## LOK SABHA

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(Prime Minister; Ministries of Atomic Energy; Coal; Commerce and Industry; Communications; Defence; Development of North Eastern Region; Electronics and Information Technology; External Affairs; Law and Justice; Mines; Parliamentary Affairs; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; Railways; Space; Statistics and Programme Implementation)

(प्रधान मंत्री; परमाणु ऊर्जा; कोयला; वाणिज्य और उद्योग; संचार; रक्षा; उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र विकास; इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी; विदेश; विधि और न्याय; खान; संसदीय कार्य; कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत और पेंशन; योजना; रेल; अंतरिक्ष; सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय)

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**Common Service Centres** 

652. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to enable all 2.9 lakh common service centres in the Country to operate as business correspondent of banks;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these centres will be allowed to perform many more services; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## FDI in Heavy Industry Sector

653. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

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

(a) whether any increase has been registered in FDI to the heavy industry sector in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the 'Make in India' project has brought any benefits like increasing of investment, generating jobs, producing quality products, etc. in the heavy industry sector;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Iron Ore Production**

654. SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: DR. HEENA GAVIT: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of iron ore reserves in our Country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the country faces acute shortage of iron ore which creates severe crisis/shortfall of iron ore production and if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government to overcome the shortage;

(c) whether licences of mines expiring under Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 2015 will not be renewed and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has plans to streamline grant of mining leases especially iron in order to maintain sufficient availability of raw materials for the various sectors and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government plans to set up a mining regulator at both Central and State levels to regulate mining activity and prevent illegal mining from flourishing; and

(f) if so, the composition of the regulator at the Centre and State level alongwith the time by which it will be set up?

## **Foreign Dignitaries**

655. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: 198

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of foreign dignitaries who visited India during each of the last three months and the current month, countrywise;

(b) the details of foreign trips undertaken by the Prime Minister of India and other dignitaries during the said period;

(c) the agreements signed and the advantage to the country as a result thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost the bilateral relations with foreign countries?

# Trade Deficit between India and China

656. SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether China is adopting a host of discriminatory and restrictive practices against Indian companies to bar them from participating in their procurement process;

(b) if so, the response of the Government thereon and the action taken by the Government to safeguard the interest of Indian Companies;

(c) whether there is a need to pursue for greater market access for agriculture and dairy products, and pharmaceuticals;

(d) if so, the response of the Government thereon;

(e) whether the Government has taken any measures to boost exports and reduce imports to check the massive trade deficit with China and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether there is a need to give export incentives to bridge the gap between import and export and if so, the details thereof?

#### Mandatory Registration of Indians going abroad

## 657. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## विदेश मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made or proposes to make mandatory registrations for Indians opting to go for employment in the United Arab Emirates and certain other countries through the e-Migrate portal;

(b) if so, the details and intended objectives of the mandatory registration;

(c) whether there are any restrictive or punitive provisions including deportation in the event of non-compliance by error or otherwise and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is setting a deadline for the registration process and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the awareness programmes conducted and made in various languages for the benefit of the non-ECR (emigration check required) passport holders through media?

## Unmanned Level Crossings †658. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

भारत स्वाध्य स्वरूपसार Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to convert unmanned railway crossings into R.O.B. and R.U.B.;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of R.O.B. and R.U.B. targetted to be constructed in the country;

(d) the funds approved and spent for the purpose;

(e) whether the Government proposes to formulate any new policy for constructions of R.O.Bs. and R.U.Bs.; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

# Quota for Students Appearing in Exams

659. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE: SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

### Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce any scheme to help the students appearing for various examinations to get any special quota for confirmation of their railway tickets;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

# New Railway Museum

660. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to build new railway museums in the country;

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

(c) whether any proposal is pending with the Government for the development or initiating any kind of activities at the Ernakulam Terminus Railway Station which is in an abandoned State now; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

## Underpass between Konch-Ait Railway Line

†661. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA:

## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

### रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the underpass in between the Konch-Ait Railway Line is under construction;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether complaints have been received regarding irregularities in the construction of the said underpass and of water-logging during rainy season; and

(d) if so, the action taken on the said complaints?

## **Employment of Women in Railways**

662. DR. HEENA GAVIT: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

#### Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women candidates who have been given employment in the Indian Railways especially in technical category in the last three years;

(b) whether the number of women applying for jobs in technical category is very less compared to men and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government is giving any preference to the women candidates who are applying for Railways in technical category and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has taken any steps to improve the odd working condition prevalent in Railways in view of more and more women joining Railways in technical category;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps being taken to increase the employment of women in the Railways?

## New National Rubber Policy

663. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating a new National Rubber Policy in the country;

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

(b) if so, the details thereof including the salient features of the policy;

(c) whether the Government has taken into consideration the opinion of all stakeholders in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the new policy will help the natural rubber growers in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for the welfare of natural rubber growers?

## Child Care Allowance for Divyang Women

†664. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has doubled the child care allowance for divyang women;

(b) if so, the details thereof including allowance provided in Uttar Pradesh;

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

(d) the burden likely to be on the Government exchequer as a result thereof?

#### **Triple Talaq Bill**

## 665. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the Triple Talaq Bill;

(b) whether the Government propose to reintroduce the bill and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has any plan to bring a bill against Nikah Halala and polygamy and if so, the details thereof?

## **Issuance of Aadhaar Cards**

666. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has separate details of aadhaar cards issued to all women, children, senior citizens, persons with disability, unskilled and unorganised workers, nomadic tribes and such other persons who do not have any permanent dwelling house; and

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

## **Coal Mining**

667. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the NGT has banned coal mining in Meghalaya and the same matter is in Supreme Court and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government has filed affidavit for the same and if so the details thereof?

#### **Death of Indians Abroad**

668. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether hundreds of people from Andhra Pradesh went to Gulf countries for work reportedly died in the last three years and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the situation is alarming in countries like Saudi Arabia where more than 450 people belonging to AP died in the last three years and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to protect and save Indian Citizens in Gulf countries?

#### **IERMS for Women Safety**

669. DR. SHASHI THAROOR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Integrated Emergency Response Management System (IERMS) for the security of women passengers, have been established in 900 railway stations;

(b) if so, the details thereof, Statewise;

(c) whether all the existing IERM Systems are functional as on date;

(d) if so, whether IERM System has been installed in all railway stations in

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Thiruvananthapuram and if not, the time by when the system is likely to be installed; and

(e) the details of the amount utilised for the IERM Systems since 2014, year and State-wise?

## **Aircraft Crashes**

†670. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV: SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of aircrafts of the Air Force which have crashed during the last three years and as on date, year-wise;

(b) the quantum of loss incurred due to it;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any investigation regarding the said aircraft accidents; and

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

#### **Digital India Programme**

671. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the features of the Digital India Programme;

(b) the number of States initially covered under this programme across the country;

(c) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized so far under this programme across the country, State/UTwise including Tamil Nadu;

(d) the details of the target set and achievements made under this programme so far; and

(e) whether this programme is facing hurdles on multiple fronts especially in remote rural areas and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

### **Foot Over Bridges**

## 672. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of Foot Over Bridges (FOBs) and under bridges proposed to be constructed by the Railways in the Northern Railway Zone and the locations thereof; and

(b) whether any target has been fixed for completing the construction of all proposed foot over bridges and under bridges and if so, the details thereof?

### Universal Service Obligation Fund

†673. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE: SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to spend ten thousand crores of rupees in the current financial year from the Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) to give impetus to basic infrastructure facilities in rural areas under the Digital India Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the quantum of amount spent during each of the last two years, State/UT-wise and the availability of amount in this fund during the same period;

(c) the number of Gram Panchayats and rural post offices connected with optical fibre network in the country including the State of Maharashtra and specifically for Latur district of Maharashtra; and

(d) the reasons of the delay in connecting all the Gram Panchayats and rural post offices of the country including in the State of Maharashtra and Rajasthan with optical fiber?

