

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for WRITTEN ANSWERS

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(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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Tourist Visa

†3221. SHRI OM PRAKASH
YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps of the Government to further simplify the process of issuing of tourist visa;

(b) the total number of tourist visas granted for Bihar; and

(c) the countries with which the Government has signed agreements for issuing tourist visas?

Provisions relating to Child Abuse

3222. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:
SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Cr PC) including provisions relating to child abuse across the country;

(b) the time limit for reporting the incidents across the country, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether cases of child abuse have been increasing in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise including West Bengal and Maharashtra;

(e) the action taken/being taken by the Government to curb these incidents;

(f) whether the Ministry of Women and Child Development has proposed to this Ministry for removal of the time limit for reporting the incidents; and

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

Nasha Mukti Centres

†3223. SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN
PATEL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that 40% of women/house wives are habitual users of liquor;

(b) the steps taken by the Government for “Nasha Mukti” of such women;

(c) whether any special centres have been opened for this purpose; and

(d) if so, the number and names of States where such centres have been opened and the number of women who came to these centres for treatment?

Protection of Traditional Retailers

3224. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:

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’s policy that allows 100 per cent FDI, under automatic route in market place

e-Commerce model, has put a question mark on the existence of lakhs of mom-and-pop stores in the country;

(b) if so, whether armed with capital and technology, companies like Amazon and Walmart have fundamentally disrupted the retail sector by offering deep discounts to consumers, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether even during Diwali, the peak time of retail activities, physical stores had suffered so badly that the owners of these establishments ordered goods worth crores of rupees from e-Commerce giants and upon their arrival refused to take delivery and sent them back instead, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has received any complaint/representations from the owners of traditional stores in the country against the e-Retailers and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken by the Government to protect the interest of the traditional store owners?

Innovations in Agriculture Sector

3225. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI
KHADSE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes innovations in agri-sector for reducing wastage, increasing agri-produce and cutting fertilizer use to enhance soil fertility;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes a comprehensive strategy to promote start-ups in agri-sector; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Privatisation of HNPL

3226. SHRI P. KARUNAKARAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received representation from the State Government of Kerala regarding the privatization of Hindustan News Print Ltd. (HNPL);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Fraud Call Centres

†3227. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the matter of swindling billions of rupees from millions of people living in the country and abroad by fraud call centres in all major cities by fraudulent people of the country including Noida in Uttar Pradesh has come to light;

(b) if so, whether the Government has conducted any enquiry in this regard; and

(c) the details of the action taken against the guilty persons along with the outcome thereof?

National Bamboo Mission

3228. KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:

SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

SHRI T.

RADHAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up new National Bamboo Mission (NBM) to focus on this sector and if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives thereof;

(b) whether the Government has initiated any projects targeting the development and trade of bamboo resources;

(c) if so, the action plan drawn to promote start-ups for bamboo products;

(d) the financial assistance extended by the Government during each of the last three years and current year for promotion of Bamboo products;

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide cheaper bamboo products in the country; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to popularize the use of Bamboo products by common man of the country?

Vacant CMD Post in PSUs

3229. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of PSUs are functioning without a CMD for long period, if so, the details of such PSUs

and the date since when these positions have been vacant; and

(b) the steps being taken by the Government to fill the vacant posts expeditiously?

Social Welfare Schemes

3230. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal for implementation of various social welfare schemes under Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode specially in Delhi/NCR;

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

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

Shortage of Mineral Fertilizer

†3231. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is shortage of all types of mineral fertilizers and the country is dependent on imports of raw material for such major fertilizers;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to build a consortium of public and private companies to overcome the said shortage and for import and acquisition of mineral resources from abroad; and

(d) if so, the details of the steps taken/being taken by such consortium in this regard?

Loans for Small Dairy Units

†3232. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides loans upto Rs. 6 lakh for setting up small dairy units across the country including Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details of the total number of farmers provided loans for setting up small dairy units during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the said loan amount is very meagre for setting up a modern dairy unit and if so, whether the Government is considering to increase this amount;

(d) whether banks do not show much interest in giving away small and micro loans and if so, the details of the action likely to be taken by the Government against such banks refusing loans to farmers; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to give loans at zero per cent rate of interest to meet the demand of animal husbandry sector and if so, the details thereof?

AYUSH Treatment under PMJAY

3233. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to cover expenses of AYUSH treatment under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Yojana (PMJAY); and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the package likely to be covered?

Protection of Domestic e-Commerce Industry

3234. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

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 steps taken and policies adopted by the Government to protect domestic players against large foreign companies in e-Commerce industry;

(b) whether the Government has made any consultation with other Ministries/ Departments concerned in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has constituted any committee to sort out the issues and to suggest measures for protecting domestic players in e-Commerce industry, if so, the details thereof?

Black Marketing of Seeds and Fertilizers

3235. SHRI B.V. NAIK:
SHRI S.P.

MUDDAHANUME
GOWDA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to lack of transparency, tenant farmers are not getting fertilizers and seeds provided by co-operative societies and these go to black-market;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Union Government to make the role of cooperative societies more transparent; and

(d) whether any scheme is being considered upon by Government for using accounts of farmers opened under Jan Dhan Yojana for providing fertilizer subsidy to farmers?

Rent to Private Godowns

3236. SHRI S.P.
MUDDAHANUME
GOWDA:
SHRI RAJESHBHAI
CHUDASAMA:

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 paying lakhs of rupees as rent to private godown owners across the country, including the States of Karnataka and Gujarat;

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

(c) whether the Government has formulated, any comprehensive policy for attaining self-reliance in godown capacity; and

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

Amendment in Manual for Drought Management

†3237. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to make required amendments in the provisions of the Manual for Drought Management, 2016 to allow extension of the period of drought declaration according to the impact of drought till the month of July of next year or until next monsoon, whichever is earlier;

(b) if so, the time by which the same is likely to come into effect; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

NBCC Limited

3238. SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Building Construction Corporation (NBCC) Limited has taken over the profit making Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs), HSCC (India) Limited;

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

(c) whether it is also true that after disinvestment, the employees of HSCC (India) Limited have been forcefully removed by the management of NBCC Limited;

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

(e) whether the management has prepared a plan to retrench the employees of HSCC (India) Limited in the next six months; and

(f) if so, the measures taken by the Government to protect the job interests and livelihood of the employees of HSCC (India) Limited?

Complaints under Consumer Protection Forum

3239. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB
SINGH:

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 complaints received in the Consumer Protection Forum in the last one year;

(b) the number of complaints resolved in the last one year; and

(c) whether any steps have been taken by the Government in the last one year for prevention of consumer frauds and malpractices and if so, the details thereof?

Damage Due to Floods

3240. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

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 of the large scale damage caused to ration shops in Kuttanad in the State of Kerala after the floods and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has sanctioned any specific allocation for the repairing and rebuilding of the ration shops; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Subsidy on Fertilizers

†3241. SHRI DHARAMBIR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the subsidy made available by the Government on various fertilizers during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and fertilizer-wise;

(b) whether poor and marginal farmers are not getting the benefits of subsidy on fertilizers and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide fertilizer subsidy directly through bank accounts of farmers by Direct Benefit Transfer scheme; and

(d) if so, the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Housing for All

3242. DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 'Housing for All' scheme under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY(U)] is being implemented all over the country including in the State of Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details of the expenditure incurred during the last two years, State-wise and with particular reference to J&K;

(c) whether it is a fact that an amount of Rs. 1.66 lakh is being given to the beneficiaries under the said scheme which is not sufficient to meet their needs;

(d) if so, whether the Government intends to increase the said amount;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether repairing of the houses is likely to be brought under the said scheme and if not, the reasons therefor?

Influx of Rohingyas

3243. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Border Security Force (BSF) has prevented the influx of Rohingyas into India after they fled Myanmar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is also true that about eight to 10 lakh Rohingyas have entered Bangladesh because of alert vigil of BSF or else they would have entered into India?

Supplying of Multi-Axle Trucks for the Indian Army

3244. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Indian automobile company won the defence contract for supplying the Indian army high mobility multi-axle trucks which was earlier bagged by foreign companies entailing huge outlay;

(b) if so, the details of the Indian company which has bagged the contract and the quantum of trucks to be supplied and the net worth of the contract etc.;

(c) whether any other Indian-made automobile has similarly bagged a contract for supply of jeeps to the Army; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Shortage of Manpower in NIA

3245. SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:

SHRI MOHITE PATIL

VIJAYSINH

SHANKARRAO:

SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

SHRIMATI SUPRIYA

SULE:

DR. HEENA

VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:

SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether shortage of manpower and infrastructure has affected the operational capabilities of the National Investigation Agency(NIA), if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of branches/units of the NIA functioning at present;

(c) the details of cases being investigated by the NIA since its inception along with the present status of the case, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has reviewed the functioning of the NIA in the country, if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to set up more units of NIA with adequate manpower for proper functioning and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Government to make NIA more effective?

Encounter by Police

3246. 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 innocent persons died in encounter with the police and other security investigation agencies across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the total number of people who died in such encounter in the country during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has formulated or amended the existing guidelines/norms to carry out encounter by the police and other security agencies to stop the death of innocent persons; and

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

Soil Health Mission

3247. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the "Soil Health Mission" introduced by the Government is being implemented properly, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the number of farmers being benefited by the scheme is satisfactory and the desired objectives have been achieved by the Government, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government for its satisfactory implementation?

Status of HRIDAY

3248. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of the National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY);

(b) whether the work has been completed in all 12 heritage cities;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the details of the cities in which work is pending and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the time by which the pending works are likely to be completed?

Development of Varieties of Seeds

3249. SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers in the country are dependent on seeds developed by Multinational Corporations and private companies;

(b) if so the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government allocates funds for development of new seeds varieties by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and other agricultural universities; and

(d) if so, the funds allocated during the last three years for the purpose and the number of seeds varieties developed so far by ICAR and other agriculture universities?

Farm Loan and Agri Production

†3250. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the agriculture production has not increased on the yearly basis despite the increase in the availability of farm loan; and

(b) if so, the quantum of agriculture production registered during each of the last three years, year-wise?

Contractors under PMAY

3251. KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of private contractors who have been awarded contracts under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) scheme as of 2018, State-wise;

(b) the details of the funds released to each private contractor under PMAY as of 2018;

(c) whether there are instances of cost over-run and time over-run and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of the number of slums where 'In-situ' slum Redevelopment has been approved, and is being implemented as of 2018, State-wise; and

(e) the details of the number of beneficiaries of the 'In-situ' Slum Redevelopment and Affordable Housing programme as of 2018?

