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List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS Tuesday, February 12, 2019/Magha 23, 1940 (Saka)

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

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

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Construction of Roads along Borders by CPWD

1381. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN: SHRI S. RAJENDRAN: KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) has been asked to construct strategically important roads along Indo-China and Indo-Pakistan borders;

(b) if so, the number of strategically important roads identified by the Government in this regard, State-wise;

(c) the estimated cost likely to be involved along with the time by which the project is likely to be started and completed; and (d) the other steps taken/being taken by his Ministry to construct all weather roads along the Indian borders?

Implementation of Schemes

†1382. SHRI P.P. CHAUHAN: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes launched by the Government under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers since the year 2014 till date along with the details of the targets set and the achievements made under each of the said scheme, year-wise;

(b) the details of the proposals received from various States along with the proposals approved by the Union Government under the schemes sponsored by the Ministry, State-wise; (c) the details of the funds allocated and utilized for implementation of various schemes of the Ministry during each of the last four years and the current year, scheme and State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has set any time-limit for completing the pending schemes and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the funds allocated to the States/Organisations for achieving the said purposes and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the action taken against the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) found guilty in this regard?

Amendments in SC/ST Act

1383. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating on bringing amendments to the present Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that a writ petition has been filed in the Supreme Court challenging the amendments to the Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Funds for Schemes

†1384. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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(a) the details of the funds released to Sonepat in Haryana under various schemes of the Ministry;

(b) whether the funds released under the said schemes have been utilized under the respective schemes;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the schemes under which the work has been completed or is near completion; and

(d) the reasons for non-completion of work under some schemes?

Fasal Bima Yojana

1385. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA: SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the amount collected by the Government under Fasal Bima Yojana and the number of farmers benefited under this scheme till now;

(b) whether the Government has achieved the target of beneficiaries under this scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the statistics relating to total compensation provided by the Government to farmers/insurance claims of the farmers settled since its introduction, year-wise and State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government's Crop Insurance Scheme is effective enough to cover crop failures and losses to the

farmers due to the natural calamities on payment of the lowest possible premium which would alleviate the rural misery and distress and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the salient aspects of this Crop Insurance Scheme and the manner in which it is better than the schemes introduced earlier; and

(f) whether there is any capping on the premium payable by the farmers in order to get an enhanced compensation, and if so, the details thereof?

Funds for FPI Schemes

†1386. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds released to Darbhanga in Bihar under various schemes of this Ministry;

(b) whether the funds released under the said schemes have been utilized under the respective schemes;

(c) if so, the details of the schemes under which the work has been completed or is near completion; and

(d) if the work has not been completed, the reasons therefor?

Comments of States on Law Commission Report

1387. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

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

(a) the details of comments received from State Governments on the Law Commission's 273rd report titled 'Implementation of United Nations Convention against Torture and other cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment through Legislation' in which a draft Prevention of Torture Bill was also prescribed, State-wise; and

(b) the steps being taken by the Ministry to expedite the consultation on this report?

Single Window Service for NGOs

1388. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the sub-registrar offices in the National Capital Territory of Delhi do not have single window service for registration and amendment related formalities for any non-Governmental Organization;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these offices still take months for any small amendments in the registered organization and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether even request for changing registered address of any organization needed full amendment and takes a month and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of assessment for office mechanism in these offices as per the last review?

Starvation Death

†1389. PROF. RAVINDRA VISHWANATH GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assessed the number of starvation deaths in the country, if so, the details and facts thereof; and

(b) the measures being undertaken by the Government to prevent starvation deaths?

Protection of Women under Domestic Violence Act

1390. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pending under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005, State-wise;

(b) the number of such cases pending for more than six months, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to issue directions for deciding such cases within six months as has been notified in the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Water Efficiency in Agriculture

1391. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that only 38% of water efficiency is prevalent in agriculture, in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ministry has a separate department relating to irrigation project management and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the measures taken by the Government in consultation with the State Government of Punjab for effective conservation of water for agricultural purposes; and

(d) the amount spent by the Government in this regard?

Trafficking in Women and Children

1392. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of cases of trafficking in women and children is increasing every year as per the report of the National Crime Records Bureau;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that in majority of the cases, the trafficked women and children are untraceable;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the total number of cases of missing girls and children traced during the last five years;

(e) whether the Government has set up rehabilitation centres to help those who are abducted and traced; and

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

Domestic Slavery

1393. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government would subscribe to and ratify UN Convention No. 189 to help end domestic slavery;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the fact that a large number or women and children, who are lured with the offer of lucrative wages, often end up as locked-in domestic slaves in India and abroad;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government would bring about comprehensive legislation to free the domestic workers from this kind of slavery and help them live with dignity; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of Street Vendors Act, 2014

1394. DR. NARAMALLI SIVA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the States and Union Territories have notified rules for the implementation of the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation

of Street Vending) Act, 2014 and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c)whether Town Vending Committees (TVCs) have been formed in the cities and towns in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) the safeguards for the protection of street vendors in the absence of State rules, in case of their eviction?

Contract Labourers in FCI

1395. SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK: DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN: DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT: SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of labourers deployed in various depots of Food Corporation of India (FCI) along with their mode of deployment and payment, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government had decided to discontinue the system of contract labour in FCI and implement Direct Payment System (DPS);

(c) if so, whether the Contract labourers continue to be deployed and the DPS is yet to be implemented in various depots of FCI in violation of the said directives, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the corrective steps taken in this regard;

(d) whether the contract/DPS labourers have been raising several demands including regularisation in FCI and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto along with the steps taken to meet the legitimate demands of the labourers; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for the welfare of contract workers in FCI?

Implementation of KALIA Scheme

1396. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN: SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to implement Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation (KALIA) in all the States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a support scheme whose primary targets are small farmers, cultivators and landless agricultural labourers;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the scheme involves payments to encourage cultivation and associated activities; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Proposals for Developmental Works

†1397. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals received by the Union Government from the State Government of Rajasthan regarding various projects and developmental works during the last three years along with the status of these proposals and the amount involved therein, proposal/project-wise;

(b) the reasons for delay in sanctioning the said proposals along with the action taken to expedite the same;

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

(d) whether the developmental works get disrupted due to delay in disposal of the proposals; and

(e) if so, the manner in which cost escalation in works is adjusted?

Cheating by Real Estate Groups

1398. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed that a large number of real estate groups are cheating the investors by offering flats/residential units in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details of cases registered in the country in this regard, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken action against such groups to check their offers in future and if so, the details thereof; (d) whether the Government proposes to acquire their properties to encash the public money; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

National Policy on Criminal Justice

1399. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated a National Policy on Criminal Justice to provide a faster, fairer and inexpensive system of justice in criminal matters particularly with respect to protecting the interests of scheduled castes, scheduled tribes, children, women, disabled persons and other weaker sections of the society;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the salient features of the policy and its current status; and

(c) whether criminal law reforms have been initiated as a result of the implementation of the policy and if so, the current status of such reforms?

Hazardous Pesticides

1400. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA: SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has details regarding the number of annual death

of farmers caused due to harmful effects of pesticide-handling in the country during each of the last three years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any study has been conducted to find out the reasons for such deaths and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that many highly hazardous pesticides banned in foreign countries are allowed to be used in India and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of the steps being taken to promote safe and judicious use of pesticides by farmers for better pestmanagement practices and for increasing agricultural production through education and awareness programmes; and

(e) the fresh steps taken by the Government to have an exclusive legislation on pesticides management to address the issues related to unsafe use of pesticides?

Criteria for setting up of Godowns

1401. SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN: SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH: SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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(a) the criteria fixed by the Food Corporation of India (FCI) for setting up of godowns in the States;

(b) whether some State Governments have requested the Union Government for setting up of godowns in their States, if so, the details thereof and the response of the Union Government thereto, State/ UT-wise;

(c) whether the FCI has provided Hill transport subsidy to some States and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Hill transport subsidy is pending with the Union Government and if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the same, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the corrective measures taken/ being taken by the Government to resolve and expedite the release of pending subsidy at the earliest?

Affordable Housing Projects

†1402. COL. SONARAM CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of affordable housing project/scheme implemented in the country;

(b) the details of funds allocated and utilized under the said scheme since its launch up to December 2017;

(c) whether the Government intends to extend the benefits of the said scheme to small towns by providing assistance to the State Governments;

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

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Applicants for Citizenship

1403. KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of persons who have applied for citizenship under the Ministry of Home Affairs Notification/ Order published on 23rd October, 2018; and

(b) the details of the documents required in order to apply for citizenship under the said Order?

National Institute for Physically Handicapped/Mentally Retarded

1404. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up new National Institute for Physically Handicapped Persons in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh and National Institute for Mentally Retarded Persons in Nellore, Andhra Pradesh; and

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

Khalistan Movement

1405. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Khalistani Movement is gaining momentum again in Punjab during the last two to three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the murders that occured in Punjab were part of Khalistani plot;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Strengthening of Consumer Fora

1406. DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT: SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK: DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN: SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO: SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the inordinate delay in disposing of cases filed in various consumer fora across the country, if so, the reasons for the same and the time-frame for the disposal of such cases by the various fora in a time bound manner;

(b) whether the consumers in the country are not educated about the

consumer rights they enjoy, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to create awareness about the consumer rights and Consumer Act especially in the rural areas along with the outcome thereof;

(c) whether any consumer awareness programme has been undertaken in the country, particularly in the State of Maharashtra and if so, the details of the activities undertaken under the said programme along with the amount of funds sanctioned for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year;

(d) the details of the steps taken for empowering/strengthening of the consumer fora as well as making a provision for online registration of complaints to ensure speedy disposal of cases; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to make amendment in the Consumer Protection Act with a view to make it more effective and if so, the details thereof?

Tolerance Mechanism of Crops

1407. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has carried out any study for understanding the tolerance mechanism of crops in drought and thermal stress environments and if so, the details thereof including the total costs of the projects; and

(b) whether the findings of the study has led to production of various weather resistant crops and if so, the details thereof?

Nature Farming

1408. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is aware that the State Government of Andhra Pradesh is pushing hand for nature farming in the State;

(b) whether the Union Government is also aware that the Chief Minister of AP delivered Key Note Address in a UN Global Event organised by UN Environmental Programme in the month of September last year at Geneva; and

(c) the details of the efforts being made by the Union Government to push for nature farming and help States like Andhra Pradesh which are working hard to push nature farming?

