

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS Friday, July 23, 2021/Sravana 1, 1943 (Saka)

(Ministries of AYUSH; Earth Sciences; Environment, Forest and Climate Change; Health and Family Welfare; Information and Broadcasting; Science and Technology; Textiles; Women and Child Development)
(आयुष; पृथ्वी विज्ञान; पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन; स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण; सूचना और प्रसारण; विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी; वस्त्र; महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 230

NEET and other Common Entrance Examination

691. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI
THANGAPANDIAN;
SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has any plans to suspend the NEET and other common entrance examinations due to COVID-19 pandemic situation and imminent danger of third wave;

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

(c) the details of the SoP on safety to be followed in providing life safety and health security to students, teachers and staff of educational institutions in case the Government wish to conduct examinations in schools and educational institutions in the coming months; and

(d) whether the Government has any plan to introduce entrance exams for admissions to arts and science courses, if so, the details thereof?

Research Work in Bio-Technology

†692. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY
BHATT:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to promote research work in the area of bio-technology;

(b) if so, the details of steps taken in this regard;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Technology Development Centre

693. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Maharashtra has a huge strength of students having scientific acumen/approach;

(b) if so, whether the Government has any plan to set up a Technology Development Centre in Maharashtra to facilitate such students; and

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

Quality of Packed Food Items

†694. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether requisite parameters are being followed to maintain the quality of packed food items, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the manner in which such quality checks are being conducted;

(c) the types of packed food products which do not qualify the necessary parameters as required by the regulations in place; and

(d) the details of the action taken against the companies selling such faulty packed food items, State/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan?

Anganwadi Centres

695. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the annual budgetary allocation to Anganwadi Centres in the last five financial years, State/UT-wise, year-wise;

(b) whether the Government conducts any audit of all the centres annually; and

(c) if so, the progress made therein so far since its inception, State/UT-wise including Odisha?

Free COVID-19 Vaccination

696. SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made COVID-19 vaccination free for all in the country by including the persons falling in the age category of 18-44;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the vaccination status so far;

(c) whether the Government is also planning to introduce the COVID-19 vaccination for children in the age bracket of 10-18, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has allowed COVID-19 vaccination to illiterate and destitute persons without registration on CoWIN portal, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other major steps being taken by the Government with regard to fully vaccinating the people of India?

Prohibition on Sale of Single-use plastics

697. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has brought out 2021 draft rules to prohibit manufacture, import, stocking, distribution and sale of certain single-use plastics from January 1, 2022;

(b) if so, the details and features of such rules thereof;

(c) the ways in which his ministry is planning to enforce the said rules given the poor enforcement of existing notified rules in this regard;

(d) whether the National Green Tribunal has recently made observations on the tardy implementation of the extended producer responsibility regime by his Ministry; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken by his Ministry?

Forest Land

†698. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has records of the total land area earmarked for forest land and grazing land across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Haryana;

(c) whether the Government has made assessment regarding encroachment on said land in recent years, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any instructions have been issued to the State Governments to take action against encroachment on such land; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the other steps taken by the Government to remove encroachments on such lands?

Prescribing Drugs with Generic names

699. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Medical Council of India has advised doctors to prescribe drugs with generic name only and if so, the details thereof along with the status of compliance thereof;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry/study to ascertain the implementation of the advisory by the doctors;

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

(d) the number of complaints received by the Government/MCI for not prescribing drugs with generic name by the Doctors across the country during each of the last three years and the current year;

(e) the action taken/being taken by the Government on such complaints so far, State/UT-wise; and

(f) the other steps taken/being taken to ensure doctors prescription of only generic medicines by doctors and curb promotion advertisement of branded drugs by doctors in connivance with the drug companies?

AYUSH Medical Institutions and Hospitals

700. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:
SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:
SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of AYUSH medical colleges/universities/institutes/hospitals/AYUSH Health and wellness centers including integrated hospitals along with the total number of graduate/post-graduate level seats which are functional and which are upcoming under National AYUSH Mission (NAM) across the country, State/UT-wise, district-wise and stream-wise particularly Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Maharashtra;

(b) the total funds allocated/utilised for AYUSH medical colleges/universities/institutes/hospitals/wellness centers in the last three years, State/UT-wise/district-wise/stream-wise;

(c) the details of the steps being taken by the Government for better access and promotion of AYUSH services in the country including research works in post-graduate AYUSH colleges, adequate publicity through media, allocation of special funds for promotion etc; State/UT-wise/stream-wise;

(d) whether any criteria have been fixed for establishing new AYUSH institutions in the private sector and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of AYUSH medical colleges/universities/institutes/hospitals/ AYUSH Health and wellness centers etc. which have been derecognized, State/UT-wise, district-wise, stream-wise and the reasons for derecognition therefor?

Delta Plus Covid Variant

701. SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any indication from the medical experts in India or WHO about the arrival of the new viral variant especially "Delta Virus" in India on the heels of second wave of COVID-19 pandemic, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Delta Virus plus variant can trigger a third wave of Coronavirus, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has alerted all the concerned agencies to tackle this new variant; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Traditional Textile Industry

702. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the action taken by Government to upgrade technology in the traditional textile industry;

(b) the details of the budget allocation for Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS) during the last five years; and

(c) the details of the achievements made in geo-tagging and digital signature?

Plan for Promotion of Indian Textile Industry

703. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has outlined any plan and brought any policies during last five years for promotion of Indian textile industry which is facing challenges and tough competition in foreign market;

(b) if so, the detail thereof;

(c) whether the Government has identified some reasons including shortage of raw materials, increase in the textile input prices, obsolete machinery, power shortage, heavy excise duties and sick mills etc. for the stagnation of the Indian textile industry;

(d) if so, the action plan formulated by Government to resolve these problems; and

(e) the detail of the ways to promote domestic manufacturing and exports in the sector?

Linking of Innovative Agricultural Technologies with Farms

704. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:
SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is working towards linking innovative agricultural technologies with farms to benefit small and marginal farmers in Uttar Pradesh and North East Region (NER) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Department of Biotechnology has taken any specific steps for farmers of Uttar Pradesh under the programme which will help in understanding local issues of farmers & provide scientific solutions to them and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the programme makes provision for local hubs to collaborate with scientific institutions and Krishi Vigyan Kendras and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the aims and objective of launching the Mission Programme on Biotech-Krishi Innovation Science Application Network and the achievement made since its inception; and

(e) the other steps taken by the government with the objective of connecting science laboratories with farmers to get innovative solutions and technologies?

Radars for Monitoring Weather Changes

705. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has commissioned/is going to commission weather radars which will closely monitor the weather changes over the Himalayas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Carcinogenic Cooking oil

706. SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government intends to take measures to ensure that carcinogenic re-used cooking oil is not allowed to penetrate in the food chain;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether there are any penal provisions under the FSSAI regulations to take action against persons re-using cooking oil, if so, the details thereof?

High Death Rate of Children

†707. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that our country has the highest number of child deaths in the world;

(b) if so, the number of children who have died during the last ten years and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to check high death rate among children in the country?

Yoga Villages

†708. SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of yoga villages identified in the country, State/UT-wise, district-wise particularly in Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra; and

(b) the details of funds allocated/released for these yoga villages in the country including Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra during the last three years?

Implementation of MSP

709. SHRI P RAVINDHRANATH:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of Minimum Support Price (MSP) through Cotton Corporation of India (CCI), for the benefit of cotton growers in the country who have faced high carryover stocks due to COVID-19 lockdown; and

(b) the steps taken by the Union Government to achieve the desired success in the Scheme for Integrated Textile Park (SITP), including Tamil Nadu, during the coming three years?

Nursing Colleges

†710. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of nursing colleges in the public and the private sectors at present in the country, State/UT-wise, location-wise;

(b) whether the Government has received any complaints against these colleges with regard to quality of education being provided by them; and

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

National Health Mission (NHM)

711. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBAJIRAO
MANE:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:

SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features and the status of implementation of National Health Mission (NHM) in the country during the last five years and the current year, year-wise and State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of funds allocated and utilized and targets achieved under the National Health Mission (NHM) during the last five years and the current year, year-wise and State/UT-wise ;

(c) the details of components under which above said funds have been released, component, State/UT and year-wise;

(d) the details of each of the proposal received from various states including Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan under NHM since its implementation and action taken by the Government on each of such proposal;

(e) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any steps to allocate more funds to strengthen the National Health Mission and make it more effective and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether NHM has been proved to be a successful mission particularly in rural/remote areas during the COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof; and

(g) whether the Government has put in place any mechanism for evaluation of proper utilization of funds released under the Mission and if so, the details thereof?

Ayurvedic Colleges

712. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Ayurvedic Colleges along with the number of graduate/post graduate level seats available in Bihar at present;

(b) the number of research works done in the post graduate Ayurvedic colleges during the last three years and the details of the medicines developed from the said research works;

(c) whether the effective medicines developed through these researches are being produced regularly and used for treatment of patients; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Inclusion of undocumented Individuals for COVID Vaccination

713. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government considers it imperative to fully vaccinate all people to bring a perceivable end to the Covid-19 pandemic, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether refugees and asylum seekers shall be included in the vaccination drive, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the SoP dated May 6, 2021 calls for "creation of special vaccination sessions" on Co-Win portal for undocumented communities that do not hold any of the 7 ID proofs required at present, if so, the expected date for activation of these sessions and the reasons for delay so far;

(d) whether the UNHCR card shall be accepted as a valid ID proof in the interim;

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

(f) whether the Ministry shall propose a timeline to implement the SoP to fast-track the vaccination process, if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

Ujjawala and Swadhar Greh Programme

714. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of shelter homes established for women survivors trafficking under the Ujjawala and Swadhar Greh programmes across the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal for setting up more shelter homes for women survivors trafficking of under the Ujjawala and Swadhar Greh programmes; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan?

Financial Assistance for the Victims of COVID-19

715. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:
SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:
PROF. SOUGATA RAY:
DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of deaths reported in the country due to COVID-19, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to disburse/ have disbursed financial assistance for the family of the victims who have died due to COVID-19, such as ex-gratia payment/compensation etc.

(c) if so, the details of ex-gratia payments/ compensation being awarded to the families of the victims of COVID-19;

(d) whether the Government has any policy or scheme that provide for National Insurance Coverage for deaths due to COVID-19 and include the pandemic for risk insurance coverage against national disasters in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) the details of Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) to finalise COVID-19 deaths; and

(f) the details of death cases reported after vaccination in the country along with the medicines/ vaccinations approved by Indian Government against COVID-19?