Quality tests of Medicines

3252. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any mechanism exists to test the quality of medicines supplied through the hospitals run by the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that the medicines supplied through the hospitals run by it are of low quality;

(d) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(e) whether the Government has received any complaint on the aforesaid matter; and

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

Human Trafficking in Maharashtra

†3253. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of human trafficking have been increasing continuously in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the number of human trafficking cases registered during the last two years;

(c) whether laxity has been seen in anti-human trafficking system as a result of which the targeted success is not being achieved with regard to prevention of human trafficking;

(d) whether cases of missing children and women have been increasing continuously in Maharashtra as compared to other States; and

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

Homes for Urban Poor

†3254. SHRI SADASHIV
LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved the construction of homes for the urban poor in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the said homes are to be constructed in all cities/States in the country or proposed to be constructed in some selected cities/States;

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

(d) the details of funds earmarked/ provided for the said purpose and the targets fixed for its implementation in selected cities/States, State-wise?

New Crop Insurance Scheme

3255. SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:
SHRI KONAKALLA
NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status and the salient features of New Crop Insurance Scheme;

(b) whether free crop insurance would be ensured for the small and marginal farmers of Maharashtra and rest of the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the precautions taken by the Government to make the scheme Suraksha Kavach more advantageous to the farmers from getting out of burden of premiums and crop losses;

(d) whether many instances have come to the notice of the Government where compensation amount under the crop insurance scheme has not been paid or paid after abnormal delays to farmers, if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the same along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(e) whether the Government has also launched Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Schemes (RWBCIS) and if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the above scheme is different from the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana; and

(f) the number of farmers who have been benefited under RWBCIS so far, State/ UT-wise?

Increasing Agri-production in Jharkhand

†3256. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR
HANSDAK:
SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of efforts being made at the central level for increasing agricultural production in Jharkhand in view of rising population and declining area of agricultural land in the State;

(b) the details of schemes implemented/being implemented for increasing agricultural production in Jharkhand;

(c) the extent to which the production has increased as a result of the said efforts and through such schemes in Jharkhand; and

(d) the reaction of the Government regarding the said increase?

Buffer Stock of various Food Items

3257. SHRI VENKATESH BABU
T.G.:

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 quantum of storage of the buffer stock fixed by the Government for various food items;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to set up an institution under PPP model to manage the proposed buffer stock of pulses and also to tackle the problem of food shortage and price spikes of essential food items; and

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

Inclusive India Summit

3258. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to organize any All India Course Coordination Meet aiming to discuss issues related to recognition, registration, ongoing professional development and examination of Rehabilitation Professionals;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has organized any 'Inclusive India Summit' to bring together leaders from diverse sectors of the country to seek their commitment in changing India into an inclusive nation for Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (PwIDDs); and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Delay in Installation of CCTNS

3259. SHRI RAJESHBHAI
CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the much delayed Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS) that seeks to e-integrate the country's 15,000 police stations and create a national crime and criminal database has been rolled out nationally and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that as many as 13,775 of the total 15,398 police stations across the country are now entering 100 per cent data into the CCTNS software, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which the said system has helped in digitization and integration of crime and criminal records?

Agricultural Project with FAO

3260. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government along with the UN body Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) has launched agriculture project that seeks to bring transformative change in farm sector through conservation of biodiversity and forest landscapes;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the States/regions selected for the project;

(c) the details of programmes/projects proposed in these regions;

(d) whether it aims to transform agricultural production to generate global environmental benefits by addressing biodiversity conservation, land degradation, climate change mitigation and sustainable forest management; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Cyclone Mekunu

3261. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Cyclone Mekunu had hit the coastal region of the State of Karnataka and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has sent any central team to study the situation and sought the report in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that the Indian sub-continent is the worst affected region in the world;

(d) if so, whether the Government is contemplating any measures to promote research to find out the ways for a solution; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Drought in Karnataka

3262. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that more than half of Karnataka, consisting of 176 Taluks are facing drought conditions, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the amount of funds sought by the State Government for drought relief and the recommendations made by the visiting central team and the amount released so far, for Karnataka;

(c) whether the Union Government has released the funds demanded for drought relief, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time period by which the requisite funds would be released to the State Government of Karnataka?

Non-Motorized Transport Policy

3263. DR. NARAMALLI SIVA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to prepare a Non-Motorized Transport Policy in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the budget allocated towards various schemes with focus on developing Non-Motorized Transport in cities; and

(c) whether the Government has selected cities for preparing public bicycling plans and if so, the details thereof?

High Level Committee on Mob Lynching

3264. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the High Level Committee (HLC) chaired by the Union Home Secretary on mob lynching has made recommendations to the Group of Ministers (GoM) headed by the Union Home Minister to curb mob lynching;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether each recommendation has been accepted or rejected;

(d) if so, the reasons for such acceptance or rejection;

(e) the number of meetings held by the HLC and the GoM on the issue of mob lynching including the dates on which such meetings were held along with the issues discussed and decisions arrived at in this regard;

(f) whether the Government has drafted a Bill to curb mob lynching and vigilante groups; and

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

Irregularities in Implementation of NFSA

3265. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of irregularities in the implementation of National Food Security Act (NFSA);

(b) whether the Government has conducted any inquiry into such incidents, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government reviewed the implementation of the Act and observed any shortcomings; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and measures taken to address the issue?

Setting up of Radio Tower in Maharajganj

†3266. SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether letter No. MP/MRJ/1485/18 dated 04.09.2018 regarding setting up of a 10 KWFM transmitter of All India Radio in Maharajganj District of Uttar Pradesh has been received by the Ministry;

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

(c) whether the Government is likely to consider setting up of a 10 KWFM transmitter of All India Radio in Maharajganj district of Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the time by which the same is likely to be set up?

**Pradhan Mantri Adarsh
Gram Yojana**

3267. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH
YADAV:
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:
SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME
GOWDA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been implementing the Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana (PMAGY);

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of scheduled caste majority villages covered under the Yojana;

(c) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised for these villages during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(d) the details of the target set under the PMAGY and the achievements made thereunder during the said period;

(e) whether the Government is satisfied with the achievements, if not, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government thereon; and

(f) whether the Government is planning to increase the number of scheduled caste majority villages under PMAGY, if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be increased?

Fishing inside Sanctuaries

3268. SHRI NAGENDRA
KUMAR PRADHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to allow the poor fishermen to fish inside sanctuaries of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, whether any steps will be taken in this regard in future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Allocation of Fertilizers

3269. SHRIMATI RITA TARAI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many a times, allocation of fertilizers is made to the companies not having good marketing network in the State of Odisha and as a result, the allocated quantum of fertilizers remains unlifted during the period and the State loses its due share;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry would allocate fertilizers especially urea only to the companies having good marketing network in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Land of Sick Fertilizer Units

3270. SHRI CHANDRAKANT
KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to sell assets and lands of eight sick and closed PSUs;

(b) if so, the details of assets and lands of closed PSUs;

(c) the authority for taking decision for lease and/or sale of properties and assets of closed units of PSUs; and

(d) the details of the Government initiatives regarding the land and assets of closed Units of the PSUs?

Making Parliament Multilingual

3271. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that making the Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha multilingual and inclusive is the need of the hour as we are living in the globalised world;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any efforts to make both the Houses of Parliament multilingual and inclusive;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**District Disability Rehabilitation
Centres**

3272. SHRIMATI P.K.
SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing District Disability Rehabilitation Centres (DDRCs) scheme under which financial assistance is provided to set up and operate DDRCs at District level;

(b) if so, the details and criteria for funding under the scheme;

(c) the details of districts which have been identified and approved for setting up and operating DDRCs; and

(d) whether Kannur district of Kerala State has been identified under the scheme, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Setting up of FPI in M.P.

‡3273. SHRIMATI SAVITRI
THAKUR:

Will the Minister of FOOD
PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the nature and details of aid being provided by the Government to local people and farmers for setting-up of food processing industries in rural areas particularly in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether it is possible to increase the income of farmers by promoting these industries; and

(c) if so, whether local people and farmers are being encouraged to set-up such industries at small and large scale and if so, the details thereof?

**Attracting Youth towards
Agriculture**

3274. SHRI MAGANTTI
VENKATESWARA RAO
(BABU):

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to attract youth towards agriculture and its allied activities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Consumer Welfare Fund

3275. SHRI KUNDARIYA
MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI
BHAI:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH
YADAV:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:
SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME
GOWDA:
SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives for setting up Consumer Welfare Fund;

(b) whether the Government has achieved the objective for which the fund has been set up, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to revise the guidelines for Consumer Welfare Fund to suit to the present day requirements, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any action has been taken against the agencies/organizations availing benefits from consumer welfare fund but not engaging in any activity for consumer welfare during the last three years and the current year, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(e) whether the Government also plans to set up Consumer Welfare Funds at State level to increase the coverage and horizon of disseminating relevant information to the consumers and if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated/utilized for the said purpose; and

(f) the details of the other steps taken by the Government to promote and protect the welfare of the consumers by creating awareness and strengthening consumer movements in the country?

Terror Incidents in J&K

3276. DR. A. SAMPATH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an increase in terror incidents in Jammu and Kashmir has been registered during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of terrorists and number of civilians killed and security personnel martyred during this period;

(c) whether laxity and lack of coordination are seen from time-to-time in the mechanism meant for receiving terrorist linked information due to which anti-social elements succeed in executing the incidents;

(d) whether it is also a fact that some anti-social elements are permeating in some other States; and

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

Subsidy to FCI

†3277. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER
KAUSHIK:
DR. BHARATIBEN D.
SHYAL:

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 subsidy amount claimed by Food Corporation of India (FCI) along with the amount released by the Government during the last five years, year-wise; and

(b) the details of the foodgrains allocated to Haryana and Gujarat from the years 2011-12 to 2016-17, year-wise?

Urban Centres

3278. SHRI KONAKALLA
NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no clear mechanism or regular resource transfers to urban centres in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in the absence of such mechanism the Government would go ahead

with creation of Smart Cities project and if so, the details thereof; and

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

R&D Projects in Food Processing

3279. DR. BOORA NARSAIAH
GOUND:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken R&D Projects for development of food processing industries in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds allocated for the purpose during the 12th Five Year Plan; and

(d) the number of on-going food processing projects in the country and the action taken by the Government for timely completion of these projects?

