RAVAL:
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:
SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Public Distribution System (PDS) Scheme and the

details of the Government's plan to digitise it;

(b) the number of PDS shops which are computerised across the country, State/UT-wise including Kerala, Gujarat, West Bengal and Maharashtra;

(c) whether any time limit has been fixed for completion of computerisation of PDS across the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Kerala, Gujarat, West Bengal and Maharashtra;

(d) whether the Government is planning to link Ration Card with Aadhaar Card across the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the response of all the States/UTs; and

(e) whether the Government has received any proposal from some of the States to include more products under PDS and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

Green Belt Cities

†955. DR. BANSHILAL
MAHATO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study to identify green belt cities in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the number of trees has been counted in such green belt cities;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether satellite mapping is used for observation of green belts; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

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Crop Insurance Schemes

†956. SHRI DHARAMBIR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of registered Government/Private insurance companies in the country under the various crop insurance schemes, State-wise including Haryana;

(b) the premium paid by the Union Government, State Governments and Farmers to these insurance companies during the last two years, company-wise;

(c) the total funds sanctioned and the total funds released by these insurance companies during the said period; and

(d) the funds released by the Insurance companies to the farmers for their damaged crops during the last two years, State-wise including Haryana?

Allocation under RKVY

957. SHRI BAIJAYANT JAY PANDA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the allocations made by the Government to the State Government of Odisha under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) have changed during the last five years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take measures to enable the States to

complete the projects that had been taken up under the scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Market Assurance Scheme

958. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce the concept of Market Assurance Scheme to procure all crops at the Minimum Support Price (MSP) announced by the Government to ensure 1.5 times of production costs to the farmers for their produce and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes/undertakes procurement operation of pulses and oilseeds and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to motivate the Farmers Producers Company for procurement of agricultural produce in all States and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether all the States have started engaging Farmer Producer Company to procure the pulses and oilseeds from farmers including Maharashtra; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Subsidy for Electric Cars

959. SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cash subsidy is being given for purchase of electric cars;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said subsidy has been removed and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has alternate plans/subsidy scheme in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government to pursue zero emission in the country?

Enemy Property

960. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government considers Mohammad Ali Jinnah's House in Mumbai as 'Enemy Property' and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the property has been listed as such and if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, under which category the property stands as on date; and

(d) the manner in which the Government proposes to dispose of the Jinnah House?

Ban on Import of Pesticides

961. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the import of pesticides has increased recently and there is imbalanced usage of imported pesticides across the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government has constituted Central Insecticides Board to ban import or sale of pesticides so as to prevent the danger to public health and safety;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has recently banned import of any such kind of pesticides; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government to undertake periodical review on the environmental impact of pesticides in the country?

Saving-cum-Relief Scheme for Fishermen

†962. SHRI VIKRAM USENDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds released by the Government for the fishermen in various States including Chhattisgarh under the Savings-cum-Relief scheme during the last three years;

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

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(b) whether the Government has increased the Central share in the said scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any amount is due to be given by the Government to the State Government of Chhattisgarh under the Savings-cum-Relief scheme during the said period;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has taken any measures to release the amount in a time-bound manner and if so, the details thereof?

Revival of Paper Mills

963. SHRI RAMESWAR TELI:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to revive Hindustan Paper Corporation's defunct Nagaon and Cachar paper mills in Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

New FPI Units

†964. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to launch any new scheme for

setting up of food processing units and to train farmers in this regard;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said scheme is likely to be implemented?

FAME India Scheme

965. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to further strengthen the FAME India scheme for faster adoption of eco-friendly automobile technologies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that vehicle length based classification will target reduction in vehicular congestion and CO₂ emission based classification would align with the overall vision of green mobility and reduction in green house gas emissions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

New Food Processing Policy

966. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR DIWAKER:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has drafted a new national food processing policy and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether several stakeholders have given their opinion in the matter, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(c) the time-frame prescribed by the Government to finalise the same and efforts made to implement it at the earliest?

Nutrient Based Subsidy

967. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given approval for continuation of Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) and city compost scheme till 2019-20 recently;

(b) if so, the total expenditure likely to be incurred for continuation of both the schemes;

(c) the objectives of continuation of both the schemes;

(d) whether the subsidy on P&K fertilizers is being governed by NBS scheme and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Market Development Assistance (MDA) on City Compost is being governed by City Compost Scheme and if so, the details thereof?

International Safety Standards for New Vehicles

968. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made it mandatory for vehicle manufacturers, especially car manufacturers to comply with best international standards for safety of drivers and passengers for new vehicles;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of state-of-the-art automotive design and testing centres existing in the country for the purpose; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to formulate new norms for crash test, emissions and other safety equipment to ensure manufacturing of safer vehicles in the country?

Star Ratings to Old Age Homes

969. SHRIMATI ANJU BALA: SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently reviewed the infrastructure and other facilities provided in Old Age Homes and is planning to give star ratings similar to those given to hotel chains and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to make it mandatory for private old age homes to get themselves registered with the Government and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government plans to evolve and prescribe certain standards for the old age homes, touching all facets of their functioning from infrastructure to facilities to manpower etc. and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of old age homes running under Integrated Programme for Older Persons (IPOP), State-wise with special reference to Uttar Pradesh; and

(e) the other major initiatives taken by the Government for the welfare of older persons in the country during the last three years and the current year?

Review of Naxal Attacks

†970. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the naxal incidents and the financial status of the victims of naxal incidents along with the issue of providing security to such affected families in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether naxal incidents have decreased in the country recently and the naxal commanders having rewards on their heads were killed in police encounters and such police team have also been rewarded by the Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the details of naxals incidents reported in the country including Bihar along with the amount allocated and spent by the Government to check naxal incidents during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government is considering to reward/provide compensation and security to the victims of naxals incidents, both in security forces and civilians in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

ASEAN-INDIA Meeting on Agriculture and Forestry

971. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has hosted the 4th ASEAN-INDIA Ministerial Meeting on Agriculture and Forestry recently and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this will facilitate promotion of joint research for development of technologies and increasing production and productivity of crops, livestock and fisheries and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether joint ventures, exchange of technologies, expertise and material are also envisaged; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Insurance under PMFBY

972. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) along with the details of insurer companies and system of approval for insurance of agricultural yield;

(b) the number of farmers provided insurance under the PMFBY till date;

(c) the details of the premium collected since the launch of PMFBY till date, State/ Union Territory-wise and date-wise;

(d) the details of insurance amount released, State/Union Territory-wise and date-wise;

(e) whether the insurers have returned the premium collected from the farmers in Kerala, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Water Supply in Rohini

973. SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question No. 2776 answered on March 13, 2018 and state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that connection has not been given so far from the command tank Sector-29, Rohini and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of commencement of water supply through pipeline and testing of water; and

(c) the time by which the residents are likely to get adequate water supply through pipelines?

Shortage of Godowns and Cold Storages

974. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that there is insufficient number of godowns and cold storages in the country;

(b) if so, the details of godowns and cold storages at present in the country, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government is aware that due to shortage of cold storages/godowns, agricultural produce either get rotten or farmers have to sell their produce at very low prices;

(d) if so, whether the Government will conduct a survey to find out the quantum of loss of produce and farmers income in value term due to shortage of godowns and cold storages and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is considering to increase/construct more godowns and cold storages to save agriculture produce and loss of income of farmers; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

CSR Funds

†975. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the projects for which Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds has been utilised during the last three years and the current year and the amount of such funds available with the Public Sector Enterprises;

(b) whether the Government is aware of the reports in the media regarding misuse of the said CSR funds of Public Sector Enterprises of Public Works Department;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure the proper utilisation

of CSR funds as per the prescribed guidelines?

Criteria for Fixation of Minimum Support Price

†976. SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the formula which is used by the Government to fix the Minimum Support Price(MSP);

(b) whether it is a fact that farmers are not satisfied with the MSP fixed by the Government despite increasing 50 per cent MSP for 14 kharif crops recently;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the corrective steps taken by the Government thereon?

Identification of Drug Addicts

†977. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI: SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to identify drug addicts and prepare action plan for their rehabilitation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to check the use of narcotics and drugs in States adjoining the international borders of the country; and

(d) the details of survey undertaken so far in various States to identify drug addicts, State-wise and area-wise?

Tackling Cyber Threats

978. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to set up Cyber Warrior Police Force (CWPF) and Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) to tackle internet-related crimes such as cyber threats;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has framed jurisdiction from where it will derive its powers or personnel and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it will be empowered to make arrests under the new structure and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is aware that the existing rules and mechanisms are deficient to tackle the cyber crimes; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Consumer Protection Act, 1986

979. 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 having any proposal to amend the existing

Consumer Protection Act, 1986 since the existing provisions can not tackle the misleading advertisements and consumer redressal mechanism and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether the Government is considering to appoint Central Consumer Protection Authority with executive powers and if so, the details thereof?