Jan Aushadhi Scheme

1409. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a)whether the Government is implementing Jan Aushadhi Scheme;

(b) if so, the details of the number of districts in which it is being implemented in the country and the details of generic medicines made available through this scheme;

(c) whether the Government has taken any decision to implement this scheme throughout the country and if so, the details thereof; and

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

Import of Foodgrains

1410. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of foodgrains being imported and exported in the country from 2014 till date;

(b) the quantum and value of the foodgrains imported and exported by India from 2014 till date, year-wise;

(c) the import duty charged on the foodgrains imported since 2014 till date, year-wise;

(d) the quantum of foodgrains procured for the Public Distribution System (PDS) out of the imported foodgrains since 2014 till date, year-wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to protect the interests of domestic farmers and domestic agricultural market, considering that there has been a significant increase in agricultural imports?

National Electric Mobility Mission Plan

1411. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Electric Mobility Mission Plan 2020 was unveiled in 2013 as part of the Fame India Scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has amended the Scheme to reduce pollution from Road Transport and cover all vehicle segments and if so, the details thereof alongwith the amount allocated and utilised in this regard;

(c) the details of incentives provided to manufacturers and the number of electric/ hybrid vehicles benefitted as on 31 December, 2018;

(d) whether the Government has launched the second phase of the Fame India Scheme recently and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of Cities selected for pilot project of Multi-Modal Electric Public Transport; and

(f) whether the Government has approved the pilot project of charging infrastructure and project of technological development since 2017-18 and if so, the details thereof?

Shifting of Cultivation towards Cash Crops

1412. SHRI DILIP PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether farmers are shifting from cultivation of oilseeds and pulses to cotton and maize and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that this shift towards cash crops is because of lower MSPs of oilseeds and pulses in the mandis, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; (c) if so, the plans of the Government to control this migration which may result in scarcity of oilseeds and pulses; and

(d) the details regarding rejuvenation of the National Food Security Mission and the National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm?

Online Consumer Mediation Centre (OCMC)

1413. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the Online Consumer Mediation Centre (OCMC);

(b) whether it is available and active across the country;

(c) the details of the number of cases registered under the program and the number of cases resolved so far; and

(d) whether the Government has planned to set up an independent mediation cell for online consumer dispute resolution?

Terrorist and Separatist Groups

1414. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number and name of the terrorist/extremist and separatist groups which are indulging in the violent activities in the country;

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(b) the number of insurgents killed by the security forces in the country during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether there has been any shortage of security personnel to deal with the said activities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken to meet this shortage?

Low Agricultural Productivity

1415. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether farmers are poor due to low productivity (yield per hectare) of all major crops in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons responsible for low productivity of agriculture in the country;

(c) whether increase in agricultural productivity requires greater investment in farm inputs; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to increase investment, both public and private, in agriculture in the country?

Loss Making PSEs

†1416. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether many Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs) under the Government are suffering losses of more than Rs. 18000 crores due to which loss of revenue is being caused; and

(b) the names of the PSEs running in losses with which the Government has held discussion to decrease thriftlessness and reduce unnecessary pressure on the higher officers and the outcome of the talks?

Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras

†1417. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) in Maharashtra, district-wise;

(b) whether it's product group include more than 600 medicines and 150 surgical equipments and consumable items; and

(c) if so, the details of the medicines and surgical equipments which can be supplied from 'Kendriya Bhandar' on demand by any Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendra?

Benefits of Smart Cities

1418. SHRI VIRENDER KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the people are benefited by the scheme of Smart City and if so, the details thereof including the cities in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government has any plan to include more cities under the said scheme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Himachal Pradesh?

PMS for SC and OBC Students

1419. SHRI P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for Scheduled Caste and Other Backward Class students;

(b) the details of students who applied for the scholarship but despite being eligible could not get the same during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government is conducting any inquiry into alleged multicrore scam in Post Matric Scholarships for such students;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective measures taken by the Government to check frauds in the scholarship scheme, if any?

Loans to SCs

1420. MOHAMMED FAIZAL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been implementing any scheme to give special impetus for providing loans to Scheduled Castes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Increase in MSP of Paddy and Other Kharif Crops

1421. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently increased the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Paddy and other Kharif crops;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent to which the Government will have to incur additional expenditure as a result of hike in MSP; and

(d) whether the cost is covered under the Budget provisions for food subsidy and if so, the details thereof?

Education Loan to Handicapped through NHFDC

1422. SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA: SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a vast majority of handicapped beneficiaries who have availed self employment and education loans at low interest rates from the National Handicapped and Finance Development Corporation (NHFDC) directly or indirectly find it very difficult to repay their loans owing to severe financial constraints;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government would consider full waiver of the existing balance amount in their loan accounts in the case of those beneficiaries who are dead;

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(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

Mega Food Parks

1423. SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposed Mega Food Parks which have started functioning in the country;

(b) the quantum of funds sanctioned for various Mega Food Parks in the country;

(c) the current status of the proposed Mega Food Parks;

(d) whether the Government has given final approval for the Mega Food Park at Cherthala; and

(e) the quantum of funds allocated/ released for the Mega Food Park in Cherthala?

Fencing on Indo Pak Border

1424. SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that out of the total 512 km of land border of Gujarat with hostile neighbour Pakistan, only 340 kms length has been sanctioned for fencing and out of that work on only 262.7 km has been completed;

(b) whether the remaining 262.7 km area is very sensitive and needs urgent fencing and despite the talks/ correspondence being regularly held since April, 2012 between the State Government of Gujarat and the Ministry of Home Affairs, no action has been taken to complete the remaining fencing work;

(c) whether the Government is concerned with incidents in the past of so many cases of smuggling of weapons/ contrabands as well as infiltration of antinationals;

(d) if so, the action being taken to fence the remaining border areas urgently; and

(e) the time by which the fencing of 512 km Gujarat border is likely to be completed?

Security Clearances

1425. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM: SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given security clearance to more than 1071 proposals in 11 critical sectors like defence, telecommunications, information and broadcasting;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that over 90 per cent of the FDI proposals have come through the automatic route and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has granted security go ahead to over 4,600 foreign investment proposals in the past four years and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the average processing time for such clearance has been reduced to 50 days from four months and if so, the details thereof?

Inclusion of Rajaka Community in SC List

1426. SHRI KONAKALLA NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for inclusion of Rajaka Community in the list of Scheduled Castes and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken any steps to consider the request of the State Government of Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Surakshit Khadya Abhiyan

1427. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched the Surakshit Khadya Abhiyan, a countrywide campaign to create mass awareness and capacity building for safe and hygienic food and if so, the details, features and the objectives thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken steps to set up necessary infrastructure to achieve the said objectives;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated/released for the scheme; and

(d) the steps, including setting up of a website, taken/being taken by the Government to actively involve consumers in the programme and create awareness about hygienic food?

Illegal Activities

†1428. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether several cases of criminal tendencies like looting, blackmailing etc. by misguiding the youth through friends club being run at several places in the small and big cities of the country have come to light;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether incidents of women forced into illegal trade have also come to light; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to curb such illegal activities?

Operation Green Programme

1429. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE: SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA: SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Operation Green Programme;

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under this programme

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across the country, State/UT-wise

including Maharashtra, Gujarat and West

included under this programme initially;

achievement made under this programme

included creation of farm gate infrastructure,

agro-logistics and storage capacity under

Minimum Basic Income of Farmers

1430. SHRI LADU KISHORE

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE

(a) the policy measures taken up by

(b) whether the Government is

(c) the quantum of funds allocated and

(d) the specific policy measures taken

the Government to double farm income by

2022 and the present status of farmers'

considering to provide minimum basic

income to farmers (as monthly income/

pension) to each farm household

spent by the Ministry of Agriculture and

to promote dry land/rainfed farming in the

country and the allocations for the same

Farmers Welfare since 2014-15; and

agricultural labourer and tenant farmers;

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AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

income in the country;

since 2014-15?

(c) the number and details of crops

(d) the details of the target set and

(e) whether the Government has also

(f) if so, the details and present status

Bengal:

so far:

thereof?

this programme; and

National Fellowship Scheme for SCs

1431. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved any proposal for revision and continuation of National Fellowship Scheme for Scheduled Caste students for 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any initiative for Prevention and Treatment of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Land under Farming in Backward Areas

†1432. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of arable land under farming in the country especially in the Buldhana Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra and other backward areas;

(b) the details thereof;

(c) the total area of land that can be brought under farming, State-wise;

(d) the loss incurred due to non-farming on such land; and

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

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Paisa-Portal

1433. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently launched 'paisa' - Portal for Affordable Credit and Interest Subvention Access;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said portal is a centralised electronic platform for quicker processing of loans under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY- NULM);

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is envisioned to uplift urban poor folks by enhancing sustainable livelihood opportunities through skill development; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

CACP

1434. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices has recommended that the Government should bring out a legislation which would give farmers the right to sell their produce at MSP;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the hike in the minimum support price for paddy and other crops announced by the Government does not meet the criteria recommended by the Swaminathan Commission; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Religious Conversion

1435. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a)whether it is a fact that large number of individuals/families are converting from one religion to another religion across the country to save/ safeguard themselves from atrocities/ tortures by other castes/communities by sacrificing their reservation rights in education and jobs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to change their community/caste at the time of conversion of religion; and

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

Rehabilitation of Beggars

†1436. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures undertaken by the Government to ban beggary and for the rehabilitation of the beggars including child beggars in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to formulate any Central Scheme

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(b) whether any special assistance is

provided to the affected States in case of

Requirement of Housing Units

PAATLE:

URBAN AFFAIRS

be pleased to state:

details thereof;

townships;

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

in the population of cities;

is likely to be implemented?

AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

†1439. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND

(a) whether an increase in urban

(b) whether any assessment has been

(d) whether the Government proposes

population has been recorded in the country

during the last two decades and if so, the

made regarding the required number of

housing units with respect to the increase

to construct housing units to check the

pressure of migration or has introduced/

proposes to introduce any scheme for

meeting the increasing demand of new

(e) if so, the details thereof: and

Decline in Agricultural Exports

1440. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE

(f) the time by which the said scheme

(c) if so, the details thereof;

declaration of natural disaster: and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

or enact a legislation to ban beggary and for the rehabilitation of beggars;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the said scheme or legislation is likely to be implemented/ enforced in the country?