Compassionate Appointment in FCI

3280. SHRI M. MURALI
MOHAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per the DoPT order F. No. 14014/02/2012-Estt. (D) dated 05 September, 2016 "married son" is also eligible for compassionate appointment;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that FCI, Southern Region/various Central Government Agencies/Departments have not implemented the above order by citing the reasons that it is valid only from 2015 cases and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such cases (denial/rejected appointment under the married sons concept) between 2005-2013 will also be reopened/reconsidered for compassionate appointments and, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether any specific year has been fixed/determined to reconsider to give jobs under compassionate grounds for the married son/daughter and if so, the details thereof?

Irregularities by Cooperative Societies

3281. SHRI P.K.
KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question No. 3631 answered on December 11, 2009 and Unstarred Question No. 1492 answered on March 5, 2010 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that it was clearly indicated in the above mentioned replies that there are numerous perpetrated frauds committed by the various Group Housing Cooperative Societies functioning in Delhi/New Delhi and after the intervention of the Delhi High Court, CBI had registered 202 regular cases against the said societies;

(b) if so, whether the Registrar has/had closed his eyes on the explanation of DCS Act and rules abruptly entertaining the audit reports of the Societies without its proper scrutiny and the Society named

'Sarva Priya CHBS Limited' is using its superfluous power while filing the audit report, where Society's accounts and the Sarva Priya Club's accounts seemed to be ensembled, which is the clear violation of Delhi Co-operative Tribunal Decision, delivered in appeal no. 55 and 56/2013 DCT and in Arbitration case no. 116/HB/DR/ARB/2011-12 as well as CIC decision delivered in case no. CIC/KY/A12016/000783-SA; and

(c) if so, the action being taken in this regard along with the details of corrective steps being taken by the Government to check such types of frauds?

Promotion of Horticulture

†3282. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified the areas to promote horticulture in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has provided financial and other aid for providing subsidy to the farmers for the use of sprinkler for irrigation, providing marketing facilities, setting up of cold storage and using latest research work in horticulture; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the details of funds allocated during each of the last three years and the current year?

Attack on Foreign Tourists

3283. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that incidents of rape, attack and murder of foreign tourists have increased during the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has asked all the State Governments and Union Territory administrations to take appropriate steps in this regard; and

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

PMFBY in Madhya Pradesh

†3284. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN
YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the farmers of Madhya Pradesh are not getting benefit under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana for the damage of their crops caused by natural disaster;

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

(c) the value of the crops damaged in Madhya Pradesh during the last three months along with the details of insurance amount received, insurance company-wise?

Storage of Farm Produce

3285. SHRI SIRAJUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes launched to store the farm production viz., vegetables, pulses and spices in the country;

(b) whether any proposal in this regard has been received for Char areas in Assam; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Coastal Security

3286. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the progress achieved with regard to enhancing coastal security during the period of 2014-18;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to encourage foreign participation in the Indian Coastal Security Market;

(c) whether these have resulted in filling the gap between demand for security equipment and capacity of the domestic industries;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to enhance the security cover of minor ports and make them compliant with the ISPS Code?

Suicide on Metro Tracks

†3287. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of suicide on metro tracks are on the rise;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any concrete steps to check/prevent such incidents;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

NGT Orders and Concession to Farmers

†3288. SHRI NAGENDRA PRATAP SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has directed to ban the use of diesel engine and tractor being used for agricultural purpose;

(b) if so, whether the Government is contemplating to ban the said order or to take steps to revert the order;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government for the farmers as their income is not sufficient for purchasing new pumping set and tractor after every ten years; and

(d) whether the Government has requested for special concession for the farmers from the NGT and if so, the details thereof?

Drip Irrigation

3289. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to develop Drip Irrigation and controlled water management in the country; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to promote, propagate and execute Drip Irrigation System in the country to help the farmers combat water scarcity crisis?

Exploitation of Landless Labourers and Land Ownership Rights for Women

3290. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that landless farm labourers are at the mercy of big farmers and they are exploited to accept low wages, if so, the steps that have been taken by the Government to institutionalize and rationalize employment and wages of farm labourers on farms, and in villages;

(b) whether it is true that women workers get far less than men for the same works and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has any scheme to help women get ownership rights of lands owned by their husbands after their death and if so, the details thereof?

New Metro Rail Policy

3291. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the new metro rail policy, there is a mandatory requirement for private sector participation;

(b) if so, whether the policy includes any provision that can be used to incentivize private sector participation given the low ridership in some operational metro projects; and

(c) whether the policy includes any provision for improving last mile connectivity and feeder systems and if so, the details thereof?

Lithium-ion Batteries

3292. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has accorded top priority to convert public transport to electric mobility under FAME II and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up facilities for making lithium-ion batteries in the country to lower the cost of electric vehicles and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to develop low cost lithium-ion batteries in the country?

Reducing Carbon Emission by altering the Method of Farming

†3293. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to reduce carbon emission by altering the methods of farming;

(b) if so, whether the Government has considered any plan in this regard so far; and

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

Poverty Alleviation

†3294. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposals for poverty alleviation and employment generation in Bihar during each of the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of proposals approved out of the said proposals;

(c) the details of proposals not approved so far along with the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action taken by the Government to expedite the approval for the pending proposals?

Neem Coating of Urea

3295. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed a reduction in the sales of urea after it had mandated neem coating;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
 (c) whether cases of urea being utilised for non-farming purposes has been noticed; and
 (d) if so, the number of such cases in the country, State-wise, especially in Punjab?

New Varieties of Rice

3296. SHRIMATI SANTOSH
 AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
 AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि 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 the 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?

BSF Personnel involved in Spying

3297. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
 गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in many cases, a number of BSF personnel were found involved in spying for Pakistan's ISI as well as illegal activities in bordering areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of such cases unearthed during the last two years;

(c) whether the BSF has been asked to bring discipline among its cadre to prevent such activities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Selection of FCI Members

3298. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

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 procedure and criteria for the selection of the non-official members of the Food Corporation of India (FCI) and their tenure;

(b) whether the Government has received many requests for the post of non-official members of the Food Corporation of India from the State of Maharashtra particularly in Mumbai which were not ever and appointed and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether in the interest of transparency and probity, all the individuals who apply to be considered for selection as non-official members of the FCI considered on their merit, background etc. are given a fair opportunity to prove their worth for the post;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the level at which and the basis on which decision for such appointment is taken?

Terrorist Attacks

†3299. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) where there is a potential threat of terrorist attack on the country by way of sea route;

(b) whether infiltration by dangerous terrorists from bordering areas of the country has not been checked completely;

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

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

Construction Laws

†3300. SHRI RAM CHARAN
 BOHRA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
 URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether construction has been declared as an industry and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether uniform construction laws and regulations exist across the country to regulate the construction sector;

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

(d) the details of the existing rules, laws and Acts governing the construction sector; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to develop the regulatory/statutory system/body for the construction sector?

RAF Battalions

3301. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
 गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned five new battalions of anti-riot

and crowd control Rapid Action Force (RAF) recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these new battalions are established under the purview of crowd attacks, mob violence and belief related attacks across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana

3302. SHRI DIBYENDU
 ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL
 JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present population of senior citizens in the country is around 130 million and is expected to reach 175 million by 2026;

(b) if so, whether nearly 8 per cent of the senior citizens suffer from some sort of disabilities related to old age related physical impairment therein;

(c) the status of Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana and the support of Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation (ALIMCO) since 2017, State-wise; and

(d) the time by which all elderly economically weaker people with special needs in the country will be covered under Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana?

Foreigner Tribunals in Assam

3303. SHRI BADRUDDIN
 AJMAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
 गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Foreigner Tribunals (FTs) in Assam and the judges working there, FT-wise and district-wise;

(b) the total number of people who have been tagged as 'declared foreigners' and 'D voters' by the said Tribunals, FT-wise;

(c) the number of cases disposed of by FTs per month;

(d) whether in most of the cases, alleged persons are not given proper chance to prove their citizenship and FTs pass judgement without hearing the alleged persons;

(e) if so, the corrective measures taken by the Government; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Non-Payment of Retirement Dues

†3304. SHRI SHYAMA CHARAN GUPTA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of retired employees under the Ministry from October, 2016 till date has gone upto around 250 and every employee, out of these, is to be paid around Rs. 15 lakh to 40 lakh and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the families of these retired employees are not going to suffer financial crisis due to non-payment of retirement dues and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government had not made arrangements for the required payment to the employees who retired prior to September 2016, with the approval of the cabinet through the head of the institute and if so, the details thereof?

Credit Linked Subsidy

3305. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana;

(b) whether the Government has any data regarding the financial assistance provided to the States including North East States during the last two years under the Scheme and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether there is any proposal to increase the financial assistance under the scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Agrarian Crisis

3306. SHRI K.N. RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified several regions in various States/UTs facing agrarian crisis;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has deputed Central teams to assess the agrarian crisis in several areas of the country;

(d) if so, the findings thereof; and

(e) the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to resolve the agrarian crisis?

Funds for FPI in Tamil Nadu

3307. SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN R.K.:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total funds allocated to Food Processing Industries in Tamil Nadu, during the last four years; and

(b) the details of subsidy schemes executed in Tamil Nadu and the list of Food Processing Industries which got support from the Ministry during the said period in Tamil Nadu?

Cotton Research

3308. SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Central Institute for Cotton Research in Nagpur and All India Coordinated Cotton Improvement Project in Coimbatore of ICAR are providing only financial and technical support and conducting basic strategic applied research through Navsari Agriculture University and Junagarh Agriculture University;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that these two institutes cannot serve as a "Centre of excellence for cotton";

(c) whether Gujarat, which is producing 30 per cent of the total production of cotton in India and generating rural employment is the right place for this

purpose, if so, whether a proposal forwarded to Union Government in 2001 for establishment of 'Centre of Excellence for Cotton' in Gujarat is still pending for the Government's approval;

(d) if so, the action taken in this connection so far; and

(e) the time by which and the place where this centre is going to be established in Gujarat?

Processed Food

3309. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian processed food industry accounts for 32 per cent of the country's total food market and 13 per cent of India's exports and it will increase to over 40 per cent of overall intake by 2025-2030;

(b) if so, whether, it is a fact that despite all the above, presently there is very limited educational and research program with management orientation institutes in food industry in the country; and

(c) if so, the proposal of the Government to set up more viable industries, educational institutes and observation of compliance with Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) in regard to safe and wholesome food for human consumption?