# Monitoring the Performance of Judges

674. SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any mechanism available to monitor the work performance of Judges and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering the setting up of work performance commission to monitor the performance of Judges and if so, the details

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thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to involve a scientific method of performance appraisal of judicial officers by setting a measurable performance standard?

## Indigenous GPS

†675. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country is likely to get its own GPS soon and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether ISRO has completed all the necessary preparation in this direction and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether ISRO has launched seven satellites for this indigenous GPS, the existence of which will obviate India's dependence of navigation on America and if so, the details thereof?

## e-Commerce Policy

676. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced some changes in the e-Commerce Policy to protect the indigenous traders and business houses from being taken undue advantage of by the e-Commerce giants and if so, the details thereof: (b) whether the policy changes have not gone down well with the US traders and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether as per some media reports these changes would scale down the quantum of e-Commerce and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other steps being taken by the Government for regulation and growth of e-Commerce industry in the country?

## Ash Content in the Coal

677. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian coal has comparatively higher ash content than imported coal and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether certain coal companies are supplying coal to their customers with ash content of more than 40 per cent;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken by the Government against such coal companies;

(d) the steps taken/being taken by Government to produce coal in the country at par with the international standards; and

(e) further steps taken/being taken by Government to ensure the maximum use of Indian coal in the country?

## **Radiation Norms for Mobile Towers**

678. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

## संचार मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) the number of mobile towers in the country, State/UT-wise and the radiation norms for the same;

(b) whether cases of violation of the said norms by Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) have come to the notice of the Government and if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise along with the amount of penalty imposed on them, TSPwise;

(c) whether the Government has doubled the penalty for violation of such norms in recent past and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other corrective steps taken by the Government to keep a check on the erring TSPs?

#### **Opening of PSKs**

679. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH: SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## विदेश मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) the number of operational Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) in the country during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the number of persons served by these Kendras during the same period, State/ UT-wise;

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to open more

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PSKs in the country, particularly in Maharashtra; and

(d) the details of locations identified for opening of PSKs in Kerala?

#### **Doubling of Railway Tracks**

680. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of doubling of railway track in Surendranagar-Daladi and Daladi-Rajkot section;

(b) whether the Railways have fixed any targets for completion of the above sections; and

(c) the time by which both sections are likely to be completed?

#### Women in Armed Forces

## 681. SHRI B.B. PATIL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the policy for recruitment of women personnel in the three services of armed forces, service-wise;

(b) the number of women personnel recruited in each of the three services during the last three years, service and year-wise;

(c) the percentage of women personnel in all the three services of armed forces as compared to men, service-wise;

(d) whether the Government is implementing any special scheme to

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increase the participation of women in the armed forces; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## Strengthening of BSNL and MTNL

#### †682. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister

COMMUNICATIONS

## संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme/plan to strengthen Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL); and

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

#### New Train from Banka to Deoghar

†683. SHRI GIRIDHARI YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to start any passenger train service on the 60 kms. broad gauge railway line ready between Banka and Deoghar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## New Coffee and Pepper Policy

684. SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning a new coffee and pepper policy which will ensure remunerative prices for genuine coffee and pepper growers;

(b) if so, whether the Government has prepared any draft of the proposal and has invited comments from the States concerned;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the coffee and pepper prices were fixed to the satisfaction of the farmers in the said policy; and

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

## Export of Milk and Agriculture Products

†685. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has maintained its top spot in milk production in the world and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether a proposal has been sent to the United States of America to open its market for milk and agriculture imports from India; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

## **Corruption Cases against Officers**

686. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI VINCENT H. PALA: Will the PRIME MINISTER प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding the chargesheeted Indian Administrative Service (IAS) and Indian Police Service (IPS) officers till date in the country;

(b) the number of IAS/IPS officers who are involved in corruption for the last five years, State-wise and the action taken/being taken against them;

(c) the number of IAS/IPS officers who are or have been in jails for the last five years;

(d) the amount recovered from the corrupt officials during the last five years, year and State-wise;

(e) the number of pending cases against the corrupt IAS/IPS officers till date; and

(f) the number of suspended or dismissed IAS and IPS officers so far?

### **Benefits of Blue Economy**

687. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to utilize the country's long coastline, numerous islands, large exclusive economic zone and continental shelf to reap the benefits of a "blue economy";

#### (b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is taking any steps to engage maritime forces of friendly nations at multiple levels, in training, in technical areas and hydrography and conduct maritime security operations; and

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

#### Free Legal Assistance to Poor

†688. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

## विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to States/Union Territories to give free legal assistance to poor and undertrial prisoners;

(b) if so, the criteria fixed for this purpose;

(c) the details of funds provided/ utilised for this purpose during each of the last three years, States/Union Territorywise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to amend the present norms so that proper utilisation of the said funds can be ensured and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide free legal assistance to poor and undertrial prisoners in the country?

#### **Ease of Doing Business**

†689. SHRIMATI RANJAN BEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has a proposal to improve India's ranking in ease of doing business;

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(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any steps in this regard; and

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

#### Setting up of Industries

690. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that Central Government encourages State Governments for setting up of industries through various policy measures;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government has received any proposals from various State Governments for setting up of industries in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State and year-wise;

(e) whether the Government has cleared the said proposals of various State Governments; and

(f) if so, the details of the industries set up in the country with the support of Union Government during the last three years?

## Railway Revenue

691. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH: DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the low non-fare revenue earned by Indian Railways over the past few years;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to address the same;

(c) whether Railways has been incurring losses in its operations and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to boost non-fare revenues?

#### **Allocation of Coal**

†692. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received application from the Central Electricity Authority for allocation of coal for 2x660 MW Bilhaur project of NTPC in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government so far in this regard?

### e-Auctioning of Mines

693. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of mines that were e-Auctioned during the current year and the previous year, State/UT wise;



(b) the total number of mines that are currently operational out of the ones that were e-auctioned during the above period;

(c) whether e-auctioning has resulted in greater transparency and higher revenue than the traditional allotment process; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Upgradation of Trains**

694. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

#### रेल मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently upgraded additional trains to superfast category thereby levying additional charges applicable for all class of travel for superfast trains;

(b) if so, the list of the trains recently proposed for upgradation;

(c) whether the Government is taking corrective steps to maintain the punctuality of trains especially for the category of Superfast and Premium trains like Rajdhani, Shatabdi, Duranto, Humsafar, Tejas etc. for which the passengers have paid more fares to reach the destinations as per the scheduled time with all halting stations strictly observing the scheduled arrival and departure; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Defence** Corridor

†695. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE रक्षा मंत्री be pleased to state: (a) the extent of land acquisition done with regard to construction of Defence corridor in Jhansi;

(b) the time period likely to be taken in completion of this project;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to develop a specific industry or institute in Defence sector with regard to the said project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

# Coal Supply to Thermal Plants in Karnataka

696. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of coal required per day in Karnataka for its thermal plants;

(b) whether power generation is steadily declining in all the three thermal power plants of Karnataka due to severe shortage of coal supply;

(c) if so, whether the Government of Karnataka has requested the Union Government to ensure supply of Fuel Supply Agreement (FSA) quantity in full for sustainable power generation to the State's thermal power plants;

(d) if so, the response of the Union Government thereto and the quantum of coal supplied to Thermal Power Stations (TPSs) in Karnataka during the last three years; and

(e) whether coal is supplied to Karnataka from Singareni Collieries Company Ltd. (SCCL), Western Coalfields Ltd. (WCL) and Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd. (MCL) and if so, the details thereof?