Subsidy on Home Loans

†980. PROF. CHINTAMANI MALVIYA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase interest subsidy to economically weaker section/urban poor to enable them to buy houses under Public Sector Housing schemes and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering to provide 6.5 per cent subsidy on Home loans for a period of 15 years to economically weaker/low-income group people and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the subsidy likely to be provided to both the said categories would be Rs. 2.3 lakh per housing unit on net present value and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether eligibility criteria in this regard were fixed long back and construction cost and Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has increased, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Drought affected States

981. SHRI J.C. DIVAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of drought affected districts in various States of the country including Anantapur district in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years and the current year; and

(b) the details of the drought affected areas declared and notified so far district and State-wise and the details of the funds released by the Government and spent in drought affected districts including Anantapur so far?

Cold Storage under NMFP

982. DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated, sanctioned and released for setting up of cold storages under the National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) in the country during the last three years and the current year, so far, State-wise;

(b) the number of existing cold storages in each State/UT;

(c) whether the Government has any plans for setting up of cold storages in rural areas so that the perishable vegetables and fruits are stored immediately after their harvest; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the country can become self-reliant in storage of vegetables and fruits?

Use of Spurious/Adulterated Pesticides

983. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that spurious and adulterated pesticides and fertilizers are in circulation and fobbed off on unsuspecting farmers for use in the farming, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received reports of several deaths and serious illnesses sustained by the farming community due to use of certain pesticides, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the proactive steps undertaken by the Government to check that spurious and adulterated pesticides and fertilizers are eliminated from being sold to the unwary farmers?

Funds for Drinking Water

†984. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUHARY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether funds have been allocated for drinking water scheme and sewage treatment plants in Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the works executed through the said funds?

Metro Projects

985. SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched Metro Projects in several cities of the country;

(b) if so, the details and the present status of the said projects along with the criteria adopted for selecting the said cities;

(c) whether the Government is considering to extend Metro Network in other cities by relaxing the criteria; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Stock of Foodgrains

986. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether country has adequate stock of foodgrains at present;

(b) whether the said stocks will meet internal demand of foodgrains;

(c) if so, the details thereof indicating the anticipated demand for foodgrains in the country; and

(d) whether there is any ban on the export of foodgrains and if so, the details thereof?

Ban on use of Hazardous Pesticides

987. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals to ban the use of hazardous pesticides in farming in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that World Health Organisation estimates that 20 per cent of all suicides could be prevented through restriction on access to such pesticides/poisonous; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

Consolidation of Farm Land

988. SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 86 per cent of farmers fall into the small and marginal category in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the average farm size is 1.15 hectares and there is no efficiency of scale in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the consolidation of farm lands is not possible in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the produce of farmers needs to be aggregated; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Relocation of Trees

†989. DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY: SHRI SHER SINGH GHUBAYA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal for shifting/relocation of trees coming in the way of construction by NBCC, DDA, DMRC and Central Public Works Department through some Ultra modern machine instead of cutting them;

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

(c) whether the Government has given a target to DDA, CPWD, NBCC and DMRC for planting about ten lakh trees in different parts of Delhi;

(d) if so, whether the Government has appointed any agency for monitoring and maintenance of the trees planted; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Loan to Farmers

†990. SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of farmers who have been provided loan during the last three years and the amount thereof;

(b) the details of new policies proposed to be formulated by the Union Government for the welfare of the farmers;

(c) the details of policies and schemes formulated by the Government during the said period;

(d) the number of self help groups in the country, State-wise; and

(e) the number of the said groups out of these, which have been provided loans during the said period, State-wise?

Real Estate Regulation Law

991. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has ruled out any amendment to the Real Estate Regulation Law despite demand by the builders lobby for changes in certain provisions of the Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has set a deadline for States to amend the dilutions in the notified rules to bring all incomplete projects under regulation and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is true that June 30 has been set as the deadline for establishing permanent regulations, starting website and tribunals as prescribed under the law; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Monitoring of Social Media

992. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted a panel to periodically monitor cyber crimes and ensure redressal of complaints by social media platforms that are used to spread offensive content which could precipitate law and order issues;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the manner in which the panel would enable better coordination among law enforcement agencies and State police forces to block, remove or take action against objectionable information;

(c) whether the Government has issued directives to representatives of social media platforms to implement remedial measures required to filter malicious content from appearing on social media;

(d) whether the social media platforms are complying with the provisions of the Information Technology Act, 2000 following the directives issued by the Government;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the current status of compliance measures adopted by the social media platforms, company-wise;

(f) whether the social media platforms have outlined strategies to the Government for implementing a mechanism to address fake news and other disturbing contents; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Meeting with DCGI

993. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Drug Controller General of India (DCGI) has called a meeting with all major pharmaceutical companies to discuss the proposal regarding introduction of trace and track mechanism for top 300 drug brands that are sold in India;

(b) if so, the deliberations made in the said meeting;

(c) whether it has been agreed that the company will print a unique number on each strip or bottle of the drug; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Welfare Institutions and Hostels Scheme

†994. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

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 proposes to launch a Welfare Institutions and Hostels Scheme shortly and if so, the details and the objectives thereof;

(b) whether all the students living in the hostels, where two-thirds belong to SC, ST and OBC communities, will be entitled to 15 kg of foodgrain per month at subsidised rates;

(c) whether the Government has sought from the State Governments their requirement of foodgrains for providing 15 kg each to SC, ST, OBC and women residents of hostels;

(d) the number of boys and girls likely to be benefited from SC, ST, OBC and backwards from minorities; and

(e) the time by which the new Scheme is likely to be launched and the names of the States selected for the roll out?

Monitoring the functioning of CAPF

995. SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of service related grievances publicized recently by the personnel of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) and if so, the follow-up action taken thereon;

(b) the mechanism for monitoring the functioning of grievances redressal system in CAPF;

(c) whether the Government proposes to bring about an independent grievances redressal system in all organised institutions including CAPF for boosting the morale of personnel and to ensure better efficiency; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Time Lag between Demand & Supply

996. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is considerable time lag between indented demand and actual supply of fertilizers and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the quantum of fertilizers demanded and supplied to the States during 2015-16 and projected for the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether the quantity of fertilizers supplied is not adequate to meet the requirement of the States and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the remedial steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Rehabilitation of Physically Challenged Persons

997. SHRI PR. SENTHIL
NATHAN:
SHRIMATI V. SATHYA
BAMA:
SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN
R.K.:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the population of physically challenged persons in the country as on date, State-wise;

(b) whether it is true that several thousands of physically challenged persons of various nature are left with no proper care and attention and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken effective steps to support, rehabilitate and develop physically challenged population in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the total funds allocated in this regard; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to provide incentives and other encouragements to best performing NGOs in this field, in the country?

Growth of Animal Husbandry

†998. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is huge potential for growth of animal husbandry and dairy industry in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the details of study conducted by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the efforts made by the Government in this regard and the development work executed by the Government in this direction out of these efforts?

Sowing of Kharif Crops

999. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:
DR. C.

GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rainfall in the country as of June, 2018 was below normal with 5% deficit which leads to slowdown in sowing of Kharif crops, 46% less than that of last year across the country;

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has started a scheme to provide subsidy on capital investment in agro-infrastructure projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with its likely impact on the agriculture sector;

(c) the time by which the scheme is likely to be started; and

(d) the projects included in the agro-infrastructure sector?

Division of 9th and 10th Schedule Institutions

1002. SHRI KONAKALLA
NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government is drawn to the matter of division of 9th and 10th Schedule Institutions between AP and Telangana as per the AP Reorganisation Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the cotentions of AP and Telangana; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to resolve the matters without any further delay?

Privatisation of Paper Mills

1003. KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action is being taken by the Union Government to meet any shortfall in crop output to meet demand and supply of the crops in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Small Land Holdings

†1000. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 69 per cent of farmers have less than one hectare of land, 17 per cent of farmers have less than two hectare of land and 36 per cent of farmers do not have any land in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether due to small land holdings, the input cost is higher than production cost which has caused debt burden on the farmers;

(c) if so, the total debt on each farmer as per survey conducted in the year 2013;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to make agriculture a zero cost occupation and promote co-operative agriculture and the details of the outcome thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to waive off the debts of the farmers?

Investment in Agro-Infrastructural Projects

1001. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH
PATEL:

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

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भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plans for privatisation of the Cachar Paper Mills and Nagaon Paper Mills and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering a revival package for the Cachar Paper Mills and Nagaon Paper Mills of Hindustan Paper Corporation, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the Government has any plans for the modernisation and technological upgradation of the above mills and if so, the details thereof?