Street Vending Activities

3310. SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of street vendors operating in metro cities and other big cities;

(b) the details of the recommendations made by Arjun Sengupta Committee in respect of vendors in unorganized sector;

(c) whether the Government proposes to enact a model law to allow street vending through a regulatory system in urban areas to save them from harassment caused by law enforcing agencies and permit them to set up shops with proper registration with the competent authority; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Processing Centres

3311. SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Central Processing Centres and Primary Processing Centres (PPC) that have been set up, State/UT-wise;

(b) the number of farmers that have been benefited by the establishment of these centres;

(c) the details of the available technology and infrastructure in the centres; and

(d) the details of other similar policy measures taken by the Government to benefit farmers?

MSP for Horticulture Crops

3312. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to bring horticulture crops under the Minimum Support Price (MSP), if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of the agricultural commodities that were currently offered under MSP; and

(c) the quantum of the different commodities collected by the Union Government from the State of Telangana during the past four years?

Physically Disabled Prisoners

3313. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA: SHRI V. PANNERSELVAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data regarding the percentage of physically disabled prisoners in the country including undertrials;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the living condition of physically disabled prisoners is very poor with lack of basic facilities, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

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

Subsidy under PDS

3314. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the States in which the subsidy received under the Public Distribution System is being transferred directly into the bank accounts of consumers;

(b) the details of the action plan for direct transfer of the above subsidy into the bank accounts of all the consumers; and

(c) the time by which the aforesaid scheme will be implemented across the country?

New Variety of Sorghum

†3315. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether agricultural scientists have succeeded in developing a new variety of sorghum in the country which can be used for bio-fuel production;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this new variety has been tested and whether it has proved to be successful;

(d) if so, whether the Government has formulated any scheme for its development; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

WB SMART Project in Maharashtra

3316. 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 has launched World Bank assisted State of Maharashtra's Agribusiness and Rural Transformation (SMART) Project to transform rural Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this will revamp agricultural value chains, with special focus on marginal farmers across 1,000 villages and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the project will create and support value chains in post-harvest segments of agriculture, facilitate agribusiness investment and strengthen value chain and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is planning to extend the programme to other States also and if so, the details thereof?

Implementation of APR Act

3317. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of implementation of various provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation (APR) Act;

(b) the provisions that were implemented fully, implemented partially and not been implemented so far along with the reasons for non-implementation; and

(c) whether it is a fact that several provisions could not be implemented due to non-cooperation of successor States and if so, the details thereof?

Warehousing Hubs

3318. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan for the development of logistics/warehousing hubs under the Master Plan of Delhi as forecasted housing demand in Delhi is 1.6 million dwelling units over the next one and half decades and Delhi is also a trading hub and trans-shipment point for goods traded between States and its North and South;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the logistics business grows on the 'Hub & Spoke' model of distribution/redistribution and if so, the zones/areas marked for development of this critical sector; and

(d) whether 'confluence areas' would be created within Delhi wherein modes of transportation like road, rail, air, metro and local transportation would converge and if so, the details thereof, location-wise?

Cases against DDA

3319. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pertaining to DDA pending in the Supreme Court, High Court and Lower Courts, court-wise along with the number of cases among them pending since 2001;

(b) whether the Government has made efforts to find out the reasons for matters relating to DDA ending up in Courts;

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

(d) the expenditure incurred by DDA on these cases during the last three years and the current year; and

(e) the action taken/being taken by the Government for early disposal of these cases?

Subsidy for Agri-equipments

†3320. SHRI BHAIROON PRASAD MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of various agricultural equipment on the purchase of which subsidy is provided by the Government to the farmers including the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is providing subsidy for purchase of tractor equipment necessary for farming;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, whether the Government would consider the said proposal; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Share under NFSA

†3321. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Maharashtra has made any claim regarding its share under the National Food Security Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in the direction of releasing the claimed fund?

Kisan Credit Cards

3322. SHRI BHAGWANATH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government issues any credit card for small farmers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government plans to issue Kisan Credit Cards without interests to improve the life of the farmers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

e-Tourist Visa Policy

3323. SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the e-Tourist visa facility provided by the Government to boost Foreign Tourist Arrivals in India;

(b) whether the Government intends to extend the e-Tourist visa window to 180 days instead of the current 30 days;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is also considering to allow multiple entry on the said visa instead of the existing single entry as well as to extend the maximum stay up to 90 days from the existing 30 days;

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

(f) whether the countries to which 'Visa on Arrival' facility has been extended have reciprocated the same to Indian tourists and if so, the details thereof?

Tenant Farming and other Issues

†3324. SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether tenant farmers have not benefited from agricultural loan concession schemes of the Union and the State Governments as their loans are in the form of gold loan and short term credit rather than in the form of crop loan;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether there have been three successful programmes such as annual direct payment, counter rotating payment since 2002 in America for extending advantage to the farmers if the market value is statutorily lower than the prescribed prices;

(d) whether the market prices come down statutorily from the fixed prices if interim financing and additional income support the prices;

(e) whether it all happens due to shortage of payment of credit or marketing credit;

(f) if so, whether the Union Government has conducted any study about the said programmes; and

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

IDPL Chennai

3325. SHRIMATI VANAROJA R.:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to revive Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited (IDPL) in Chennai, Tamil Nadu;

(b) the total extent of lands in IDPL Chennai and their current utilization;

(c) whether there is any plan to sell the unutilized land of IDPL in Chennai; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Integrated Housing and Slum Development

†3326. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) has been implemented in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of funds provided to Gujarat under the said programme during each of the last three years; and

(d) the details of the progress made so far in Gujarat and Maharashtra, in this regard?

***In-situ* Slum Development**

3327. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated *In-situ* slum Redevelopment projects in the State of Maharashtra under the aegis of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) during each of the last five years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of housing units sanctioned and the total project costs involved, city-wise and year-wise?

Strength of CAPF Personnel

3328. SHRI KALIKESH N. SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of sanctioned strength of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) personnel per lakh population, State wise;

(b) whether the sanctioned strength of CAPF personnel falls short per lakh population and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of financial allocation made by the Ministry, including reported expenditure made by all seven wings of CAPF;

(d) whether the Government is planning to take any initiative to improve the working condition of CAPF personnel and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of training facilities and infrastructure available to CAPF; and

(f) whether the Government is planning to take any initiative to improve the training facilities and infrastructure available to CAPF and if so, the details thereof?

Purview of NPPA

3329. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) has the powers to control the prices of drugs outside the purview of National List of Essential Medicines (NLEM);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has recently made any changes in the Drug Price Control Order; and

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

Establishment of Equivalence in States

†3330. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that it is the duty of the Government to establish equivalence in the matters pertaining to the States;

(b) if so, whether DoPT has taken advice from Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment in this regard before and after the year 2014;

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

(d) whether the Government had set aside the original office Memorandum regarding creamy layer on 14 October, 2004 to deny the reservation to the sons and daughters of 'Category-C' employees of OBC creamy layer and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has taken cognition of the wrong clarification of 14 October, 2004, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(f) if not, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Medical Facilities in Prisons

3331. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL: SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of medical officers appointed for each prison in the country, State-wise;

(b) the standard medical officer to prisoner ratio as accepted nationally and the distribution of medical officer to prisoner ratio prevailing in the country, State-wise;

(c) the total number of gynaecologist appointed for each prison in the country and ratio of gynaecologist to women prisoner in each State; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to improve the infrastructure of medical facilities in prisons, including appointments of doctors, pharmacists and paramedic staff in prisons?

Reservation to Castes

3332. SHRIMATI BUTTA
RENUKA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to bring any additional castes under reservation in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any caste is under such consideration in the State of Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Metro Rail Projects

3333. SHRI KESINENI NANI:
SHRI KONAKALLA
NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken up construction of Visakha Metro Project and Vijayawada Metro Project in the State of Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details and status thereof along with the schedule for completion of projects;

(b) the contribution of the Union Government in the funding of Metro Rail Projects in different cities and the funds pitched in by Private Partners in case of Public Private Partnerships;

(c) whether as per the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, the Union Government has promised to provide financial aid for the Visakha/Vijayawada metro projects;

(d) if so, the status of the projects; and

(e) the funds allocated by the Union Government to the said Metro project along with the total fund required for the project?

Electric Vehicles

3334. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Karnataka for purchase of 640 electric vehicles under Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid & Electric Vehicles (FAME) India subsidised scheme;

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

(c) whether the Government is incentivising buying Electric Vehicles (EVs) under FAME India scheme;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken/likely to be taken by the Government to meet its vision to make the country an all electric vehicle market by 2031?

Issues of Parali Burning

3335. SHRI BALABHADRA
MAJHI:

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 burning of Parali has not been stopped even after all efforts of the Government to stop it and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has decided to use parali in the production of electricity and to provide compensation per hectare of land to the farmers for it;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action plan to solve the problem of Parali burning by the Government?

NABARD Loans for Irrigation Projects

3336. SHRI RAM CHARITRA
NISHAD:

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 National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has approved

Rs. 65,634.93 crore loan for 93 irrigation projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that it is mandated to provide Rs. 70,000 crore loan to these projects to be completed by 2019; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Facilities in MCD Schools

3337. SHRI JITENDRA
CHAUDHURY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 38,000 students studying in over 100 primary schools under the Municipal Corporation of Delhi will have to study while sitting on cold floors;

(b) whether it is also a fact that over half of the municipal schools in Delhi do not have benches for students to sit on;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Smuggling of Fake Indian Currency Notes

3338. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP
RUDY:
ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV
SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been evidence of drastic reduction in fake Indian currency notes being routed from China, Nepal and other bordering countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of cases reported along the border during each of last three years and the current year, border-wise;

(c) whether the Indian agencies have adequate network across the border to stem this fake currency circulation;

(d) if so, the details thereof, along with common routes found for fake currency circulation including the denomination;

(e) the details regarding the number of people arrested/released and the quantum of fake currency seized during the said period, State/UT-wise; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to curb the vast network of smuggling of fake Indian currency notes along the borders including Malda and adjoining areas?

Working of NPPA

3339. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken/being taken by the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) to regulate the pricing of medicines;

(b) the roles and the responsibilities of the NPPA; and

(c) whether the NPPA is functioning properly and if so, the details thereof?

Blacklisted NGOs

3340. DR. RATNA DE (NAG):
SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any details regarding the Voluntary Organisations (VOs) and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) blacklisted for taking foreign funding in the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh and Delhi/NCR;

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

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details regarding the current status of such organisations, so far?