Militancy in J&K

1437. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the four militants killed by security forces at Khiram Srigufara in South Kashmir were from the outfit, Islamic State Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) whether it is also true that the Islamic State Jammu and Kashmir has no organisation chord with the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria;

(c) whether a number of Kashmiri Youths, albeit in small number as of now are joining the outfit through self proclamation;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Guidelines for Declaring a Natural Disaster

†1438. SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the guidelines laid down for declaring a disaster as natural disaster;

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that farm exports were systematically discouraged, leading to a decline in agricultural exports from \$43 billion in 2013-14 to \$33 billion in 2016-17, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether during the same period import of lentil, chana, wheat, sugar and milk powder was allowed that led to crash in crop prices for the Indian farmers and trade surplus went down from \$ 27 billion to less than \$ 8 billion, if so, the details thereof?

Co-operative Group Housing Societies

1441. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has allotted land to different Co-operative Group Housing Societies in Dwarka, Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that most of the Co-operative Group Housing Societies in Dwarka, Delhi have not submitted their douments including membership list to the respective authorities;

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

(e) whether it is true that most of the Co-operative Group Housing Societies in Dwarka, Delhi have not followed rules and regulations during draw and allotment of flats to their members; and (f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard to safeguard the interest of the members of these Cooperative Group Housing Societies in Dwarka, Delhi?

Organic and Sustainable Systems of Farming

†1442. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is promoting organic and sustainable systems of farming in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of work done till date in this regard, State-wise; and

(d) the assistance being provided to the farmers in this regard?

Functioning of Police

†1443. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the general public/common men are not satisfied with the functioning of police and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is seriously contemplating to change the functioning of police;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Shortage of Houses

†1444. SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G. FATEPARA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken any study to find out the shortage of housing especially for lower and medium income categories keeping in view the present demand and availability of houses in the country;

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

(c) whether the Government has formulated any plan in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

PMS for OBC Students

†1445. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Post Matric Scholarship (PMS) for the students of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) is being implemented in various States of the country;

(b) if so, the details of the amount allocated, released and utilised under the scheme across the country including Chhattisgarh during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether the funds allocated by the Government under the said scheme has not been fully utilized;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Complaints Received by NHRC

1446. SHRI P.K. KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints /requests received by the National Human Rights Commission during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;

(b) whether the number of such complaints/requests is on the rise and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to strengthen the mechanism for protection of human rights?

Unauthorised Seeking of CDR

1447. SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints from telecom companies regarding seeking of Call Detail Records (CDRs) illegally;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government against the accused during the last five years, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government is planning to make any changes in the provision of getting the CDRs from telecom operators;

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

(e) whether the Government has approached a U.S. based search engine for sharing its Application Programming Interface (API) for identifying child sexual abuse material on social media platforms;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) whether the Government has approached Microsoft to commercially acquire a tool that aids in finding and removing known images of child exploitation and if so, the details thereof?

Warning Signs on Processed Foods

1448. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a system and has asked the processed packaged food industries for carrying warning signs like those on cigarette packets on processed/packaged foods which contain many harmful and additive ingredients as the obesity among kids is on the rise across the country; and

(b) if so, the list of processed/packaged food items identified for carrying warning signs?

Benefits of Farmer Welfare Schemes

†1449. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:

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

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken an in-principle decision to provide benefits of farmer welfare schemes to farmers in a uniform manner on the basis of their agriculture land by decategorization of farmers as small, medium and large;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented so as to provide benefits to farmers in a uniform manner; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Greyhounds Training Hubs

1450. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plans to provide financial assistance for setting up new operational hubs for greyhounds in Telangana State;

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

(c) the funds allocated/spent for these operational hubs during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Pricing of Milk by Dairy Cooperatives

†1451. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether dairy cooperatives sell milk to consumers at the rate of Rs. 50-55 though they purchase it at the rate of only Rs. 25-30 from the dairy farmers who contribute immensely in dairy market and industry in the country including Rajasthan;

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(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government proposes to fix the minimum support price for milk to ensure remunerative prices of milk and milk products to dairy farmers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Minimum Wages to Women Labourers

†1452. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA *ALIAS* HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any assessment regarding minimum daily wages being paid to women labourers in agriculture sector;

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

(c) whether the Government has made efforts to ensure the payment of minimum wages to women agricultural labourers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the extent of success achieved therein?

Violation of AQCS and Livestock Export Guidelines

1453. SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints from some Public

Representatives regarding violation of the provisions of AQCS (Animal Quarantine & Certification Services) and breach of guidelines of Animal Welfare Board of India in the Livestocks exports from India;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government on the complaints received in the matter; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Fertilizer Production

†1454. SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of fertilizers produced by the cooperative and public sector companies of the country during the last four years, company and year-wise;

(b) the quantum of fertilizers required for the farmers annually in the country;

(c) the extent to which the domestic production in meets the demand of fertilizers by the farmers during the said period, year-wise;

(d) the details and quantum of fertilizers imported during the said period, year-wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to minimise the dependence on import?

Portal on Bank Loan

†1455. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has designed a portal to provide financial assistance on bank loan for affordable housing:

(b) if so, the details thereof: (c) whether people have benefited from the said portal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

KUSUM Scheme

1456. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kisan Uria Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahaabhiyan (KUSUM) scheme is successfully progressing;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of farmers who utilized the scheme, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any campaigns/drives about the benefits of the scheme: and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Aadhaar Card for Visitors in Jails

1457. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Aadhaar card has been made mandatory Identity Document (ID) in all jails across the country and if so, the policy document/ circular/letter regarding the same;

(b) whether Aadhaar has been made a mandatory ID proof for a convict to open an account in prison and if so, the policy document/circular/letter regarding the same; and

(c) whether Aadhaar has been made compulsory to use/avail any facility inside prisons and if so, the details thereof?

Incidents of Bribery in Granting Citizenship

1458. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many officials were involved in demanding and accepting bribes from Pakistani immigrants applying for Indian citizenship and from those extending long term visa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that many officials were arrested along with others in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Funding for Fisheries in Madhya Pradesh

†1459. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV.

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

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated and utilized for fisheries in Madhva Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the facilities provided to fishermen under various fisheries schemes; and

(c) the details of the development which took place in Madhya Pradesh in employment generation and fish production during the last three years?

Storage Capacity of FCI

†1460. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS. FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले. खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of storage of different foodgrains/food items including wheat, rice, pulses, edible oil, sugar etc. in the country;

(b) whether the Government has paid attention to the fact that a huge quantum of foodgrains get wasted every year due to lack of storage capacity of foodgrains in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to make adequate arrangements for storage of foodgrains in view of shortage of storage capacity in the country;

(d) the details of such States which have more storage capacity than their requirement at present; and

(e) whether additional foodgrains storage capacity has also become a reason for crisis in some States and if so, the details thereof and the remedial steps taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Urban Development Strategy

1461. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND **URBAN AFFAIRS**

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether developing metro rail network and housing development has been the top priority of the Government's urban development strategy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

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(c) the details of funds allocated and utilized for developing metro rail networks and housing facility during the last four vears;

(d) the proportion of fund allocation for metro rail and housing projects;

(e) whether the Government has any inter ministerial mechanism to avoid further delay of the scheme; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Krishi Vigyan Kendras

1462. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA[.]

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) that are currently in operation, State-wise;

(b) the number of KVKs under the control of the State Governments, ICAR, NGOs and agricultural universities, respectively;

(c) whether any techniques/methods have been implemented beyond the pilot/ test plot in respect of the research conducted at ICAR in the last five years;

(d) if so, details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Reservation Benefit under Divyang Ouota

1463. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that less than 40 per cent disability disqualifies a differently abled person to get reservation benefit under divyang quota;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that if a person lost one of his eyes, the same is treated as 30 per cent disability and bars him/her to get the reservation benefits and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is not injustice to a person who lost one eye or who has no vision in one eye;

(e) whether the Govenrment is likely to reconsider its guidelines and revised the 40 per cent disability condition for giving benefit to a differently abled person who has lost vision in one of his/her eyes has or no vision in one eye; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Linking Agriculture with MGNREGS

1464. SHRI J.C. DIVAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up an expert committee to study the situation of linking agriculture with MGNREGS, if so, the details thereof and steps being taken in this regard;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to give one time settlement for agricultural loans also on the lines of banks and industry given so far, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; (c) whether the Government proposes to give pension to farmers for their social security, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to bring out a national policy/ procedure to deal with loans taken by farmers to waive them off in case they suffer losses on account of crop failure or due to natural disasters like floods and drought to free farmers from debt completely and whether the policy will be implemented in all the States in consultation with NITI Aayog; and

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

Foreign Residency Status Scheme

1465. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two years after it was launched by the Government, the permanent residency status scheme providing a host of facilities for foreigners who invest at least Rs. 10 crore under the Foreign Direct Investment route is yet to find a single applicant;

(b) whether it is also true that no foreigner had applied under the said scheme;

(c) whether there will be no requirement of registration with the Foreigners Regional Registration Office; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Tax Free Urea

1466. SHRI K.R.P. PRABAKARAN:

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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to give tax free urea and fertilizers to farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government so far; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

FAME India Scheme

1467. SHRIMATI ANJU BALA: SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME GOWDA: SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current status and progress in the implementation of Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid and Electric Vehicles in India (FAME-II) India Scheme;

(b) the allocations made under this scheme during each of the last three years;

(c) the timeline for implementation of the FAME-II India scheme; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure a stable policy framework and road map for sustainable development of Electric Vehicle Industry in the country?

Smuggling of Various Items

1468. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether instances of smuggling of various items including weapons, drugs, tobacco products, etc. are on the rise in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the cases reported along with the quantum of items seized during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether the involvement of foreign nationals working as drug syndicate along with the Indian citizens in the smuggling has been reported;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of persons arrested including foreigners during the said period;

(e) whether the smuggling of illegal weapons has increased the cases of illegal possession of arms in the country;

(f) if so, the details of the cases reported during the said period, State-wise and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government to check such cases of smuggling?