Vaccine Availability

716. SHRI RAHUL GANDHI:
SHRIMATI MALA ROY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to complete the exercise of full Covid-19 vaccination of all adults by the end of 2021, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the projected estimate for COVID-19 vaccine availability from August- December, 2021, month-wise;

(c) the details of projected production capacity of domestic vaccine manufacturers and vaccines proposed to be imported for complete adult vaccination, month-wise;

(d) whether the Government has taken note of a significant delay in entering into advance purchase agreements with vaccine manufacturers thereby adversely affecting the pace of vaccine rollout;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the quantum of funds spent so far on the vaccination programme?

Domestic Violence

717. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the findings of a recent survey conducted among

40,000 couples who got married between 1960 and 2008 that the incidents of domestic violence has increased leading to suicide of wife has increased and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the survey covering 17 States with 96% of India's population also indicates high rate of such incidents in Kerala and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether there have been efforts by NGOs and Social reformers to banish the evil practice of dowry from matrimonial alliance and if so, the details thereof?

Amendment in Adoption Law

†718. DR. RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA:
SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to amend laws related to adoption;

(b) if so, the time by which the guidelines in this regard are likely to be issued;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take steps to designate any agency or appoint any nodal officer at the local (district) level for effective implementation of the said laws; and

(d) if so, the time by which the said agency or the said officer is likely to be appointed?

Medicines under AYUSH for COVID-19

719. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
PROF. SOUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any initiative to identify effective medicines under Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy systems to cure patients with symptoms of COVID-19;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the medicinal protocol developed for treatment of COVID-19 along with the Covid related medicines approved by the Government;

(c) whether any collaborative project has been taken involving Allopathy, Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy to develop effective treatment of Coronaviruses in the country; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

COVID Deaths in Rural Areas

720. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of people who have died due to Covid-19 during April and May, 2021, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government is aware that large number of people have died in rural areas with COVID like symptoms without testing and treatment during April and May, 2021;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT, district-wise particularly Uttar Pradesh;

(d) if not, whether the Government proposes to conduct any survey by an independent agency to ascertain the number of COVID deaths in rural areas without testing and treatment between April and May 2021; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Participation of Women in Workforce

†721. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of women in Executive, Indian Administrative Service, Indian Police Service and Panchayati Raj institutions in the country is far less as compared to men;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of women serving under the said services, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan and Gujarat; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to increase participation of women in politics and other spheres, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan and Gujarat?

Registered Newspapers and Magazines

722. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO
MANE:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of registered newspapers and magazines published in the country along with the number of such newspapers and magazines published on daily, weekly, fortnightly and monthly basis, name-wise;

(b) the languages in which newspapers and magazines are published in various States of the country, State-wise;

(c) the number of newspapers and magazines which have not filed annual returns during the last three years across the country, State-wise;

(d) the total number of newspapers and magazines authorized to receive advertisements from DAVP in the country along with the details thereof; and

(e) the number of newspapers and magazines which have deposited levy fees during the last three years, name-wise?

Impact of COVID-19 on Anganwadis

723. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:
SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:
SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:
SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted or proposes to conduct a survey on the impact of pandemic on Anganwadi services and malnutrition levels among children;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reports prepared and action taken thereon;

(c) whether the Government has prepared any data to understand how Anganwadi services were delivered on the ground during the pandemic and to assess the impact of COVID-19 on stunting and wasting levels; and

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

Clearances in Eco-sensitive Areas

724. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:
DR. AMAR SINGH:
SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the rejection rate for clearances in eco-sensitive areas from 2014 till date, year-wise;

(b) whether the Government is aware of the minimal rejection rate of 1.1 percent for clearances in eco-sensitive areas during the last four years, and if so, the reasons for the same; and

(c) whether this reflects on the mandate of the National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) to safeguard and conserve wildlife and habitat protection and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Foreign Direct Investment

†725. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of present Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) limit in different channels of communication like television, news channels and FM radio etc. in the country;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating any changes regarding FDI policy so as to improve quality and standards of different channels of communications to international level; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Orphaned Children due to COVID-19

726. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:
SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:
SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:
SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH:
SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:
SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:
SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:
PROF. SOUGATA RAY:
DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of children were orphaned or abandoned due to COVID-19 pandemic;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the estimated number of children orphaned, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan;

(c) whether the Government has made any assessment of number of children who lost either father or mother or both to COVID-19 since 1st April 2021 and if so, the details thereof in all the three categories;

(d) whether the Government has launched/ planning to launch schemes for the rehabilitation, welfare and social security of said children;

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the targets fixed in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether the Government has issued any guidelines to the States in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the other steps being taken for protection and welfare of such children including their educational needs?

National Nutrition Mission

†727. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds allocated/released to Gujarat under National Nutrition Mission including the funds utilised during the last three years;

(b) whether the State of Gujarat has sent any proposal to the Government related to provision of balanced food under National Nutrition Mission;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of action taken on the said proposal so far?

Rare Diseases Policy

728. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
SHRI ANNASHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:
SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:
DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:
SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:
SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to finalise and notify the National Health Policy for Rare diseases, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the objective and current status of the same;

(c) the total number of suggestions received for the draft policy, State/UT-wise;

(d) the number of rare diseases recognized by the Government and its proposal to assist the people suffering from such diseases particularly the low income groups;

(e) whether the Government proposes to allocate increased budget for this policy and also considering to provide assistance to poor patients through Ayushman Bharat, if so, the details thereof and the feasibility of the assistance likely to be provided through Ayushman Bharat; and

(f) whether Government is considering to set up a National Consortium for Research and Development and Therapeutics for Rare Diseases, if so, the details thereof?

Health Crisis due to Increasing Population

†729. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the health related crisis/problems can be attributed to the rapid increase in the population in the country;

(b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to control the population in the country;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that near about 25 crore people are living in the country illegally and are burdening our health resources meant for the citizens in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Recovery from Producers of TV Serials

730. SHRIMATI JYOTSNA CHARANDAS MAHANT:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether several crores of rupees of Doordarshan are pending for recovery from producers of TV serials for the past many years;

(b) if so, the details of such producers/TV serial companies indicating the amount to be recovered; and

(c) the concrete steps being taken to recover the huge amount from these producers/TV serial companies?

Conservation of Tropical Hardwood Trees

731. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the steep demand in the international market for hardwood like rosewood has encouraged the widespread illegal felling of the endangered tropical hardwood trees from forests;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the illegal felling of such endangered trees from many parts of the country, including Kerala;

(d) if so the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to conserve such valuable trees?

Forecast of Earthquakes

732. DR. HEENA GAVIT:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO
MANE:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating any special action plan for accurate forecast of earthquakes on the models being followed in countries like Japan and the USA;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which the large scale devastation and loss of life would be curbed as a result thereof;

(c) the details of the location of the existing research centres for getting accurate forecast of earthquakes in the country; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to upgrade the said centres to state-of-the-art level?

Impact of Revision Sea Level on India

733. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has undertaken any research on the impact of rise in sea level on India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the expected sea level rise of the Indian Ocean over the next decade;

(d) whether there are any ongoing or planned schemes to ensure protection and rehabilitation to those affected by a rise in sea level; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Seventh International Yoga Day

734. SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI SELVAM G:
SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Seventh International Day of Yoga was celebrated in the country recently and if so, the details of the programmes conducted thereunder;

(b) the details of the Namaste Yoga App launched during the Yoga Day;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to propagate the use of yoga among masses in post COVID recovery and boosting of immunity to fight against COVID-19, if so the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has allocated/proposed to allocate funds for research in Yoga and if so, the details of the funds allocated and achievements made, thereon;

(e) the number of virtual/online classes organized and the number of persons benefited therefrom, State/UT-wise; and

(f) whether the Government has proposed to promote Yoga in rural areas across the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Banned/Unapproved Drugs

735. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain cases of manufacturing and marketing of banned/ unapproved drugs have been reported in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of such cases reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) the action taken against the offenders during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to put in place a comprehensive mechanism to stop manufacturing and marketing of banned/unapproved drugs across the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Smart Phones/Tablets
for Anganwadi Workers**

†736. SHRI ARUN SAO:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme is being implemented/likely to be implemented by the Government regarding provision of smart phones/tablets for Anganwadi workers;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the smart phones/tablets are likely to be beneficial for Anganwadi workers/helpers; and

(c) the details of the smart phones/tablets provided to the Anganwadi workers under the scheme, State-wise including Chhattisgarh?

Scheme for Textile and Weaving Works

†737. SHRIMATI GOMATI SAI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the places in Chhattisgarh where works relating textile and weaving industry are being carried out at present;

(b) whether any scheme has been announced by the Government to provide any benefits to the weavers in Chhattisgarh; and

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

Funds for Rural Health Services

†738. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated by the Government for seamless operation of rural healthcare services during the last three years;

(b) whether any action plan have been chalked out to utilize the said funds within stipulated time frame;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has fixed the accountability in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

Environment Protection Amedment Rules, 2020

739. SHRIMATI MAHUA MOITRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued the draft Environment (Protection) Amendment Rules, 2020 to further amend the Environment (Protection) Act 1986; and

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

Ayurvedic Doctors under AYUSH

†740. DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts sanctioned for Ayurvedic doctors under AYUSH Ministry in Madhya Pradesh including the posts lying vacant at present district-wise along with the reason for these vacancies;

(b) the details of the authority, State or Centre responsible to fill these posts;

(c) whether there is any provision for filling the posts under National Health Mission (NHM) in case the State does not fill the posts;

(d) if so, the reasons for not filling the posts thereunder;

(e) if not, whether the Government is likely to make provision to fill the posts under National Health Mission (NHM); and

(f) the number of Ayurvedic colleges currently functional for Ayurveda medical studies in the country including the number of students being awarded degrees each year, State/UT-wise?

Vaccine Hesitancy

741. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of vaccine hesitancy among the people, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to address the issue of vaccine hesitancy;

(b) the present status of cumulative Covid Vaccination coverage as on 30th June, 2021 in various categories, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of Vaccine doses administered so far under Nationwide Vaccination Drive as on 30th June, 2021;

(d) the number of persons in the age group 18-44 who have received their first dose and the number of people who have received Second dose since the start of vaccination drive, State/UT-wise;

(e) the quantum of vaccines demanded and supplied to various States/UTs since the start of vaccination drive on 16th January, 2021 as on 30th June, 2021, State-wise; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to accelerate the pace and expanding the scope of COVID vaccination throughout the country?

Ayurvedic Products

742. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ayurvedic products helped to improve the immunity of people during the Corona pandemic;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the production of medicinal herbs used in Ayurvedic drugs in near future; and

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

Mulberry Silk

743. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:

SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of Mulberry Silk has increased in the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of export of Mulberry Silk in the country during the last three years and the current year;

(d) the amount of funds allocated by the Government for the development of Mulberry Silk in the North Eastern Region including Tripura during the last three years; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to promote sericulture including Mulberry Silk in NER?