Promotion of Cotton Industry

†3341. SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to initiate any cluster development in view of cotton production in Jalgaor district of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for not making any special effort to provide remunerative price for the produce of the farmers in higher cotton producing areas of the country?

Compensation to Farmers

3342. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to award compensation to the farmers, who are cultivating commercial crops in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any State Government has made any such proposal in this regard; and

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

Fast-Track Courts

†3343. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA
ALIAS HARISH
DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to set up fast-track courts from the Nirbhaya Fund for the disposal of pending cases of rapes and sexual assaults of women across the country;

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

(c) the names of the districts in Uttar Pradesh where the said courts are being set up?

e-Commerce

†3344. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:
SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:

SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of companies operating through e-Commerce or internet across the country at present;

(b) the details of such companies;

(c) the details of per annum trade share of e-Commerce or internet companies across the country during the last three years and the current financial year;

(d) the details of consumers operating through e-Commerce or internet at present across the country, State-wise;

(e) the number of companies operating through e-Commerce and internet which are allegedly indulging in sale of duplicate products; and

(f) whether any action has been taken by the Government so far against these companies and if so, the details thereof?

Protection of Traditional Retailers

†3345. SHRIMATI TABASSUM
BEGUM:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total sale registered under the Head of retail trade of groceries by the online e-Commerce companies during the current financial year;

(b) the total percentage of adverse effect on the sale of small retail grocery traders due to coming up of e-Commerce companies in retail trade of groceries; and

(c) the steps likely to be taken by the Government for the protection of small grocery traders?

Decline in Cotton Prices

3346. DR. KAMBHAMPATI
HARIBABU:

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 considerable decline in cotton prices in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the production of cotton in the country for the current year, State-wise; and

(c) the details of minimum support price fixed by the Government to buy the cotton from farmers and the procurement by the CCI for the current year, State-wise?

Safety and Employment of Fishermen

†3347. SHRI RAJENDRA D.
GAVIT:

PROF. RICHARD HAY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the fact that Ockhi cyclone devastated the lives of

hundreds of fishermen in Kerala and Tamil Nadu are the States prepared to meet such natural calamities in future;

(b) if so, the measures taken by the respective States to deal with such gargantuan natural calamities;

(c) whether the respective States submitted any report about the number of actual dead and fishermen still missing, if so, the number of dead and still missing according to the figures given by them;

(d) the measures taken by the respective Governments to safeguard the lives of fishermen living near the coastal villages and who venture into the high seas, the details thereof;

(e) whether marine ambulances, life jackets and communication gadgets and other safety materials were provided to fishermen in the country to safeguard their lives;

(f) whether there is any proposal of the Union Government to set up a marine safety squad who could ensure safety and security of the fishermen in the country; and

(g) whether the Government has taken any concrete steps and/or formulated any schemes for enhancing the employment opportunities of fishermen and their families as well as for economic development in the ocean sector by starting MSMEs for producing value added products in the fisheries sector?

Guidelines to Social Site Companies

†3348. SHRI JANAK RAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines for appointing

complaint redressal officer in India to social site companies operating in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Strength of Women Personnel

3349. SHRI DUSHYANT
CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee on Empowerment of Women has recommended in its report that there is an urgent need for increasing the strength of women personnel in all para military forces;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has decided to implement 33 per cent reservation for women in all para military forces as per the recommendation of the report; and

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

Crop Insurance through Cooperative Banks

†3350. 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 plans to insure crops of farmers through cooperative banks and if so, the details thereof and the amount fixed for the same;

(b) whether the Government is considering to lay down new rules and laws for insurance companies in cooperative banks and whether insurance is proposed to be done at Panchayat and Village level instead of Tehsil level;

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

(d) whether the Government has provided insurance to the farmers through cooperative banks in case of damage to the crops during the last five years; and

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

Stubble Burning and actions against the Errant Farmers

3351. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI RAJESH PANDEY:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR
PANDEY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to prevent the smog caused by stubble burning by farmers in all States of the country; and

(b) the number of cases and action taken against the farmers who are burning stubble illegally?

BT Cotton

3352. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:
DR. K. GOPAL:

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 genetically engineered BT cotton failed to

live up to the promise 10 years of high yield, pest resistance and reduction in insecticide use, if so, whether it is also a fact that with the high cost of BT seeds, the farmers are unable to withstand crop losses;

(b) whether the farmers have also been asked to revert to traditional style of cultivation and if so, whether it is a fact that Genetic Engineering has failed and also failed to provide livelihood security to farmers, in detail; and

(c) whether it is also true that it has failed as a sustainable agriculture technology and has also failed to provide livelihood security for cotton farmers who are mainly resource poor, small and marginal farmers and if so, the details thereof?

Smart City Mission

3353. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cities selected under the Smart City Mission has been asked to prepare a list of best practices/smart practices adopted by them;

(b) if so, the names of cities/States which have formulated the same along with the details thereof; and

(c) the timelines fixed by the Government for the completion of the works in the selected Smart Cities?

Starvation Deaths

†3354. SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:
SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:

SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people affected due to starvation across the country during the financial year 2013-14, State-wise;

(b) the names of schemes formulated by the Government for people facing starvation during the last four years and the current financial year; and

(c) the names of schemes which have been implemented by the Government so far across the country, State-wise?

Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana

†3355. SHRI SANJAY KAKA
PATIL:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to increase the allocation under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering to increase the funds for purchasing land for houses meant for landless beneficiaries in urban areas in the country;

(c) whether the Government also proposes to increase the funds to be provided to the States under PMAY; and

(d) the details of the provisions being made by the Government to sanction houses to the group-D surveyed recently under PMAY at the earliest?

Yuva Sahakar-Cooperative Enterprise Support and Innovation Scheme

3356. SHRIMATI MAUSAM
NOOR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the private sector and corporate sector are involved in partnership with the Government for the scheme of the Yuva Sahakar-Cooperative Enterprise Support and Innovation and its implementation and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the said scheme offers any special component for the women and SC/ST sections and if so, the details thereof?

Modernizing KVKs

3357. SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
SHRI DEVUSINH
CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the extent to which the Government has achieved the aims and objectives of modernizing the Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) in the country;

(b) the details of the funds provided for modernization of KVKs across the country, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the cases of irregularities in functioning/modernization of KVKs have come to the notice of the Government in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and the reasons therefor along with the action taken/being taken by the Government in such cases so far;

(d) whether the Government has set up a Committee to look into the matter and if so, the details thereof including the findings of the Committee along with the follow-up action taken by the Government thereon; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to expedite modernizing of KVKs and to keep a check on irregularities in their functioning?

Selection of Agricultural Scientists

†3358. SHRI MANSHANKAR
NINAMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria fixed for the selection of agricultural scientists in the country;

(b) whether the responsibility of selecting Agricultural Scientist has been given to a multi-member Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board;

(c) if so, the details of the areas from which these members are appointed;

(d) whether few members are serving in the Multi-Member Agricultural Scientist Recruitment Board even after the completion of their tenure; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the reformatory measures taken in this regard by the Government?

Overcrowded Jails

†3359. SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the jails in the country are overcrowded with inmates more than their actual capacity causing huge strain on the jail management;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any concrete policy for construction of more jails in the country and for modernisation of the existing ones and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has formulated any policy for early disposal of cases of prisoners who have been in jails since long without any legal procedure and if so, the details thereof?

Production of Turmeric

3360. DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI
KALYANJI BHAI:
SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the quantum of turmeric produced in the country and the

number of farmers involved in the cultivation, State/UT-wise;

(b) the total production of turmeric recorded during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the production of turmeric has declined, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of the financial assistance provided by the Government to various States for turmeric production during the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to promote the turmeric production in the country?

Potato Research Centre in Tamil Nadu

3361. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to close/shift the Potato Research Centre at Ooty in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

Hostels for SC and OBC Students

†3362. SHRI HARINARAYAN RAJBHAR:
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is acute shortage of hostels in the country for the students

belonging to scheduled castes/other backward classes including female students;

(b) if so, the details thereof including Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan, State-wise;

(c) the details of proposals pending with the Union Government for Hostel Schemes during the last three years, State-wise, including Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan;

(d) the action being taken by the Government to increase hostel facilities in the country for the students belonging to scheduled castes/other backward classes; and

(e) the details of funds allocated and released for this purpose during the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan?

Agricultural Research

3363. SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:
SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government for the purpose of agricultural research in the country;

(b) whether any advances/achievements in agricultural technology have been made in any of the agricultural research institutes in the country;

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

(d) whether these advances/achievements have been adopted by farmers in the country;

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

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to import agricultural technology from other countries?

Calamity Relief

†3364. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides central assistance as relief in case of losses caused by natural disasters;

(b) if so, the norms fixed by the Government for providing central assistance to the States in case of natural disasters;

(c) the amount provided as central assistance to the affected States during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(d) whether several States have registered their protests to the Government for not providing timely assistance for losses caused by natural disasters and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether some of the States are not satisfied with the amount of central assistance and if so, the details of the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to provide assistance to the affected farmers and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Employment in FPI

†3365. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are infinite possibilities of employment in food processing sector of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to facilitate the marketing of processed foods in the country and to create jobs through the same;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Schemes for Wellness of Police Personnel

3366. DR. M. VEERAPPA MOILY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there exists any central scheme for wellness of policemen's mental health and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether personnel from the lowest ranks of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) have access to the Central Government's employed counsellors and if so, the details of ratio of the personnel to counsellors;

(c) whether States have schemes to help policemen of ranks lower than

inspector rank to recover from post-traumatic stress disorders developed while performing their duty and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Central Government has any data on suicides committed by policemen of ranks lower than the inspector rank for unidentified reasons and if so, the details thereof?

Approval of New Food Products

3367. PROF. RICHARD HAY:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that getting a new product approved is a big problem faced by entrepreneurs in the field of Food Processing industry and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has devised any solution to the problem of delays faced by the entrepreneurs in obtaining product approval from the authorities concerned;

(c) if so, the time duration fixed to give clearance for such approvals;

(d) if not, the number of applications of food processing unit pending with the competent authorities in the country, State wise;

(e) the number of new quality control and texting laboratories have been set up in different States from 2015 to 2018 to expedite the clearance of approvals; and

(f) the number of SEZ, AEZ and food parks set up in different States to provide added incentives to develop greenfield projects?

MoU between ICAR and BEE

3368. 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 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 that will be derived therefrom by the farmers;

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

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

(e) whether the MoU proposes any training programs at Krishi Vigyan Kendras for farmers across the nation and if so, the details thereof?