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## Establishment of Industrial Park

697. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to establish Industrial Park at Kolar in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any representation/request in this regard; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

#### Jan Aushadhi Kendras

†698. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating any scheme to open Jan Aushadhi Kendras at the Railway Stations for the convenience of Railway passengers and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the selection process of railway stations has been completed to start the said scheme and if so, the details of the stations particularly in Maharashtra;

(c) whether the rates of these medicines to be sold at these stations will be fixed by the Government; and

(d) if so, whether any committee has been formed in this regard, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Coal Production**

699. SHRI SU. THRUNAVUKKARASAR:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the targets fixed and total production of Coal by the subsidiaries of Coal India Ltd. such as Northern Coalfields Ltd. and Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. during each of the last three years;

(b) the total income earned by the Coal India Ltd. and its subsidiaries during the said period; and

(c) the total funds allocated by the Union Government for the development of various subsidiaries of Coal India Ltd. during the said period?

## Luxurious Coaches

700. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether train passengers and tourists can now look forward to travelling in the state-of-the-art luxurious coaches having glass ceiling and equipped with infotainment system, similar to that in Switzerland;

(b) if so, whether the Railways proposes to introduce such indigenous luxurious coaches;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the objective and salient features thereof;

(d) the cost of these coaches and the manner in which the Railways will protect these coaches from any damage;

(e) the time by which these are likely to be introduced; and

(f) whether the Government is also considering export of these coaches and if so, the plan chalked out in this regard?

#### Supply of Railway Tracks

#### 701. MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

#### रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assigned any private company in the country to supply railway tracks during the years 2014-2018; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **New Industrial Policy**

702. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

#### वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has initiated the process for formulation of a new Industrial Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the provisions which are being considered for changes in the existing industrial policy and new provisions likely to be added and the present status thereof;

(d) the manner in which it will be different from the present policy and the

way it is likely to promote the domestic industry;

(e) the time by which the New Industrial Policy is likely to be finalised and implemented; and

(f) the details of steps taken by the Government for growth and expansion of industries in Bundelkhand?

## Wi-Fi Connectivity

†703. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

## संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide high speed Wi-Fi connectivity in 2500 cities, towns and panchayats across the country including Rajasthan under National Optical Fibre Network Project during the next three years and if so, the details thereof;

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

(c) whether the project is not likely to be completed on time due to delay in procurement of necessary devices like gigabyte passive optical network and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) if so, the total number of kilometre of fibre cable laid down so far in the country, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan?

### Poor Services of MTNL

704. SHRIMATI RAMYA HARIDAS: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who have ported out of GSM mobile service of MTNL and taken services of other companies during each of the last three years;

(b) whether MTNL has received several complaints with regard to poor mobile network coverage and if so, the details thereof including the number of such complaints received during each of the last three years;

(c) whether the condition of mobile network coverage has deteriorated during the same period and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government has taken/ proposes to take any action to improve 2G, 3G and 4G services in the country and if so, the details thereof?

## New Appointments in Government Sector

705. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

## प्रधान मंत्री

### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to appoint/hire about five lakh personnel in various Government departments/Ministries in the two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such appointments are going to be on temporary basis; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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**Extension of Railway Lines** 

†706. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal for the extension of the Railway lines, Railway services etc. in Rajasthan and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of the doubling of Railway lines sanctioned in Rajasthan and the details of the actual progress in this regard?

## **Issue of Call Drops**

## †707. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH: SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified the reasons behind the problem of call drop and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any solution has been found by the Government to the said problem of call drops and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this problem is unprecedented to the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to formulate any policy/programme to resolve the said problem and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the

said policy/programme is likely to be implemented; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to cancel the licence of the telecom companies failing to control the problem of call-drops and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Display Boards at FOBs for Safety**

†708. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

will the Willister of KAILWATS

## रेल मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to place display boards with brief details thereon regarding safety of each of the Foot Over Bridges (FOBs) after conducting their regular audit to avert the accidents/mishaps to passengers using the Foot Over Bridges constructed on the old railway stations of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, Zone/ Division-wise;

(c) whether the Government has provided such information at Tilak Bridge Railway Station and other such stations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Periodic Labour Force Survey**

709. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) report released by NSSO is seen as new series for measuring employment and unemployment on annual basis;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measure taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) the methodology adopted by the PLFS for the said survey report;

(d) whether unemployment rate among urban workforce, including men and women is higher as compared to rural workforce; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Enhancement of MPLADS Fund**

710. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA: SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to enhance the MPLADS funds as the last increase in the allocation was done in the year 2011-12;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the current status and the date of last follow up in this regard;

(c) whether there is any mechanism in place for physical monitoring of MPLAD Scheme;

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(d) the year in which such physical monitoring was last conducted by the Government; and

(e) the periodicity of such physical monitoring?

## Facilities to Differently-Abled Persons in Election Process

711. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the participation of differently-abled persons in election process is very low;

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

(c) whether any facilities which are essential for the differently-abled persons are made available during elections and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for maximum participation of persons with disabilities in the election process?

## Ratlam-Dungarpur-Banswara Railway Project

712. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had started the Ratlam-Dungarpur *via* Banswara Railway project in 2014-15 and if so, the details thereof:

(b) whether this project has been shelved by the Government;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the current status of the said project and the total expenditure incurred thereon till now?

## Township at Kolar Gold Fields

713. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the Government of Karnataka regarding the transfer of 10,000 acres of land from Bharah Gold Mines Limited (BGML) for developing industrial area and township in Kolar Gold Fields (K.G.F.);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government can transfer the land to any State Government free of cost, under the new mining rules passed in 2015; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Complaints Regarding Railway Facilities

†714. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of complaints received on social websites by the Railways regarding railway services/facilities and the number of complaints which have been redressed during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has identified zone-wise such areas from where maximum complaints had been received through social websites during the said period;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Railways propose to set up a separate cell in this regard where proper redressal of complaints can take place in view of rising trend of social websites; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### M-Aadhaar

†715. SHRI RAVINDRA SHYAM NARAYAN SHUKLA *ALIAS* RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any provision for the passengers to use M-Aadhaar as an ID card; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the time by which this system is likely to be implemented?

### **LHB** Coaches

716. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to replace conventional coaches with the modern Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) design coaches in all distance trains originating from Kerala to other destinations;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Railways for improving catering service using the most hygienic and latest equipment for food preparation?

## **Relaxation of FDI Norms**

717. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to relax FDI norms in various sectors to turn around slowing economic growth of the country and if so, the details thereof along with the present FDI cap in such sectors, sector-wise;

(b) whether the Government has held discussions with the industries/ organisations and other experts in this regard and if so, the outcome of such discussions;

(c) whether the Government does not perceive that such increase in FDI limits of such sectors as dangerous to the security of the country keeping in view that the entire control of some sectors will go in

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the foreign hands and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the corrective steps taken by the Government to boost economic growth without compromising the security of the country?

### Task Force to Expedite Justice

†718. DR. RAMAPATI RAM TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted any task force to expedite the process for providing justice;

(b) if so, the details of the judicial impact assessment made by the Government along with the main features of the task force;

(c) the follow up action taken by the Government for the implementation of the recommendations of the said task force;

(d) whether the Government has made any assessment of the additional expenditure incurred on such task force; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Coaching Terminal at Kottayam

719. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

### be pleased to state:

(a) whether a coaching terminal was

proposed at Kottayam (KTYM) of Southern Railway in the Railway Budget of 2012 and if so, the present status of the project along with the anticipated timeframe for implementation of this project;

(b) whether any proposal for a new complex for pilgrims, especially for Sabarimala Pilgrims at the proposed second entry (Northern side) of Kottayam Station of Southern Railway and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the target date of completion of ongoing track doubling work at Ettumanoor (ETM)-Kottayam (KTYM)-Chingavanam (CGV) section of Southern Railway?