Functioning of e-NAM

1469. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI: SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new e-Mandis which were integrated onto the e-NAM Mandi platform since March 31st, 2018;

(b) whether the Government has the capacity to cater to all 1.11 crore farmers

that are registered on the e-NAM platform, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is on track to achieve its target of linking 2200 mandis by 2022, if so, the details of the same;

(d) the budgetary outlay of this scheme;

(e) the number of districts currently utilising e-NAM, especially the districts in Punjab;

(f) whether the Government has told all the States to start applying e-NAM to their districts, if so, the details of the same; and

(g) whether e-NAM has reduced the prices of pulses, oilseeds, etc., if so, the details thereof?

Access to APMC Mandis

1470. SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that often farmers of remote areas do not have sufficient access to Agricultural Produce Market Committee mandis and their potential market is local haats where their produce is sold below the minimum support price;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that strong procurement operations need to be expanded to the neglected regions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Development of Udaipur as Smart City

†1471. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the budgetary allocation made for the development of Udaipur as a smart city and to promote tourism in Rajasthan, headwise;

(b) the amount utilized out of it for the development of Udaipur as a smart city; and

(c) the details of the other schemes proposed for the development of Udaipur city in Rajasthan?

Schemes for Various Sections

1472. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Schemes/ Programmes introduced by the Ministry to cater to the needs of various sections of people of the society including disabled persons during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the funds allocated and spent on the said programmes during the said period, programme, State and year-wise;

(c) whether the Government has achieved the target set under each programme; and

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

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Imports and Exports of Foodgrains

†1473. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum and cost of foodgrains exported by the Government during last five years along with the names of countries to which the exports have been made;

(b) the quantum and rates of foodgrains imported during the said period along with the names of the countries from where these have been imported;

(c) the foodgrains which have been imported at the rates higher than the exporting rates along with the details of losses incurred by the Government; and

(d) the reasons for this type of trade deficit?

Effect of Drought on Production of Pulses

1474. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country faced crisis due to consecutive drought years that led to low production of pulses in 2014-15 and 2015-16; (c) whether the Union Government has offered a discount to the States for its scheme with subsidy of Rs. 15/- per kg;

(d) if so, whether this Ministry has called a meeting of the State's representatives in this regard; and

(e) if so, the outcome of the meeting and the decision arrived at for dispatch of pulses to the States?

Bharat Ratna Award

1475. SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the criterion for conferring 'Bharat Ratna' awards and the number of persons conferred such award in the film industry;

(b) whether the Union Government is contemplating to confer 'Bharat Ratna' award to late Shri N.T. Rama Rao popularly known as NTR, former Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh and veteran Telugu film actor; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Drinking Water

1476. SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the residents of DDA LIG flats, Block-GH-3, Sector-28, Rohini are not getting drinkable water through pipelines so far; (b) if so, the reasons for not providing potable water;

(c) the initiative taken by DDA to meet the requirement so far; and

(d) the reason for delay and the time by which the residents are likely to get drinkable water adequately through pipelines?

Sugarcane Procurement

†1477. SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN PATEL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the new rate of Fair and Remunerative Price for sugarcane procurement determined on the basis of selling price of sugar and its co-products; and

(b) whether the middlemen, agents and traders in sugar sector have been exposed, if so, the number of persons arrested in these cases and the details thereof?

Reservation for SCs/OBCs

1478. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the seats reserved for Scheduled Castes/Other Backward Classes in education and jobs are lying vacant/ difficult to fill; (b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to fill the vacant jobs; and

(d) the reasons for the prevalence of such vacancies/difficulty in getting candidates for the same?

Tehbazari in NDMC

1479. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to refer to reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4443 dated 08.01.2019 and state:

(a) the reasons for not disclosing the name of the applicants who have submitted their requests for transfer of allocated Tehbazari of 'M' Block under NDMC, near to IOB site Janpath, on legal heir basis;

(b) whether NOC is required from the family members (Legal heirs) of the allotted person of Tehbazari for transferring of the said area Tehbazari in the name of legal heirs;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the name of the legal heirs who have submitted their NOC; and

(d) the details of the formalities required for transferring of the above area Tehbazari in the name of legal heirs?

Generic Medicines

1480. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री be pleased to state: (a) whether the Government has given any instructions to large pharma companies regarding compulsory production of generic medicines on a large scale in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details regarding the guidelines and its repercussions so far?

Deaths of Manual Scavengers

1481. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the increasing incidents of death of workers engaged in sewer cleaning;

(b) if so, the details of such cases reported during the last five years, State-wise;

(c) whether compensation has been given to the families of the victims and action taken against the responsible persons/officials in such cases;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the measures taken by the Government to prevent such incidents?

Income Deficit of Farmers

1482. SHRI ANTO ANTONY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

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(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has recently prepared a draft note on "Addressing Income Deficit Syndrome of Small and Marginal Farmers"; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including major proposals set forth in the aforesaid draft note?

Crop Loss due to Adverse Weather Conditions

1483. SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

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

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are reports of loss of crops due to adverse weather conditions such as cold wave, frost, flood and seasonal rains in the country;

(b) if so, the extent of loss suffered during each of the last three years and the current year, State and crop-wise both for Rabi and Kharif seasons; and

(c) the financial assistance sought and actually provided to various States/UTs for the same during the said period?

Frauds/Cheating via e-Mail and SMS

1484. SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE: SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of frauds/cheating being committed *via* e-Mail and SMS have increased across the country during each of the last three years despite several measures

taken by the Government to curb such cases;

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported during the said period, State/ UT-wise along with the losses incurred to the users of mobile phone/internet;

(c) whether the Government has devised any pre-emptive mechanism to detect such frauds in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the other steps proposed to be taken by the Government to prevent such fraudulent activities in the country and to make good the losses to users due to such fraudulent activities?

Illegal Transportation of Men

1485. PROF. K.V. THOMAS:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are reports of cases of illegal transportation of men from India, especially from Kerala to the neighbouring countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to check such activities?

Pension to Farmers

1486. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to give pension to farmers and farm labourers in the country; (b) if so, the proposed way for sanctioning the same; and

(c) if not, the manner in which the Government is planning to give them support in old age?

Prevention of Damage to Public Property (PDPP) Act

1487. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has set up a Committee to examine modalities to be adopted to make the Prevention of Damage to Public Properties (PDPP) Act,1984 more effective;

(b) if so, whether the Committee has submitted its recommendations; and

(c) if so, the programme of action proposed by the Government in this regard?

Crop Loan through NABARD

†1488. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to refinance the loans disbursed as short term crop loan through NABARD;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government is taking any measures to ensure that the farmers of Uttar Pradesh are not adversely affected?

Working Conditions of Sanitation Workers

1489. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government for formalisation of the informal sector of sanitation workers;

(b) whether the Government is collecting data regarding the number of sanitation workers and the ones working in high risk conditions; and

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

Clean Energy in Transportation

1490. SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT: SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE: SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether electric transportation has been considered as one of the viable approaches to cut down emission as various Indian cities including Delhi have been struggling to cut down their pollution level for the last several years;

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(b) if so, whether the Government is committed to take steps for energy security and clean energy;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the initiative taken by the Government for energy security and clean energy;

(d) whether the Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) and Libcoin are in dialogue to form a world class consortium to initially build 1GWh lithium ion battery plant in India;

(e) if so, the facts thereof and the result achieved so far in this regard; and

(f) whether this project will bring energy independence by replacing oil imports with abundant renewable energy and if so, the details thereof?

MoU between ICAR and Bureau of Energy Efficiency

1491. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether an MoU was signed between the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), Ministry of Power;

(b) if so, the details of the MoU and the benefits likely to be accrued to the farmers;

(c) whether the Government plans to focus on creating awareness among farmers across the country for energy efficient pump sets and other equipment through this MoU;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to promote operational practices so as to adopt energy and resources efficiently under this MoU; and

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(e) whether the MoU proposes any training programmes at Krishi Vigyan Kendras for farmers across the nation?

Sick Fertilizer Units

1492. SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of sick public sector fertilizer companies and their financial networth at present, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details regarding sick central public sector fertilizer companies for which revival plans are approved/sanctioned; and

(c) the progress in revival of such companies for which revival plan/package has been sanctioned ?

Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme

1493. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether awareness regarding the Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS) among Non-Governmental Oganisations (NGOs) and the general public is very low; (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether 90 per cent of the funds earmarked for rehabilitation scheme under DDRS have remained unspent;

(d) if so, the details of the funds earmarked to each State and UT during the years 2015-2016, 2016-2017 and 2017-2018;

(e) the details of the major components of DDRS; and

(f) the details of the hindrances being faced in the implementation of the components of DDRS along with the steps taken by the Government to eliminate the hurdles being faced in this regard in the country?

Human Trafficking

1494. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that human trafficking is going on in the country;

(b) if so, the number of cases of human trafficking reported during the last four years, State-wise and the details of action taken by the Union Government and the State Governments against the human trafficking;

(c) whether human trafficking has also been reported from Munambam, Kerala and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has sought the report from the State Government of Kerala regarding the Munambam human trafficking and if so, the details thereof;

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(e) whether the Government is aware that the coastal region of the country is being used for human trafficking; and

(f) if so, the action taken by the Government to strengthen the security in coastal region?

Schemes for Promotion of Agriculture

1495. DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes being implemented for promotion of agriculture in the country;

(b) the details of the amount allocated in this regard during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the amount of funds utilised under those schemes, State-wise;

(d) the targets set and the achievements made in this regard;

(e) whether some proposals received from the State Governments are pending with the Union Government; and

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

Procurement Centres

†1496. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether procurement centres have been set up to buy the agricultural products at Minimum Support Price (MSP), if so, the details of the procurement centres set up in the country, State-wise, number-wise and the date on which these have been set up; and

(b) the details of procurement made in each of the said States, product-wise, quantity-wise and price-wise?

Emoluments for Physiotherapists

1497. DR. K. KAMARAJ:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question No. 1270 replied on 18th December, 2018 and state:

(a) whether as per the 7th Central Pay Commission (CPC) report, physiotherapists are given pay level 6 and level 10;

(b) if so, the reasons for downgrading to pay level 5;

(c) the number of physiotherapists employed in each organisation under the Ministry and the details of allowance extended to them;

(d) whether any cadre restructuring has been done and if so, the time by which it was done;

(e) whether DoPT guidelines have been followed for the same;

(f) if not, the reasons therefor;

(g) whether the stakeholders including physiotherapists were consulted; and

(h) if so, whether their views were considered and if not, the reasons therefor?