CSDS Report and Agri-Extension Services

3369. SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 76 per cent of the country's farmers would prefer to do some other work than farming and they need immediate help and any further delay will only increase their suffering and lead to greater unrest as per the report prepared by the Centre for the study of Developing Societies, released in March 2018, based on a survey of 5,000 farm households across 18 States;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government has studied the aforesaid report;

(c) if so, the other findings thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereon;

(d) whether agricultural extension services are almost non-existent today;

(e) if so, whether there is a need to provide expert advice by trained officials at farmers doorstep at the beginning of every crop season regarding all issues like which crops to sow, technology, market prices, soil fertility, irrigation; and

(f) if so, the response of the Union Government thereon and the steps taken by the Union Government to provide expert advice to the farmers at their doorstep?

Production & Consumption of Urea

†3370. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the total production and consumption of urea in the country at present;

(b) the details of the gap between demand and supply of urea and the targets fixed for the next three years;

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to overcome the shortage in supply of urea and irregularities in this regard; and

(d) the details of the steps being taken to ensure regular supply of fertilizers in the backward, inaccessible and hilly areas?

Foreign Funding

†3371. SHRI RAM TAHAL
CHOUDHARY:

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

(a) the name of the agency which looks into the funds coming into the country by various means and the rules under which the same is done;

(b) the annual details of such enquiries made during each of the last three years;

(c) the details of the irregularities found in such enquiries;

(d) the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) the outcome of the aforesaid action taken thereon?

Government Properties on Lease

†3372. SHRIMATI REKHA
VERMA:

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

(a) whether the Government properties worth thousands of crores of

rupees are on nominal lease/rent since the British period and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to prepare any list in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

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

Prevention of Atrocities Amendment Act, 2018

3373. SHRI A.
ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no spate in the brutality, indignities and harassment meted out to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes communities and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the enactment of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2018 has not caused any mishap in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Drought affected Areas in Maharashtra

†3374. PROF. RAVINDRA
VISHWANATH
GAIKWAD:

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

(a) whether the Government has identified the drought affected areas in

Maharashtra to provide them assistance from the 'National Disaster Fund';

(b) if so, the time by which the farmers of these areas are likely to be provided compensation;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to tackle the drought situation; and

(d) the details thereof?

Down Syndrome

3375. SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:

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

(a) whether it is true that India has the highest number of people with Down Syndrome in the world and if so, the details thereof State-wise;

(b) the measures taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to bring out the data of people with such genetic disorder at the national and State level and make it available in public domain; and

(c) whether the Government has proposed any new legislation on Down Syndrome in the 12th World Down Syndrome Congress in the year 2015 and if so, the details thereof?

Slums in U.P.

†3376. SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

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

(a) whether slums have been identified in the State of Uttar Pradesh, as per 2011 census;

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

(c) the number of people living in the said slums?

Rural Backyard Poultry Development Programme

3377. SHRIMATI KAVITHA
KALVAKUNTLA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries has issued directives to the State Governments to come up with proposals wherein they may like to upscale the Rural Backyard Poultry Development program under NLM with 150 birds distribution to be done in a focussed manner in one block of one district of the State;

(b) if so, the details of the revised scheme thereof; and

(c) whether the Department has received any proposal from the State Government of Telangana in this regard?

Appointment of DGs

3378. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH
PATEL:

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

(a) whether the Government has taken any view or decision on the appointment of DGs of Paramilitary Forces on the same cadre and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government is of the view that DGs of Paramilitary Forces should be from the same cadre as he/she has proper and exact knowledge of that particular force and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of Non-IPS Officers appointed as DG of Paramilitary Force, force-wise?

Financial Assistance to NGOs

†3379. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) working for the welfare of Scheduled Castes in Maharashtra and getting financial assistance from the Government;

(b) the details of the achievements of the said NGOs during the last three years;

(c) the monitoring mechanism in place to ensure effective utilization of resources;

(d) the number of proposals forwarded to the scrutiny committee by the State Government; and

(e) the number of proposals rejected by the scrutiny committee?

Fencing of Border

3380. SHRI VINOD LAKHAMASHI CHAVDA:

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 only 262.7 km has been completed;

(b) whether the Government is also aware of the fact that 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 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 anti-nationals;

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

(e) the time by which the fencing of 512 km Gujarat border will be completed keeping in view the sensitivity of the border area?

PoS Devices

3381. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of requests for PoS devices received from registered retailers of fertilizers and number of machines supplied to them, State-wise;

(b) the percentage of retailers yet to receive PoS machines, State-wise;

(c) the manner in which the Government tackle the delay in procurement of PoS devices due to introduction of GST;

(d) whether the Government intends to incentivise retailers for adhering to programme's operational guidelines and revise the retailers' commissions and if so, details thereof;

(e) the manner in which the Government intends to reduce the burden of responsibility on the district collector, tasked with monitoring retail-level transactions and the actions recommended by the Government to tackle fraudulent transactions or excess purchases; and

(f) whether the Government intends to address the conflict of interest, wherein retailers are tasked with advising farmers on required fertilizer quantity and if so, the details thereof?

Percentage of Food Wastage

†3382. DR. KRISHAN PRATAP:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the percentage of agriculture food products in the country that got wasted during the last three years, product-wise;

(b) the reduction in wastage percentage of agriculture products achieved with the help of Government schemes and programmes in the country during the above period;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take a new initiative to identify areas where the waste percentage of these products is high because of poor infrastructure for food processing in order to resolve the aforesaid issues; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Establishment of Cyber Crime Co-ordination Centre

3383. KUNWAR BHARATENDRA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed any timeline for the establishment of the Indian Cyber Crime Co-ordination Centre and similar units in the States;

(b) whether the Government has the data on the utilisation of Rs. 83 crore released to the States for prevention of cyber crime; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Kanjicode Instrumentation Ltd.

3384. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has executed MoU with the State Government of Kerala for handing over the Kanjicode Instrumentation Ltd., Palakkad, Kerala and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the condition agreed between Union Government and State Government of Kerala with regard to the benefits and welfare of existing employees at the time of handing over;

(c) whether the Union Government perform their part with regard to the benefits and welfare of employees and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Union Government has received representation from the trade unions for conducting a discussion for remedial package to compensate their huge losses over a long period during the tenure when the institute was under the Union Government;

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

(f) whether the Instrumentation limited is on profit and if so, the action taken to protect the interest of the employees?

GDP share of Animal Resources and Livestock

3385. 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 the contribution of animal resources in the national Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is estimated to be 4.11 per

cent but the contribution of livestock in agriculture GDP is 25.6 per cent and if so, the facts thereof;

(b) whether the animal resources' planning needs both technical and financial support to increase the income of farmers;

(c) if so, whether there are several missing links apart from a skewed vision, poor planning of schemes and their lopsided implementation;

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

(e) whether the Government is undertaking the 20th Animal Census to add added importance for the planners in managing livestock for better returns and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Union Government for animal resource reforms to double farmers' incomes?

Organic Farming

3386. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the area under organic farming during the last three years;

(b) whether the organic farm produce has demand in domestic and international markets;

(c) if so, the statistics of such produce consumed in the domestic market and exported in international markets; and

(d) whether any system for gradation and quality control of organic produce is implemented and if so, the details thereof and the time by which such a system will be put in place?

Land Dispute between Manipur and Nagaland

3387. DR. THOKCHOM MEINYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been land dispute between the States of Manipur and Nagaland regarding Dzuko Valley;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any actual demarcation of the valley has been conducted earlier between the two contesting States; and

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

Operation of AFSPA

3388. SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the States and regions where the Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA) is operational;

(b) the number of cases of human rights violations by the security forces reported from the said areas during each of the last three years and the current year, crime-wise and State-wise;

(c) the number of cases disposed off, pending and the number of victims given compensation during the said period, State-wise;

(d) the details of the organisations which have requested/recommended to repeal the said Act; and

(e) the measures taken by the Government to check the human rights violations in the said regions of the country?

Houses under PMAY

3389. DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided funds for construction of houses under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State Government of Kerala has given a report on the number of houses damaged/destroyed during the time of floods;

(d) if so, whether the Government has any plan to sanction any special assistance; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

PMBJP at State Level

3390. SHRI R.P. MARUTHARAJA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) kendras opened in the State of Tamil Nadu since the inception of this scheme along with the break up of such kendras in

Government Hospital/Medical College/ Government owned building/premises in the State and the number of kendras run by pharmacists;

(b) whether any NGOs/charitable societies/institutions/self-help groups are linked with BPPI headquarters through internet using BPPI provided software; and

(c) the details regarding individual entrepreneur towards opening of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras in the State of Tamil Nadu?

Pulses and Oil under PDS

3391. SHRI KONDA VISHWESHWAR REDDY:

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 considering a proposal to include pulses and oil under the public distribution system in addition to wheat and rice;

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

(c) whether there is a surplus stock of procured pulses in the inventories;

(d) whether the Government has taken steps for its distribution, and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has taken steps to promote the consumption of pulses, if so, the details thereof?

Fertilizer Subsidy Bills

3392. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has changed the procedure for disbursement of subsidy on receipt of fertilizers in the district basis to sale of nutrients to the farmer through point of sale machine;

(b) whether it is true that the entire fertilizer industry faced immense difficulties in generating direct benefit transfer bills due to systemic issues;

(c) whether it is also true that huge amount of subsidy bills could not be generated by the fertilizer companies by the year end and a meagre amount of subsidy payment was released by the Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Working in Regional Language

†3393. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any steps for making arrangements for working in the regional language in the departments and offices of Central Government as well as in undertakings and banks in such States where the same has accorded sanction to its regional language;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Welfare Schemes for Fishermen

3394. DR. RAVINDRA BABU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the welfare schemes available for fishermen in the country;

(b) the number of fishermen benefited by such schemes till date, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh;

(c) whether fishermen have been affected by oil and gas drilling and exploration activities; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government for their relocation and rehabilitation?

Evaluation of CPSUs

†3395. SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the performance/functioning of Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) is evaluated regularly;

(b) if so, the details of the performance of CPSUs along with the parameters for rating the performance during each of the last three years; and

(c) the details of CPSUs being revived at present along with the financial assistance provided to the loss-making CPSUs by the Government, CPSU-wise?

Schemes for Weaker Sections

†3396. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any mechanism for assessing the success of the various ongoing schemes for empowerment of the weaker sections of the society;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount of funds allocated for implementation of the said schemes during the last three years, year-wise?

