## LOK SABHA

## List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

Tuesday, February 4, 2020/Magha 15, 1941 (Saka)

(Ministries of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying; Food Processing Industries; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Home Affairs; Panchayati Raj; Rural Development; Social Justice and Empowerment)

(कृषि और किसान कल्याण; रसायन और उर्वरक; उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण; मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी; खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग; भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम; गृह; पंचायती राज; ग्रामीण विकास; सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय)

## Total Number of Questions — 20

## Beneficiaries under PM-KISAN Scheme

\*21. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY: SHRI SANTOSH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) Scheme in the country, including Punjab and Chhattisgarh (Rajnandgaon);
- (b) the total amount of money disbursed so far, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the number of beneficiaries has been declining with the release of every instalment, if so, details thereof along with number of beneficiaries for every instalment in the country including Punjab and reasons for decline in number of beneficiaries;
- (d) the number of farmers in the country, including Chhattisgarh (Rajnandgaon) who have not got even a single instalment so far along with reasons therefor and plan of the Ministry to provide the instalment amount to the farmers who have not received a single instalment;
- (e) the steps taken to provide the benefit of PM-KISAN Scheme to all farmers; and
- (f) whether the Government is on track to double the income of farmers by 2022 and if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

## National Register of Citizens

\*22. SHRI CHANDAN SINGH: SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to introduce National Register of Citizens (NRC) all over the country:

- (b) if so, the reasons therefor along with the time line fixed for implementation of NRC in the country;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that NRC will put extra burden on Indian citizens;
- (d) whether all the State Governments are being taken into confidence before introduction of NRC; and
- (e) whether the Government has received any communications from the State Governments regarding their refusal to implement the NRC in their respective States, if so, the details of such State-wise communications received?

## Love Jihad Cases in Kerala

# \*23. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the observation of Kerala High Court that there is no case of Love Jihad in Kerala;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any of the Central Agencies have reported any case of Love Jihad from Kerala during the last two years and if so, the details thereof?

## Funds for DRDAs in West Bengal

## \*24. DR. SUBHAS SARKAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of functions and schemes that have been entrusted and are being executed by District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs) in West Bengal;
- (b) the details of funds allocated to District Rural Development Agencies during the last five years including in the State of West Bengal; and

(c) the details and number of schemes/projects that have been completed during the last three years under DRDAs in the State, district- wise?

## Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana

## †\*25. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA: SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the main features of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);
- (b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under the scheme across the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise, including Rajasthan;
- (c) the details of the rural road projects sanctioned in Rajasthan during the said period and the present status thereof:
- (d) whether the Government has given approval for implementation of phase-III of PMGSY in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof including the number of districts proposed to be included under the same along with the details of funds to be sanctioned in this regard especially for the districts of Dausa and Ganganagar of Rajasthan; and
  - (f) the details of the targets fixed under the same?

## Applications for Citizenship

## \*26. SHRI ABDUL KHALEOUE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications received for citizenship across the country after the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 came into force, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has taken initiative to release those declared foreigners belonging to Hindu, Sikh, Parsi, Buddhist, Christian and Jain communities residing in detention camps;
- (c) whether the Government will take initiative to drop all the cases pending before Foreigners Tribunal of D Voters/suspected migrants belonging to above mentioned communities; and
- (d) whether the Government is aware about anti-CAA stir across the country including Assam?

## **Diversion of PMAY Funds**

# \*27. SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that funds released under Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana (PMAY) are diverted for other purposes and for various schemes of the State Governments and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated to the State of Telangana during the last five years, year-wise along with the diversion of funds noticed, if any;
- (c) whether utilisation certificates have been received from the State Government for the funds released so far and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the measures being taken by the Government in directing the States to adhere to the norms and guidelines issued with regard to utilisation of the funds?

## Jan Aushadhi Kendras

## †\*28. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras opened across the country since the launch of the Pradhan Mantri Bharatiya Jan Aushadhi Pariyojana under which the Government aims to provide medicines to the people at rates that are 60-70 per cent lower than the market prices; and
- (b) the details in this regard, State-wise including Odisha?