Gender Gap in Administration of Vaccines

744. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:
SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as on June 22, 2021, only 46 percent of those vaccinated were women and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps being taken by the Government to address the gender gap in administration of vaccines;

(c) whether factors such as access to technology, information, smartphones, socially entrenched patriarchal forces and so on have been identified by the Government for contributing to the gap; and

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

Shortage of Multiple Medical Equipments

745. DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:
SHRIMATI HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL:
SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:
SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country faced acute shortage of oxygen, ventilators and critical care medicines during recent surge in COVID-19 cases in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of deaths reported due to shortage of these items and corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of proposals accepted and financial grants released by the Government for setting up of oxygen plants during the last two years, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu;

(d) the quantum of funds released and utilised on the purchase of multiple medical equipments including ventilators and critical care medicines since January 2020 and also the number of these provided to hospitals, State/UT-wise;

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to improve oxygen production and set up more oxygen bed and ventilators to fight the coming waves of Covid-19; and

(f) whether the Government has affixed any responsibility on sudden non-provisioning of oxygen by the authorities that resulted into death of lakhs of people and if so, the details thereof and steps taken to curb reoccurrence of such disasters in future?

Maternal and Child Care in Rural Areas

746. SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of possible disruption of maternal and child care services in rural areas and access to vaccination for pregnant individuals;

(b) if not, the reasons for the same;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has undertaken any programs to address the same;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons for the same?

Damage to Mangrove Forests

747. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the National Green Tribunal Report about damage to MADA (Mangrove) Forest in East Godavari due to construction activities by the State Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for such damage caused to mangrove forest; and

(c) the extent of damage caused to mangrove and the disruption of livelihood of fishermen families caused due to construction activities?

NARI Portal

†748. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the 'NARI Portal' and 'e-SAMVAD' are playing important role in empowerment of needy women;

(b) if so, the details thereof the manner in which the said portals have helped women; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure country wide access of these portals?

COVID Vaccination in Assam

†749. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people administered COVID vaccine so far in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the number of COVID-19 vaccines so far administered in Assam including tea estate workers and other North Eastern States, district-wise;

(c) whether a large number of people are apprehensive about COVID vaccination and these people are not coming forward for vaccination, if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) the details of the funds allocated to tackle COVID pandemic in Assam and North Eastern States?

Early Detection of Cancer

750. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA: SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of people affected by cancer in India, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the existing cancer care facilities/ infrastructure are adequate to meet the requirements of all these cancer patients, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any programmes for early detection of cancer in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(e) whether the Government is aware that the treatment of cancer is very costly due to which poor people are unable to get proper medication, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government proposes for free treatment of cancer patients, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

Making India Malaria Free

751. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether WHO has declared China as 'Malaria Free' for eliminating indigenous cases for four years, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the cases in India has significantly declined from 20 million in recent past, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any districts or States have been declared as 'Malaria Free' in our country, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any measures have been taken and any time line fixed by the Government to make India Malaria Free if so, the details thereof?

Phasing out of Single-use Plastics

752. SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ):
SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the guiding principles finalized by the Government for definition of banned single-use plastics;

(b) whether the Government has finalized and released the complete list of single-use plastics in public domain and if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which it is likely to be released;

(c) whether the Government has issued any standard guidelines to States/UTs to phase-out single-use plastics by 2022 and if so, the details thereof along with the manner in which the Government ensures uniform implementation of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) at the State level;

(d) whether the Government is contemplating at developing any roadmap for Research and Development to find alternatives to single-use plastics and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether any technical group has been formed to study the said subject matter and if so, the details thereof?

Ayush Treatment against COVID-19

†753. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has strategically dealt COVID-19 crisis in the country for the last 15 months;

(b) whether the Government has adopted Ayurvedic, Homeopathy, Unani and other Ayurveda line of treatment to fight against COVID-19;

(c) if so, the number of Ayurvedic and Homeopathy Covid centres set up in the country to fight against the said pandemic, State-wise;

(d) the number of COVID-19 patients treated at these centres along with the funds spent in this regard, State-wise; and

(e) the estimated recovery rate for COVID-19 patients treated with these methods?

Vaccines Released to Telangana

754. SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is distributing vaccine to all States/UTs under the National Vaccination Policy for tackling Coronavirus;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of vaccines doses released to the State of Telangana till date, the details thereof;

(d) the number out of the said that were paid and free vaccines; and

(e) the number of vaccine administered by the Government of Telangana along with the percentage wast while administering the vaccinated?

Certification to Yoga Professionals

755. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:
SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to issue certification for Yoga professionals and accord recognition to Yoga schools;

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard, so far;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has formulated or proposes to formulate any norms for giving the said certifications; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Foreign Aid during the Second Corona Wave

756. SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received assistance from foreign countries in form of oxygen concentrators, medicines and other Corona kits during the second wave of COVID-19;

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

(c) whether the Government has signed any agreement with foreign countries for supplying corona vaccine to India; and

(d) if so, the name of these countries and the vaccines to be supplied?

Eco-tourism Projects

757. SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government or the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) has eased norms for eco-tourism projects by allowing non-permanent structures to be built in protected areas without permission from the Union Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the type of non-permanent structures which can be built in such areas;

(c) whether the Government has considered that even creation of non-permanent structures can cause ecological imbalance or fragmentation, especially in sensitive forest areas and natural habitats of wildlife; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken to ensure that such areas remain protected?

Global Pandemic COVID-19

†758. SHRI MOHAN MANDAVI:
SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the extent to which success has been achieved so far in finding a cure for the 'COVID-19' pandemic with the effective measures and medicines of AYUSH;

(b) whether any steps has been taken by the Ministry to take care of people during COVID-19; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Bal Swaraj Portal

759. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether thousands of children have been orphaned or lost one parent during the second wave of COVID-19 in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal;

(b) whether Government has created Bal Swaraj Portal to track cases of children who have lost one or both parent due to COVID-19, if so, the details of data collected so far;

(c) whether illegal adoption of these orphaned children have been reported from different parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government has any plan to provide support and financial assistance to such children, if so, the details thereof; and

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

Child Marriages

760. SHRI JUAL ORAM:
SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the cases of child marriages is on the increase in several States, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any surveys to evaluate increase in child marriages during the COVID-19 lockdown and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu;

(c) whether any action plan has been drawn up to prevent such child marriages and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of instance of child marriages recorded across the country, State/UT-wise?

Health Melas

761. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to organise Health Melas in each district of the country including district Gopalganj of Bihar under Rural Health Mission, if so, the details thereof and the funds released for the same, district-wise;

(b) the details of each district where the released funds have not been utilized to organise Health Melas under Rural Health Mission; and

(c) whether the Government has issued guidelines for ensuring optimum utilization of the funds released for Health Melas and if so, the details thereof?

Density of Hospitals

762. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any study with regard to the density of hospitals across the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government plans to establish more hospitals in the next three years and if so, the number of hospitals that have been planned along with the category of such hospitals; and

(c) the number of such new hospitals being planned in Assam during the said period?

Sub branch of Cotton Corporation of India

†763. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the time by which sanctioned sub-branch of Cotton Corporation of India will start functioning in Nagaur, Rajasthan;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating any scheme for starting textile industry, in Nagaur, Rajasthan in view of cotton production there; and

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

Nutritional Status of Women

764. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Central Government schemes available to improve nutritional status of pregnant women and lactating mothers;

(b) the eligibility criteria and salient features of benefits provided under the scheme;

(c) the details of budget provision made/released/ utilised during each year of the last four years including the current year, State and year-wise; and

(d) the number of beneficiaries under the scheme since its inception and the expenditure incurred thereon during the last four years, State and year-wise?

Audit of Hospital Beds

765. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:
SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:
DR. AMAR SINGH:
SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:
SHRI D.K.SURESH:
DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted audits of the total number of hospital beds in Government hospitals in the country, including hospital beds in central government-run hospitals;

(b) if so, the details thereof since 2014 and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has conducted, or intends to conduct, an audit of the total number of hospital beds in private hospitals also; and

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

CSIR Loans for Research and Development

†766. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:
SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) is providing soft loan for research and development under various projects;

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

(c) the quantum of loan provided during each of the last three years?

Green Skill Development Programme

†767. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:
SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the objectives of Green-Skill-Development Programme;

(b) whether the Government has been able to achieve its objectives under the said programme till date and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of people trained and employed under the programme so far, year-wise and gender-wise;

(d) the manner in which the said programme is likely to enable youths of the country particularly those from tribal areas of Gujarat to get gainful employment; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to increase the coverage net of people to be trained and employed under the said programme?

Increase in Sea Level

768. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the studies which shows that the net sea level off the coast of Kochi will rise 87.5 mm over the next 50 years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there has been an increase in the sea level in coastal districts of Kerala during the past decade and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether sea level rise has been categorized as a natural disaster by his Ministry and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken to mitigate the sea level rise in coastal areas?

Central Research Institute of Unani Medicine

769. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated any proposal to upgrade Central Research Institute of Unani medicine in Hyderabad to National Research Institute of Unani Medicine for Skin Disorders and if so, the details and the present Status thereof;

(b) whether there is any cost and time overrun in the said project; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor indicating the estimated cost of the project when it was conceived and the present status of the same?

Leprosy and Mental Disease Hospitals

†770. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of hospitals providing treatment to children suffering from leprosy and mental diseases in the country and the total number of such hospitals opened during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the funds provided to such hospitals by the Government during the said period;

(c) whether foreign aid is also provided to the said hospitals; and

(d) if so, the details of foreign aid provided during the last two years?

Promotion of Medicinal Plants

771. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared any action plan to encourage the scheme for promoting the cultivation of medicinal herbs and shrubs in view of its demand in the international market and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to promote the cultivation and conservation of medicinal plants along with the financial assistance provided under various schemes for the same during the last three years especially in the State of Maharashtra;

(c) whether the Government envisages the necessity of connectivity between the cultivators, producers and market trading of medicinal plants to establish linkage from the farm to consumer and if so, the steps initiated by the Government in this regard?

(d) whether any special areas have been identified for the cultivation of the said shrubs and herbs; and

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

Setting up of Seven Textile Parks

772. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has declared setting up of seven textile parks over the next three years under the scheme of Mega Investment Textile Parks in the Budget 2021-22; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise particularly Ludhiana district of Punjab and if not, the reasons therefor?

Congenital Disability

773. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken by the Government for minimizing the cases of children being born with congenital disability and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the reasons for high incidence of congenital abnormalities especially in rural areas of the country; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to extend Rubella vaccination to all girl children in the country under universal immunization program, if so, the details thereof?