Mega Food Parks

1004. SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the actions taken by the Government so far to start the functioning of proposed Mega Food Park in Cherthala, in Kerala;

(b) the details of funds sanctioned for the proposed park so far;

(c) whether the State Government of Kerala had submitted any detailed project report to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) for approval;

(d) if so the actions taken in this regard;

(e) the details of the Mega Food Parks in different parts of the Country and the status of announced projects;

(f) whether the Government has taken any measures to promote the production

and export of local food items peculiar to the region in these food parks; and

(g) if so, the actions taken so far?

R&D in Alternative Fuel for Vehicles

†1005. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared any action plan for research and development in the field of alternative fuel for vehicles in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to encourage alternative fuel for vehicles?

Shortage of Central Armed Police Forces

1006. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is shortage of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) personnel in the country;

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

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

Production of Mangoes

1007. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the largest producer of mangoes in the world;

(b) if so, the production of mangoes reported in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Bihar;

(c) whether there is a decline in mango production in the country, if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to provide assistance to the affected farmers and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps being taken by the Government to boost the production and export of mangoes?

Impediment in Agriculture Growth

1008. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the institutional barrier comprising governance, the quality of public systems, and economic policies has become the most serious impediment to agriculture growth in the Country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Import liberalization has had a strong dampening effect on the

prices of several crops and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the agricultural distress across the Country is causing a widespread systemic crisis and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the suicides among farming community are on the rise year by year and if so, the details thereof?

National Competitive Market for Organic Produce

1009. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any effort made by the Government to create a national competitive market for the organic produce from North-Eastern States, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has encouraged the creation of markets specific to organic produce; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the necessary steps taken by the Government in this direction?

Report of Committee on Chennai Floods

1010. SHRI K.R.P.

PRABAKARAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received the Report of the Committee on Disaster in Chennai which is affected by

torrential rainfall and consequent flooding; and

(b) if so, the details of the recommendations of the report and the follow up action taken thereon along with the funds allocated in this regard?

Women Farmers

1011. DR. NARAMALLI SIVA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to provide identity cards to women farmers, so that they can be recognised as cultivators in their own right;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Capital Goods Sector

1012. SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA: SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to enhance the competitiveness of Indian goods in the capital goods sector;

(b) whether any step is being taken in this direction for the benefit of Micro, Small

and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) feeding raw material to heavy industries;

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

(d) whether there are any collaboration with leading technical institutes such as IITs for research and development in this field; and

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

Production and Availability of Fertilizer

†1013. SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH BHOLE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the decrease in production and availability of fertilizers due to closure of fertilizer production units in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to privatise such sick/closed units;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Houses for Weaker Sections

†1014. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR HANSDAK:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons belonging to weaker sections who have been allotted houses under various schemes in Jharkhand during the last three years;

(b) the estimated number of persons in Jharkhand who are homeless;

(c) the various efforts being made to ensure that housing facility is made available to all in Jharkhand by the year 2018; and

(d) the outcome of the said efforts?

Innovative Technology in Automobile Sector

1015. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as the Indian automobile re-manufacturing market becomes more competitive, the need for innovative technology is assuming greater importance and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Indian auto manufacturers require the latest technology and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is considering to help the auto industry to attain the latest technology and equipment to make India a truly global auto manufacturer/producer; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Foreign Funds

1016. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether some of the institutions were barred from receiving foreign funds as they failed to file their annual returns;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in 2017, several opportunities were given to the defaulting NGOs/institutions to provide the details of their income and expenditure, receipt of funds from abroad and balance sheets without paying any penalty; and

(d) whether a large number of these organisations are yet to adhere to the Government orders and if so, the details thereof?

Urea Subsidy

†1017. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of total amount of subsidy being given on Urea to the farmers during the last three years;

(b) the frequency of urea subsidy being given to the farmers in a year;

(c) whether any ceiling has been fixed in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the manner in which urea subsidy is being given to the farmers presently;

(e) whether the Government proposes to issue smart cards to the farmers for purchasing fertilizers and if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the farmers will get urea subsidy only twice a year through smart card and if so, the details and the reasons therefor; and

(g) the details of the annual demand of urea in the State of Jharkhand?

Possession of Flats

1018. SHRI ARKA KESHARI DEO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the real estate sector/builders in the National Capital Region have failed to hand over the flats/houses to their owners;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of flats yet to be handed over to the owners;

(c) whether the Government has taken any punitive action against the real estate developers/builders; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Charging of Higher Price for Drugs

†1019. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that private hospitals in Delhi are selling drugs at higher price which at times is 1000 per cent higher than the cost price of the drugs and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) has conducted any raid on the hospitals of Delhi in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against the hospitals charging higher rates for drugs?

Death due to Heat and Cold

1020. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of deaths occurred due to sunstroke, heat and cold in the country during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there has been day by day increase in the deaths of very poor people and labourer residing close to cities in comparison to those living in rural areas which are naturally less vulnerable areas;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken to prevent such deaths?

National Mission on Food Processing

1021. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether under the National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) any scheme is implemented to promote further entrepreneurship in this field;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including data on expenditure, State-wise;

(c) whether the Mission also helps in building facilities that provide diploma and certificate courses in Food Processing Technology; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, including a list of such facilities, State-wise particularly in Odisha and the expenditure incurred thereon?

Traditional Cultivation for Cultivation

1022. SHRI G.M.

SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of oxen being used traditionally for cultivation-sowing in farms across the country and the number of tractors being used for the same;

(b) the cheaper and convenient method for cultivation-sowing by farmers in farms out of the two options; and

(c) whether the Government is planning to build yard for unusable animals and cattle which cause heavy damage to farmers' crops, if so, the details thereof?

Urbanisation Policy

1023. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government acknowledges that the growth witnessed in the cities is not in accordance with any master plans particularly in the metropolitan areas since the independence;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the salient features of the current urbanisation policy being followed across the country;

(c) whether the Government proposes to review the urbanisation policy of the country in line at par with that of other world class policies;

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

(e) whether the Government has conducted any study on foreign urbanisation policy and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether there exists any authority or supervisory body which is held accountable if the urbanisation policy is not being implemented properly and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Allocation of Fund to NGOs

†1024. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and names of the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) in the country and the financial assistance provided by the Government to these NGOs during the last three years and the current year along with the details of the schemes under which these assistance were provided by the Government, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government provides financial assistance for animal husbandry, dairy development, breed conservation of indigenous cows, advanced hybridization, breed development and artificial insemination;

(c) if so, the total funds allocated/released and utilized by various NGOs including J&K trust situated in Chhattisgarh during the said period along with the names of the schemes;

(d) whether the Government has reviewed the activities of the said NGOs during the said period and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the Non- Governmental Organizations (NGOs) indulged in various irregularities and the details of the action taken by the Government thereon, State-wise, including Chhattisgarh?

Claims of Gujarat under NFS Scheme

†1025. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gujarat has made any claims regarding its State share under the National Food Security (NFS) scheme;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to release the amount of funds mentioned in the said claim?

Review of Internal Security

1026. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to review the State of internal security in view of increasing internal security challenges in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has constituted any team of security experts in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other measures taken by the Government for reforms in police and intelligence gathering mechanism?

FDI in FPI Sector

1027. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government had allowed 100% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) for development of Food Processing Industries (FPI);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent to which the Government was able to attract FDI in this Sector; and

(d) whether the Government would ensure that a regional balance will be maintained while developing the food processing industries all over the country?

SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act

1028. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA: SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any action on the judgement of the Supreme Court that government servants should not

be arrested under SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act without prior sanction and private citizens too can be arrested only after an inquiry under law;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the manner in which the Government is planning to protect SCs/ STs; and

(d) the details of cases registered, disposed off, persons convicted and acquitted under the above Act during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise?

Ban on Alcoholism and Smoking

†1029. PROF. RAVINDRA VISHWANATH GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is preparing any action plan to impose ban on drinking and smoking in the country;

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

(c) whether the Government is aware that many types of diseases are spreading and incidents of deaths are taking place in the country due to drinking and smoking;

(d) if so, whether the Government is taking any steps for complete ban on liquor and imposing ban on tobacco production in the country; and

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

Surrender-cum-Rehabilitation of Militants

1030. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been implementing a scheme for Surrender-cum-Rehabilitation of Militants in the North-East and Jammu & Kashmir (J&K);

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds utilised in this regard and the details of Surrenderees since 2009, year-wise;

(c) whether any new scheme has been introduced/launched in this regard during the last few years, if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated/utilised thereunder; and

(d) the details of the amount paid to surrenderees and immediate grant kept in a bank during each of the last three years and the current year, beneficiary-wise?