## Setting up of Atomic Park by Pakistan

†720. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan is preparing to set up an atomic park;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

### **Cyber Attacks**

721. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is one of the biggest targets of Phishing Attacks/Cyber Crimes in recent years;

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

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

#### **Operational PSKs**

722. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) operational across the country, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra and MP;

(b) whether the Government is planning to introduce chip-based e-passports in place of paper passports within the country;

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

(d) whether the Government is planning to simplify the process of issuing visas to PIO (Person of Indian Origin) and OCI (Overseas Citizen of India) cards; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be done?

#### Complaints received by CVC

723. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

#### प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received by the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) during 2018-19, till date; and (b) the details of action taken by the Government on these complaints?

Filling up of Vacant Posts

724. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE रक्षा मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vacant posts of commissioned and non-commissioned staff in armed forces;

(b) the measures being taken to fill the vacant posts; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to encourage people to join armed forces?

# Unemployment Data released by NSO

725. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recent National Statistical Office (NSO) data revealed that unemployment rate is likely to be at a 45year high;

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

(c) whether job data poses a policy challenge for the Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has different view over the data released by the NSO; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

## Difficulty in Funding of Installation of CCTV Cameras

726. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is finding it difficult to fund its project of installing CCTV cameras at railway stations and in certain trains;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any proposal is pending with the Government to raise the amount from various funds, including the Nirbhaya Fund, for funding the aforesaid project; and

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

## **ROBs at Donar Crossing**

†727. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the obstacles in construction of overbridges at Donar railway crossing (gumti), Bela railway crossing, Laxmisagar railway crossing, Laheriasarai railway crossing, Chatti Chowk railway crossing and other level crossings in Darbhanga;

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(b) the time by which the said overbridges are likely to be constructed; and

(c) the likely solutions available with the Railways for removing the obstacles or problems in construction of overbridges at the said locations?

## **Raising Funds of MPLADS**

†728. SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to raise funds of Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which said policy/ programme is likely to be implemented?

#### Survey of New Rail Lines

†729. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the new rail lines for which survey has been conducted in the country during the last five years;

(b) whether any survey work has been conducted for any rail line between Chatra-Gaya and Chatra-Tori;

(c) if so, the details of the survey report;

(d) whether more new trains are proposed to be run from Chhattisgarh to New Delhi;

(e) if so, the estimated budget required at present to complete the above rail lines; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

## India's Global Trade

†730. SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to increase India's share in global business;

(b) the details of difficulties being faced by the Government on trade front in foreign countries;

(c) whether the Government is likely to prepare an action plan to overcome those difficulties; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## MPLADS Funds for Rehabilitation Programme

†731. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of works/activities that are permissible to get funds under Member

of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS);

(b) whether the Government has amended the guidelines recently to get funds under the scheme;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to allocate funds from Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme under the rehabilitation programme regarding burnt houses/damaged houses; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## Power Generation through Nuclear Energy

†732. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any agency/institute is being set up to ensure more effective use of nuclear energy and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the targets set regarding generation/utilization of power through nuclear energy for various schemes;

(c) whether the set targets have been achieved and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the future action-plan for nuclear energy?

#### **Upgradation of Security System**

733. DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

## DR. HEENA GAVIT: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the major railway stations have lacked in upgraded security system;

(b) if so, whether the Government has any plan to ensure top-grade safety and security arrangements to the passengers and goods in the major railway stations as seen at the airports and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the funds allocated/ utilized for this task;

(d) the number of newly constructed ultra modern railway stations which have an upgraded security system along with the time by which other major railway stations are likely to be upgraded;

(e) whether the Railways intends to amend the existing laws to give more investigative powers to the Railway Protection Force (RPF); and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the other steps taken by the Government to provide full proof security in stations to avoid terrorist attack and ensure passenger safety?

## Bilateral Trade between India and US

734. SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: DR. HEENA GAVIT:

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DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of bilateral trade meetings held between India and the United States (US) recently;

(b) the details of agenda fixed and the issues discussed during the said meetings and its outcome thereof;

(c) whether the bilateral trade in Goods and Services registered a growth of 12.6% with US and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the US has announced recently its decision to end preferential tariffs to \$5.6 billion of Indian exports;

(e) if so, whether this will affect Indian exports drastically; and

(f) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto along with the steps taken by the Government to resolve outstanding trade issues and promote economic development and prosperity between the two countries?

## **Indo-French Joint Naval Exercise**

735. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE: SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE: DR. HEENA GAVIT: DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE: SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

## रक्षा मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently conducted first Indo-French joint naval exercise 'Varuna 19.1';

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives thereto and the expenditure involved therein;

(c) the number of naval persons and naval ships who participated in the said joint naval exercise;

(d) the details of the joint naval military exercises that are likely to be undertaken with other countries in the next three years and the likely gains for naval force as a result thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost naval cooperation with other countries?

## **Vacant Posts**

†736. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

#### प्रधान मंत्री

### be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vacancies existing in different Ministries/Departments of the Union Government, category-wise; (b) the time since when these vacancies have accumulated along with the reasons for not filling up these vacancies;

(c) the number of vacancies filled up by the Union Government during the last five years;

(d) the steps taken by the Union Government to fill up these vacancies; and

(e) the time by which all the vacant posts are likely to be filled up?

## **5G Technology**

†737. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to implement 5G technology across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the preparations made by the Government in this regard and the time by which it is likely to be done;

(c) whether 3G and 4G services have been rolled out properly across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the efforts made by the Government to provide modern communication services in all parts of the country including the Mahasamund district of Chhattisgarh?

## **Defence** Production

†738. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

## SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE: SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

## रक्षा मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) the details of work done till date to make the country a defence production hub;

(b) the defence and weapon system selected for the purpose;

(c) whether the Government has signed any agreement with foreign countries to increase export of military equipment and services; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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## 739. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI: SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to replace all the Rajdhani and Shatabdi trains by Train-18 type modern trains in the near future in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time-frame fixed for the completion of the said project?

## **Ban on Agricultural Products**

740. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

#### वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the criterion followed/adopted by the Government for imposing/lifting ban on various agricultural products from time to time;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the adverse impact on farmers/consumers of such imposing/lifting ban on agricultural products during each of the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to formulate a long term consistent and predictable export-import policy of agricultural products and if so, the salient features of such policy; and

(d) the corrective steps taken by the Government to protect the interests of farmers/consumers from the adverse impact of imposing/lifting ban on agricultural products?

## Trade among BRICS

#### 741. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that trade among BRICS nations is less than 5% of their total global trade;

(b) if so, the details of India's trade with BRICS countries at present, countrywise;

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

(c) whether the Government has discussed with different BRICS nations to increase trade and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether rice export to China and green channel for pharmaceutical products also came up for discussion with China especially after trade war between the USA and China; and

(e) if so, the outcome thereof?

#### **Renewable Energy as Fuel in Trains**

742. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

#### रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to utilize renewable sources of energy as fuel for trains in the near future; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

## Seat in UNSC

#### †743. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY: SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

#### विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken or proposes any initiative to get a permanent seat in the United National Security Council; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

## **Data Protection Law**

744. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to enact data protection law and if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be enacted along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(b) whether the Government has held any consultation with the stakeholders in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

## **GDP** Growth

745. SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian economy expanded at its slowest pace in 18 quarters which is lowest in five years according to the data released by the National Statistical Office recently;

(b) if so, the facts thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereon; and

(c) the details of the percentage of GDP growth registered during January-March 2019 quarter?

