

# LOK SABHA

## List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

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(Prime Minister; Ministries of Atomic Energy; Coal; Commerce and Industry; Communications; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Earth Sciences; Electronics and Information Technology; Mines; Parliamentary Affairs; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; Railways; Science and Technology; Space; Steel; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Textiles)

(प्रधान मंत्री; परमाणु ऊर्जा; कोयला; वाणिज्य और उद्योग; संचार; उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण; पृथ्वी विज्ञान; इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी; खान; संसदीय कार्य; कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत और पेंशन; योजना; रेल; विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी; अंतरिक्ष; इस्पात; सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन; वस्त्र मंत्रालय)

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### 'Make in India' Programme

\*1. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of 'Make in India' programme;

(b) whether the Government is aware about the achievements under this initiative which is supposed to turn India into a global manufacturing powerhouse by cutting red tape and drawing investment for export hubs;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the goals fixed for manufacturing accounted for 25 percent of GDP but in reality seven years on, its share is stagnant at 15 percent and manufacturing jobs went down by half during the last five years, according to the Centre for Economic Data and Analysis;

(d) whether the Government is also aware that exports have been stuck at around \$ 300bn for nearly a decade and India has steadily lost market share to smaller rivals such as Bangladesh; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

### Modernisation of Post Offices

\*2. MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken any programme for computerisation and modernisation of Post Offices in the country;

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

(c) the number of Post Offices computerised as on date in each State including West Bengal; and

(d) the number of Post Offices yet to be computerized?

### Kolar Gold Fields

\*3. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received the final feasibility study report regarding the restarting of the mining activity at Kolar Gold Fields;

(b) if so, whether the report suggests that mining activity is not feasible there;

(c) whether there is a plan to convert these Gold Mines to museums;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is aware that similar Gold Mines in South Africa have been converted to museums;

(f) if so, whether the Government is also planning to send a team to have a thorough study regarding the same; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

### Special Economic Zones

†\*4. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the, State-wise, names of areas selected under Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in the country along with the present status of the said areas;

(b) whether the Government proposes to develop some areas after identifying the same under SEZ in Bihar in view of the backwardness of the State;

(c) if so, the names of the said areas;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the, year-wise, amount of revenue being earned by the Government from the areas developed under the SEZ rules during the last five years?

**Doubling/Electrification of Pune-Miraj-Londha  
Railway Line**

\*5. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any estimation of the total area of land that needs to be acquired in Satara district of Maharashtra for the implementation of the Pune-Miraj-Londha railway line doubling and electrification project;

(b) if so, the total land area to be acquired and the number of individual farmers whose land is being or proposed to be acquired; and

(c) the total amount of compensation in rupees that has been already paid out and the amount that is likely to be paid out in the future to complete the total acquisition?

**Data Centres**

\*6. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the current Information Technology (IT) load and capacity of data centres in the country including the extent to which it is expected to grow;

(b) the details of data centres in the country including the green data centres and Government owned data centres, out of these;

(c) whether the Government has taken/proposed any steps to develop green data centres in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the present size of the data centre market;

(e) whether the Government has completed or doing any study on Power Usage Effectiveness (PUE) for data centres; and

(f) if so, the details thereof along with the data depicting annual estimates of the electricity consumption?

**Procurement Centres in Maharashtra**

†\*7. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS  
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and locations of procurement centres being operated in Maharashtra for the procurement of crops at Minimum Support Price, district-wise;

(b) the total value of crops procured through the procurement centres at the Minimum Support Price during the last three years, district-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received any information regarding partiality and corruption prevailing in the procurement centres operating in Maharashtra during the last three years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Bullet Train Projects**

\*8. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposed new corridor projects of bullet trains;

(b) the details of funds allocated, sanctioned and disbursed for the next five years and the current year for the purpose, State/Union Territory-wise;

(c) whether cost of Mumbai-Ahmedabad Corridor Project has increased and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there is any anticipated delay in Mumbai-Ahmedabad Corridor and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the details of the acquisition of land between such corridors along with the details of land acquired and also compensation paid and rehabilitation undertaken?

**Import/Export from China**

\*9. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH  
NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the imports from China have increased during the last seven years;

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

(c) whether the exports to China have declined during the last seven years; and

(d) if so, the details and the reasons thereof?

**Trade Infrastructure of Export Scheme**

\*10. SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:

SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status and progress of the Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES); and

(b) the details of projects sanctioned in the State of Andhra Pradesh under this scheme and the funds allocated for these projects?