Funds to Municipal Corporations

†1031. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether fund allocation is likely to be made to all municipal corporations across the country for underground drainage facility;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress made so far in this regard including consultation with the States?

Rise of Crime against Women

1032. SHRI SUMAN BALKA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per Government data, the number of reported crimes against women rose by 83 per cent between 2007 and 2016; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken by the Government to stop violence against women?

Model of Swachh Bharat Scheme

1033. PROF. K.V. THOMAS:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any model of Swachh Bharat Scheme has been approved under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (urban); and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Financial Package to Kerala for Cyclone Ockhi

1034. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Kerala had sought a financial package of Rs. 7,304 crore from the Government to assist the communities affected by cyclone Ockhi;

(b) if so, whether the Ministry has made arrangement to disburse this amount;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has formed any committee for assessing the impact of cyclone Ockhi on fishermen and damage caused by it;

(e) whether the Government has received any report on the rescue, relief operation and rehabilitation schemes in the affected States of Kerala, Tamil Nadu and UT of Lakshadweep in the aftermath of the devastating Ockhi cyclone; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard along with the measures taken to protect the fishermen and their assets in future?

Mob Attacks on Tribals

1035. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of attacks on tribals reported in the country during the last one year, State-wise;

(b) the details of steps taken to check frequent mob attacks on tribals in the country;

(c) whether the Government has issued directions to the concerned State Governments to take stern action against those attackers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Smart City Projects

1036. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH

SHINDE:

SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:

SHRI DHARMENDRA

YADAV:

SHRI VINAYAK

BHAURAO RAUT:

SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL

SHIVAJIRAO:

SHRI SHRIRANG APPA

BARNE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the smart city projects in the country;

(b) whether after three years of its launch, reports have revealed that the Smart Cities Mission is progressing at a slow pace and if so, the facts thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that many projects are still in the preparatory phase of implementation and if so, the response of the Government thereon;

(d) whether like many of the Government's flagship programmes, the Smart Cities programme used only 1.8 per cent of the funds released so far and if so, the facts in this regard and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(e) whether there is lack of gender equality and non-discriminatory approach in the Smart Cities Mission and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Jan Aushadhi-Suvidha

1037. SHRIMATI KAVITHA

KALVAKUNTALA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently launched the 'Jan Aushadhi

Suvidha'-Oxo-biodegradable Sanitary Napkin initiative under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the aforesaid napkin will be distributed through Jan Aushadhi Stores only and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the price and other relevant information regarding the sanitary pad being distributed under this scheme?

Trolling of External Affairs Minister

1038. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry on trolling of External Affairs Minister recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of standard protocol being followed in such cases?

Rise in Crime

1039. SHRI JITENDRA

CHAUDHURY:

SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU

JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that incidents of crime are increasing day-by-day in the country;

(b) if so, the increase in the crime graph registered during the last two years, State-wise including Maharashtra; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the situation?

Agrarian Crisis

1040. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers went on nation-wide agitation against agrarian crisis in the country and if so, the details thereof and the Government's reaction thereto;

(b) whether the Government has proposed to increase the Minimum Support Prices (MSP) to double the farmer's income and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether farmers have been committing suicide as agriculture are not viable and profitable and if so, the Government's reaction thereto;

(d) the details of suicide by farmers during the last four years; and

(e) the corrective measures taken by the Government for the development of agriculture and welfare of farmers in the country?

e-Commerce Platforms

1041. 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 taking any steps to protect the interests of the consumers who buy commodities from the e-Commerce platforms;

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

(c) whether the Government plans to spread awareness about consumer rights in the identified rural areas of low digital literacy; and

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

Harmful Ingredients in Pesticides

1042. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that several harmful ingredients were found in pesticides used by several farmers in Yavatmal District of Maharashtra which caused pesticide poisoning and death of farmers;

(b) if so, whether the Government has collected the enquiry findings from the State Government of Maharashtra;

(c) if so, the details of the findings thereof;

(d) the details of the names and locations of the companies which produced these fake pesticides; and

(e) the details of the companies which are found guilty and the action taken by the Government against such companies?

Human Trafficking

1043. SHRIMATI P.K. SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a sharp increase in the cases of human trafficking in the country;

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

(c) the details of such cases reported and the action taken thereon during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(d) the steps taken so far by the Government to check cases of human trafficking in the country and the extent to which success has been achieved in this regard; and

(e) the future course of action of the Government for tackling this serious issue?

PM Kisan Sampada Yojana

1044. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE:
SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:
SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched a new scheme 'Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana' and if so, the details

thereof including its objectives and salient features;

(b) the number of projects approved under Agro Processing Clusters, Backward-Forward linkage and unit scheme so far, State-wise including Bundelkhand region;

(c) whether the Government has set target for creation of 4 lakh jobs by March, 2019 in the Food Processing Industries, if so, the steps taken in this regard;

(d) whether the Government has decided to create a new financial institution that will exclusively fund food processing projects and create capacity building in the field of risk assessment and lending to food processing sector, if so, the facts in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government has made investment commitment of nearly Rs. 1,00,000 crore in the last one year alone and if so, the extent to which it has started and grounding and the extent to which Bundelkhand region will be benefited?

New National Auto Policy

1045. SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO (AVANTHI):
DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a New National Auto Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether all stakeholders would be taken on board before unveiling the New National Auto Policy and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is true that the New Auto Policy would give special emphasis to emission linked taxation on automobiles and technology agnostic green mobility roadmap; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Establishment of Food Processing Industries

†1046. SHRI PRATAPRAO
JADHAV:

Will the Minister of FOOD
PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Food Processing Industries units established in various States/regions of the country specially Vidarbha region of Maharashtra, location-wise; and

(b) the amount allocated/issued for this purpose during the last three years, State/region-wise?

Amendment in Marketing Policy

†1047. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers are likely to get proper price for their produce after the amendment in agricultural market rules by the Government and the farmers will not be the victim of the middlemen due to the development of e-platform;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has constituted/proposed to constitute a committee in this regard, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is likely to implement the scheme in the whole country or it will be restricted to some States only; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the number of States where e-NAM Scheme is being implemented?

Ceasefire Violations

†1048. SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:

DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:

SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:
SHRI VENKATESH BABU

T.G.:

SHRI VINAYAK

BHAURAO RAUT:

SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:

SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:

SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:

Will the Minister of HOME
AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether recently incidents of ceasefire violations across the border had increased sharply during the holy month of Ramazan especially in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the number of such incidents reported and the number of security personnels/citizens injured and killed in such incidents during the last three months;

(c) whether there is any report on the displacement of people and loss of property in Jammu and Kashmir;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the amount of the compensation paid to the victims by the Government;

(e) the steps being taken for the safety and security of citizens in the villages along the border and for the rehabilitation of the victims of ceasefire violations; and

(f) the measures taken by the Government to hold talk with Pakistan and to solve the problem of ceasefire violations across the LOC and the extent to which success has been achieved in this regard?

Indo-Myanmar Border Dispute

1049. DR. THOKCHOM
MEINYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any unsettled boundary issues/disputes between India and Myanmar particularly along the border of the North Eastern States;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures taken up by the Government to settle such issues/disputes with the Myanmar Government?

Smart Farming

1050. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:
SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is making any scheme for 'Smart Farming' in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the States in which this scheme is likely to be started initially;

(c) whether the Government proposes to launch this scheme in Gujarat and West Bengal also and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has also received representation from other States regarding this scheme and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(e) whether the Government is also planning to use Artificial Intelligence Technology for this farming, if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be started; and

(f) the details of funds likely to be sanctioned for 'Smart Farming', State/UT-wise?

Estimation of Poverty

†1051. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER
AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC
DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण
मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the parameters for measurement of poverty for the targeted public distribution schemes of the Ministry;

(b) whether the Government has amended the methodology of the Planning Commission (now NITI Aayog) for estimation of poverty in the country; and

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

Employment Opportunities in Food Processing Sector

†1052. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:
SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the employment opportunities created in the food processing sector during the last three years, State/UT-wise; and

(b) the targets set for creation of employment opportunities in the food processing sector by the year 2024?

Illegal Arms Trading

†1053. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:
SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL:
SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the rising incidents of illegal arms trading in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that fake licences are prepared to sell arms and ammunitions illegally in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has developed any mechanism to check illegal trade of arms in the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Development of Housing Units

†1054. DR. KRISHAN PRATAP:
SHRI B. V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cities/towns in the country identified/selected for development of housing/dwelling units under Housing for All scheme, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh and Karnataka;

(b) the eligibility criteria laid down by the Government to provide houses under the said scheme; and

(c) whether any new features have been included in the scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Atrocities on Dalit and Weaker Sections

1055. SHRI KAMAL NATH:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that incidents of atrocities on Dalits and other weaker sections of the society have increased in the past few months across the country;

(b) if so, the number of such incidents that came to the notice of the Government in the past six months and the action contemplated by the Government thereon, State/UT-wise;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any estimation of the economic growth and job creation by promoting the said activities;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the funds earmarked by the Government for promotion of mariculture and related activities?