## **CFS for Indian Entities**

746. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved first extension of Concessional Financing System (CFS) for another five years from 2018 to 2023 to support Indian Entities bidding for strategically important infrastructure projects abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the scheme also has been liberalized, allowing any Indian company irrespective of ownership, eligible to benefits of it; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Monthly Cap on Booking of Tickets

747. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is considering to increase the monthly cap on tickets booked on the IRCTC portal from 6 to 12 for passengers who have linked account with their Aadhaar Number;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Model Railway Station**

†748. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway stations in the country which have been developed as model railway stations at present;

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

(c) the details of the additional facilities provided at model railway stations as compared to the other stations;

(d) whether any target has been set to develop all railway stations of the country as model railway stations;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether Sikar, Ringas, Shrimadhopur and Jaipur railway stations of Rajasthan have also been developed as model stations; and

(g) if so, whether facilities of the level of model stations are available at the said railway stations and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Coal Emission**

749. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of investment by the Government in research and development of clean coal in the last five years;

(b) whether Government has failed to adequately invest in reducing emissions from coal by increasing efficiency since coal emissions have risen in 2018-19;

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

(d) whether coal is still the major electricity producer in India; and

(e) if so, the reasons for the Government's coal imports rising by 13% in 2018-19?

#### EPZs and EOUs in Delhi

750. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the list of all Special Economic Zones in Delhi;

(b) whether Delhi has Export Processing Zones (EPZs) and 100% Export Oriented Units (EOUs) and if so, the details and the numbers thereof;

(c) whether any steps have been taken/ being taken by the Government to provide special concessions and incentives to industries for bringing investment in Delhi during the last five years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act

751. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of MINES

खान मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to exempt The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) (MMDR) Act in the Sixth Schedule area and if so, the details thereof; and (b) whether the Government is intending to use Para 12(A)(b) of the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution for the State of Meghalaya and if so, the details thereof?

## Securing Jobs of Indian Workers Abroad

752. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken into account the increased rate at which Gulf Arab countries are nationalising jobs which has emerged as a direct threat for Indian expatriates in the region;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to ensure and secure the jobs of Indian workers in Gulf countries;

(c) whether the Government has analysed the import of jobs nationalisation over the job loss of Indian workers in various countries;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is ready to rehabilitate the people who have lost jobs in Gulf countries on this account; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

## Export of Aquaculture

753. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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(a) the details of States that are exporting aquaculture to other countries including the US during the last five years and the current year, State and quantitywise and the revenue earned through this, year and State-wise;

(b) whether the US has recently imposed anti-dumping duty on Indian shrimp exports; and

(c) if so, the extent to which the above duty has affected shrimp exports to US, with particular reference to Andhra Pradesh?

## New Peninsular Railway Zone

754. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal for the formation of a new peninsular railway zone headquartered at Ernakulam;

(b) if so, whether the Government has constituted any committee or group to study the feasibility of this proposal;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Bio-Toilets**

755. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has taken any initiative to train the staff and create awareness among the general public regarding the maintenance and use of biotoilets;

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

(c) whether the deficiencies/ shortcomings pointed out by the Comptroller and Auditor General, in its report in 2018, regarding the bio-toilets installed in the trains and stations have been taken into consideration by the Railways; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Railways thereon, particularly about the quantity and quality of the toilets installed by private firms and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Electrification of Rail Routes

756. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE: SHRIMATI RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has a proposal for 100% electrification of the rail routes by 2021;

(b) if so, the current status thereof, zone-wise specially south central railway zone and the criteria prescribed for selection of rail routes for the purpose of electrification;

(c) whether requests for electrification of rail routes have been received from various State Governments including Kerala during the last three years, Statewise;

(d) if so, the action taken by Railways thereon; and

(e) the reasons for new infrastructure for production of diesel locomotives is being built incurring a huge liability of thousands of crores of rupees despite the above decision?

#### Appointment of Retired Judges

#### 757. SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

#### विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the retired judges of Supreme Court/High Courts are appointed as Governor of States and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for appointments;

(b) whether the retired Judges of Supreme Court/High Courts appointed as Chairmen/Members of various Tribunals/ Commissions are allowed to provide legal advice by charging huge fees; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

#### **Casualties in Train Accidents**

†758. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

#### रेल मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of the persons died and injured in the train accidents since the year 2017 till now in the State of Maharashtra, year-wise; (b) whether there has been a rapid increase in the number of deceased and injured persons due to train accidents;

(c) the reasons for such increase in the number of casualities including the deaths and injuries taking place in the train accidents during the last two years; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to reduce the number of train accidents and casualties?

## Tax Exemption to Start-ups

759. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating on easing the norms providing tax exemption to the start-up companies on the investments made by the Angel Funds;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that large numbers of start-up companies have requested the Government to provide tax exemptions and if so, the details thereof; and

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

### **MPLAD Schemes**

760. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री be pleased to state:

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(a) the details of total funds under MPLAD Schemes allocated to Members of Parliament of Sixteenth Lok Sabha;

(b) the details of funds recommended to be spent, MP-wise and the details of funds utilised under the said scheme for completion of works;

(c) the details of funds allocated, utilised and remained unutilised under the said scheme in West Bengal, MP-wise; and

(d) the details of action being taken by the Government to complete the pending works expeditiously?

#### Industrial Incentives

761. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to extend the scheme of package of industrial incentives for promoting industrialisation in the State of Karnataka;

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

(c) the funds allocated/utilised during the last three years; and

(d) the other steps taken by the Government to enhance industrialisation in Karnataka?

## **Underground Coal Gasification**

762. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of Underground Coal Gasification (UCG) Technology developed in the country for meeting the future energy needs;

(b) the details of coal and lignite blocks identified so far for this purpose; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to popularize this technology in the country?

## **Industrial Park for Rubber Units**

763. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering opening more industrial parks for rubber based units under 'Make in India' programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, whether Government is likely to consider the same; and

(d) the details of measures taken by the Government to help the farmers struggling for survival?

#### Lok Adalats

764. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of various Lok Adalats organised during each of the last five years district-wise in the State of Gujarat;

(b) the number of cases disposed of district-wise in Gujarat by these adalats during the said period;

(c) whether the Government proposes to organize more such adalats on regular basis in future, district-wise;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to organize such Adalats more frequently to bring about the early disposal of pending cases?

### **Fiberised Mobile Towers**

#### 765. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of fiberised towers in the country against the total number of telecom towers in the country;

(b) the planned investment by the Government towards increasing fiberisation of telecom towers;

(c) whether the Government proposes to employ an incentive structure for telecom operators in order to encourage the growth and penetration of fibre infrastructure;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Fishermen in Pakistan's Custody

†766. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of fishermen in Pakistan's custody;

(b) the steps being taken by the Government to get these fishermen released; and

(c) the number of fishermen released during each of the last three years?

### **Broadband Service Ranking**

767. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Telecom Companies ranks low in rolling out broadband services in the Asia-Pacific

region;

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

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

#### **Cross Border Terrorism**

†768. SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a need for building more international pressure on Pakistan to check cross border terrorism;

(b) if so, the steps taken in this regard so far; and

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(c) the details of further efforts to be made?

## **Train Accidents**

†769. SHRI RAVINDRA SHYAM NARAYAN SHUKLA *ALIAS* RAVI KISHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of 22 points action plan and the action taken so far to curb train accidents by implementing this plan;

(b) the details of work likely to be done through this 22 points action plan; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government so far to run the system and the details thereof?