Remunerative Prices for Farm Produce

1498. DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL: SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a huge gap between production and procurement with the result that farmers have not been able to get remunerative prices for their produce, if so, the response of the Government thereto;

(b) whether the procuring agencies responsible for procuring foodgrains like rice and wheat have been able to procure only 26.77 per cent of wheat production and 31.30 per cent of rice production during financial years 2002-03 to 2017-18, if so, the facts thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that India has failed to solve the riddle of agricultural marketing, if so, the facts thereof;

(d) whether the Government has studied the reasons responsible for such a failure, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the remedial steps taken by the Government to bridge the gap between production and procurement so far and the success achieved in this regard?

Storage of Wheat

1499. SHRI R.P. MARUTHARAJAA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to engage private warehouses to ensure proper storage of wheat in the country, if so, the details thereof, Statewise particularly in the State of Tamil Nadu and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) the details regarding the plan outlay and nodal agency in this regard?

Land Mafia

†1500. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY: SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government monitors the activities of land mafia;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of land mafias identified across the country during the last three years, State-wise; and

(d) the details of the action taken against them along with the outcome thereof?

New Schemes for Farmers

1501. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT: DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE: SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has rolled out new initiatives, schemes, programmes and plans to benefit all the farmers, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of the schemes implemented for doubling the farmers' income by 2022, if so, the shortcomings noticed which create difficulty in doubling farmers' income;

(c) the steps taken by the Union Government to mitigate the shortcomings;

(d) the extent to which these new initiatives, schemes, programmes and plans have improved quality of life of farmers especially small and marginal farmers;

(e) the role of State Governments in implementing the new initiatives, schemes, programmes and plans for the welfare of farmers; and

(f) the kind of assistance provided to the State Governments for effective implementation of these schemes?

Organic Farming

1502. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

(a) the total farm area, excluding forest area, currently under Organic Certification, State/UT-wise;

(b) the total number of clusters under organic farming formed since the inception of the Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana scheme, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of the selection process and criteria used to choose the clusters for organic farming under the scheme; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to provide the latest technologies, infrastructure and training regarding organic farming to farmers in the selected clusters?

Employment Opportunities to Differently Abled Persons

1503. DR. PRABHAS KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government adequately rehabilitates the differently abled persons including those with fifty per cent or more disabilities and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether despite the adequate measures in place, such persons are deprived of decent means of livelihood and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to create employment opportunities/self employment for such persons; and

(d) whether the Government has issued instructions to the private sector for providing employment opportunity to the differently abled persons, if so, the details thereof and the follow up action taken thereon?

Setting up of Industries

†1504. SHRI JANAK RAM:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to start and operate new industries in rural areas;

(b) if so, the names of the States where the said industries are likely to be operated on pilot project basis; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Financial Assistance for Gaushalas

†1505. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated a policy or enacted law for providing financial assistance for "Gaushalas";

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to open new "Gaushalas" and provide any financial assistance for the same;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is formulating a project for providing shelter to stray cows; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Elevated Rails

1506. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND

URBAN AFFAIRS आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal for development of elevated rails like Metro/Monorails in the State of Punjab particularly in Amritsar; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Sub-Categorisation of SCs

1507. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No.1331 dated 18.12.2018 and state:

(a) whether the Government is likely to take follow up action with the concerned State Governments/UT Administrations to expedite the matter;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of the States/UTs from which comments have been sought by the Government?

Compensation for the Damage of Crops

†1508. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK: SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state: (a) whether the Government is preparing any action plan for compensation of crops devastated by torrential rains in Madhya Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is formulating any loan waiver policy on Kisan Credit Card under this scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Financial Condition of Farmers

1509. SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME GOWDA: SHRIMATI ANJU BALA: SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the financial condition of farmers is poor in comparison to that of entrepreneurs/middlemen who do business in foodgrains in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government to ameliorate the condition of farmers;

(c) whether the Government provides financial assistance/relief to the families of farmers who commit suicide;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to initiate any process to segregate the farmers into poor, small, marginal and medium on the basis of land holdings;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government for development of agriculture sector?

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

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Setting up of New Food Processing Industries

†1510. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up any new food processing industry in Uttar Pradesh during the current financial year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the proposed incentives likely to be provided to the willing industrialists for setting up such industries?

Metro Rail Facility in Bangalore

1511. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. (BMRCL) seeking Central assistance to partly fund its Nagawara to Kempe Gowda International Airport (KIA) and the Outer Ring Road (ORR) routes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received the detailed project report for KIA link by BMRCL;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has approved the said proposal and if so, the details thereof?

DAY-NULM

†1512. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA: SHRI GEORGE BAKER: SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM) across the country, State/UT-wise including West Bengal, Gujarat and Maharashtra;

(b) the details of the targets set and achievements made under this mission so far;

(c) whether the Government has identified street vendors under this mission and given them identity cards and set up permanent shelters for them and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is planning to organise fortnight long programme for the poorest of the poor under this mission and if so, the details thereof?

Navratna Status to PSUs

1513. SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO (AVANTHI):

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) awarded navratna status during the last five years; (b) the number of PSUs out of them.

incurring losses; and

(c) the measures taken by the Government for revival of these loss making PSUs?

Failure to Register FIR by Police Personnel

†1514. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR HANSDAK: SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether First Investigation Reports (FIRs) of cognizable offence are not being lodged in the country due to the pressure from police duty officer and higher officials and the affected family is unable to get justice:

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard;

(c) the number of police personnel against whom action has been taken for not lodging FIRs of cognizable offence in the country during the last three years, State and year-wise;

(d) the provision for other alternatives made by the Government in case FIRs of cognizance offence are not lodged so that the said FIRs are lodged immediately; and

(e) the reaction of the Government on the compliance of the said alternatives?

Surplus Capital with PSUs

1515. SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to utilise the surplus unproductive capital lying with public as well as private sector enterprises for the purpose of domestic capital investment for the development of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total amount of surplus capital lying with/deposited by all the Public Sector Enterprises and big industries by the end of March, 2018?

Deserters in Security Forces

†1516. PROF. CHINTAMANI MALVIYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jawans of Army and Para Military force deployed in Jammu and Kashmir have deserted the Army/forces;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such jawans out of the same who have deserted their force along with their weapons; and

(d) the total number of weapons missing in this manner so far?

Condition of Paddy Farmers

†1517. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE: DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO: SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the condition of paddy farmers is becoming extremely pitiable in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps or proposes to take steps to bring improvement in the financial condition of paddy farmers;

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

(d) whether the Government is aware that the paddy farmers in various States of the country are not getting appropriate/ remunerative prices for there produce, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Chhattisgarh Government has recently announced to increase the support price of paddy to Rs. 2500 per quintal, if so, the details thereof along with the reaction thereto; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that paddy farmers get remunerative prices for their produce?

Metro Rail Project

†1518. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE: SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme to launch metro rail project in Jammu and Kashmir

and Madhya Pradesh has been implemented;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which the metro rail project has been undertaken; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the metro rail project is likely to be started in the above States?

Shelter Homes

1519. SHRI JITENDRA CHAUDHURY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of cases of sexual abuse in the shelter homes is increasing day by day in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of cases registered under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, State-wise; and

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

Recommendations of JC Sharma Commission

1520. SHRIMATI BUTTA RENUKA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by the Government on the recommendations of the JC Sharma Commission regarding Beda Budugajangam Castes; (b) whether the Government proposes to implement the recommendations of the report of the Commission;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the status of implementation so far on the recommendations contained in the said Report?

Shift to e-NAM

1521. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been successful in roping in agricultural markets in all the States/UTs, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the types of farm produce and commodities that have been traded so far, including the change, if any, in remuneration paid to farmers due to their shift to e-NAM:

(c) whether the Government has any plan to make the shift to e-NAM mandatory for all the farmers to counter rampant trade malpractices in *mandis*;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is planning to undertake any study/establish any committee to study the successes and lacunae in the current e-NAM policy; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Additional Foodgrains to Calamity affected States

†1522. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL:

SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the norms laid down to provide additional foodgrains to States hit by natural calamities;

(b) whether the Government has received requests, seeking additional allocation of foodgrains, from States to distribute it among families affected by floods in various States, if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of foodgrain provided to the States;

(c) whether foodgrains have been provided free of cost as central assistance; and

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

MSP for Crops and Agricultural Products

1523. SHRI MANSHANKAR NINAMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the crops for which the Government increases Minimum Support Price each year;

(b) the average increase in Minimum Support Price of these crops during the last three years and the current year, crop- wise and year-wise; and

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(c) the impact on inflation and fiscal deficit due to the increase in MSP and the manner in which the Government proposes to contain them?

Houses for EWS

1524. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to construct houses for the Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) in urban areas in the country including Gujarat under the Prime Minister Awas Yojana (PMAY);

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds sanctioned and the number of housing units constructed under the Yojana during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Gujarat;

(c) whether various States have asked for financial assistance from Housing and Urban Development Corporation for construction of houses for EWS during the above period;

(d) whether there has been delays in implementation of the project; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken to expedite the implementation process?

Various Types of Livestock †1525. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether diversity in its land, climate and ecology has led to the development of various types of livestock on a large scale in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of livestock and poultry in millions in the country; and

(d) the names and number of breeds registered with the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare presently, State-wise and the details thereof?

Target for Smart Cities

1526. SHRI ABHIJIT MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cities that are targeted for development as "Smart Cities" during the period 2014-2018;

(b) the estimated cost and funds allocated for the "Smart Cities" project; and

(c) the percentage of the target achieved during the said period with respect to development of smart cities?

Setting up of FPI

1527. SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up food processing industries/clusters in various States/areas including Madurai in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the plans to set up such industries in rural areas of the country; and

(c) the incentives being provided by the Government for setting up of food processing industries by the private players?

Purchase of Agricultural Products at MSP

†1528. SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of various agricultural products purchased at minimum support price in the country;

(b) the names and quantum of various agricultural products purchased along with their prices during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the procedure of fixing minimum support price of agricultural products and the names of those products in the case of which the said minimum support price has been increased;

(d) whether the target of purchasing the produce at the minimum support price has been fixed quite lower in comparison to the actual production due to which the farmers are unable to get the remunerative price of their produce; and

(e) if so, the action plan proposed to be formulated by the Government for providing remunerative price to the farmers for their produce ?