(c) whether the Government has since ascertained the exact cause of increase in incidents of atrocities on Dalits and other weaker sections across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to safeguard Dalits and other weaker sections of people in the country?

FPI in North Eastern States

1056. SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken by the Government to ensure that Food Processing Industries (FPI) are successfully established in North Eastern States specially in Arunachal Pradesh; and

(b) the details of the steps taken/being taken to integrate North Eastern States with central markets in India to sell food products at good rate?

Promotion of Mariculture and Open Sea Cage Culture Activity

1057. SHRI D.K. SURESH:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:
SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Government has proposed to promote mariculture and open sea cage culture activity in all maritime States and Union territories;

Income Security for Farmers

1058. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set a roadmap or a 'four-pronged strategy' for doubling the farmers' income by 2022;

(b) if so, whether the NITI Aayog has proposed a pilot project in this regard, if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government is considering to fix the Minimum Support Price for all the agricultural produce to ensure income security for the farmers and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the allocation made by the Government to agriculture sector during the last five-years period and the details thereof?

Pending Applications for Indian Citizenship

1059. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of pending applications for Indian Citizenship by people from different countries living in India, country and religion-wise;

(b) the number of persons who came to India for Indian Citizenship since 1990; and

(c) the criteria for conferring Indian Citizenship to such persons?

Crime against Dalits

1060. SHRI HARISH MEENA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of crime and atrocities registered against women and Dalits in the country during the last four years;

(b) whether it a fact that the number of such incidents are rising over the years;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to make changes in the present law and adopt new strategies to control such incidents in the future; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Assistance for House

†1061. SHRIMATI NEELAM
SONKER:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether an amount of Rs. 1,81,000
(Rupees one lakh and eighty one thousand

only) has been allocated/sanctioned to the people living Below Poverty Line (BPL) to construct a liveable house and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government proposes to increase the said amount upto rupees three lakh and if so, the details thereof?

Organic Farming

1062. SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

SHRI T.

RADHAKRISHNAN:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN

MAHATO:

SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:

SHRIMATI RANJANBEN

BHATT:

SHRI ASHOK

SHANKARRAO

CHAVAN:

KUNWAR HARIBANSH

SINGH:

SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI GAJANAN

KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is promoting organic farming in the country through the Schemes of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has revised the guidelines of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) scheme and if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives thereto;

(c) the assistance provided by the Government under the said scheme for eligible farmers;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any study to assess the benefits of the said Yojana and if so, the details thereof along with the outcome thereto; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to promote organic farming in the country?

Compensation to Fishermen for Ockhi Disaster

1063. SHRI N.K.

PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement special package for the welfare of fisher folk for compensating their loss due to cyclone Ockhi disaster;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of financial assistance provided by the Government to each State for the cyclone Ockhi Disaster Management;

(d) whether the Government is considering the request of State Government of Kerala for a special package other than the relief as per the existing norms of disaster management and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to provide special assistance to the fisher folk in the cyclone Ockhi affected areas during the trawling season and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the details of action taken by the Government for compensating the fisher folk and boat owners for their loss of net and other fishing instrument due to cyclone Ockhi?

Review of PMFBY

1064. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.

SCINDIA:

SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently ordered a review of the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether several State Governments have decided not to opt for the PMFBY;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the benefits accrued to the farmers from the implementation of the scheme?

Sealing Activities

†1065. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU

JADHAV:

SHRI ARKA KESHARI

DEO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) with the supervision of monitoring committee appointed by the Supreme Court have undertaken demolition drive of illegal farm

houses, building structures and encroachment of footpaths in Delhi in the recent months;

(b) if so, the number of sealings carried out by the three MCDs, so far;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide any relief to the citizens of Delhi from the sealing activities and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is thinking of providing world class facilities to the residents of Delhi and if so, the details thereof?

Assistance for Drought

†1066. SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the damages caused to crops due to severe drought condition in various States, State-wise;

(b) the details of the necessary measures taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) the details of the funds allocated and released by the Government to solve the problems faced by farmers due to the damages caused recently to crops by heavy rainfall, hailstorm and the drought situation in the country; and

(d) whether the Government is likely to announce special Minimum Support Price for the current crop season as per the Swaminathan Committee Report recommendations in view of the great difficulties being faced by farmers due to drought and heavy rainfall and if so, the details thereof?

e-Filing of Documents

1067. SHRIMATI SANTOSH
AHLAWAT:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:

Will the Minister of
PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

संसदीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that e-filing of documents is applicable in all the Central Government Ministries and File Tracking System (FTS) is being used to update the files;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government is planning to give the access to the Members of Parliament to track their grievances related to their respective constituency through FTS; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Assistance to SCs

†1068. SHRI PANKAJ
CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to amend the present procedure for determining the scholarship to be given to the students belonging to Scheduled Castes (SCs);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is also likely to amend the present procedure for determining grants to be given to differently abled, senior citizens, widows, poor girls

for their marriages and relief amount to be given to SCs for harassment and inter caste marriage;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to launch a scheme for providing assistance under social security without demand and within a specified time frame and if so, the details thereof?

Extension of e-Visa Scheme

1069. SHRI CH. MALLA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched e-visa scheme in 2014 to encourage tourism, business travel and health tourism in the country;

(b) whether the Government has plans to extend the scheme to more countries;

(c) whether the Government has now decided to increase the scope of this scheme to include e-Conference and e-Medical Attendant Visa;

(d) whether the Government plans to increase the number of Departure and Arrival counters at major airports as well as providing human resource to the Bureau of Immigration (BoI) to fast-track the immigration process;

(e) whether the Government has also introduced e-FRRO services for those foreigners who are staying in India and who need services like visa extension, visa conversion, exit permit, registration, change of passport details, change of address and others; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Wastage of Agro Products

1070. SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:
SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of FOOD
PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware about the wastage of huge quantities of foodgrains, fruits and vegetables in the country because of lack of proper processing facilities; and

(b) if so, the details of the schemes introduced for food processing and their progress?

MSP for Agricultural Produce

†1071. SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for kharif and rabi crops set by the Government during the last four years;

(b) the details of the commodity-wise MSP and the increase made therein for the year 2018-19;

(c) the scheme formulated by the Government to ensure procurement of all the agricultural produce of the farmers after deciding the MSP; and

(d) the details of the action plan formulated by the Government to purchase the maximum produce of the farmers so that the farmers of the country get maximum benefit?

Committee on Farmers Income

1072. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA
BAMA:
SHRI PR. SENTHIL
NATHAN:
SHRIMATI POONAMBEN
MAADAM:
SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN
R.K.:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee appointed by the Government to prepare the report on doubling farmers' income has submitted its report and if so, the salient features of the recommendations of the Committee;

(b) whether the Committee has also recommend for any institutional mechanism to review and monitor implementation of various schemes to realise the goal and to examine progress of the said target and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the expenditure likely to be incurred to achieve the target of doubling farmers' income by 2022;

(d) whether the Government has taken serious note on the distress of Paddy farmers in Tamil Nadu due to low support price and huge difference between MSP and the cost of inputs; and

(e) if so, the extent by which MSP for paddy is likely to be increased?

Rumours through Social Media

†1073. SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:
SHRIMATI SANTOSH
AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether social media especially, whatsapp has been mostly used in spreading rumours in the country during the last four years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether internet facility has been stopped by the Government several times to maintain law and order in the country;

(d) if so, the number of times the Government suspended internet facility during the said period along with the period of time for which this service was suspended, State-wise;

(e) whether any legal action has been taken against any person for spreading rumours during the said period;

(f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(g) whether the Government has identified the phone numbers through which rumours using social media/ whatsapp have been spread and if so, the details thereof?

Priority to Agriculture Sector

1074. SHRI MALLIKARJUN
KHARGE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due priority is not given to the agriculture sector in the country, so far and if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;

Untouchability

1076. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:
SHRI SADASHIV
LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for untouchability rates being as high as 66% in rural Rajasthan and 64% in rural Uttar Pradesh as per survey conducted by Social Attitude Research, India (SARI);

(b) whether the Government monitors untouchability in different parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any mechanism to measure the rise or fall in untouchability in any region and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of sensitisation programmes implemented for Government officials and similar programmes for citizens, against untouchability; and

(e) the effective steps being taken by the Government to protect the dalits from untouchability in the country?