Severity of the Second Wave of COVID-19

774. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people who died in the country due to COVID-19 since January, 2020 till date and the number out of them comprising of doctors and health workers;

(b) whether the Government is aware of the severity of the second wave of COVID-19 in the country including post COVID-19 fungus symptoms resulting in losses of lives;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the number of persons traced, treated and died including doctors, medical practitioners including frontline workers, in the country during the second wave, State/UT-wise;

(d) the number of persons vaccinated in country till date including those below 18 years separately, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether the Central Team visited various States in the country to assess the severity of the pandemic, if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof; and

(f) the details of various assistance provided to the States/UTs to fight the pandemic and replenish the huge shortfall of vaccines, beds and oxygen cylinders and other medical equipments throughout the country?

Skill Training to Weavers

†775. SHRI NAYAB SINGH:

SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared any scheme for providing training to weavers under modern skill training programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of weavers imparted skill training during the last three years, State-wise including Haryana and Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) the names of the institutes with which contract has been signed for imparting skill training?

Preservation of Trees

776. PROF. SOUGATA RAY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that some state governments have issued permission to cut royal trees from private land;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to preserve trees that belong to notified and preserved categories?

Assistance to States to Fight COVID-19

777. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided adequate financial assistance to States to check the COVID-19 Pandemic;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the funds allocated for the purpose during the last one year;

(c) whether the Government maintains any data of machineries/medicines donated by different countries to fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, if so, the details thereof, item and country-wise; and

(d) the details of distribution of the said items, State/UT-wise?

Healthcare Facilities in Economically Backward Areas

†778. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of non-availability of adequate healthcare services in the economically backward areas in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made any provisions for the doctors passing out from various medical institutes to mandatorily serve in these backward areas, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to ensure ease of access to healthcare services for all the citizens of the country, particularly the poor in the vicinity of their homes?

ACCR Portal

†779. SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:
SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:
SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI
KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced Ayush Clinical Case Repository (ACCR) Portal and Ayush Sanjivani App to benefit doctors and common people, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ministry has formulated any plan to prevent Corona;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Indemnity for International Vaccines

780. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the discussion with pharma companies like Pfizer, Moderna over giving them indemnity against the costs of compensation for adverse effects due to vaccination;

(b) the demands put-forward by above companies and other global vaccine manufacturers before the Government and objections raised by the latter in this regard;

(c) whether the domestic vaccine manufacturers are also demanding for indemnity against adverse effects of vaccination;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to extend the same facility/protection to our domestic vaccine manufactures also, if so, the details thereof and steps taken in this regard?

Promotion of Indian Handicrafts Globally

781. SHRI RAJU BISTA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to promote Indian Handicrafts globally;

(b) the assistance extended to support and promote handicrafts, State/UT-wise and scheme-wise;

(c) whether the Ministry has taken any steps towards identifying and supporting skilled artisans, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there are any platforms/networks for artisans to connect and help each other and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of capacity building and/or support provided to handicraft artisans from the Districts of Darjeeling, Kalimpong and North Dinajpur from 2015 till date?

Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana

782. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana;

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under this scheme within Assam so far;

(c) the details of the targets set and achievements made so far under the scheme; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to cover the beneficiaries of far flung areas of Assam under this scheme?

Environment Conservation

†783. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes being implemented by the Government for the environment conservation;

(b) whether any subsidy or grant for opening nurseries and encouraging plantation of trees in Rajasthan is being implemented by the Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other steps being taken by the Government for environment conservation?

Measures for the Prevention of Hepatitis B

†784. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI
KUNDARIYA:
SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any measures for the prevention of fatal disease like Hepatitis B;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any effective treatment is available for a person infected with Hepatitis B; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Cultivation and Production of Medicinal Plants

785. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:
SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Medicinal Plant Board (NMPB) and National Botanical Research Institute (CSIR-NBRI) have signed an MoU recently for extending collaboration to boost Medicinal Plants/Herbs in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the terms of cooperation therein;

(c) whether the MoU would facilitate the development of Quality Planting Material (QPM) of medicinal plants/herbs identified by NMPB, establish nurseries as well as development, promotion, conservation and cultivation of appropriate medicinal plants, including endangered species, in different agro-climatic zones/high-altitude regions, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the NMPB would support CSIR-NBRI in establishing seed/gene banks and carrying out the Germplasm collection/conservation of potential medicinal plant species with high commercial value, and, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether NMPB has issued instructions/guidelines to implementing agencies like State Medicinal Plants Boards (SMPB) in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Price of Vaccines

786. SHRI VELUSAMY P.:
SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:
MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:
SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the fund allocated to provide free COVID vaccination to all the citizens along with the method devised to implement the scheme throughout the country;

(b) the details of Public and Private manufacturers/companies permitted by the Government to produce and supply COVID vaccination along with the terms and conditions laid down in this regard;

(c) the number of vaccine doses made available by these manufacturers/companies in the country as on date along with the estimated cost and methodology adopted to fix the rate/price of these vaccinations;

(d) whether the costing of the vaccine includes the cost of cold chain infrastructure and trained personnel required for mass vaccination, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether result/data of 3rd phase trials of these vaccines are available with the Government, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government is having any proposal to import anti-COVID vaccines from foreign countries, if so, the details thereof?

Genome Sequencing of SARS Cov-2 Virus

787. SHRIMATI MALA ROY:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of laboratories in the country which are capable of genome sequencing of SARS COV-2 virus;

(b) the number of cases COVID-19 reported along with the number of samples sequenced since setting up of such laboratories; and

(c) the time by which these laboratories would achieve the target of sequencing of 5 per cent samples?

Deteriorating Mental Health Conditions

788. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware about deteriorating mental health conditions and increase in number of suicides due to COVID pandemic;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the steps taken by the Government to combat this issue?

National Ayush Mission

789. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the National Ayush Mission along with the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under this mission within Tamil Nadu during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the details of the targets set and achievements made so far thereunder;

(c) whether the Government has encouraged the cultivation of medicinal plants especially in rural areas in the country under this mission, if so, the details along with the results thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is providing any subsidy in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Schemes to Eradicate Malnutrition Among Women

†790. SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the schemes being implemented by the Government in Jharkhand to check increasing malnutrition among women;

(b) whether the Government has fixed any accountability to ensure proper implementation of the said schemes; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Recycling of plastic waste

†791. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of plastic waste being recycled in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to implement any new scheme regarding recycling of plastics and making use of it in construction of highways and other projects; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated/proposed to be allocated for the purpose, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan?

Vaccine Supply to States

792. SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to increase vaccine supply to States/UTs;

(b) whether the Government has done any analysis or prepared a report on vaccine supply chain issues and if so details thereof;

(c) the basis on which quantity of vaccines provided to States/UTs is being calculated;

(d) the timeline by which the Government plans to complete universal vaccination of all citizens; and

(e) the issues being faced by the Government in procurement of vaccines and distribution of same?

Science and Technology Schemes/Projects in Rajasthan

†793. SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes/projects relating to science and technology being implemented in Rajasthan; and

(b) the total number of people, particularly women, benefitted and employment generated under each such scheme/project during the last three years in the State?

Community Driven Environmentally Sustainable Village Programme

794. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of Community Driven Environmentally Sustainable Village Programme;

(b) the number of projects taken up under the said programme;

(c) whether the implementation of the said programme has produced any positive impact; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Development of Hospitals in Bijnor

†795. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated by the Government to the hospitals situated in Bijnor constituency in Uttar Pradesh for the treatment of poor cancer patients so far;

(b) the number of patients that have availed the financial assistance for the treatment of the said ailment, State/UTs/district-wise; and

(c) the measures taken by the Government for the development of hospitals and other healthcare facilities in Bijnor constituency?

Nirbhaya Fund

†796. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposals received under Nirbhaya Fund during the last five years; and

(b) the details of the projects being implemented from Nirbhaya Fund, State/UT-wise?

Adverse Effects of Climate Change

797. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that in South Asia, India has a major role to play in the field of climate change, given the enormity of its industrialisation levels;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether climate change threatens to disrupt natural resource systems, thereby adversely impacting populations dependent on these ecosystems, as well as increasing temperature is likely to increase vector-borne diseases such as malaria and diarrheal infections- the prominent causes of child mortality which in turn leads to declining worker productivity, rising cardiovascular diseases, and deaths; and

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

Ayush System of Medicine Against Vaccination

†798. SHRI PASHUPATI NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the use of AYUSH systems of medicine along with vaccination is successful in preventing COVID-19, if so, the details thereof indicating the extent to which it has been successful in controlling/treating COVID-19 along with the side effects, if any;

(b) the number of AYUSH centres set up in the country, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of AYUSH medicines permitted/approved for treating COVID-19 along with the number of patients who were treated and recovered by using these medicines, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government is allocating/investing for setting up Research and Development and AYUSH Research Laboratories for the treatment of COVID-19 pandemic; and

(e) if so, the details thereof indicating the total fund allocated/utilized for the research and development for the treatment of COVID-19, State/UT-wise particularly in Jharkhand?

M-Yoga App

799. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:
DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed to develop an M-Yoga App in collaboration with WHO;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this is a part of the collaboration under the Be Healthy, Be Mobile (BHEM) initiative; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government thereon?

Threat to Lakshadweep Archipelago

800. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that rapid erosion, turbulent seas and rising ocean temperatures brought on by climate change pose serious threats to the Lakshadweep archipelago;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to address the said issues?

Inaccurate Prediction of Monsoon

801. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:
SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:
SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY
VASANTH:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India Meteorological Department's prediction of monsoon during the current season in the national capital, Delhi and other parts of the country has turned out to be inaccurate;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for such inaccuracies in its predictions;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to upgrade its equipments, technology and technical knowledge and to provide appropriate training to its staff;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Overcharging by Private Hospitals

†802. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints against private hospitals for charging excess fees for the same procedures from the patients paying in cash as compared to those who pay through cashless health insurance schemes, if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(b) the action taken by the Government against such hospitals till date;

(c) whether the Government proposes to conduct any inquiry in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

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

Working Women Hostel

803. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing Working Women Hostels Scheme and if so, the salient features thereof; and

(b) the number and details of hostels sanctioned and presently operational in the country, State/UT-wise?

New Schemes to Textile Sector

†804. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new scheme in textile sector for small cities is under consideration;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details any new scheme in the said sector for the small cities is likely to be launched in future by the Government?

Schemes for COVID-19 Health workers

†805. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating any scheme to provide special benefits to health workers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of schemes rolled out so far for health workers fighting COVID-19 in the country; and

(d) the details of beneficiaries of these schemes, State/UT-wise?

Minimum Age of Marriage

806. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to revise the minimum age of marriage for girls;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study on benefits to the women on social and economic fronts by increasing age of marriage; and

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

AYUSH Health and Wellness Centres

807. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had proposed to set up 12,500 AYUSH Health and Wellness Centres in the country under Ayushman Bharat Programme, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether only 4400 such centres have been approved so far and only 520 have become operational; and

(c) the time by which the Government is likely to achieve the target of setting up 12,500 such centres?