### SEZ Policy

†\*11. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the main features of the present Special Economic Zone (SEZ) policy;

(b) whether shortcomings have been detected in the said policy which has caused huge revenue loss to the Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has reviewed the SEZ policy and carried out or proposes to carry out any amendment in the rules, laws and procedures related to the said policy; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Domestic Steel Industry

\*12. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of STEEL  
इस्पात मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to take more steps to strengthen domestic steel industry and achieve sustainable operations in steel industry through policy support, efficient resource utilisation and research and development led production innovation;

(b) if so, the details of the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### K-Rail (Silver Line) Project

\*13. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:  
SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS  
रेल मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Kerala has submitted the K-Rail (Silver Line) project for approval and permission and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Kerala Government has also furnished any environmental study report and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government of Kerala has sought permission from the Union Government for foreign loan for K-Rail project and if so, the total amount and the details thereof;

(d) whether the Union Government has examined the project in detail and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Union Government has given permission/NOC to the Government of Kerala for the start of the work of K-Rail;

(f) if so, the details thereof and the copy of the orders issued;

(g) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that protests against K-Rail are going on in Kerala; and

(h) if so, the action taken to stop the project?

### Promotion of Turmeric

\*14. SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity and value of turmeric consumed in the country during each of the last 10 years and current year, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government is taking measures to market or promote turmeric through digital media, nationally and internationally in addition to the traditional ways of marketing and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount proposed to be provided/spent for promotion of turmeric to boost its domestic and international consumption;

(d) the quantity and value of turmeric exported from the country during each of the last seven years and the current year, country-wise;

(e) whether the State Governments have requested for additional incentives/support to facilitate the export of turmeric to offset the losses suffered due to unseasonal rains in some parts of the country, including in Telangana; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

### Auction of Coal Blocks

\*15. SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA:  
SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:

Will the Minister of COAL  
कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to auction 38 coal blocks in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the areas/States where these 38 coal blocks are located;

(c) whether the States concerned have requested for allocating coal blocks to the coal PSUs situated in those States for exploration at a cheaper rate due to availability of technology, machinery, etc. with these PSUs; and

(d) if so, the constraints faced by the Government for allotting coal blocks to such coal PSUs?

### Boosting of Services Exports

\*16. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide impetus to IT sector to accelerate the growth and help Services Exports to reach \$1 trillion at the end of this decade and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has set any target regarding its merchandise export for the current fiscal year and if so, the details thereof and steps taken to achieve the same;

(c) whether the Government proposes to start IT hubs in Tier-2 and Tier-3 towns and cities to create jobs and uplift the Services Sector along with the development of the region and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of funds sanctioned and released for this purpose;

(e) the details of the locations identified for establishing such IT hubs; and

(f) the other steps taken to create a favourable ecosystem for start-ups, help IT industry to grow rapidly and contribute to country's export of Services?

### Submersion of Munroe Island Village

\*17. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES

पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of increasing instances of submerging of Mundrothuruthu/Munroe which is an island village in Kerala's Kollam district;

(b) if so, whether any study has been initiated by the Government to assess the reasons and to suggest remedial interventions;

(c) whether the Government intends to depute a team of experts to study and assess the impact of such change in Munroe Island; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Sabari Rail Project

\*18. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:  
ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the Sabari rail project along with the year of approval, funds sanctioned/utilized and works completed;

(b) whether the Union Government has received assurance from the State Government of Kerala regarding cost sharing for the Sabari rail project;

(c) if so, whether the Union Government will consider reviving the Sabari rail project on a cost sharing basis; and

(d) the details of elaborate action taken/proposed to be taken thereon and the expected time frame to complete the project?

### Beautification/Modernisation of Railway Stations

†\*19. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned works related to the beautification and modernisation of various railway stations across the country;

(b) if so, the list of stations selected from various States/UTs of the country including Rajasthan for this purpose;

(c) the details of the current progress of the beautification and modernisation works at the said selected railway stations;

(d) whether the said works have been stopped due to lack of funds;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding the irregularities found in the said developmental works; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

### Telecommunication Facilities

†\*20. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey in Rajasthan to find out the areas without the facility of telecommunication till date;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise including Dausa;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the people of the State living in villages particularly in Dhania village have to face a lot of difficulties especially during

emergencies due to the lack of telecommunication facility and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to provide telecommunication facility there?

NEW DELHI;  
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UTPAL KUMAR SINGH  
*Secretary General*

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