## **Import of Arecanut**

770. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether arecanut is being imported from other countries including Nepal, Sri Lanka, Malaysia and Indonesia;

(b) if so, the details thereof, countrywise and year-wise for the last two years;

(c) whether the Government has taken note of the problems of arecanut growers in the country due to fall in the prices and production of arecanut in domestic market; and (d) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to solve the problems of arecanut growers and to ensure adequate prices for their produce?

#### National Law School

†771. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a National Law School/University in each State/UT;

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

(c) whether there is also any proposal to set up institutes of eminence in all the States in the field of law education and research and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to reduce the duration of degree course in law and if so, the details thereof?

#### Single Window System for Investors

†772. SHRIMATI RANJAN BEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is seriously considering to implement single window system in the States and facilitate investors to doubling the present growth rate of the manufacturing sector;

(b) if so, whether the Government has considered to take any steps in this regard so far;



(c) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which these steps are likely to be taken; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Warship under Make in India

773. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

#### रक्षा मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any initiative in construction of warship under the "Make in India";

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is contemplating any measures to improve major technologies and capabilities that our public and private sector industry may focus on to meet the Indian Navy's requirements; and

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

## Construction of ROB in Misrikh

†774. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has taken or proposes to take any steps to construct an overbridge at the railway line crossing under Sandila-Bilhaur-Kachhauna municipality/nagar panchayat of the Misrikh parliamentary constituency of the State of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **Railway Rakes**

775. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an insufficiency in rail line links to mines;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to address nonavailability of railway rakes in the State of Gujarat with a view to ensure efficient coal supply?

## **Combating Terrorism**

776. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

## रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up a special forces division to combat threats posed by terrorism;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is planning to set up two seperate units to handle space and cyber warfare and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether special group has been assigned to look at the protection of India's space assets including military satellites and if so, the details thereof?

## **Guidelines to Ease Police Verification**

777. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## विदेश मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposed and issued guidelines for asking questions in an attempt to ease the police verification process for passport issuance; and

(b) the detailed list of questions that are likely to be asked during such verification?

#### **Construction of ROBS in Jhansi**

†778. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the time likely to be taken to complete the construction work of proposed Sipri Bazar Road over-bridge in Jhansi city;

(b) whether the State Government has provided funds on time to construct the said over-bridge;

(c) whether necessary materials have not been provided by SAIL; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Implementation of IFLADP**

779. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved implementation of the Central Sector Scheme 'Indian Footwear, Leather & Accessories Development Programme (IFLADP)' recently and if so, the details thereof including its objectives and outlay;

(b) the details of the projects approved to facilitate upgradation of infrastructure, job creation and environmental sustainability;

(c) whether the Government has given in-principle approval for setting up of Mega Leather Clusters in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(d) the number of persons employed in leather and footwear industry under Human Resource Development sub-scheme of Indian Leather Development Programme during the last three years and the impact of "Make in India" initiative on leather sector; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for employment generation in this sector?

### Whitefield-Hindupur Railway Line

780. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of Whitefield-Hindupur Railway line in Karnataka;

(b) whether any funds have been allocated/released for the said railway line; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Indians Working Abroad**

781. SHRI SU. THRUNAVUKKARASAR:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made a comprehensive database of Indian's working in different countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof for different category of jobs and if not, the action proposed to be taken to make such database in the future;

(c) whether a large number of NRI workers are facing different kinds of problems in many countries particularly in the Gulf countries and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to protect the interests of the Indian Citizens working in foreign countries?

# **Employment Generation in Electronics and IT Industry**

782. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employment generated in the Electronics and Information Technology Industry in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the country is becoming a promising centre of mobile manufacturing in the recent years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof including the number of mobile factories set up in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise? LTC Facility to Women Officers 783. MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide LTC facility to women officers/personnels during child care leave and foreign visits in order to encourage women in Defence forces; and

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

## Increase in Defence Budget

784. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large percentage of weapons being used by Indian armed forces are obsolete and very less percentage of it are usable and modern;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the extent to which 83% of Defence Budget going for non-plan expenditure and pension is contributing to this situation;

(c) whether the Ministry has demanded or proposes to demand for increase in the annual budget provisioning for procurement of modern weapons; and

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

## DMU Train from Falna to Palanpur

†785. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to start a DMU (daily) train from Falna to Palanpur as the labourers of this area are affected with silicosis disease and there is scarcity of basic infrastructure facilities like education, transport, communication to these tribes due to their remote inhabilitation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### Shortage of Coal

786. SHRIMATI RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is acute shortage of coal in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the efforts being made to increase coal production in the country by opening new mines;

(c) the time by which the demandsupply mismatch of coal would be over;

(d) whether the Ministry is giving priority to supplying of coal to thermal power stations in view of their critical requirements; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Post Offices

†787. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether post offices have been set up in all the villages in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise and the number of post offices likely to be set up during the current financial year;

(c) whether e-mail, internet and computer facilities have been provided in all the post offices of the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the time by which the said facilities are likely to be provided in all the post offices?

## Rail Connectivity to Dudhwa National Park

†788. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the railway projects that have been almost completed/likely to be completed soon in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to make operational the railway project connecting Dudhwa National Park and to promote tourism; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

## FDI in Telecom Sector

789. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the telecom sector during the year 2018-19 has registered a decline from \$6.27 billion to \$2.67 billion;

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

(c) whether a combination of regulatory uncertainty in the country and lack of conducive environment to invest is the main reason for decline in the FDI;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken by the Government to attract FDI;

(e) whether stressed financial condition is also responsible for decline in FDI; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and measures taken by the Government to tackle the same?

#### **Vision of 5 Trillion Dollar Economy**

790. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

## वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is expected to become a 5 trillion dollar economy by 2025; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Companies in IT Sector**

†791. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI: SHRI GIRIDHARI YADAV:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether many companies are working without registration in the Information Technology (IT) sector and the Government does not have control over them;

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

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard along with its outcome?

## Annual Performance Review Index

792. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to bring out an annual performance review index for judicial officials and also make the same public and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is practical to measure the justice delivery system on any index being brought out; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the expected quality of judgements including intimidation on the judicial officials, as a sequence of the proposed index?

#### **Illegal Mining of Coal**

793. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of COAL कोयला मंत्री

गगगरेग गमा

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding illegal

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coal mining in various parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) the number of workers who have died in coal mines in the last three years, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has taken steps to improve the working conditions of the coal workers; and

(e) if so, the impact of the steps taken on the health of the workers and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Second Entrance at Kollam Railway Station

794. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

#### रेल मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to complete the pending works of Railways and if so, the details of action taken for the completion of such pending works;

(b) whether the Government has taken note that there is delay in the implementation of works and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken for the timely completion of these works;

(c) the details of work relating to second entry at Kollam Railway Station and the reasons for delay, if any, in the said work; and

(d) the proposed date of completion of foot over bridge, escalator, lift and other modernization facilities at second entry at Kollam Railway Station? रेल मंत्री

that heavy rains have severely affected rail services of the Central Railway in Mumbai and if so, the details thereof;

†795. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

**India Post Payments Bank** 

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) as a Public Limited Company under the Department of Posts and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the status of IPPB and the benefits provided/likely to be provided by the setting up of this bank;

(c) the details of the branches opened by IPPB in the country so far, State/UTwise and the time by which its branches are likely to be set up in all the States of the country;

(d) whether IPPB has installed ATMs and issued debit cards all over the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(e) whether various institutions including global banking institution like World Bank have shown interest to get associated with IPPB and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

## Effect of Heavy Rains on Railways

796. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

(b) whether the Government has any plan to provide support to Mumbai's lifeline local trains during the monsoon season:

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether locomotive engine has been modified so that it can move local trains as well as long-distance trains that get stuck on tracks due to water-logging; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard?