Immunization of Children

808. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the compulsory vaccines being administered to children in the country as part of their immunization;

(b) whether the mandatory vaccination and immunisation programmes for children were disrupted due to the COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the data indicating the decline in the number of children vaccinated for each mandatory vaccine specific to each quarter since January 2020 to June 2021, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government has devised an alternate route of vaccine delivery to ensure proper implementation of immunisation programme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken to increase access to vaccines in the country?

Amendment in Environment Laws

809. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal in the Ministry to streamline environmental clearance processes by amending various Environment laws like Forest Conservation, Wild Life Protection, Environment Protection etc;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has made any provisions to expedite forest clearance for critical infrastructure and Defence projects and security related projects and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any opposition/objections have been raised from the public, activists and NGOs in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to minimize resources conflicts and conserve environment?

Compensatory Afforestation

810. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of locations where compensatory afforestation has been carried out for various projects in the country for the past two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra; and

(c) the details of the CAMPA funds sanctioned to Maharashtra during the last two years and the current year, district-wise?

Overcharging for COVID-19 Treatment

811. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

SHRI M. SELVARAJ:

SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints that many private hospitals, nursing home have been charging above the capped rates from the COVID-19 patients, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government is aware that life saving drugs like Remdisivir were sold at very high price by these hospitals/Nursing Homes, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of hospitals/Nursing Homes that were found guilty of overcharging from COVID-19 patients, State/UT-wise; and

(d) whether any action has been taken/proposed to be taken against such hospitals/nursing homes, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reason therefor?

Budget outlay for COVID-19 Vaccine

812. MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of COVID 19 vaccine orders/placed by the Government with dates and quantity since March 2020;

(b) the funds allocated and spent for the purchase of COVID 19 vaccines since March 2020;

(c) the funds allocated from the Rs. 35,000 crore budget outlay as announced in Union budget 2021;

(d) whether the Government has a roadmap for vaccination of the entire population by December 2021, if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of COVID-19 vaccine orders that are yet to be delivered; and

(f) the details of the criteria employed by the Government in allocating vaccines to States/UTs along with the studies used to substantiate increasing the gap between two doses of Covishield vaccine to 12 to 16 weeks?

Technology Upgradation

813. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA
KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to bring technology upgradation in the textiles sector to bring it at par with international standards and compete in global markets so as to reduce the imports in the textile sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details Sops and exemptions being provided to exporters to boost exports; and

(d) the other steps being taken to reduce the import of textiles into the country?

Relief to Deceased COVID-19 Victims

†814. SHRI LALLU SINGH:
SHRI TAPIR GAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people and doctors died across the country during the second wave of COVID-19, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government is formulating any scheme to provide relief to the families of these deceased persons; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Strengthening of Primary Healthcare System

815. SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to strengthen primary healthcare system by maximising the efficiency and effectiveness of Primary Healthcare Centres;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has earmarked any fund for this purpose; and

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

Change in Vaccine Policy

816. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:
SHRIMATI MALA ROY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has changed allocation and vaccination of COVID vaccine policy from time to time, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the criteria formulated for the distribution of vaccine to States and private hospitals;

(c) the number of citizens so far vaccinated with first and both doses separately, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether India in the first instance exported vaccine without assessing the impact of second wave and need of vaccine in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) the total doses of foreign vaccine so far received on purchase or as donation so far and the timeline fixed by the Government to vaccinate all the eligible people in the country; and

(f) the reasons for not identifying journalists as frontline workers and giving them priority for COVID vaccination?

Integrated Child Development Scheme

817. SHRI ABHISHEK BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that many children from marginalised and poor households have dropped out of schools due to financial losses and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the initiatives/steps taken or being taken by her Ministry to address this issue;

(c) whether the budget for various schemes specially under Integrated Child Development Scheme has been cut down this year after clubbing it under one umbrella scheme and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the reduced budget has no adverse effect on the vulnerable sections of the society?

Problems due to Climate Change

†818. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether rise in temperature in most parts of Maharashtra due to climate change has resulted in extreme heat, rain and drought in several areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any scheme has been formulated by the Government to resolve the problems arising due to climate change; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Integrated Action Plan to Tackle Fungal Outbreaks

819. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:
DR. AMAR SINGH:
SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:
SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:
SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:
DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:
SHRI D.K.SURESH:
SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formed an integrated plan of action to tackle the fungal infection outbreaks consisting of the black, white and yellow variants;

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

(c) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the shortage in the supply of Amphotericin-B injections used for the treatment of Mucormycosis;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the Government proposes to meet the demand, and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government intends to assist the healthcare system with identification and treatment of these diseases; and

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

Adulteration of Jaggery

820. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by the Government regarding adulteration of jaggery in the district of Namakkal; and

(b) the number of cases that are registered for adulteration of jaggery in said district?

Rising Anti-microbial Resistance

821. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of rising anti microbial resistance in India and if so, the steps taken in this regard;

(b) whether the Government is working on One Health concept to synthesize efforts of healthcare in human, animals and environment; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Status of Malnutrition

†822. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the status of malnutrition existing throughout the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Increase in Temperature due to Air Traffic

†823. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the environmentalists, the temperature of earth is increasing rapidly due to the rampant growth of air traffic in the world;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether increase in temperature is taking dangerous proportions and is likely to affect the climatic conditions of the world; and

(d) if so, the corrective measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

COVID-19 Deaths in Karnataka

824. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of deaths due to COVID across the country including Karnataka particularly Hassan district of Karnataka;

(b) the details of number of deaths that occurred due to lack of oxygenated blood supply;

(c) whether the Government is aware of recent incident of death of 36 patients admitted in chamarajanagar district hospital of Karnataka due to lack of timely supply of oxygen;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for shortage of oxygen along with the compensation provided by the Government to the victims; and

(e) the details of number of people vaccinated across the country including Karnataka particularly Hassan district?

Compensation to the Victims of COVID-19

825. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has declared that COVID-19 pandemic is a national disaster and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has noticed that the Apex Court of India has directed them to frame a guideline and declare compensation to the victims of COVID-19;

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

(d) whether the Government has any data regarding number of people who died due to COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has noticed that the deaths due to COVID-19 were not registered properly/underreported/concealed to bring down death rate and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(f) the action taken by the Government to direct the States/UTs to reveal the actual death due to the pandemic?

Exorbitant Fee for MBBS and PG Courses

826. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of private medical universities are charging exorbitant fee for MBBS and PG courses, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any complaints have been received from the parents to take action against the private medical universities, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any mechanism is put in place by the Government to take strict action against them for inappropriate levying of fees; and

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

Food Standards and Safety

827. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI: SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government undertakes survey of food items every year across the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government regarding food standards and safety and regulating the manufacture, storage, distribution and sale of food to ensure consumer safety;

(c) the measures taken by the Government for checking sale of adulterated food and misbranded products in the market and achieve zero cases of unsafe and substandard food samples; and

(d) whether there is an acute shortage of licensing and enforcement officers in the States which has severely affected food safety measures and if so, the details thereof?

National Policy on Alzheimer's Disease

828. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has planned to bring a national policy on Alzheimer's disease in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any geriatric care units have been set up by the Government to treat Alzheimer's patients; and

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

Violation of NGT Guidelines

†829. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI: SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether guidelines issued by National Green Tribunal (NGT) have been extensively violated by some builders in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken by the Government against the guilty;

(d) whether there is any proposal to amend the guidelines in view of present requirements; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

Kuttanad Wetland Ecosystem

830. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has agreed to grant financial assistance for the implementation of Kuttanad package for development of Kuttanad wetland ecosystem in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether the Government has issued clearance for the said project; and
 (d) if so, the details thereof?

Damage to Environment by Emissions

831. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:
 SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps to find out the emissions which damage environment;
 (b) if so, the details thereof;
 (c) whether any mechanism has been developed to identify the emissions generated by the oil, coal and other sectors;
 (d) if so, the details thereof along with the losses caused as a result thereof;
 (e) whether the Government has identified and fixed accountability of the institutions which are spreading pollution; and
 (f) if so, the details thereof?

Doses of COVID Vaccine Administered

832. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that less than 10 percent of Indians have got even single dose of COVID vaccine, despite India being the world's leading vaccine manufacturer, if so reasons thereof;
 (b) the total number of people vaccinated with first dose and second dose as on date and number of COVID-19 vaccination sites operating in the country, State/UT/district-wise;
 (c) whether the Government is aware that many vaccination sites in the country got closed down due to non availability of vaccines at those sites, if so, the details thereof and the time by which they are likely to be reopened; and
 (d) the steps taken by the Government to pace up the vaccination campaign including increasing the present supply of existing vaccines and granting emergency use authorisation to other WHO approved vaccines manufactured in foreign countries?

Reunite Action Plan

†833. SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:
 DR. RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the nature and details of Reunite Action Plan along with the action plan of the Government to trace the missing children through the same;
 (b) the number of missing children traced so far through this action plan;
 (c) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding missing of deaf and dumb children; and
 (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Common Effluent Treatment Plants

834. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up common effluent treatment plants across the country;
 (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Madhya Pradesh; and
 (c) the benefits likely to accrue as a result thereof?

Air Transmission of SARS-COV-2

835. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the scientists of the CSIR have claimed that the virus can travel up to 10 metres riding on aerosols;
 (b) if so, whether the Government has any report on air transmission characteristics of SARS-COV-2 and risks for health care personnel and visitors to hospitals therefor;
 (c) whether it is also a fact that a survey suggested that the neutralising antibodies declined significantly after five-six months, making people prone to reinfections thereof; and
 (d) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Supply of Covaxin to Brazil

836. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:
 SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received reports about a huge controversy between Bharat Biotech and Brazil Government over the supply of 2 crore worth of Covaxin, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has directed the said company to furnish report in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Malnourished Children

†837. SHRI GUMAN SINGH DAMOR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of malnourished children in the country, State/UT and district-wise; and

(b) the policy framework implemented to eradicate the prevailing malnourishment and the time by which the malnutrition prevailing in the country is likely to be eradicated?

Increasing of Retirement Age of Doctors

†838. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has implemented the decision regarding raising the age of retirement of all the doctors including Allopathy and AYUSH from 60 to 65 years, if so, the details thereof including the orders issued in this regard;

(b) whether the entire control and funding of National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur and other autonomous institutions under Government of India are being looked after by his Ministry;

(c) if so, whether the Government intends to raise the age of retirement of AYUSH doctors (teachers and doctors) working with the National Institutes of Ayurveda, Jaipur and other autonomous institutes under Administrative Control of AYUSH Ministry from 60 to 65 years; and

(d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be decided and if not, the reasons therefor?