### Use of Pesticides

## \*29. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has come across the use of pesticides far higher than permissible limits in Andhra Pradesh and some other States;
- (b) if so, the details of mechanism that is in place to monitor it through soil testing and/or testing of produce;
- (c) whether the Government is educating/bringing awareness among farmers about implications of the use of excessive pesticides; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to give some incentives to farmers or districts which are growing crops with no use or a little use of pesticides or chemicals?

## **Detention Centres**

## \*30. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has constructed detention centres/camps in Assam to detain those who don't have documents proving their citizenship under NRC:
- (b) if so, the details of the location and capacity of these centres/camps and the expenditure involved, district-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to reverify certain percentages of the population under NRC in districts bordering Bangladesh;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government once the NRC list is finalized post review appeals by individuals with a time line for the same as well?

#### Link Routes under PMGSY

## †\*31 SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether after inter-linking the villages of the country, the Government proposes to construct link routes between the rural institutions in the third phase of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Promotion of Farming

### †\*32. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

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 promote farming in the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has imparted training to farmers to practice farming in scientific manner;
- (d) whether farmers have been given information in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the names of the districts where the said programme has been organized along with the details thereof, State-wise?

## **Pricing of Drugs**

†\*33. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority has formulated or proposes to formulate any plan for reducing the prices of drugs thereby ensuring availability of medicines at affordable prices, especially for the poor people of the country;
- (b) if so, the time by which the said scheme is likely to be implemented and the extent to which people are likely to be benefited; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Citizenship for Refugees

## \*34. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Muslim Refugees would be granted Indian Citizenship now onwards;
- (b) the details of the number of citizenship granted to Muslims and persons from non-Muslim communities during the last seventy years, religion-wise;
- (c) the reasons for amending Citizenship Act along with the reasons for determining December 31, 2014 as the cut off date under the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019:
- (d) the manner in which non-citizen Muslims are proposed to be treated;
- (e) the details of documents required as proof for citizenship; and
- (f) the number of Bangladeshi immigrants deported so far?

### Gabriel Sena

## \*35. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the Church in Kerala has formed a Sena named Gabriel Sena consisting of military and para-military retired personnel and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has given any permission to form military outfit by individual religious organizations;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the action being taken by the Government to prevent this kind of private armies which may be a threat to the national integrity?

## Privatisation of BHEL

\*36. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ: SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

## PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to privatise a profit-making public sector company, Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. (BHEL) located in Trichy in Tamil Nadu;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has floated any bidding procedure to sell its equity and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the time by which the said company is likely to be privatised?

## **Seed-Hub Centres**

## \*37. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY: SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sanctioned 25 seedhub Centres across the country for increasing availability of quality seeds of nutri-cereals (Millets);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the location of such seed-hub Centres, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has released any payment to States as a part of this initiative; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

## **Agritech Startups**

## \*38. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to encourage agritech startups which can play a major role and change the food industry in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any new technological innovations and initiatives are being taken by the Government to reform and transform the food industry; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

NEW DELHI; *January* 28, 2020 *Magha* 8, 1941 (*Saka*) Anti-diabetic and Cardiac Care Drugs

## \*39. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per a market research the sale of anti-diabetic and cardiac care drugs in India in 2019 grew at the fastest rate during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for such increase:
- (c) whether India is home to one of the largest number of diabetes patients in the world, while heart diseases are one of the biggest causes of death in the country;
- (d) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps regarding production of such drugs and checking the overcharging by the pharmaceutical companies in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to bring all such drugs under the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) to regulate and put a check on the pricing of the said drugs?

## Shortage of Fodder

## †\*40. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA: SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the necessary steps taken by the Government to meet the shortage of animal fodder in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has prepared any National Fodder Policy, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any special variety of animal fodder has been developed to meet the shortage of the same in Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the number of advanced and hybrid varieties of seeds developed during the last five years along with the details thereof?

SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA

Secretary General

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

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