Creation of Scientific Storage Capacity Warehouses

1529. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK: DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN: DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT: SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the creation of scientific storage capacity warehouses with allied facilities in rural areas under the Gramin Bhandaran Yojana;

(b) the total number of rural godowns constructed till date and the total number of farmers benefited under this scheme, State-wise including Maharashtra;

(c) the increase of storage capacity derived under the scheme, State-wise;

(d) the amount of subsidy released to various States including Maharashtra during the last three years and the current year for the same;

(e) the number of storage facilities which have been built exclusively for food processing purposes in Maharashtra; and

(f) the extent of the creation of such storage facility in the agriculture and food processing industry?

Development of Mango Cultivation

1530. SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps and the schemes implemented or proposed to be implemented for the development of mango cultivation in the country and the details thereof including funds allocated for the sector;

(b) the details of various schemes and programmes intended for the welfare of small-scale and mid-size farmers engaged in mango cultivation;

(c) whether the Government is planning to launch any special scheme for the promotion of cost effective and innovative mango cultivation in the country;

(d) whether there are any proposals made by agricultural universities in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Funds Utilised on Ongoing/Pending Projects

†1531. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

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

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of amount allocated and spent by the Government for ongoing/ pending agriculture projects for farmers across the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has taken any effective steps so far for doubling the income of farmers;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the data of beneficiary farmers have been collected; and

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

Deaths on Road Construction Sites

1532. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the increasing number of deaths occurring near road construction sites in Delhi due to negligence of construction companies engaged for the purpose;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last one year and the current year, Locationwise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide compensation to such accident victims who are killed in road accidents due to negligence of Government agencies or those engaged by them for construction of roads;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to enquire into the accident and towards payment of adequate compensation to the victim through the construction company at the earliest?

Swachh Bharat Mission

1533. DR. KULAMANI SAMAL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether physical and financial target *vis-a-vis* achievement of the Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U) has not been satisfactory for many States including Odisha, especially for Jagatsinghpur district during the last three financial years;

(b) if so, the details thereof since 2014-15, year-wise and State-wise;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to significantly increase the physical and financial achievement of Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U) in Odisha especially in the Jagatsinghpur district; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to significantly improve the existing monitoring mechanism at the Central level and increase the absorption capacity of Odisha under Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U) since 2014-15?

Ceasefire Violations

1534. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA: KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV: SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether ceasefire violations along India's border with Pakistan and the line of control in Kashmir have been reported to have more than doubled in 2018 from the previous year;

(b) if so, the total number of ceasefire violations by Pakistan during the year 2018 and the action contemplated by the Government on each violation;

(c) the number of casualties reported therein involving BSF and CRPF personnel during the last two years and the current year;

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(d) whether to check ceasefire violations by Pakistan, the Government has since made any strategy; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Co-operative Societies

†1535. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL "NISHANK": ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of co-operative societies operating in the country at present, State/ UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to prepare uniform national policy for development and upgradation of co-operative societies and if so, the details thereof;

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

(d) whether the Government has taken any new initiatives aimed at strengthening the co-operative sector and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the scheme would be extended all over the country including Goa and if so, the details thereof and time by which the programme would be implemented in Goa?

Assured Income to Farmers

1536. SHRI NINONG ERING:

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

(a) whether the Government will provide assured income to farmers by March 2019, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government will act on the recommendations of the Swaminathan Committee; and

(c) whether the Government has considered Krishi Utthan Bill, 2019 submitted by a Private Member and if so, the details thereof?

Municipal Solid Waste

1537. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware that Over 377 million people living in urban areas in 7,935 towns and cities generate 62 million tonnes of municipal solid waste per annum;

(b) if so, whether the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) focus on solid waste management;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the cities covered so far with respect to its target; and

(d) the measurement and monitoring device in the Ministry to evaluate the outcome of the project?

Welfare of Old/Aged Persons

†1538. SHRI RAM CHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of old/aged persons in the country at present and the number of destitutes out of them;

(b) whether the Government provides assistance to the States for keeping destitute old/aged persons in old age homes;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to establish old/aged persons homes for large number of destitute old/ aged persons in the country?

Upliftment of Farmers

†1539. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has sanctioned any funds for the upliftment of farmers across the country including Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether there is any possiblility of sanctioning such funds in future ; and

(c) the steps taken by the Union Government to ameliorate the standard of living of farmers ?

Doubling of Farmers' Income

†1540. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

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

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes implemented by the Government to double the income of farmers by the year 2022 and the amount allocated under the schemes, the details thereof including Rajasthan;

(b) whether the Government is taking any measure or revising its policy for procurement of minimum crop to double the income of farmers;

(c) if so, the manner in which it is likely to double the income of farmers, the details thereof; and

(d) the amount in the form of subsidy given by the Government from the year 2014 till date, the details thereof, State-wise including Rajasthan?

Mini-Processing Units

1541. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has considered setting up of mini-processing units across the country so as to ensure nutritional security to farmers, if so, the number of mini-food processing units set up/registered across the country since 2014, State-wise;

(b) whether it is true that since multinational food processing industries came to the country, it led to a decrease in number of local mini-food processing units, if so, the details of the steps taken to renew the industry;

(c) whether the Government have any scheme to provide mini-processing units with credit for initial set up, if so, the details

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of the credit distributed, State-wise, and in Mahbubnagar District in Telangana, since 2014; and

(d) the number of trainings conducted in tribal areas, and in Mahbubnagar district in Telangana, for setting up local food processing units ?

Terrorist Activities

†1542. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is continuous increase in the terrorist activities in the country as per the information provided by the Government sources;

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

(c) whether any effective steps have been taken by the Government to check the increasing terrorist activities; and

(d) if so, the comprehensive details thereof?

Foreign Funding

1543. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of several Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and other entities not submitting the mandatory annual income and expenditure statement on foreign funding upto a period of six years; (b) if so, the action taken by the Government against these entities;

(c) whether the Government had earlier given a deadline for submission of documents and statement and has the same has been extended;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether such entities are banned or disallowed to receive funding from foreign donors and organizations as of now; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Fertilizer Subsidy

†1544. SHRI RAM KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has to pay a subsidy of Rs. 23000 crore to fertilizer producing companies during the period from January 2019 to March 2019;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether the delay in payment of the said amount is likely to result in declining production of fertilizers; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard?

Expenditure on Smart Cities

1545. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(a) the details of the expenditure incurred by the Government for establishing smart cities in the country including Bihar along with the progress made in the development of each smart city and the expected time frame for completion;

(b) whether the funds provided /being provided is sufficient to convert the existing cities into smart cities and if not, the steps taken/being taken in this regard;

(c) the name of private companies and foreign companies which have shown interest in smart cities project and the name of the cities to which foreign assistance is likely to be provided; and

(d) whether the Government has received any additional proposal from the State of Bihar to be included under the Smart City Mission and if so, the details thereof?

Contribution of FPS in GDP

1546. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the contribution of the Food Processing Sector (FPS) to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is rising over the years;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether any target has been set up to create employment opportunities in the Food Processing Sector and increase its share in GDP;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to achieve the said targets; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Schemes of Ministry

†1547. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI P.P. CHAUHAN: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes launched by the Government under Food Processing Industries Ministry since the year 2014 till date along with the details of the targets set and the achievements made under each of the said schemes, year-wise;

(b) the details of the proposals received from various States along with the proposals approved by the Union Government under the schemes sponsored by Food Processing Industries Ministry, State-wise;

(c) the details of the funds allocated and utilized for implementation of various schemes of this Ministry during each of the last four years and the current year, scheme and State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has set any time-limit for completing the pending schemes and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the funds allocated to the States/organisations for achieving the said purposes and if so, the deatils thereof; and

(f) the action taken against the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) found guilty in this regard?

Potential of Floriculture

1548. DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN: SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK: DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT: SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has failed to tap the potential of floriculture in various States;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details/quantum of flowers produced in various States during each of the last three years;

(c) the details of the status of floriculture in the country along with the country's share in the world floriculture trade and exports;

(d) whether lack of water for irrigation has adversely affected production of flowers in various States, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether any relief/financial assistance is provided by the Government in this regard; and

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

Production of Ethanol

1549. SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

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SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH: SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of production of ethanol in the country during each of the last three years and the estimated production in the current year;

(b) whether the Government targets on production of ethanol blended fuel are being met, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the ethanol produced form molasses instead of sugarcane is more useful and beneficial and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the production of ethanol directly from sugarcane is permitted in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the name of major mills which are producing ethanol directly from sugarcane; and

(e) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to increase the production of ethanol and promote its usage in the country?

Wastage of Foodgrains

1550. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR: SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH: SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a large quantum of foodgrains got wasted/rotted due to shortage of godowns facility in Food Corporation of India (FCI);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) the number of private godowns registered with Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA) as on date and their capacity;

(d) the number of godowns owned by FCI along with their capacity, State/ UT-wise;

(e) whether incidences of pilferage and theft have been reported in the private and FCI owned godowns and if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years; and

(f) the number of persons found guilty during the said period along with the action taken/being taken by the Government against such guilty persons?

Use of Space Technology in Agriculture Sector

1551. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN: SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR: SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is using space technology in agriculture sector in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the areas identified by the Government for this purpose;

(c) the details of the advantages of using space technology in agriculture and allied sector;

(d) whether the Mahalanobis National Crop Forecast Centre (MNCFC) has launched a pilot project called KISAN using space technology for better yield estimation;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the outcome of the project; and

(f) the further steps being taken by the Government for use of space technology in agriculture and allied sectors for the betterment of farmers?

Compliance of Manual of Parliamentary Procedure

1552. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV: SHRIMATI ANJU BALA: SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME GOWDA:

Will the Minister PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS संसदीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Manual of Parliamentary Procedure (MoP), under Chapter 11, stipulates that rules will be framed within a period of six months from the date on which the relevant statute came into force;

(b) if so, whether only 2 to 5 percent of rules/regulations/bye-laws are framed by the concerned Ministries/Departments;

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

(d) whether the time taken for framing rules of legislation after publication of approval in the official gazette exceeds a time limit of 15 days as per the MoP;

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

(f) the number of legislations that have adhered to the time limit in Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha during each of the last five years; and

(g) the remedies by the Government to frame the rules of all legislations within the time frame?