Health Projects with Foreign Aid

†839. DR. RAMAPATI RAM TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of upgradation/modernization work being carried out in health related projects/schemes including hospitals operated with the support/financial aid from international institutions/agencies like World

Bank, World Health Organization (WHO), State/UT/ agency-wise;

(b) the present status of each such project along with the progress achieved thereunder during each of last three years and the current year;

(c) whether any periodic evaluation has been done regarding the progress of all such projects and if so, the details of the outcome thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve the quality of healthcare services in the country?

Storage Facility for COVID Vaccines

840. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:
SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made any assessment that the existing cold storage facility is sufficient to store anti-COVID vaccine across the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, the steps/measures being taken by the Government in this regard in order to expand the cold storage facility in order to store additional vaccines?

Barshi Textile Mill

†841. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of workers employed at the time when Barshi textile mill was set up along with the present status thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that Barshi textile mill was shut down due to spread of Coronavirus;

(c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be reopened;

(d) whether the Government has received any proposal or letter for the reopening of this mill; and

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

Improvement in Air Quality

†842. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the manner in which any city is identified under a central sector scheme as per its air pollution level;

(b) the names of cities of Chhattisgarh identified for improvement in air quality by the Central Pollution Control Board; and

(c) the total amount allocated for cities of Chhattisgarh during the financial year 2020-21 as per the recommendations of 15th Finance Commission along with the parameters set to utilize/spend the allocated amount?

Gap Between Craftsmen and Digital Markets

843. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

बस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of efforts made/to be made by the Government to bridge the gap between craftsmen and digital markets;

(b) whether the Government has provided/planning to provide specific training to artisans on searching online marketplaces, Instagram and Pinterest for comparable products and incorporate the latest designs, colours and materials;

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

(d) the details of the initiative taken by the Government to provide adequate inventory and warehousing for listed products to artisan groups?

Side Effect of COVID Jobs

844. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has reviewed the side effect linkage to the fatality of the COVID job taker, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of death confirmed due to COVID jobs across the country;

(c) whether Government has formed an expert group to conduct side effects and casualty assessments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the number of cases studied till date?

Separated/Divorced Women

†845. SHRI HAJI FAZLUR REHMAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated any scheme to safeguard the interests of separated/divorced women in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the number of separated/divorced women in the country has increased; and

(d) if so, the details of separated/divorced women in various States of the country during the last two years and the current year along with the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise?

National Digital Health Mission

846. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of budget earmarked for implementation of the National Health Data Management policy;

(b) the details of budget earmarked under the National Digital Health Mission;

(c) the budget earmarked for the pilot project of generating Health ID in Union Territories; and

(d) the details of implementation and assessment of pilot project of Health ID in Union Territories?

Faulty Ventilators and Medical Equipments

847. SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

MS. MIMI CHAKRABORTY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ventilators and medical equipments provided under the funds allocated to his Ministry and the number of ventilators out of them that remain unutilized, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether complaints have been received from States/UTs regarding the bad quality ventilators/defective medical equipment purchased through the funds allocated to his Ministry, if so, the details of the complaints received for faulty ventilators and medical equipments, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether replacements of the defective/non-functional ventilators has been done by his Ministry, if so, the details thereof along with the action taken against the companies who have supplied the faulty ventilators and medical equipments;

(d) the details of the firm/companies from which his Ministry has procured ventilators and medical equipments along with the pricing for such ventilators and medical equipments thereof; and

(e) whether his Ministry is aware that the firms had not received a recommendation from the technical committee set up by Directorate General of Health

Services until July 2020, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Neglected Tropical Diseases

848. SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that India leads the world in terms of the total number of cases for each of the major neglected tropical diseases;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to reduce the burden of neglected tropical diseases by utilizing biotechnology to build tools and technologies to combat such neglected tropical diseases; and

(c) the details of public-private partnerships being carried out for producing vaccines for such neglected such diseases?

Awareness Programme about COVID-19

849. SHRIMATI RITA BAHUGUNA JOSHI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is making best possible efforts to inform and educate people about the importance of COVID vaccines and COVID appropriate behavior;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Revision of Guideline on Television Rating Agencies

850. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up a Committee to review the guidelines on Television Rating Agencies and whether the committee has submitted its recommendations to the Government;

(b) if so, the details of recommendations of the Committee and action taken thereon;

(c) whether fundamental issue of greater transparency in TRP's and base of People's meters, will be widened so that there is no scope of manipulation; and

(d) if so, details thereof?

Environmental Clearance for Irrigation Projects

851. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:
SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether small and medium irrigation projects from various States are pending with the Union Government for environmental/forest clearance;

(b) if so, details of such pending projects, project and State/UT-wise including Maharashtra; and

(c) the reasons for delay in granting environmental/forest clearance along with the details of projects sanctioned during the current year, State/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh?

Green Environment

†852. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has signed an agreement with any other country in the direction of green environment;

(b) if so, the name of the country and the nature of the said agreement;

(c) whether any advisory has been issued regarding import of live exotic species and to streamline the process of its maintenance; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Construction of Road on Forest Land

†853. SHRI SANTOSH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is necessary to take permission from the forest department before construction of roads on forest land in forest areas;

(b) if so, whether permission has been taken from the forest department for the construction of the under-construction inter-state Pandriya-Bajag-Gadasarai road in district Kabirdham of Rajnandgaon Parliamentary Constituency and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that due to cutting of thousands of trees without permission from the forest department and illegal mining of 'murum' and 'gitti' for the under-construction road at a cost of 128 crores, a penalty of Rupees 1 crore 17 lakh was imposed on the construction agency by the public works department, which was later reduced to Rupees 20 lakhs;

(d) if so, the rationale behind reducing the amount of penalty;

(e) whether the said penalty has been recovered from the concerned agency and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the permission has been granted by the forest department to continue the said work and if so, the details thereof?

Availability of Ayush Medicines

†854. SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme has been formulated to ensure the availability of high quality AYUSH medicines to the people of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the fund allocated to Madhya Pradesh for the medicinal conservation and development under his Ministry during the last three financial years?

Corona Vaccines for Children

†855. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of children upto 18 years of age who have contracted COVID-19 as on July 2021;

(b) whether COVID vaccines for children are in the pipeline/trial stage, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether antidotes were found in children before test trial, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the expected time by which the said vaccine is likely to be developed and made available to children?

Recertification of Certified Film

856. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to order recertification of already certified film and if so, the details thereof;;

(b) whether the Government proposes to create a new body to recall films and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the role of Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) in the proposed scenario;

(d) the detailed grounds on which the Government will decide the films which need recensor; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to assign the task to an independent agency to ensure the fundamental right of free speech and expression and if so, the details thereof?

Biomedical Waste Treatment Facilities

857. SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether all biomedical waste treatment facilities are actively reporting their daily updates on the COVID-19BWM App, which has been developed to monitor waste management in lieu of the COVID-19 pandemic;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the other steps being taken to ensure that biomedical waste is not under-reported;

(c) whether the Government proposes to expand the number of biomedical waste treatment facilities in the country as the vaccination drive progresses; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Coastal Erosion

858. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study into the increasing phenomenon of coastal erosion, caused by rising sea levels, attributed mostly to climate change;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to protect the coastal erosion and the environment?

Strengthening of Healthcare Infrastructure

†859. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the healthcare infrastructure is required to be strengthened in the country in view of the challenges faced during COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the reaction of the Government and necessary steps being taken in this regard;

(b) whether the Government has recently announced Rs. 50,000 crore to boost healthcare infrastructure and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action plan has been formulated for utilizing the said fund; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

National Wetland Conservation Programme

†860. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the National Wetland Conservation Programme;

(b) the details of the wetlands identified during the last three years and the current year in the country including Satna district of Madhya Pradesh, district-wise;

(c) whether the Tamas Barrage Dam, Govindgarh Lake, Mukundpur Lake, Vishnu Sagar lake, Dharam Sagar lake, Semraval river, Tamas river, Mandakini river have been included under the National Wetland Conservation Programme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Schemes for the Betterment of Girl Child

861. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the centrally sponsored schemes being implemented for the betterment of girls in the country along with the salient features thereof;

(b) whether Cycle and Poshak scheme in Bihar, Kanyashree scheme in West Bengal, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao scheme in Haryana, Rajshree scheme in Rajasthan and Ladli Laxmi Yojana in Madhya Pradesh have shown good response in the respective States and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government is contemplating to implement the said schemes uniformly across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Sexual Offences Committed against Women

862. MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the sexual offences committed against women in West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the efforts that are taken by the Government to effectively stave off the rising cases of crimes against women; and

(c) the measures taken by the Government to deter the rising tendency of child sexual abuse in the State?

Revamping of Anganwadis

863. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to revamp the existing structures and functioning of Anganwadis;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any in-service course for Anganwadi workers has been proposed for improving their quality and efficiency; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Setting up of Hospitals in Villages/Remote Areas

†864. SHRI RAMSHIROMANI VERMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken by the Government to set up new hospitals or make the existing hospitals resourceful to provide basic facilities accessible to villages and remote areas;

(b) whether the ongoing efforts being made in this regard are sufficient to sustain the pressure on healthcare system particularly in remote and rural areas in wake of the likely third wave of COVID-19 pandemic;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the corrective steps proposed to be taken thereon?

Air Pollution

†865. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of cities in the country which are most polluted in respect of air pollution;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the number of untimely deaths being

caused by air pollution in various parts of country during the last three years;

(c) if so, the year-wise and State-wise details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether intensity of air pollution has further increased in various polluted cities of the country;

(e) if so, the city-wise details of such pollution in the cities during the last three years along with the reasons therefor; and

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

Supplementary Nutrition Programme

866. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated by the Government to the State Governments for implementing the Supplementary Nutrition Programme during the last ten years;

(b) whether the State Government of Meghalaya submitted the utilisation statement for the last ten years and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount of rice and wheat which have been released by the Union Government to Assam during the said period;

(d) whether the Government has taken note that one lakh bags of rice were seized from a private warehouse on Assam-Meghalaya border, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether any enquiry has been conducted in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Increase in Forest Areas

†867. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes being implemented by the Government to increase forest area in urban/rural areas during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government is making constant efforts to promote plantation across the country; and

(c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof, State/UT-wise?

Modernization of Broadcasting Infrastructure

868. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has allocated funds amounting to Rs. 473 crores to Broadcasting Infrastructure Network Development (BIND) Scheme for modernization of broadcasting network infrastructure during the financial year 2019-20; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and present status of progress made in this regard?

Production of Clothes by Handloom Sector

†869. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a constant decline in the production of clothes by the handloom sector as compared to the prescribed objectives fixed in last few years;

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

(c) the measures taken by the Government to achieve the said target to increase the production of cloth?