Loss of Crops due to Changes in Weather Patterns

†1077. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether crops have been damaged or their production has declined due to sudden changes in weather patterns thereby resulting in decline in farmers income;

(b) whether the Government proposes to promote the agriculture sector to bridge the gap between urban and rural areas and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the small scale industries in the agriculture sector is playing an important role in boosting local income/ economy and enhancing the prospects of the farming sector and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in the interest of the farmers in the country?

Financial Assistance to NGOs

†1075. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR
HANSDAK:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) given financial assistance and the quantum of financial assistance given to them for extending assistance to physically handicapped in purchasing aids and equipments during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government verifies the items on which expenditure is incurred from the fund given to them and if so, the procedure followed in this regard;

(c) the names of NGOs who have not utilised the funds provided to them during the last three years along with the details of the action taken against them and outcome thereof, NGO-wise; and

(d) the reaction of the Government on the said outcome?

(b) if so, the quantum of losses suffered by the farmers in each State and Union territory during the last three years;

(c) the steps taken so far to compensate for the losses suffered by the farmers;

(d) whether there have been events of heavy rains, hailstorms, cyclones and drought etc. due to sudden changes in climate; and

(e) if so, the regions that are affected due to such abnormal changes in weather?

2011 Census

†1078. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the social and economic census figures related to 2011 census have not been clarified even after expiry of six years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in the absence of clarification of the said figures, the objectives of the said census is not being achieved; and

(d) the reaction of the Government in this regard?

Speedy Trial

1079. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether a vast majority of the prisoners in various jails of the country are awaiting trial for many years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any steps is being taken by the Government to provide speedy and fair trial to these prisoners;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Cases of Online Stalking

†1080. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Maharashtra Police is considering to use advanced software to deal with the cases of online stalking and child abuse to monitor maximum number of such online incidents;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a study conducted by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crimes (UNODC) has revealed that there is shortage of skilled people in legal agencies to deal with online child abuse cases; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Swachh Bharat Abhiyan App

†1081. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched Swachh Bharat Abhiyan App;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the nature of information that people can get through this App easily;

(d) whether the Government is taking any new steps to increase the number of its users; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Open Prisons

1082. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish open prisons or semi open prisons across the country;

(b) if so, the details of the objectives and guidelines envisaged in this regard and the details of funds allocated for the same;

(c) whether the Government has discussed the feasibility of establishing such prisons in the country with Directors General or Inspectors General of Prisons of all the States and the Union Territories and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering to analyse the model of open prison system in Kerala State that has set a model for rehabilitation and reformation of prisoners; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Stay of Refugees

1083. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding the number of refugees including Rohingyas and Bangladeshi refugees estimated to be staying in the country as on date, State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is still no national law on Refugees;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government is likely to establish an independent, permanent Commission to look into the concerns of the asylum seekers, such as application for refugee status, determination of refugee status etc.; and

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

Viral infections in Mangoes

1084. SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints from mango growers from West Bengal and other parts of the country about the rumours that their produce are being affected with viral infections which has diminished their sales and even reduced their advance orders; and

(b) if so, the corrective action taken by the Government thereon?

Project Cost of Gurupriya Bridge

1085. SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the Project Cost of Gurupriya Bridge in the Left Wing Extremist (LWE) affected District of Malkangiri along with the status of the project;

(b) the amount of funds released by the Centre as part of its share so far;

(c) the status of tendering for the bridge over Sileru river between Odisha and Andhra Pradesh near North of Malkangiri; and

(d) the time by which the bridge is likely to be completed?

Crime against Foreigners

1086. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data on the number of foreign nationals raped in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the action taken thereon, State-wise, particularly Delhi; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to avoid such incidents in future including implementation of strict laws?

Diversification of Crops

1087. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines on the diversification of crop; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Law Commission Report on Bail

1088. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to implement the recommendations of the 268th Law Commission report on Bail, especially on the proposed amendments to the Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC);

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to implement the proposed amendments; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Action against Cow Vigilantes

1089. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether taking cognizance of increasing cases of cow vigilantes, Supreme Court has asked the Union and State Governments to take stern action against such cow vigilantes group unleashing violence;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has issued any fresh advisories to the States to take stern action in the matter; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Farmers Crisis

1090. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Indian farmers are facing an array of risks/crisis relating to production, weather, crop prices, credit and policy decision by the Government according to the second volume of Economic Survey-2016-17;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken/proposed to take any steps to mitigate all these risks of farmers across the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Interest Subsidy to Farmers

1091. SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of interest subsidy provided to the farmers in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise;

(b) whether any study has been conducted to gauge the impact of this subsidy on the productivity of foodgrains and if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(c) whether any study has been conducted to establish a correlation between the size of farm holdings and repayment discipline among farmers, if so, the key findings thereof?

Tobacco Farming

1092. SHRI C.R. PATIL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme to encourage tobacco farmers to shift to other crops; and

(b) if so, the details of the funds allocated by the Government to various States of the country during the last two years along with the funds utilized by the different States to shift from tobacco farming to alternate farming?

Real Estate Regulatory Authority

1093. DR. KAMBHAMPATI HARIBABU:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any regulatory/supervisory powers over the Real Estate Authority of different States and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of complaints registered and disposed off by the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA) since its inception, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether any grievance redressal mechanism is available for home buyers in

case the errant builders defy the orders of authority and its appellate tribunal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Quantum of Foodgrains Stored

†1094. SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of foodgrains in storage under the Government during the last six months, foodgrain-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to use the stored foodgrains to control their prices in the market;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Objective of BADP

1095. DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Border Area Development Programme (BADP) was launched to meet the special development needs of the people living in remote and inaccessible areas near the border;

(b) whether the main objective of the scheme was to create infrastructure in border areas, provide economic opportunities to people living in the vicinity of the border, instill a sense of security among the people living in border areas etc.;

(c) if so, whether the Government has failed to build infrastructure, provide economic opportunities and instill a sense of security in border areas like Uri, Ladakh, Poonch, etc.;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(e) the corrective measures taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard?

Death of CRPF Personnel in Naxal Ambush

1096. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) has lost a large number of jawans in the maoist ambushes and terrorists attacks during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken to protect the jawans and to improve their morale and confidence?

Open Sea Cage Farming under Blue Revolution

1097. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to promote "Open sea cage

farming" under "Blue Revolution" Scheme, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), Hyderabad has provided financial assistance of Rs. 114.73 lakh to the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) in 2011 for implementation of a technology upgradation project on demonstration of open sea cage farming;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the recommendations therein;

(d) whether the Government has a proposal to establish open sea cage farming across the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the benefits likely to be accrued therefrom?

Immigration Facilities at Airports

†1098. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of airports where immigration facility is available across the country;

(b) the name of the authority managing the same;

(c) the number of personnel working in the Bureau of Immigration as of now;

(d) the extent of shortage of number of personnel in the Bureau of Immigration in view of the development likely to take place in the next five years; and

(e) the steps proposed by the Government to overcome the said shortage?

Employment to Trained Labours

1099. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched an online service to provide employment to trained labours in urban areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is collaborating with the private sector in this regard particularly in Punjab;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the nature of employment proposed to be provided and the persons likely to be benefited therein?

Revoking AFSPA

1100. SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to revoke the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) in Meghalaya and reduce its ambit in Arunachal Pradesh;

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

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to revisit the 2005 B.P. Jeevan Reddy Committee report which had recommended the repeal of the AFSPA altogether; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Premium for Crop Insurance

1101. SHRI BISHNU PADA RAY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any amount from the farmers from Andaman and Nicobar Islands as premium for crop insurance;

(b) if so, the details of the total amount received under this head from April, 2014 to January, 2018, year-wise;

(c) whether compensation has been paid by the Government to the farmers of Andaman and Nicobar Islands out of this deposited insurance amount, if so, the details thereof, year-wise; and

(d) the details of heads under which the remaining amount is being used?

Development of Slums

†1102. SHRI RAM CHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes implemented by the Government for the development of slums in the country and the funds allocated and utilized under the said schemes along with targets set and achieved so far;

(b) whether the Government has received proposals from several States for the development of slums;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the current status of each of the projects, State/UT-wise;

(e) the time by which the pending projects are likely to be cleared by the Government; and

(f) the measures taken by the Government for the effective monitoring and implementation of schemes for the development of slums?

Benefits of PDS

†1103. SHRI MANSANKAR NINAMA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the benefits of the Public Distribution System reach the beneficiaries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government had decided to open shops under the Public Distribution System in all the wards of the Gram Panchayats; and

(d) if so, the number of Gram Panchayats of Rajasthan in which this process has been implemented till date?