Supply of Fertilizers

†3397. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL "NISHANK":

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to ensure supply of fertilizers in remote, hilly and naxal affected areas;

(b) whether the Government has set up any competent, transparent, liable and responsible mechanism in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by the Government so far against the defaulters and the steps taken for addressing the shortcomings in future?

Domestic Violence

†3398. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases registered under Domestic Violence Act during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether any delay has taken place while disposing of these cases; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to remove this delay?

Grameen Anaj Mandi

3399. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish 22000 Grameen Anaj Mandis for farmers to sell their agricultural products;

(b) whether these 22000 mandis include the already existing 7600 grameen haats; and

(c) the manner in which the Government proposes to fund the establishment of these 22000 Grameen Anaj Mandis throughout the country?

Separate Toilet for Women Police Personnel

3400. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the States that included proposals to construct separate toilets and rest rooms for women police personnel in police stations in their State Action Plan under the Modernization of State Police force scheme for the year 2014-15;

(b) the details of the States that were granted funds under the said scheme to build separate toilets and rest rooms in 2014-15 and every successive financial year;

(c) the total expenditure incurred in this regard in 2014-15 and every successive financial year, State-wise; and

(d) the total number of police stations, outposts and barracks, that have a separate toilet and rest room for women police personnel at present, State-wise?

Increasing Crime in Delhi

3401. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a criminal case was registered almost every three minutes in Delhi last year, a 23 per cent jump from 2014 and if so, the comparative details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the crimes that tormented a large number of people in the city were rising incidents of theft, robbery and kidnapping and if so, the details thereof?

Eight Hours Shift System in Police Stations

3402. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to implement the recommendations of the report "National Requirement of Manpower for 8 hours shift in Police stations" published by the Bureau of Police Research and Development in 2014;

(b) if so, the steps taken towards implementation of the same;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the efforts being made to implement the same; and

(d) the details of police departments and police commissionerates which have introduced the 8 hour shift system, State-wise?

Prevention of Atrocities Act

3403. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prevention of Atrocities Act was amended recently and several offences of atrocities were added and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether States/UTs are provided central assistance for strengthening of the enforcement of judicial machinery, relief and rehabilitation of affected persons etc. and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a committee under the Ministries of Home Affairs and Social Justice and Empowerment, reviews the implementation of Prevention of Atrocities Act at regular intervals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Development of Fishing Harbours

3404. PROF. K.V. THOMAS:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the assistance given by the Union Government for the development of fishing harbours in the country, especially in Kerala; and

(b) the assistance given by the Union Government for various welfare schemes in fisheries sector to the States and the details thereof?

Inclusion of 'Ho' Language

†3405. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to include the 'Ho' language in the 8th schedule of the constitution keeping in view the development of the tribal people;

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

(c) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Jharkhand for inclusion of 'Ho' language in the 8th schedule of the Constitution; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the outcome of the action taken in this regard?

Effect of Cyclone Gaja

3406. SHRI PR. SENTHIL
NATHAN:
SHRIMATI V. SATHYA
BAMA:
SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN
R.K.:
SHRIMATI VANAROJA R.:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received the report from the central team regarding the damages caused by Cyclone Gaja in Tamil Nadu and recommended allocation of funds to farmers of Tamil Nadu for the crop losses and damage in the aftermath of the cyclone;

(b) whether the Government has taken any concrete efforts to provide a permanent solution with the latest State-of-art technological and financial support to farmers of Tamil Nadu to combat the wrath of cyclones which affects the State every year; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the Governments stand on this?

Availability of Seeds

†3407. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:
SHRI KAUSHALENDRA
KUMAR:
SHRIMATI RANJEET
RANJAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to provide quality and proper seeds to the farmers in the country;

(b) whether the Government imports high quality, high production seeds;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the system adopted for their distribution;

(d) whether the Government has taken any concrete steps to increase the production of high quality seeds in the country itself and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is proposed to avail the services of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University in Pusa, Bihar for the purpose; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Medicines Available at Jan Aushadhi Kendras

†3408. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of different kinds of medicines and the number of diseases for which medicines are being made available through the Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Kendras;

(b) the current progress of Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Yojana;

(c) the details of schemes proposed to be implemented for the expansion of Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Yojana in future;

(d) the number of centres set up under the said scheme in the country so far, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the manner in which the Government proposes to increase the number of such centres in future?

Barauni Plant

†3409. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA
KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of the Barauni Fertilizer Plant in Bihar;

(b) whether the Government proposes to make it operational in near future and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount spent by the Government for making Barauni Fertilizer Company operational during the last five years;

(d) whether the State is likely to be benefited consequent upon the said company being made operational; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

KRIBHCO Tax Issue

3410. ADV. M.
UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS
AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the profit of KRIBHCO before tax declined 15 per cent to Rs. 162.56 crore in the first fiscal due to higher finance cost;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the financial year 2017-18 was another challenging year, witnessed by the fertilizer industry; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Growth of FPI Sector

3411. SHRI RAGHAV
LAKHANPAL:
SHRI RAJESHBHAI
CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of FOOD
PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details about the plan of the Government to boost the opening of new Food Processing Industries (FPIs) to encourage overall growth and development of the industry;

(b) whether there is any kind of subsidy or loan provided to the individuals who want to start Food Processing Units; and

(c) if so, the status of FPIs in the State of Gujarat, particularly those being run with the support of the Union Government?

Development of Border Areas

†3412. SHRI SUNIL JAKHAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the efforts being made for the development of border areas in the bordering States at the international borders;

(b) whether the Government proposes to provide any package for the development of border areas of Punjab adjoining Pakistan; and

(c) if so, the details of the efforts being made by the Government to stop the contact between drug smugglers and terrorist organisations and their contact with

Pakistan in areas of Punjab at the border of Pakistan?

Cultivation and Import of Asafoetida

3413. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the percentage of asafoetida imported within the country, yearly;

(b) the details of the annual expenditure incurred on the import of asafoetida;

(c) whether the Government has started cultivation of asafoetida within the country, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any States including West Bengal have shown keen interest in the cultivation of asafoetida and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is also distributing the seeds of asafoetida to these States and if so, the details thereof?

Supplementing Farmer Income through Animal Husbandry

†3414. SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the efforts being made by the Government to increase the income of farmers through animal husbandry;

(b) whether the Government has made efforts jointly with State Governments to address the problems of the farmers of disowned cow progeny (known as 'anna pratha' in Bundelkhand);

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure availability of green fodder for animals in the country?

CPCRI Kayamkulam

3415. SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:

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 State Government of Kerala has opposed the closure of the eighty year old Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (CPCRI) at Kayamkulam catering to the interests of the coconut growers in the State; and

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

Kisan Project using Space Science

†3416. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR
PANDEY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced any Kisan Fasal Bima Project by using space technology, earth-information science and UAV/Drone-based crop damage assessment system for better planning of crop cutting experiments and

for improvement in assessment of production and crop damage;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the manner in which such projects are likely to accrue benefit to the farmers in bringing transparency in the assessment of crop loss, responsibility and accuracy and ensuring timely payment of relief funds to the farmers?

Jan Aushadhi Stores

†3417. SHRI RAM KUMAR
SHARMA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the turnover of Jan Aushadhi Stores has increased during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the turnover of the above stores during the years 2015, 2016, 2017 and upto September, 2018; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of such stores in future and if so, the details thereof?

Shut Down of Internet under Section 144 of CrPC

3418. SHRI RAM MOHAN
NAIDU KINJARAPU:
SHRI A.P. JITHENDER
REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of instances in which Section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code

(CrPC) was invoked to order internet shutdowns during the last three years and the current year, location and State-wise, particularly in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the reasons for using multiple rules and sections to order internet shutdowns;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Safety or Public Emergency) Rules, 2017 are implemented in every order issued for Internet shutdowns; and

(d) whether the Government has undertaken any alternative reforms for controlling situations of law and order at the national level?

Right of Persons with Disabilities

†3419. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED
BASHEER:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state the steps taken by the Government with regard to united convention on right of persons with the disabilities ratified by the country on the welfare and the right of differently abled persons in the country?

Complaints against Police Personnel

3420. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:
SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government collects and publishes the data on the total number of criminal complaints received and cases registered against police personnel;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the number of complaints that remain uninvestigated and reasons therefor during the last three years, State/UT-wise?

National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation

†3421. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:
SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:
SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the date on which the National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation has been constituted and the date since when the said institution has started functioning;

(b) the purpose of the Government behind setting up of the National Commission for Safai Karamcharis and the names of the States in which the said commission is functioning so far;

(c) the details of works done by the commission so far;

(d) whether any funds have been allocated for the commission; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Low Cost Houses

3422. DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

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

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has entrusted agencies with the responsibility of providing low cost houses in the cities, if so, the details of the names of the agencies and the number of such houses constructed by these agencies during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has set any target for these agencies to provide low cost houses in the cities;

(c) if so, whether these agencies have failed to achieve the target;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to provide low cost houses in cities in a time bound manner?

Financial Assistance for Calamity Relief

3423. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Karnataka had sought financial aid from the Union Government for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the areas destroyed by the recent unprecedented floods in Karnataka, especially in the Southern and Coastal districts, including Kodagu;

(b) if so, the details of funds for flood relief requested by the State;

(c) whether the Government has made arrangement to disburse the aid and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether certain States, including Karnataka, have requested for enhancement of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) allocation and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has taken action for enhancing the SDRF allocation to the States and if so, the details thereof?

Illegal Arms Market

3424. SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:
SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH
YADAV:
SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME
GOWDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether illegal arms market is thriving in different parts of the country posing serious security threats;

(b) if so, the details of illegal arms seized during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether illegal arms manufacturing factories are still operating in the country with the connivance of authorities;

(d) if so, the details of such factories, State-wise;

(e) whether the Ministry has issued a notification to create a National Database of Arms Licenses system to which all arm licence holders will have to register by April 2019; and

(f) if so, the follow up action taken by the Government in this regard?

Protection to Witness

3425. SHRI L.R. SHIVARAME
GOWDA:
SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH
YADAV:
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides protection/security to witnesses in the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has received reports/complaints with regard to attack/murder, harassment, threatening of witnesses and forcing them to turn hostile by the accused and other influential people;

(c) if so, the total number of such cases reported, guilty arrested and the action taken against them separately during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to bring in a new law for providing protection to witnesses and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the progress made regarding implementation of witness protection programme along with the other measures taken by the Government to provide protection to witnesses?