Financial Support to Media House

870. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that number of media houses have closed and many big houses have stopped their editions during last two years in the country due to unfolding COVID-19 catastrophe;

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

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to support the media houses including providing revival packages since 2019 onwards and ;

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

Two Child Policy

871. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to formulate a policy to check population growth which could be applicable to all citizens regardless of their religion or sects and act as one nation, one law across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to bring a two child policy;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be brought in the country; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Wildlife Sanctuaries

872. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the total economic value derived from the various wildlife sanctuaries/national parks in the country;

(b) if so, details thereof, Wildlife Sanctuary/National Park-wise;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study of the total number of people employed in various roles across the National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries;

(d) if so, the total number of such persons employed in the National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries, reserve-wise and role-wise; and

(e) the estimated total contribution of National Parks/Wildlife sanctuaries to the economy of the country?

Development of Monsoon Modelling System

873. SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Monsoon Mission has been able to develop a monsoon modelling system that can predict rainfall at the block level, if so the details thereof;

(b) whether IMD was able to predict the heavy rainfall in the States in 2019; and

(c) if so, whether advance warnings were sent to the state Government regarding the same, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

World's Most Dangerous Countries for Women

874. MS. MIMI CHAKRABORTY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has been reported that India is among 'The World's Most Dangerous Countries for Women, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the atrocities on women and children has increased in the country during the last five years;

(c) if so, the details of complaints registered in this regard along with the action taken report in this regard during the said period; and

(d) the action plan of the Government to stop act of violence and abuse against women and children?

Losses to Handloom Weavers

875. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that handlooms are less profitable because the weavers buy the raw materials from the open market;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take steps to provide all the raw materials required by handloom weavers through co-operative societies;

(c) whether despite the increase in the volume of cloth produced by handloom, the income of handloom weavers is declining;

(d) if so, the details of steps taken by the Government to prevent this; and

(e) the action taken by the Government to increase the export of Indian handloom products to foreign countries?

Access to Mental Healthcare

†876. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a study has been reported that 50 percent of people face difficulties in getting access to mental healthcare;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the salient features of the report;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide additional mental healthcare facilities for the benefit of the poor and underprivileged, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any proposal has been received from the Government of Rajasthan in this regard?

Introduction of Grading System for Doctors

877. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a grading system for doctors to ensure their competence in their specialization and professional skill;

(b) if so, the details of the standards being drawn and if not the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government is aware that a standard treatment protocol defined for various illnesses need to be in place due to differences in protocol from hospital to hospital and doctor to doctor; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to draw standardized treatment protocols so that patients have uniform treatment procedures across the country?

Indian Cooling Action Plan

878. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken to reduce cooling demand across sectors by 20 percent to 25 percent by 2037-38 as envisaged in the Indian Cooling Action Plan (ICAP);

(b) the present status of training and certification of 100,000 servicing sector technicians by 2022-23 in line with Skill India Mission as was envisioned in the ICAP;

(c) the details of steps taken to reduce refrigerant demand by 25 percent to 30 percent by 2037-38 under the said programme; and

(d) the manner in which the Government proposes to improve cold chain infrastructure and double farmers income as envisaged under the said programme?

Funds for COVID Diagnosis/treatment

879. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been successful in providing sufficient financial help to the patients for the diagnosis of COVID related symptoms from various designated funds during corona pandemic period;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of the further steps taken by the Government in this regard to make funds such more convenient and easily accessible to public?

Pollution due to Negligence of Private Companies

†880. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether pollution in the country is increasing due to the negligence of private companies; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to control such pollution?

Adverse Events Post Vaccination

881. SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH
DEO:
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has studied the deaths related to Adverse Events Following Immunisation (AEFI) post vaccination in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and remedial measures taken thereon;

(c) whether there is urgent need for revamping health infrastructure to deal with new strains of COVID-19 in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has any plan to set up facilities in public health system including CGHS for treatment of patients with post-COVID complications if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government has any plan to tackle the impending third wave of COVID-19 in the country; and

(g) if so, the other steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Amendment to Cinematograph Act

882. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:
SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:
SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:
SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:
SHRIMATI NUSRAT JAHAN RUHI:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to amend the Cinematograph Act and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether there is a provision of re-examination of film already certified by Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) and if so, the details and objective thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted consultations with industry representatives and civil society with regard to changes in draft Bill;

(d) if so, the details thereof and response of the film fraternity thereon;

(e) whether the Government has dissolved the Film Certification Appellate Tribunal (FCAT) and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(f) the measures taken by the ministry to provide respite to individuals employed in film production from pandemic induced economic difficulties and also provide affordable and accessible remedies to film makers?

Ayush System of Medicine

†883. DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether AYUSH system of medicine and related documents are being made available through digital mode and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the time by which it is likely to be made available through digital mode and the benefits likely to accrue therefrom;

(c) whether AYUSH Department has launched five portals for research and medicine; and

(d) if so, the details and the salient features thereof?

Disease Eradication Programme

884. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing various disease eradication programmes nationwide, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has chalked out the outlines of these programmes, if so, the details thereof along with the targets fixed and funds allocated in this regard, State/UT-wise;

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to achieve said target in a time bound manner; and

(d) the role of States/UTs, local administration and Non-Governmental Organizations in these programmes?

Status of Medical Institutions

885. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:
SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ):

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the medical colleges/universities/institutes/hospitals functional and upcoming across the country along with the funds allocated/utilized and the total number of graduate/post-graduate level seats, State/UT, district, location-wise;

(b) whether any criteria have been fixed for establishing new medical colleges in the private sector and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of medical colleges/universities/institutes/hospitals etc. which have been derecognized, and the reasons for their derecognition State/UT-wise therefor; and

(d) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to increase the number of seats of doctors/nurses in medical colleges/universities/institutes/hospitals in the country, State/UT-wise, district-wise and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Opening of New CGHS Dispensaries

†886. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:
SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the parameters/criteria fixed under the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) for opening dispensaries in the country;

(b) the places where such dispensaries are being operated under CGHS in the country at present State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of the beneficiaries recorded and treated under the said scheme in Rajasthan during the last five years, district-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to open new dispensaries in the districts where there are more than 1000 beneficiaries under the CGHS including at Jhansi (U.P.); and

(e) if so, the time by which these are likely to be opened?

District Public Health Laboratory

†887. SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA:
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the list of District Public Health Labs (DPHLs) for testing of epidemic prone diseases;

(b) the total number of DPHLs strengthened since July 2020 till date to test epidemic prone diseases; and

(c) the total number of Japanese Encephalitis cases since 2018 till date, State/UT-wise particularly Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra?

Shortage of Doctors and Paramedics

†888. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:
SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:
SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:
SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:
DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI
THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allopathic doctors and nurses registered across the country and their actual requirement State/ UT wise;

(b) the details of present norms regarding doctor-patients ratio and Nurse-patient ratio being followed by the Government along with the effective step taken to bridge the gap in the said ratios in the country;

(c) the number of diploma/degree schools and colleges with seats imparting nursing education in the country, State/UT-wise along with the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to open new nursing educational institutions in the country, location, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to increase number of medical colleges and seats in allied institutions to bridge the gap and meet the shortage of doctors and paramedics and if so, the details thereof along with necessary steps taken in this regard;

(e) whether the Government proposes to bring in a national policy by making it mandatory for all PG/MBBS doctors to work in rural areas for three years and if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Government to ensure availability of doctors in rural and remote areas of the country?

Practice by Doctors in Rural Areas

889. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of doctors who have not practiced in rural areas after getting MBBS, PG degrees and diplomas from major Government medical colleges in the country, State/UT-wise and district-wise particularly in Bihar;

(b) whether any action has been taken/being taken by the Government against such doctors; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise particularly in Bihar?

Protection of Wildlife Species

890. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether COVID-19 pandemic-induced restrictions have had economic and ecological impact on centres of wildlife preservation and if so, details thereof, sanctuary-wise and national park-wise;

(b) whether directions have been given for welfare of animals that have remained tied up with limited food and water during the pandemic, if so, details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether incidents of poaching have doubled during the lockdown period in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(d) whether wildlife trafficking is one of the major factors responsible for extinction of several endangered species in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the alternate factors responsible for the extinction of endangered species; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to protect wildlife species against illegal wildlife trade, State/UT-wise?

OTT Platforms

891. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the total number of Over-The-Top (OTT) platforms and digital news media platforms which have complied to the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021; and

(b) the details of the self-regulating bodies which have been formed along with the members of each of these self-regulating bodies?

Remuneration to ASHA Workers

892. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ:
SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI:
DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of remuneration paid to ASHA workers under National Rural Health Mission and whether the Government will consider enhancing the remuneration to ASHA workers enabling them to lead a dignified life;

(b) whether the Government proposes to recognize services of ASHA workers as full time employee, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any social security benefit is being given to ASHA workers, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether additional honorarium is being paid to the ASHA workers for undertaking additional duties under COVID-19 management, if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of the steps taken to ensure timely payment of dues to the ASHA workers;

(f) whether a number of ASHA workers have died during COVID-19 duty and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(g) the number of insurance claims filed for the health workers, fighting with COVID-19 under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan package along with further action taken thereon?

Promotion of Yoga and Naturopathy

- †893. DR. RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA:
SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is mulling any ambitious scheme/plan to set up additional research centre to promote Yoga and Naturopathy and create awareness among people regarding the same; and

(b) if so, the time by which the said scheme/plan is likely to be launched and if not, the reasons therefor?

Research Cell to study post COVID-19 Complications

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

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Medical Association (IMA) has requested the Government to set up a separate research cell to study post COVID-19 complication come out with multi-faceted treatment guidelines in all disciplines of medicine;

(b) if so, the response of the Government thereto;

(c) whether post COVID-19 complications of lung fibrosis, increased thrombotic events and fungal infections are on the rise, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether drugs needed for the mucormycotic fungal disease are not available with ease; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to augment indigenous production?

Unexpected Increase in Natural Disasters

895. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:
SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an unexpected increase in natural disasters like cyclones and floods in the country during last three years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any study has been conducted to analyse the increase in natural disasters being caused due to climate change, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details and major highlights in the report 'Assessment of Climate Change over Indian region' published by his Ministry;

(d) whether the Government is planning to take steps to improve the data collection capacity of India Meteorological Department (IMD) helping it to predict natural events with more accuracy;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the details of the steps being taken to mitigate climate change disasters alongside coastal regions?

Wages/Honorarium of Anganwadi Workers

- †896. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:
SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wages/honorarium of Anganwadi Workers (AWs) and helpers is less than the daily wages of daily workers;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the honorarium of the AWs and helpers, if so, the details in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there is any proposal to implement the recommendations of the Parliamentary Committee in this regard and if so, the time-limit fixed therefor and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government has held any meeting with the States in regard to the demands of AWs and increasing the honorarium of the said AWs and helpers and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to address the problems and demands of the said AWs and helpers, State/UT-wise including Gujarat?