Waiving off Agricultural Loan

1104. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to waive off agricultural loans and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received any request in this regard from any quarter;

(c) if so, whether the Government has noticed that various State Governments have already waived off agricultural loans amounting to several crores and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has any details regarding the number of farmers benefited and expenditure incurred by the Government on waiving off agricultural loans in the recent past; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Sick PSUs

1105. SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:
Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that inability of the management, cumulative adverse impact of the uneconomic capacity, high manpower cost, high finance cost, severe international competition, low technology, poor financial conditions etc. are responsible for the sickness of PSUs under the Ministry and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has formed any Committee in this regard, and if so, the details thereof along with its recommendations to save the sick PSUs; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the steps taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard?

Functioning of Old Age Homes

1106. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:
SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of old age homes functioning in the country, State/ UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has received any proposal for setting up of old age homes from various States, particularly Bihar;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(d) the amount sanctioned per head per month on the occupants by the Ministry; and

(e) the manner in which the people are appointed to run such old age homes?

Setting up of a Committee to Address Farmers Issues

1107. SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to set up any Committee to address issues of farmers suicides', MSP, better remunerative prices for their crops, incentives for their paddy and other seasonal crops and adoption of Israeli irrigation technology in the farm field, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering to introduce loan waiver scheme for farmers in the country; and

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

Incidents of Infiltration

†1108. DR. BHARATIBEN D. SHYAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidents of infiltration from the neighbouring countries across the border have increased during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, border-wise; and

(c) the action taken by the Government to check cross border infiltration in the country?

New Category of Disabilities

†1109. SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take steps to include persons suffering from serious diseases like cancer, heart diseases, diabetes and renal diseases (dialysis) in the list of disabilities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Redevelopment of Government Colonies

1110. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the Government residential colonies in Delhi that are being redeveloped;

(b) whether the Government has decided to cut down many of the trees for the redevelopment project in these colonies and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has witnessed public protest over the felling of trees;

(d) if so, whether the agencies involved in the redevelopment like CPWD and National Building Construction

Corporation are likely to rework the layout design to avoid cutting down trees;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the NBCC is also working on transplantation/replantation of trees in the Government colonies which are being redeveloped and if so, the details thereof?

Functioning of CPSEs

1111. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) functioning in the country, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand at present;

(b) the total investment made therein, State/UT-wise especially in Jharkhand;

(c) the details of the losses incurred by CPSEs during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(d) the details of the efforts made by the Government for the revival of loss-making CPSEs?

Transparency in the Selection of Students for Scholarship

1112. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:
SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:
SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is encouraging students from various sections of the society to continue education by providing scholarship;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of students in each class from 1st standard to 12th standard receiving scholarship from the Government during the last three years, State-wise;

(d) the annual income limit of parents of the students to be eligible for scholarship, State and category-wise; and

(e) whether the Government has any mechanism to ensure transparency in the selection of students for scholarship and if so, the details thereof?

Naxal Activities

1113. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Naxal attacks, loss of lives/damage to property in such attacks and number of persons arrested in Anti-Naxal operations in Left Wing Extremism affected regions of the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) the details of talks held between the Government and the Naxal Groups along with the outcome of such talks during the said period;

(c) whether the Government has implemented Schemes/Programmes for rehabilitation of arrested persons and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether certain shortcomings during implementation of the said schemes/programmes have come to the notice of the Government during the said period; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon along with the other steps taken by the Government to root out Naxal problem in the country?

Loss due to Natural Calamities

1114. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:
SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH
BHOLE:
PROF. K.V. THOMAS:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
COL. SONARAM
CHOUDHARY:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRI VENKATESH BABU
T.G.:

Will the Minister of HOME
AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of States affected by natural calamities including thunder storms and floods and quantum of loss of lives and property including loss of crops reported during the last one year and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has received proposals from the State Governments seeking financial assistance for the said losses;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto along with the financial assistance provided, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government has sent a Central Team to the affected States to evaluate and ascertain the extent of losses and if so, the details and the outcome thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for management of the said calamities and providing training and scientific knowledge to the farmers to minimize such crop losses in the event of thunderstorms and floods in the country?

Non Payment of Dues to Sugarcane Farmers

1115. KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to bring more drugs including all the essential medicines under price control;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of drugs brought under price control along with the reduction in the prices in the recent past;

(d) whether the consumers have benefited as a result thereof; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the efforts being made to monitor the price control mechanism?

Trade Margin of Drugs

1117. DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO
RAUT:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
SHRI ASADUDDIN
OWAISI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Drug manufacturers are currently having the leeway to change prices by tweaking trade margins to distributors and retailers and if so, the details thereof;

SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN

MAHATO:

SHRI T.

RADHAKRISHNAN:

SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER
AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC
DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण
मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sugar mills are not making payments of dues to the sugarcane farmers even after the end of sugar cane crushing season;

(b) if so, the details of the amount to be paid to sugarcane farmers along with the reasons for non-payment of dues, till date, company and State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has approved a package and made other announcement for the sugar mills recently to help pay dues to farmers;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the number of sugar mills likely to be benefited through this announcement; and

(e) whether the said announcement is appropriate for payment of the dues to the sugarcane farmers and if not, the further action being taken by the Government to ensure the payment of dues to the sugarcane farmers by the sugar mills?

Price Control of Medicines

- †1116. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA
KUMAR:
SHRI RAJENDRA
AGRAWAL:
SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:

(b) whether any proposal is under consideration by the Government to make essential medicines more affordable by capping price at the first point of sale rather than the retail price;

(c) if so, the details of the plans prepared in this regard;

(d) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard; and

(e) the details of the effective steps taken/being taken by the Government to empower the consumers to bargain for discount?

Lease Out of Delhi Milk Scheme

1118. SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:
SHRI BHARAT SINGH:
SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Milk Scheme has piled up huge losses and has just 6 per cent market share in the capital's milk market;

(b) if so, the details of the profit/loss of DMS during each of the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government has decided to invite milk cooperatives to run DMS for the next 30 years, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government shortlisted the cooperatives for this purpose, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the employees of DMS will be given retirement or will be absorbed in the new cooperatives, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the time by which DMS will be handed over to a new cooperative?

Smart Cities Mission

1119. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:
SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:
DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:
PROF. RICHARD HAY:
DR. P.K. BIJU:
SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Smart Cities Mission presently under implementation in the country;

(b) whether the Government has selected a number of cities under the Smart Cities Mission and if so, the details thereof along with the progress made towards making these cities Smart Cities, State-wise including Madhya Pradesh;

(c) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under this Mission since its inception, State/UT-wise including West Bengal, Kerala and Maharashtra;

(d) whether the progress of the work is very slow in some of the States; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken by the Government in this regard, State/UT-wise?

Lynching Incidents

1120. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:
SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO (AVANTHI):
SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:
SHRI HARISH MEENA:
SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:
PROF. SAUGATA ROY:
SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:
SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:
SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of lynching, killing of people based on fake news/social media rumours, suspicion of child lifting etc. and honour killings are on the rise in the country;

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported, persons died/injured, guilty arrested and the action taken against them separately during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has issued advisories/directions to the States to prevent/check such incidents and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to make amendments in the existing laws to define lynching and mob violence and revisit the penal provisions to make it more stringent and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to constitute a high level panel headed by a sitting judge to prepare a report on the issue and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps being taken by the Government to prevent and curb such incidents including formulation of a policy on lynching and fixing accountability for the said incidents including social media service providers?

Scheduled & Non-Scheduled Drugs

†1121. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the scheduled and non-scheduled drugs across the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of the drugs linked with Wholesale Price Index (WPI) across the country, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of the drugs not linked with Wholesale Price Index across the country;

(d) whether the Government is planning/proposing the feasibility of linking the permitted annual increase in prices of non-scheduled formulations to the WPI;

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

(f) the time by which it is likely to be linked?

Schemes for Poverty Alleviation

†1122. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA
DUBEY:
SHRI VISHNU DAYAL
RAM:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether various schemes are being implemented for urban poverty alleviation relating to employment generation and professional earnings during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the achievements made so far, project/scheme and State-wise?

Aadhaar Enabled Fertilizer Distribution System

†1123. SHRIMATI BHAVANA
PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI PATIL:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI
TUMANE:
SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had announced Aadhaar enabled Fertilizer Distribution System in the year 2016 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of districts which have been linked with this system, so far;

(c) whether Aadhaar enabled Fertilizer Distribution System has made manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers accountable and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether most of the retailers have stopped selling of fertilizers under the Aadhaar enabled Fertilizer Distribution in various States and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(e) the extent to which this new system has checked utilization of fertilizers for non-agricultural activities along with the steps taken/being taken by the retailers to fulfil the demands of fertilizers during peak demand season?