Registered NGOs

†1553. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT: SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA: SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री be pleased to state:

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of

(a) the number of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) registered and functioning under his Ministry at present;

(b) the number of NGOs provided funds for running the organisation and implementation of various programmes along with the funds released in this regard during the last four years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the accounts of such NGOs are registered with his Ministry and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the authorized Chartered Accountants empanelled with the Ministry undertake annual audit of the accounts of such NGOs;

(e) if not, the process whereby such NGOs get their accounts audited; and

(f) the action proposed to be taken against the NGOs that fail to comply with the norms, maintain their accounts properly and get their accounts audited ?

Use of Space Technology for Border Management

1554. KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH: SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL: SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO: SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT: SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN: SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR: SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has formed a Task Force to identify areas for use of Space Technology in improving Border Management and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ministry of Home Affairs has consulted all stakeholders including Border Guarding Forces (BGFs), ISRO, National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS) and Ministry of Defence (MoD) to finalize the report;

(c) if so, the details of the areas identified for use of space technology;

(d) whether the Union Government has prepared long term and short term plans for implementation of Space Technology in improving Border Management and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the extent to which this project will strengthen island and border security and facilitate development of infrastructure in border/island areas?

Facilities to Poor under DAY-NULM

1555. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE:
SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is providing placement oriented skill training, subsidized loans for self-employment ventures, supporting street vendors' livelihoods and establishing shelter for the homeless under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) to the poorest of the poor;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to conduct 'Safety Net Survey' to identify eligible Self Help Groups (SHGs) members not covered under the Government programmes *viz*. SBM (U), PMAY (U), Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Yojana and National Nutrition Mission; and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide a new platform called Shehri Sahabhagita Manch for regular meetings of ULB officials with SHG federations;

(e) if so, the facts thereof and the timeline fixed therefor; and

(f) the success achieved so far under the DAY-NULM during each of the last three years?

Agriculture Survey

†1556. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN: SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state: 476

(a) the rules for conducting an agriculture survey in the country;

(b) the last time when an agriculture survey was conducted;

(c) the reason for not conducting an agriculture survey as per the rules; and

(d) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Agricultural Colleges

1557. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK: DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT: SHRI SATAV RAJEEV: DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN: SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of agricultural colleges in the country is much lesser as compared to number of engineering/medical colleges, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the number of agricultural colleges at present in each State/UT and the number of such colleges proposed to be opened in the next one year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Union Government has received several proposals from various States including Maharashtra for setting up of Agricultural Universities/Colleges, if so, the details thereof including the number of proposals received during the last two years and the current year, State/ UT-wise along with the action taken thereof; (d) whether the Government proposes to set up an All India Body on the lines of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) /Medical Council of India (MCI) for agricultural colleges to monitor and better regulate their functioning, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure that agricultural colleges are given equal importance?

Permanent Solution for Farmers' Problems

†1558. SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV: DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL: SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE: SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that farmers of the country are demonstrating for permanent solution for the problems being faced by them;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has prepared or is considering any fool proof policy or solution for the problems of the farmers as per the climate and other conditions of their areas;

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

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(e) the time by which this policy will be implemented; and

(f) the extent to which it will help in solving the problems of the farmers?

Soil Health Cards

1559. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE: DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI: SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features and objectives/ purposes of the Soil Health Cards Scheme along with the criterion laid down under the scheme for issuance of Soil Health Cards to the farmers;

(b) the number of SHCs issued to the farmers across the country under the scheme since inception, the details thereof, year-wise and State/UT-wise including Karnataka;

(c) whether the Government has set any target to cover all the farmers under the scheme in the country, if so, the details thereof and the achievement of the scheme till date;

(d) the details of the funds provided by the Union Government to the States along with their utilisation reported by the States under the said scheme since inception;

(e) whether the Government has set up adequate number of Soil Testing Laboratories across the country to facilitate farmers and if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise along with the number of farmers who availed benefits of such laboratories so far;

(f) whether all the Soil Testing Laboratories in the country are functional to provide services to farmers and if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor; and

(g) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this direction?

Widened Gap between Missing and Traced Children

1560. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE: SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the gap between missing and traced children has widened in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of cases of missing children reported across the country and number of such children traced during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the gap between registration of such cases and conviction therein has increased in the country during the said period;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise along with the conviction rate in such cases; and

(e) the corrective measures taken by the Government to check such cases and to improve the conviction rate therein?

Foodgrains Shipped/Released to Kerala

1561. DR. P.K. BIJU: PROF. K.V. THOMAS:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to ship foodgrains to Kerala through Ports like Cochin, Quilon, etc., for the purpose of distribution through ration shops; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Funds released to Sonepat and Darbhanga

†1562. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK: SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds released to Sonepat in Haryana and Darbhanga in Bihar under various schemes of this Ministry;

(b) whether the funds released under the said schemes have been utilized under the respective schemes; and

(c) if so, the details of the schemes under which the work has been completed or is near completion and if the work has not been completed, the reasons therefor?

Fake Call Centres

1563. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of fake call centres are operating in the country;

(b) if so, the steps taken to eradicate these fake call centres so that people are not duped of their money;

(c) whether any regulations is in place for starting a call centre; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

National Honour Awards being used as Titles

1564. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the conferment of Indian National Honour Awards such as Bharat Ratna, Padma Vibhushan, Padma Shree and Padma Bhushan etc. entitles the awardees to use them as titles or as prefixes or suffixes to one's name;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, whether the Government would clarify whether a person, who continues to indulge in using the National Award as title, prefix or suffix to his or her name for publicity enhancement or as self-glorification can be stripped of the award under Regulation 10;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to repeal the conferment of National Awards of the Padma category and if so, the details thereof?

Evaluation of PSUs

1565. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is likely to reconsider its policy regarding loss making Public Sector Undertakings which are "Temples of India" as described by Jawaharlal Nehru and such enterprises were not to be evaluated entirely from the profit angle;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has prepared bail out package for loss making PSUs during the last three years;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the total expenditure incurred by the Government in this regard; and

(e) the total revenue gained by the Government due to disinvestment of loss making PSUs?

Progress of AMRUT

1566. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN: ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) launched in 2015 is progressing successfully and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether all the States are involved in the AMRUT scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to extend the time frame of the scheme and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether only 20 per cent of the total projects are completed utilizing three per cent of the total funds approved and if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Loss Making PSUs

†1567. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN: DR. A. SAMPATH: SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) running in losses along with the details of the losses suffered by such PSUs during each of the last three years and the current year, PSU and State-wise;

(b) the reasons for the said losses and the corrective steps taken by the Government thereon;

(c) whether the Government proposes to constitute a high level committee to look into it by engaging various stakeholders before the loss making PSUs are earmarked for disinvestment;

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

(e) whether the Government proposes to set up more PSUs in the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise including Chhattisgarh?

Battalions for CRPF

1568. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to create more battalions for the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether CRPF has any proposal to conduct the recruitment drive across the country for recruitment to various posts in CRPF; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which such recruitment drive is likely to be conducted?

Training of Farmers under Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana

1569. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the training has given to farmers in villages under Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana; and (b) if so, the funds spent for this purpose during the last two years, yearwise and State/UT-wise along with the demand of each State in this regard?

Petrochemical Industry

1570. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the manufacturing units under the Indian Petrochemical Industry mostly use obsolete format of technology and are not able to produce optimally; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps for rationalization of Excise duty on synthetic fiber?

Sustainable Urban Transport Projects

1571. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the World Bank assisted Sustainable Urban Transport Project (SUTP) in the country;

(b) the total financial assistance received by the Government under SUTP from the World Bank;

(c) the number of cities which have taken up the project under SUTP in the country and the progress achieved in this regard; and

(d) the number and details of various undertakings under SUTP in the country?

Greyhounds Training Centre in Andhra Pradesh

1572. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received Detailed Project Report with regard to setting up of Greyhounds Training Centre in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the estimated cost when it was conceived and the cost overrun, if any, of this project;

(c) the reasons for delay in allocating and releasing the grants; and

(d) the time by which the Government is likely to set up the Centre and start giving training to personnel?

Modernisation of Police Forces

1573. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme for the modernisation of Central and the State Police Forces;

(b) if so, whether the scheme covers the aspects of improvement of capabilities and efficiency including proficient communication skills;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the financial outlay of the entire scheme; and

(e) whether funding under the scheme is divided between the Union Government and the respective States or it will be funded and managed solely by the Union Government only?

Charging Stations for Electric Vehicles

1574. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of the objectives sought to be achieved under Phase-I of the FAME Scheme, which was scheduled to be completed by April 2017;

(b) the objectives sought to be achieved under FAME-II scheme and National Auto Policy;

(c) whether any charging station for electric vehicles has been set-up in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is true that currently private companies cannot set-up 'charging stations' in India, as sale of electricity is a licensed activity and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the efforts made by the Government to promote setting up of charging stations for electric vehicles in the country?

AMRUT

1575. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the functioning of Atal Mission

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for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation and if so, the details thereof along with the thrust areas of AMRUT;

(b) whether more than 50% of the projects are still under tendering or in the development stage;

(c) the details of cities and towns selected under the Mission, State-wise;

(d) the funds utilized in the State of Karnataka on improving basic urban infrastructure during the last three years and the details of Annual Action Plans approved;

(e) whether the Government proposes to prohibit formal and informal settlements on flood plains and lake beds of cities and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken to recast the urban landscape of the country to make urban areas more liveable and inclusive besides driving the economic growth?

Funds for Agriculture Sector

1576. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds earmarked on priority basis in the current years' budget for rural sector and agriculture sector;

(b) the percentage of the total budget allocated for the purpose of agricultural development; and

(c) whether any priority areas have been identified so far and if so, the details thereof?



Export of Sugar

†1577. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has scrapped the 20 per cent export duty on sugar to check fall in price of sugar and to increase the export of sugar;

(b) if so, whether in consequence of this, the retail price of sugar in the domestic market is likely to increase;

(c) whether the Government has approved the use of price stabilisation fund to provide relief to the sugarcane farmers in the country; and

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

Loan Waivers in States

1578. SHRI VIRENDER KASHYAP: SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that some State Governments have waived off the farmers' loan in the previous years (2014-17);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the quantum of amount waived off, State/UT-wise;

(c) the impact of the loan waivers on the economy of these States;

(d) whether the farmers have been benefited by such loan waivers;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the amount spent by the Union Government for waiving of the loans of the farmers in Rajasthan till date?