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao

897. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
DR. HEENA GAVIT:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:
SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:
SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBAJIRAO
MANE:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features and objectives of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) scheme along with the names of all the districts identified under the scheme;

(b) whether the aspirational districts as identified by NITI Aayog have been included under this scheme, if so, the details of achievements/progress made under the scheme so far in these districts, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan, Bihar and Maharashtra;

(c) the details of targets set, achievements/progress made under the scheme so far, State/UT-wise;

(d) the total funds allocated/ earmarked, released and utilized under the scheme since its inception; and

(e) the further measures taken by the Government for covering more districts in the country under this scheme?

Death due to COVID-19

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

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of doctors, nurses and other para medical personnel who lost their lives in the war against

the COVID-19 pandemic during the first and second waves;

(b) whether there is any proposal from Government to recognize them as COVID martyrs; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the present status thereon?

Compulsory Rotatory Residential Internship

899. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:
SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:
SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:
SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the medical interns staged protests across the States/UTs opposing the move to extend the Compulsory Rotatory Residential Internship (CRRI) period in the States and also regarding their other pending demands;

(b) if so, the details of their proposals rejected so far and also the corrective steps being taken to resolve their issues;

(c) whether there is exploitation of young doctors in the country with minimal pay which would affect their career;

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

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

Immunity Booster

900. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:
SHRI MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:
DR. AMAR SINGH:
SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:
SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:
ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has upgraded the license for Patanjali Ayurved's Coronil from an "immunity booster" to a "supporting measure" in treating COVID-19;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the data/studies based on which such an upgrade was approved and the limitations of such data/studies, if any;

(c) the details of the decision-making process in granting such approval;

(d) the laws/rules/policies/guidelines under which such approval was granted; and

(e) the definitions of “immunity booster” and “supporting measure” under the applicable laws/rules/policies/guidelines, and the procedure and conditions subject to which such license is granted?

Integrated Textile Park Scheme

901. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:
SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA:
DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:
SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of textile parks sanctioned and developed under the Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITPs) in the country, the reasons for the delay in the establishment of some of these parks;

(b) the number of such SITPs in the Country particularly in the State of Karnataka;

(c) whether the Government has received any proposals for the establishment of mega textile parks through the Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (MITRA) package;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has finalised the venues for the MITRA parks, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the differences between the SITP and MITRA textile parks?

Dissemination of Information to General Public

902. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of methods of communication adopted by the Government to disseminate important information to the general public;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any study to assess the efficacy of these communication methods and if so, the details and outcome thereof;

(c) whether the Government has considered digital advertising as a better tool to effectively communicate its notifications, schemes, orders, etc. to the public; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the other measures being taken by the Government to disseminate important information to public in easy method?

Toy Fair

903. SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV:
DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to organize a regional physical toy fair at selected locations across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating cities/districts selected therefor;

(c) whether the Government is taking any steps to promote toy products which are eco friendly and sustainable as a part of toy clusters across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

COVID-19 Sero survey

904. SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:
SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI SELVAM G:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:
SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning a nationwide COVID-19 sero survey to determine the prevalence of Coronavirus antibodies in the community and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of States/Districts to be covered under Sero survey and the time by which it is likely to be started and completed;

(c) whether the Government has also asked states to carry out their own localised surveillance exercises to assess the prevalence and spread of infection and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of the data of Sero Survey conducted so far along with the total number of blood samples of individuals tested;

(e) the outcome of the Sero Survey conducted till date and the action taken by the Government on the Sero Survey; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Government to stop the spread of Corona Virus in the country?

Bio-fencing

905. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether various species have been tested to discover their suitability for use as bio-fencing plants;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any scheme to promote bio-fencing across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Homes for Destitute Mentally Retarded Children

906. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government run homes for destitute mentally retarded children presently operational in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the average occupancy rate in these homes;

(c) the details of treatment offered at these homes to improve their medical condition;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up more such homes in the near future; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Funds for Textile Workers in North Eastern States

†907. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds allocated by the Government to North Eastern States including Assam under the Textile Workers Rehabilitation Fund Scheme during the last three years;

(b) whether the said amount has been spent within the stipulated timeframe;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has fixed any accountability in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Mission Poshan 2.0

†908. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Mission POSHAN 2.0 scheme initiated by the Government across the country;

(b) whether any fund has been sanctioned by the Government for the Rajasthan State under this Mission;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the total number of districts of Rajasthan covered and targets fixed under this scheme?

Vaccines Approved for use in India

909. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY

NALAMADA:

SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK

NIMBALKAR:

SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

SHRI BALAK NATH:

SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the COVID vaccines which have been approved for use in India along with the chronological account of approval granting process followed for these vaccines;

(b) the number and details of vaccines that are currently in the process of getting approval for use in the country along with the steps being taken by the Government to speed up the approval process for vaccines in the country;

(c) the percentage of rural population that has got vaccination doses, State/UT-wise;

(d) the details of orders placed, price quoted and expenditure made by the Government to procure COVID-19 vaccines, nationally and internationally as on date;

(e) the details chronological account of COVID vaccine supplies received by the Government and their dispatch to different states for inoculation along with the data collected post monitoring by the Government regarding inoculation carried by public or private, central sponsored or state sponsored, vaccine/dose/age/month/State/UT-wise; and

(f) whether the Government has studied the efficacy of various vaccines against new variants of COVID present in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Biomedical Waste

910. SHRI N. REDDEPPA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amount of biomedical waste has seen a significant increase since the COVID-19 pandemic in March, 2020;

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

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to effectively and safely handle such biomedical waste from damaging the soil, water and air; and

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

Availability of Medical Oxygen

911. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:
SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY
NALAMADA:
SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:
SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:
SHRI D.K.SURESH:
SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY
VASANTH:
SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA
KRISHNA RAJU:
SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the shortage of medical oxygen in the country during the second wave of COVID-19 proliferation;

(b) if so, the number of medical grade oxygen producing plants functional in the country indicating their production capacity, State/UT-wise;

(c) the number of such plants set up since March 2020 in the country, State/UT-wise along with the funds allocated and utilised for the same;

(d) the number of oxygen tankers available in the country along with number of such tankers added since March 2020 till date, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether production of medical grade oxygen is sufficient to meet the estimated demand for the third wave of the pandemic and if so, the details thereof;

(f) the number of hospitals that have their own Oxygen plants and the steps taken to equip other hospitals with oxygen plants, State/UT-wise; and

(g) additional funds or grants allocated for modernization of Government hospitals including enhancing of super specialty medical facilities?

Procurement of COVID Vaccines

912. DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of general public who have been vaccinated for COVID-19 since March 1, 2021;

(b) whether the Government is facing difficulty in procuring and arranging vaccination for States resulting in shortage of availability of vaccine in different states,

if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor along with the steps taken in this regard;

(d) if so, the criteria fixed by Government for allocation of vaccine to States/UTs;

(e) the per unit cost of Covaxin and Covishield vaccine purchased by Government and the reason for cost of Covaxin is so high when ICMR is working with Bharat Biotech; and

(f) whether the Government has taken any initiative to help Indian vaccine manufacturers who are in the process of developing COVID-19 vaccine which are in trial three of advance stage and if so, details thereof?

Distribution of AYUSH-64

913. DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI:
SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any initiatives to streamline the distribution of AYUSH-64 across the country if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is encouraging more pharmaceutical companies to come forward and obtain a manufacturing license for AYUSH-64 and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) and National Research and Development Centre (NDRC) have signed an MoU for the larger production and commercialization of AYUSH 64, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government had issued advisory to all State Licensing Authorities of ASU medicines to repurpose AYUSH-64 as an intervention for the management of mild to moderate COVID-19 in addition to existing indications; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Impact on Essential Health Services due to COVID-19

914. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether essential health services relating to maternal health, infant & child health, immunisation, family planning or hospital treatment for major diseases have been adversely impacted since the first case of covid was reported in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the provision made for such essential health services since 2018-19, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the decline in such services is worse in rural areas and if so, the details of percentage change over previous year in extending such services since 2018-19, State/UT-wise; and

(d) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to ensure that amidst the crisis, access to such services remains uninterrupted and if so, the details thereof?

Schemes for Development of Women and Children

†915. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:
DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes being run by the Government for development of women and child across the country, specially rural parts of the country, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand and Assam;

(b) the details of funds allocated, utilised, released and achievements made thereunder during the last three years; scheme-wise and State/UT-wise; and

(c) whether any new initiative has been taken by the Government to make women self reliant and if so, the details in regard thereto?

Technical Textile

916. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:
SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the different categories of technical textiles being manufactured/produced in the country;

(b) the percentage of technical textiles produced and exported/imported during each of the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government has devised any policy/scheme to boost technical textile sector in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the achievements made in the sector under such policy/scheme;

(e) whether the Government proposes to attach the handloom clusters to the textile industry for procuring the handloom products directly and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the details of the steps taken/being taken by the Government for advancement and to incentivize production of technical textiles and cut down technical textile imports in the country?

Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana

†917. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:
SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:
SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:
SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features, procedure involved, targets fixed, progress made, funds allocated, number of beneficiaries benefited particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic, Ayushman cards issued, medical treatment covered and amount of medical claims settled under the Ayushman Bharat Yojana (ABY), State/UT-wise;

(b) the number of CHCs, PHCs, AB-HWCs and other hospitals empanelled and super speciality blocks sanctioned and proposed to be empanelled thereunder, State/UT wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to upgrade sub-Centres and PHCs to Health and Wellness Centres under ABY, if so, the details thereof, States/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to cover patients suffering from prolonged chronic diseases including cancer under ABY and if so, the steps taken thereon along with list of ailments covered thereon; and

(e) whether Government proposed to formulate any effective policy to provide state-of-the-art facilities in Ayushman Bharat Yojana;

(f) whether cases of eligible beneficiaries left out/not covered under ABY have come to the notice of the Government, particularly in Assam and if so, the corrective steps taken thereon, State/UT-wise; and

(g) whether it is a fact that the Government is entering into a cooperation with World Health Organization for technical support to the aforementioned scheme and if so, the details thereof?

Quality of Ayush Medicines

918. DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:
SHRI M. SELVARAJ:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received recommendations/suggestions to take steps including

changes in the relevant rules/laws for ensuring quality of AYUSH medicines ;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto indicating the reasons for delay in formulating necessary rules/laws; and

(c) the corrective steps being taken in this regard along with the time by which necessary changes are likely to be made?

Dowry Prohibition Act

919. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to amend Dowry Prohibition Act in near future;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the proposed ammendment, if any and;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Monitoring of AYUSH Items

920. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

आयुष मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Governments has regular monitoring of safety, quality, rights and well being of the products of AYUSH items;

(b) if so, whether the international standards and the patent formulas are being maintained by the units; and

(c) the details of the AYUSH products with patent rights along with their manufacturing units State-wise?

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