Security to Journalists/Media Persons

1124. DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI SANJAY KAKA
PATIL:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRI HARISH MEENA:
SHRI SHIVKUMAR
UDASI:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU
JADHAV:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
MONDAL:
SHRI A.P. JITHENDER
REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Journalists/media persons who have been attacked/killed during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the number of inquiries conducted, persons arrested, convicted and the action taken against the guilty during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has issued any advisory/guidelines/directions to the States to provide adequate safety and security to Journalists/media persons and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the existing laws for safety/security of journalists/media persons are adequate keeping in view the rise in incidents of attack/killing of such persons;

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(f) whether the Government has received any request from journalists/media persons for providing security over death threats, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon along with the steps being taken to provide better security to journalists and media persons in the country?

Growth of Cities

1125. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:
SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cities are growing rapidly in the country;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the average annual growth rate of cities across the country during the last one decade; and

(d) whether the pace of development of basic amenities in cities is also speeding up along with growing urbanisation and if so, the details thereof?

National Policy on Fertilizer Supply

1126. SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:
SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of national policy on supply of quality fertilizers to farmers;

(b) the annual requirement of fertilizers and reasons for short supply;

(c) the quantum of fertilizers imported during the last three years and the current year along with the value of such imports;

(d) the details of subsidies extended on fertilizers during the said period, year-wise;

(e) whether the Government is planning to scale down these subsidies and if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government is aware of smuggling of fertilizers from India to neighboring countries and if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken to curb the same; and

(g) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to encourage utilization of bio-fertilizers in place of chemical fertilizers?

Deep Sea Fishing

1127. SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN R.K.:
SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA:
SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to provide specially built large vessels for fishermen of Tamil Nadu for deep sea fishing;

(b) if so, whether any funds have been earmarked by the Government to meet the project and the time by which these deep sea fishing vessels will be handed over to fishermen of Tamil Nadu, the details thereof;

(c) whether any funds/permissions to build such vessels have been sanctioned by the Government to other States under similar project during the last three years;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the expected increase in fish catch and revenue generation after the use of these large vessels by fishermen?

Jan Aushadhi Kendras

†1128. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE:
SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:
SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:
SHRI MANSHANKAR NINAMA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras opened by the Government since 2015 till date, State-wise;

(b) whether there is any difference in the availability of generally used medicines and generic medicines at the Jan Aushadhi Stores and if so, the details thereof along with the effective steps taken to improve the condition of such Kendras;

(c) whether there is shortage/low sale of most of the generic medicines prescribed especially by the Government hospitals at sales counters opened throughout the country including Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the corrective steps being taken in this regard;

(d) whether the Government has issued any guidelines for prescribing generic medicines to the patients by the doctors and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding violation of these guidelines by any State, if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(f) the efforts being made by the Government to make people aware of generic medicines and Jan Aushadhi

Kendras along with the action plan of the Government to extend the network of such Kendras and range of generic medicines made available therein across the country?

Selling of Girls on pretext of Employment

†1129. DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether minor girls belonging to the Scheduled Tribe dominated regions of Jharkhand State are being sold on the pretext of providing employment which has come to the knowledge of Jharkhand CID also;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take action against the responsible NGOs and the operators of placement services; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Fertilizer Production

†1130. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of fertilizers has declined in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the action taken/being taken to increase the fertilizer production; and

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to provide online facilities for purchase of fertilizers by the farmers at affordable prices and if so, the scheme formulated in this regard?

Subsidy on Foodgrains

1131. SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether subsidised/free foodgrains are distributed to the poor particularly to the weaker sections of the society through the Public Distribution System (PDS);

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of Below Poverty Line families along with the quantum of various items allocated and actually distributed during each of the last three years, category and State-wise;

(c) whether the allocation to some States have been reduced recently, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether requests have been received from the States for restoration/additional allocation, if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto, State-wise; and

(e) whether incidents of black marketing/irregularities in PDS have been reported during the said period, if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken thereon?

Organic Cluster

1132. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of farmer clusters formed and the corresponding area brought under organic farming, State/UT-wise including Delhi;

(b) the increase in the production of organic produce from the time of launch of scheme(s) for the promotion of organic farming, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of farmers who received Rs. 20,000 per acre under the scheme(s), State/UT-wise; and

(d) the percentage of certified organic farm produce in the total organic farm produce?

Welfare Schemes for OBCs

†1133. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes being implemented for the Other Backward Classes (OBCs) students through Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Foundation;

(b) the number of students benefited through the said foundation in Madhya Pradesh;

(c) whether any local organisation or agency is involved in proper and smooth implementation of the schemes through the said foundation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Validity Period to Lift Wheat

†1134. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state the time by which necessary amendments are likely to be made by the Government to extend the validity period to lift the allocated wheat?

Features and Mechanism of Food Security Act

†1135. COL. SONARAM CHOUHDARY:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the features of National Food Security Act and the mechanism in place for its implementation;

(b) whether complaints have been received with regard to non-providing of the beneficiaries under the scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action has been taken against the guilty persons on the basis of complaints received;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the concrete steps being taken by the Government for effective implementation of the Act and to provide benefits to eligible persons?

National Food Security Mission

†1136. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Food Security Mission has been implemented (NFSM) in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the works carried out by the Government in this direction so far along with the number of farmers benefited under the Mission in Madhya Pradesh, district-wise?

New Drug Policy

1137. SHRI P. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a new Drug Policy;

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

(c) the time by which this new Drug Policy is likely to come into effect?

Liberalised Arms Rules

1138. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has liberalised Arms Rules to encourage investments in manufacture of arms, ammunition and weapons system recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this liberalization will make India a regional leader in supplying small arms to neighbouring countries as well as an export hub;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the liberalised rules will give boost to 'Make in India' manufacturing policy and promote employment generation in this field; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Milk Production

†1139. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL "NISHANK":

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the total production of milk in the country;

(b) whether the Government is aware that most of the milk supplying agencies in the country are facing the challenge of adulteration;

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to ensure supply of pure and nutritious milk in the country; and

(d) the targets set for the next five years for increasing dairy production and the efforts being made by the Government to achieve them?

Metro Rail Networks

1140. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up a committee to review the performance standards of metro rail networks in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the structure and functions of the said committee?

Welfare of Senior Citizens

1141. SHRI DIBYENDU
ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that almost 50 per cent of elderly persons in the country are facing some kind of abuse for years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether a study has revealed that more than 80% of abused elderly persons did not report the matter to the concerned authority;

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to support and rehabilitate the elderly persons of the country; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to encourage and support the setting up of old age homes and for effective monitoring of welfare measures for senior citizens in the country?

Distribution of Electric Motorcycle to Divyang Persons

†1142. DR. BANSHILAL
MAHATO:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether electric motorcycles are being distributed by the Government to Divyang persons;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of Divyang persons benefited through the said scheme in the country, State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh?

Revision of Funding Pattern under PMFBY

1143. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA
RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to revise the funding pattern of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) to 60:40 between the centre and the States like other centrally sponsored scheme, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that necessary steps need to be taken by the Government for provision of contingent funds under the PMFBY for smooth implementation of the programme, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is considering to allow greater operational flexibility to States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government for capacity building of State official and Bank officials on use of Crop Insurance Portal?

Insurance for Pisciculture

1144. SHRI BAIJAYANT JAY
PANDA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to provide insurance to those farmers engaging in pisciculture in coastal States such as Odisha, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has a proposal to direct insurance companies to provide insurance cover to those farmers who are engaged in pisciculture; and

(d) whether there is a comprehensive study conducted into the loss borne by such farmers in case of a natural calamity, if so, the details thereof?

Organic Nation

1145. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI
KHADSE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote organic farming through cluster development mode to help the country to become a chemical-free Organic Nation;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme offered to the farmers under cluster development; and

(c) the criteria/norms formulated therefor?

Linkage of Rural Agriculture Markets

1146. SHRI R.
GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has a proposal to link all the rural agriculture markets in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the present status of implementation of the said proposal; and

(d) the time by which all the rural agriculture markets in the country will be completely come under the network?

Assessment of Parliamentary Business

1147. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

संसदीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether fresh initiatives have been taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to discuss in the Parliament the holistic assessment of efficiency based on different parameters like the number of sittings, Bills passed, Bills held up, the extent of participation of members, duration of debates on each Bill etc.; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers

†1148. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD
MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received representations to extend the scope of assistance to small and marginal farmers of Bundelkhand in UP; and

(b) if so, the response of the Union Government thereto and the action taken in this regard?

Lack of Irrigation Facilities

1149. SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken any survey of those backward areas which lack irrigation facilities including Bundelkhand; and

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

Classification of Backward Classes

†1150. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN
BHATT:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is seriously considering the classification of backward, more backward and most backward classes in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps so far in this regard; and

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

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