Social Justice Scenario

1579. MOHAMMED FAIZAL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated by the Ministry specifically for improving the dispensation of social justice in the country during the last four years;

(b) the amount of funds utilised in this regard during the said period;

(c) whether any review has been undertaken in the last two years by the Government to know the utility of its schemes, plans and programmes; and

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

Permanent Houses

1580. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry proposes to ensure that residents of jhuggis in Indira camp number 2 and 4, Vikas Puri in North West Delhi are provided permanent houses; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Deployment of Marine India Reserve Battalions

1581. SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal of the State Government of Gujarat for deployment of four Marine Indian Reserve Battalions in order to protect 1640 km of coastal line which has vulnerable areas/installation around and near the land/Creek border areas of the State bordering the hostile neighbour country is pending for approval of the Government?

(b) if so, the present status and the time by which the proposal is likely to be finalized in favour of the State Government?

Procurement of Crop Produce

1582. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that there is no concrete plan to ensure procurement even for the crops for which MSP has been announced;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also true that the farmers organisations have alleged that the policies initiated by the Government are in favour of multinational companies at the cost of domestic farmers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Smart City Project

†1583. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cities selected by the Union Government under Smart City Project:

(b) the details of the funds allocated to these cities:

(c) the number of projects running in the cities selected for the purpose and the present status thereof, city and State-wise: and

(d) the details of the projects started or completed so far?

Agricultural Loan Target

†1584. SHRI BHARAT SINGH: SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the existing agricultural loan target during the next financial year 2019-2020:

(b) if so, the likely amount of the said target for agriculture loan during the next financial year 2019-2020 along with the extent to which the persons availing the said loan are likely to be benefitted; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Assistance for Smart Cities

1585. DR. NARAMALLI SIVA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Central and State Assistance sanctioned for the 100 smart cities selected under the Smart Cities Mission so far, city and year-wise;

(b) the details of the Central Assistance released so far, city/year-wise;

(c) the details of the Central Assistance utilised so far, city and year-wise; and

(d) the details of the projects approved under each smart city and the Smart Cities Mission, city/year-wise?

FAME-II Scheme

1586. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE: SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the FAME-II Scheme:

(b) the details of the number of vehicles likely to be included under this scheme across the country;

(c) the details of the incentives likely to be offered to the States under this scheme including Maharashtra and West Bengal;

(d) whether the Government is planning to include electric bicycle under this scheme and if so, the details thereof: and

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(e) the time by which it is likely to be implemented along with the target likely to be set for this scheme?

Member Centric Application

1587. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS संसदीय कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has brought in a Member- centric application with sole objective of knowledge transfer for the sake of capacity building of the officials of the Legislatures;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has sent any goodwill delegation of Members of Parliament to other countries so as to project the policies, programmes and achievements of the country in different fields with their counterparts and other opinion makers in other countries and secure their support in favour of India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Report by CMS Sub-Group on MGNREGS

1588. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Ministers Sub-Group submitted report to coordinate policy approaches for agriculture sector and Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS); (b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this is in connection with Doubling Farmers' Income by 2022 which requires multi-dimensional and inclusive approach;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the key recommendations and the stand taken by the Government in each case?

Benifit of Fertilizer Subsidy

†1589. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether farmers are receiving the desired benefit of subsidy provided on fertilizers due to the neem coating of urea;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some of the companies try to get more subsidy on the basis of percentage of production by showing low production capacity;

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

(e) the steps taken by the Government to ensure maximum benefit of fertilizer subsidy to the poor and marginal farmers?

Farmers' Agitation

1590. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR: SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY: DR. K. GOPAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE

AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the farmers have threatened to stop all supplies to cities and towns and have demanded for putting an end to farm indebtedness and for guaranteeing remunerative minimum support price for all agricultural products;

(b) whether it is also true that the farmers organisation has demanded for taking up two private members bills in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken note of the dharna of the farmers made on 2.10.2018 seeking redressal of their demands like writing off their crop loans, implementation of Swaminathan Committee recommendations etc. and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is true that a section of farmers' groups has announced four months of agitations ending with a march to Delhi, in protest against the Government's minimum support prices for kharif crops and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is also true that MSP hike was based on a lower calculation than what was recommended by the Swaminathan Commission and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the remedial measures being taken by the Government to appease the farmers and do justice to them?

Plans for Fair Remuneration and Compensation to Farmers

†1591. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared/intends to prepare any plan to

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enable farmers to get fair price and to recover from losses while keeping in mind the problems of farmers growing vegetables and sugarcane including falling prices and high production cost;

(b) if so, the benefits likely to be availed by the farmers; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Schemes for Processing Agro-Products

†1592. SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared any long term scheme for processing of agro-products in the rural areas of Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

Benefits of MSP to Farmers

1593. SHRI K.N. RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minimum Support Price provided by the Government to the farmers, actually benefits only six per cent of the farmers in the entire country; and

(b) if so, whether the Government would consider enhancing the quantum of the agricultural crops produced/purchased by it to the maximum possible limit so that a larger number of farmers benefited through MSP scheme?

Agricultural Research and **Development in Jharkhand**

†1594. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Agriculture Research and Development Institutes are working for development of agriculture in Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof, locationwise: and

(c) the details of the agricultural works done by the said agricultural research and development institutes during the last three vears?

Role of Co-operative in Agriculture Sector

1595. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI P.P. CHAUHAN: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the role played by cooperatives in the agricultural sector;

(b) whether the Government proposes to strengthen the role of cooperatives in agriculture sector;

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

(d) the details of the performance of cooperatives in organic farming, milk

production, poultry farming and fisheries in different States of the country?

Relief to NGOs

†1596. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide relief to the Non Governmental Organisations receiving foreign funds as donations;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any step in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Reservation for VJNT

†1597. PROF. RAVINDRA VISHWANATH GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status given to Vimukta Jati (denotified) and Nomadic Tribes (VJNT) in reserved category by the Government and the percentage of reservation fixed for VJNT across the country including Maharashtra:

(b) the nomenclature of this category at the Central and State level: and

(c) the classification of the category for reservation for Nomadic Denotified Castes (VJNT)?

(a) the details of the funds released to Darbhanga in Bihar under various schemes of the Ministry during the last three years and the current year;

Funds for Schemes

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND

†1598. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

URBAN AFFAIRS

be pleased to state:

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

(b) whether the funds released under the said schemes have been utilized under the respective schemes;

(c) if so, the details of the schemes under which the work has been completed or is near completion; and

(d) the reasons for non-completion of the said work?

Import of Banned GM Seeds

1599. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether hundreds of tonnes of banned Genetically Modified (GM) seeds are being imported to the country for cultivation :

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has also formulated any mechanism to monitor and restrict import of banned GM seeds into the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Merger of Loss-Making CPSUs

†1600. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY.

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) running in losses during the last three years and the amount of investment made there in as on date along with the net asset value thereof;

(b) whether the NITI Aavog has requested the Government to evaluate the assets and merge the public sector undertakings running in losses with the undertakings earning profit with a veiw to generate resources for fresh investment;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto:

(d) whether the Government has identified such public sector undertakings; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which the process is likely to be completed?

Norms for Housing for All

†1601. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO.

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND **URBAN AFFAIRS**

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the norms determined for providing housing under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana;

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

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(b) whether the Government has fixed the target of Housing for All in the urban areas by the year 2022;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the extent of success achieved in this direction since the launch of the said scheme: and

(d) the major hurdles being faced by the Government to meet the requirement of housing?

Flood and Drought Tolerant Rice

1602. SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved the new varieties of flood and drought-tolerant rice for cultivation in disaster prone areas, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government for the smooth availability of new rice varieties;

(b) whether there is any difference in cost of production between the new varieties and the already available old varieties of rice, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to promote the new varieties of flood and drought-tolerant rice?

Analysis of Crime Data by NCRB

1603. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has asked the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) to tabulate and analyse crime data in the country by categorising offences, crimes involving communication devices under Information Technology (IT) Act like crime through social media, cyber stalking of women and children apart from incidents of abetment via online activity;

(b) if so, the details of the categories identified by the Government for classification and collection of data; and

(c) the timeframe for release of the data?

Amendment of Consumer Laws

†1604. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण

मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has amended the consumer laws and new laws have been enacted in the interests of the consumers; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the details of the outcomes derived/expected therefor?

Water Productivity

1605. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Agriculture needs to stop being obsessed

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with and productivity and instead start worrying about water productivity;

(b) whether it is also true that the country needs to make realignment of cropping patterns to water availability; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Milk of Indigenous Breeds of Cows

†1606. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian breed Kankrej cow produces a special A₂A₂ type milk which helps in treating various types of chronic illness especially heart diseases;

(b) if so, the amount allocated for the marketing of A_2A_2 type milk;

(c) whether the Government proposes separate marketing for A₂A₂ type milk to promote rearing of this breed of cows in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, Statewise?

Jan Aushadhi Outlets

1607. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to open more Jan Aushadhi Outlets in the country in order to provide medicines to the people at affordable prices; and

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

[†] Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Various Incentives for Farmers

†1608. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is satisfied with various concessions/ incentives provided to the farmers for development of agricultural sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether suggestions have been received from various quarters to give agreculture the status of industry;

(d) if so, the details thereof:

(e) the benefits likely to be accrued to the farmers as a result thereof; and

(f) the details of comprehensive action plan initiated by the Government for sustained development of agricultural sector and farmers including the outcome thereof?

Absence of Irrigation Projects

†1609. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a large part of cultivable land in the country has been left without sowing (Rabi Season) in the absence of irrigation projects especially in Bundelkhand area in Uttar Pradesh as it is a rain dependent area;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to start Centrally Sponsored

Scheme in these areas to reduce their dependency on monsoon; and

(c) if so, the details thereof area-wise, State-wise and Project-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to give any compensation to farmers for being unable to do any sowing in Rabi season; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Guidelines and Status of Works under PMKSY

†1610. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL: SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

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

be pleased to state:

New Delhi; February 6, 2019 Magha 17, 1940 (Saka) (a) the present status of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana State/UTwise;

(b) the details of the grants provided under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana during the last two years and the current financial year, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has set any target for this scheme, if so, the detials thereof and the achievement made so far in this regard;

(d) whether the Government has issued fresh guidelines for the completion of schemes under Pradhan Mantri Krish Sinchayee Yojana on priority basis in view of low water resources in Bundelkhand and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the details of the measures taken by the Government for the timely completion of irrigation schemes in Bundelkhand?

> SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA Secretary General

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