#### **Upgradation of Telecom Infrastructure**

†797. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) need to focus on upgradation of their information technology and connectivity network infrastructure as well as providing high quality, reliable and cheaper internet data;

(b) if so, the details of the initiatives taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has fixed accountability in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Scheme for Trackman

†798. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme to relieve railway employees presently working at residences and offices of officers to perform the duties as trackman;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said scheme is likely to

be implemented; and (c) the number of railway employees working at residences of officers in Bihar at present?

### **Train Accidents**

799 DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken concrete steps to reduce the number of train accidents:

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of train accidents that occured during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government has put in place a mechanism for the post failure event analysis for the identification of the role of operational issues and other factors in such accidents; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Call Drop Problem**

800. SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the rising problem of call drops in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the action taken by the Government against the telecom operators in this regard; and

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(c) whether the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has taken/ proposed to take any action to deal with the said issue and if so, the details thereof?

## **Revamping up Job Creation**

801. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AFFAIRS

योजना मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government's Economic Advisory Council has recently spelt out a clear roadmap to ramp up job cration and infrastructure financing avenues:

(b) if so, the details thereof and the sectors in which job creation and infrastructure financing avenues have been identified; and;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## **Merchandise Export**

802. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that despite achieving a record high of \$321.02 billion in merchandise exports, the country missed its own target of \$330 billion, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:

(b) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to increase merchandise exports;

(c) whether the country has experienced a high trade deficit for merchandise goods for the year 2018-19;

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

(a) whether the Government has signed defence procurement deals with Israel in recent past:

> (b) if so, the details thereof and the progress made so far in this regard; and

#### **Defence Procurement Deal with Israel**

804. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

#### रक्षा मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

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

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to increase FDI through schemes like 'Make in India' by relaxing rules in FDI in several sectors and if so, the details thereof?

## **Broadband Connectiviy in** Rajasthan

†803. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number and details of gram panchayats in Rajasthan where the benefit of facility related to broadband and connectivity has not reached so far districtwise;

(b) the names of cities in Rajasthan in which the benefit of 4G facility is provided by BSNL; and

(c) the details of action plan formulated by the Government for providing internet services in the tribal area of Rajasthan?

(c) the time-frame for the execution of such deals?

#### Setting up New Regiments

†805. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

#### रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposals for raising new regiments in the Army;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is considering to raise Bundelkhand Regiment;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said Regiment is likely to be raised; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### New Rail Lines in Rajasthan

†806. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN: SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

#### रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to lay new rail lines in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details of proposed new rail lines to be laid in Rajasthan, zone and location-wise;

(c) whether survey work of new rail lines *i.e.* Sikar-Nokha, Sardarshahar-Hanumangarh, Suratgarh-Sardarshahar, Taranagar-Rajgarh (Sadulpur), AdampurBhadra, Sardarshahar-Gogamaidi, Pipad-Mundwa *via* Bhopalgarh-Sankhwas, Jodhpur-Nagaur, Medta-Pushkar, Sirsa has been conducted;

(d) if so, the details of estimated cost of the above rail lines; and

(e) whether the Government has any plans to lay new rail lines during the current financial year?

## **Reducing Stoppage Time of Train**

†807. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether one of the railway committees has given suggestion to cancel those trains carrying lower number of passengers and also to reduce stoppage time of trains so as to check delay of trains and also to ensure that trains reach destination on time;

(b) if so, whether the Government is likely to implement these suggestions given by the committee;

(c) if so, whether the recommendation to amend time table of trains across the country has been submitted to the Railway Board;

(d) if so, the decision taken by the Government in this regard along with the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Passport Related Services at Post Offices

†808. SHRI RAVINDRA SHYAM NARAYAN SHUKLA *ALIAS* RAVI KISHAN:

## Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide Passport related services at post offices and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of cities in Uttar Pradesh where the said services are proposed to be provided by the Government; and

(c) whether the Government has fixed any timelimit for implementation of the said system and if so, the details thereof?

### Separate Railway Zone for Kerala

809. SHRI K.

MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal for setting up of a seperate railway zone for Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the present status of starting a coach factory at Kanjikode, Palaghart district in Kerala;

(d) whether the Government of Kerala has submitted any request in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Safety and Security of Passengers

810. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री 240

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the guidelines issued by the Government to Railway Protection Force (RPF) pertaining to security and safety of passengers;

(b) whether the Government has noticed certain shortcomings in implementation of the said guidelines and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the incidents of attacks on critical infrastructure of Railways by various extremist groups and other outfits have increased during each of the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof, Zone-wise; and

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

## Achievements in Communication Sector

## †811. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the achievements made by the Government in communication sector during the last two years;

(b) whether any presentation on the achievements was made by the Ministry before the Prime Minister during the last two years and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry has reduced its target and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any road map has been prepared by the Government for the communication revolution in the next three years and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of the problems and the remedies, suggestions stated in front of Prime Minister; and

(f) the key focus areas of the Ministry for the next three years?

#### Planes with Anti-Collision Technology

†812. DR. RAMAPATI RAM TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE  $\rightarrow \circ$ 

## रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to equip VVIP planes with anti-collision technology;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to use the said technology in other planes also in near future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Konch-Bhind and Urai-Mahoba Rail Lines

†813. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

### रेल मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had proposed Konch-Bhind and Urai-Mahoba railway line on the basis of joint venture in the budget 2015;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any public sector unit/ institution has shown interest in the construction of these railway lines; (d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, whether there is any proposal to allocate funds in this Railway Budget for the construction of these railway lines and if so, the details thereof?

> Construction of New Railway Stations

## 814. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new railway stations constructed/reconstructed/expanded during the last four years;

(b) the projects that are still pending in the State of Tamil Nadu; and

(c) the increase in the number of railway passengers recorded and the number of new trains operated during these four years?

## Security of Passengers

†815. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to ensure high level security arrangemetns for the passengers and their luggage at the main railway stations like the security arrangements available at the Airports;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the security system at state of the art railway stations in Hazaribagh and Gandhi Nagar has been upgraded; (d) if so, the details thereof; and(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Pollution of Rivers by Coal Company

816. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of COAL

### कोयला मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the subsidiary companies of the Coal India Limited (CIL) including Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) and Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL) are polluting the rivers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, companywise;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study/assessment in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken being taken by CIL to check the pollution of rivers?

## Vacancy in Post Offices

817. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV: SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

## संचार मंत्री

### be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a shortage of staff in various cadres in post offices across the country and in the Department of Postal Services and if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise and cadre-wise;

(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to fill these vacancies expeditiously;

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(c) whether various post offices in the country do not have upgraded infrastructure; and

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

## Asia Pacific Regional Space Agency

818. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Asia Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum has recommended that the established space agencies in the region should promote space applications including rice crop monitoring, global rainfall monitoring, fire hotspot, haze monitoring and disaster management;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the areas ISRO has been concentrating as far as the above said areas mentioned by Asia Pacific Regional Space Agency are concerned?

### **Data Protection Framework**

819. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has implemented the policy on Data Protection Framework for India; and

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

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

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Solar Panels on Vacant Land

820. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to utilise its unused land for installation of solar power projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the list of nodal agencies and officers appointed for the purpose;

(c) whether any proposal has been received from any MNC in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details regarding the timeframe for the completion of the project?