Complaints against e-Commerce Companies

†3426. SHRIMATI DARSHANA
VIKRAM JARDOSH:
SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER
REDDY:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER
AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC
DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण
मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the volume of online shopping as well as the number of online shopping frauds is increasing now a days and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that complaints against e-commerce companies are increasing day-by-day making delay in their timely disposal, if so, the number of complaints received by the Government in such cases during the last four years along with the number of cases in which action has been taken;

(c) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme to protect the customers in such cases and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has initiated any regulating mechanism of these e-commerce companies complaints and if so, the details thereof?

Witness Protection Scheme

3427. SHRI CHHOTE LAL:
ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV
SAWAIKAR:
SHRIMATI POONAM
MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated/finalised the draft of witness protection scheme aimed at strengthening the criminal justice system in the country;

(b) if so, the salient features of the scheme along with the funding pattern thereof;

(c) whether the Supreme Court has approved the scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the scheme emphasises the need to create vulnerable witness deposition complexes by the Union Government and the State Governments; and

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

Sentinelese Tribes

†3428. SHRI JANARDAN
MISHRA:
SHRI HARISH CHANDRA
ALLAS HARISH
DWIVEDI:
SHRI OM PRAKASH
YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any information pertaining to the Sentinelese Tribe;

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

(c) the steps being taken by the Government for their protection?

Deployment of NDRF

†3429. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA
DUBEY:

Restructured WBCIS

3430. SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI
DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:
SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether many instances have come to the notice of the Government where compensation amount under the crop insurance scheme has not been paid to farmers;

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

(c) whether the Government has also launched Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Schemes(RWBCIS);

(d) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the above scheme is different from the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana;

(e) whether the number of farmers benefited and insured under Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme in the country is constantly declining and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(f) the various trends being indicated by the decline in the said number and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(g) the outcome of the said corrective steps taken?

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

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether less deployment of battalions of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) has affected the functioning and preparedness of the NDRF in view of the unforeseen disaster occurring in the country and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the details of battalions of National Disaster Response Force functioning at present, location-wise;

(b) whether the amount spent on procurement and upgradation of the equipments used for disaster response has increased year after year and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the budgetary allocation for this purpose and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any review has been conducted regarding full preparedness of the National Disaster Response Force in view of the unforeseen disaster occurring in the country and if so, the details and outcome thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to deploy the required NDRF personnel to meet the unforeseen disaster occurring in the country?

Women's Participation in Agriculture and Doubling the Income of Women Farmers

†3431. SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI NARANBHAI
KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the share of women in the production of major crops in the country is 75 per cent;

(b) if so, the measures taken by the Government during the last four years and the current financial year to double the income of such women engaged in agriculture and the details regarding their effects, State-wise; and

(c) the details of the manner in which the Government is providing help to or enabling to double the income of the women working in the agricultural sector as workers or self employed farmers?

Production of Pulses under BGREI

3432. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of pulses has increased in the States brought under the Bringing Green Revolution in Eastern India (BGREI) during each of the last three years and the current year;

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

(c) the schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government to incentivize farmers for cultivation of pulses in the country particularly Eastern States of the country;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the impact of such schemes/programmes on the production of pulses and their prices in the country during the said period;

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

(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the production of pulses in the country particularly Eastern States of the country?

Schemes for Increasing Availability of Seeds

3433. SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI
MAHTAB:
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government to increase production/availability of quality seeds in the country;

(b) whether the said schemes/programmes have achieved the desired results in the country;

and pay them minimum remunerative prices?

Setting up of Cold Storage

†3435. DR. BHARATIBEN D.
SHYAL:
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER
KAUSHIK:
SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has given approval for setting up of cold storages in Haryana, Bihar and Gujarat and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the locations in Haryana, Bihar and Gujarat where these facilities are likely to be provided;

(c) whether the State Governments of Haryana, Bihar and Gujarat have made any proposals in this regard, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by the Government on such proposals?

Re-development Projects

3436. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of increase recorded in the production of quality seeds across the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and Scheme-wise;

(d) whether the Government has provided adequate funds under the said schemes/programmes in the country;

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

(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure adequate quantity of quality seeds across the country?

Cultivation of Palm Trees

3434. SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI KUNDARIYA
MOHAN BHAI
KALYANJI BHAI:
PROF. PREM SINGH
CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has encouraged farmers to grow palm oil trees in order to meet the scarcity and demand for edible oils in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the facilities provided to farmers in this regard;

(c) whether the farmers have incurred heavy losses due to non-declaration of remunerative prices for palm oil, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the other steps taken by the Government to save palm oil tree growers

(a) whether the Government has worked out any plans for re-development of India Gate Complex and East Kidwai Nagar projects in view of the observations of the High Court in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the likely impact thereof on re-development of other colonies in Delhi and NCR regions;

(c) the steps likely to be taken to resolve the objections raised by the High Court in this regard; and

(d) whether the Government has decided to re-work the design and plans for the re-development of General Pool Residential Accommodation (GPRA) colonies to avoid felling of trees and if so, the details thereof?

Measures to Deal with CBRN Emergencies

3437. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

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

(a) whether the Government has any stand by plan to protect its citizens from Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) attacks from terrorist or during war and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) has

conducted basic training programme for this purpose;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the number of persons/agencies who have been trained to tackle CBRN emergencies;

(d) whether the Government has undertaken a review of the threats posed by CBRN weapons in the hands of international terrorist organisations and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has also sought international co-operation on the said issue and if so, the outcome thereof; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to prepare NDRF for timely response to any disaster situation in the country?

Registered NGOs

†3438. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI
TUMANE:
SHRIMATI BHAVANA
PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI PATIL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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

(b) the number of NGOs that are provided funds for running the organisation and their programmes;

(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 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?

Tobacco Farming

3439. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI VINAYAK
BHAURAO RAUT:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:
SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:

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 Government has made allocations of certain amount of funds in the budgets from 2015-16 onwards as Central share to diversify tobacco farming in the tobacco producing States like Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, UP and West Bengal and if so, the amount allocated therefor, State and year-wise;

(b) the steps being taken to ensure that tobacco farmers are shifted to alternative farming options and the number of farmers/hectares of land which have been shifted from tobacco to other crops in each State;

(c) the alternative crops identified in each State and adopted for farming; and

(d) whether Inter-Ministerial committee had been formed to address the issue, if so, the key decisions taken in this regard?

HRIDAY Scheme

3440. SHRI RAJESH PANDEY:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR
PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY) scheme has been implemented as a mission and the objectives of the scheme is being/has been fulfilled successfully since its implementation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of cities in the country included under this scheme, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) the cities proposed to be included under the scheme in future?

Schemes for Development of Animal Husbandry

3441. SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR
GAVIT:

SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the various schemes being implemented by the Government for the development of animal husbandry, dairy and poultry in various States of the country including Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the total number of farmers who have been benefited by these schemes so far;

(c) whether the Government has failed to achieve the growth rate targets in the animal husbandry sector, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) the corrective steps taken by the Government to boost the animal husbandry sector;

(e) whether the Government has received any proposal from some States including Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu regarding animal husbandry and dairy projects under the Centrally sponsored schemes;

(f) the details of funds allocated and released to various States by the Government during the said period; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government to promote the animal husbandry and fisheries sectors in the country?

Loan under PMAY

†3442. SHRIMATI RANJEET
RANJAN:
SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND
URBAN AFFAIRS

आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people provided loans under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana so far in Bihar along with the amount of loan provided to them;

(b) the number of houses for which approval has been given for construction along with the funds released so far in the country under the said scheme, State-wise; and

(c) the number of applications pending with the Government under this scheme and the reasons therefor?

Government Run Warehouses

†3443. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

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 a Government run warehouses in each of the 640 districts of the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) if so, the time by which the Government is planning to set up at least one warehouse in each district of the country for the storage of foodgrain and vegetables produced by the farmers; and

(c) the amount of budget allocated this year by the Government for the maintenance of existing warehouses and for the construction of new warehouses?

**Objectionable Content on
Social Media**

3444. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has asked the social-networking site 'Twitter' to provide identity trails to the police or other Government agencies of persons posting objectionable content on the social-media platform;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and Twitter's response to the same;

(c) whether the Government has set out any criteria to define the term "objectionable content"; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Suicides in Para Military Forces

3445. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether of late the suicide rates and peer-killings are on the rise in the para military forces and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of suicides attempted and committed as well as peer-attacks and killings committed by the para military forces during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry into the stress levels to which the members of these forces are subjected to;

(d) whether the Government has received numerous complaints directly and through social media with reference to the horrible working conditions as well as food rations etc. relating to the various wings of the para military forces engaged in battling extremists and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to institute a high-level committee to examine the working and living conditions of the members of these forces and if so, the details thereof?

Committee on Mega Food Parks

3446. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of FOOD
PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted any expert committee to review the Mega Food Parks Scheme in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any reports reviewing the working of the 9 functional Mega Food Parks have been generated till date and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the sanctioned and commissioned projects in the North East Region, out of the total sanctioned 42 Mega Food Parks;

(d) whether the Government plans to set up any Mega Food Park in Meghalaya;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the details of funds released for the Mega Food Parks projects in the North East Region during the last three years?

Lack of Food Processing Industries

3447. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN
MAADAM:

Will the Minister of FOOD
PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether farmers are facing losses due to lack of sufficient Food Processing Industries (FPIs) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has sought help from developed nations to establish food processing industries and if so, the details thereof, country-wise;

(d) the amount of assistance provided by these countries to develop food processing industries in the country; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to establish food processing industries under Public-Private Partnership mode?

Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana

3448. SHRI VIRENDER KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has planned to double the income of farmers by 2022 and if so, the details thereof and the manner in which it will be achieved;

(b) whether Prime Minister Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) is part of this scheme to double farmers' income; and

(c) if so, the details of the budget disbursed so far under PMKSY since the inception of the scheme, State-wise?

Software for Processing Agmark Applications

3449. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

NEW DELHI;

December 26, 2018
Pausha 5, 1940 (Saka)

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently launched an online software for processing applications related to quality certification mark 'Agmark' for agricultural products, if so, the details thereof.

(b) whether the new online system will make the processes easy, reliable and cost effective and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it also has provisions for online receipt of fees from the applicants as payment, if so, the details thereof?

Production of Small Grains

†3450. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an immense possibility of production of small grains in Rajasthan but the farmers are not taking up their production of small grains due to lack of encouragement and incentive from the Government;

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

(c) the corrective steps taken by the Government for encouraging production of small grains in Rajasthan?

SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA

Secretary General

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