#### **Corruption in Judicial** Service

†821. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

### विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether regular monitoring of the judges of the district courts/high courts are being done to check corruption in judicial service and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of judges of district courts who have been compulsorily retired particularly by Delhi High Court or put a ban on their judicial power during the last three years till date; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to work out any concrete policy to save judicial service from corruption and if so, the details thereof?

## **Mining Lease to Farmers**

†822. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of MINES

## खान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any action plan to make provision to give small lease to farmers in their holding by bringing in a new mining policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any action plan or policy to promote mining industry or setting up of mining industry in Rajasthan: and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Investor Friendly Policy**

823 SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN.

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that Government has formulated an investor friendly policy for FDI inflows and outflows;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that most of the sectors are open to 100% FDI, under automatic route: and

(d) if so, the details thereof, sectorwise?

### **Frequency of Garib Rath Express**

†824. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

## रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal regarding operation of Jainagar Anand Vihar (New Delhi) Garib Rath Express daily is under consideration of the Ministry;

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented;

(c) if not, whether the Government is likely to consider it seriously; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## IT Park

†825. SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to make a provision of IT park in Palghar Parliamentary Constituency; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said policy/programme is likely to be implemented?

### Khamgaon-Jalna Rail Line

†826. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether 26 crores of rupees have been allocated for construction of Khamgaon-Jalna new rail lines in Buldhana district of Maharashtra State in the budget

of 2017-18 and survey report has been submitted to Railways during the year of 2012-13:

(b) whether 3 thousand crores of rupees have been allocated to construct the proposed Khamgaon-Jalna new rail line in capital investment programme of 2016-17 in the rail budget on 25th February, 2016;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the updated position of the said railway project; and

(e) the time by when construction works of this rail line is likely to be completed?

#### Discrepancy in EVM and VVPAT

827. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any discrepancy was found between the EVM and VVPAT machine counts in any of the constituencies in the recently concluded Lok sabha elections; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, constituency-wise and the corrective measures taken in this regard?

### **Coal Reserves**

**†828.** SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of COAL

कोयला मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are abundant coal reserves in the country;

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(b) if so, the details thereof and the assessment made in this regard;

(c) the reasons for the country not being self-sufficient in the production of coal even now; and

(d) the details of coal imported every year and the amount being spent for this purpose?

# Proposal for New Trains in Telangana

## 829. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

#### रेल मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has received proposals forwarded by the Government of Telangana for starting new trains in the State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by his Ministry in this regard, proposal-wise?

# Poor Services of BSNL and MTNL

†830. SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

#### संचार मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the complaints made regarding poor services of BSNL and MTNL;

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

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Poor Services of MTNL**

831. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

## संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) is on the verge of closure and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has any statistics regarding the existing MTNL landline connections and mobile phone connections and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether MTNL is providing new landline and mobile connections and if so, the details thereof including the number of such connections provided by MTNL during each of the last three years and the current year;

(d) whether the Government has any record regarding number of employees working under MTNL, and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the employees of MTNL are not getting their salaries regularly and if so the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

#### Late Running of Trains

†832. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether problem of trains running late has not been resolved despite sincere efforts of the Government; (b) if so, the details of the action plan of the Government thereon;

(c) the number of trains that started/ arrived late from its point of origin or destination, during the last three months and the number of days on which trains arrived late at destination points and the reasons therefor;

(d) the extent to which Government has been successful to run trains on time even in adverse conditions when there was mist and fog and steps taken to streamline the signalling system; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard to achieve complete success?

## Two Child Norms Criteria For Jobs and Subsidies

833. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Commission to review the working of the Constitution headed by Justice Venkatchalliah recommended to implement two child norm as criteria for jobs and subsidies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has accepted the said recommendations;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken to implement the same;

(e) whether any State Government/ Public Forums raised any objection in this regard; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to redress their grievances?

#### Digitization of Government Services and Digital Literacy

834. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the digitization of Government services has been successful in rural areas of the country; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to increase computer literacy in rural areas of the country for easy access to government services?

### **BharatNet Project**

## 835. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI: SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the BharatNet Project and the current status of implementation of the same;

(b) the number of Gram Panchayats connected with the optical fibre under the said project, State/UT-wise and the number of Gram Panchayats where broadband connectivity has been provided, State/ UT-wise;

(c) the reasons for the reported delay in the execution of the said project and the time by which it is likely to cover all Gram Panchayats across the country along with

the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) the funds sanctioned/allocated and utilized under the project during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the internet penetration rate in the country in terms of number of internet subscribers per hundred population, State/ UT-wise?

## Electrification of Railway Tracks

## 836. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway tracks electrified during 2014 to 2019;

(b) the targets set for electrification of railway tracks from 2019 till 2024;

(c) the length in Kilometres of railway tracks electrified in Ludhiana;

(d) whether the electrification of tracks is prevented due to lack of sub-stations; and

(e) if so, the number of sub-stations that are needed to fulfil electrification of all tracks in India?

## **Internet Access**

## 837. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री be pleased to state: (a) whether every village in Delhi has access to internet as of June, 2019 and if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government proposes to provide access to internet facility in these villages and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of villages in Delhi that are linked with optic fibre during the last three years; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to enhance availability of Internet across all areas in Delhi?

## **Digital Transactions**

†838. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is taking any initiative for promoting digital transactions across the country;

(b) if so, the details of the efforts made by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government is making efforts to check frauds in digital transactions particularly those involving the bank account holders;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether there is a provision of compensation for the victims of such type of frauds; and

(f) if not, whether the Government proposes to make such a provision and if so, the details thereof?

## **Electoral Reforms**

839. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether many significant electoral reforms such as curbing the use of black money to fund election etc. as recommended by a committee on electoral reforms are pending;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government to bring in electoral reforms to make the election process transparent;

(d) whether the Government is ready to implement further electoral reforms to ensure transparency in the wake of constant complaints against EVM tampering and manipulation of election result; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## **Space Policy**

840. DR. SHASHI THAROOR: Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is contemplating a Space Policy for India to help resolve evolving issues of fixing liability in cases of damage caused by space equipment of a nation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the absence of a concrete policy towards fixing liability complicates the matter of calculating the quantum of damages owed;

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(d) if not, whether the Ministry has contemplated any other method to resolve such issues; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## PMGDISHA

841. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total population made digitally literate under Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA) *vis a vis* targets fixed for the purpose during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise including the State of Maharashtra and Jharkhand;

(b) the reasons for slow pace of implementation of the said scheme; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government for proper implementation of this scheme particularly in remote rural areas of the country?

## **Railway Medical Colleges**

†842. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of railway medical colleges in Maharashtra, location-wise;

(b) the details of admission process, total number of seats allotted every year in these colleges, college-wise; (c) whether there is any plan to establish more medical colleges in other parts of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## FDI Rules to Domestic e-Commerce Companies

#### 843. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representation from the Confederation of All India Traders seeking application of FDI rules policy on domestic e-commerce companies to abort them from unethical business practices;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has taken any decision on the matter and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Public Interest Litigation**

844. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Public Interest Litigations (PILs) filed in the Supreme Court and various High Courts during the last three years and the current year, courtwise;

(b) whether the Government is aware of a large number of frivolous litigations being filed under the guise of PIL; (c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether the Government proposes to initiate action to check such frivolous litigations; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## Recommendations of Shekatkar Commission

845. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has approved recommendations made by Shekatkar Committee for redeployment of officers and jawans for combat role by restructuring the service;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some of the recommendations pertaining to IAF and Navy are still under examination and if so, the time by which a final decision would be taken in this regard; and

(d) the details of the steps taken to improve operational capabilities with stress on modern technology in all the three services?

## Thorium-based Nuclear Reactors

846. SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether scientists have now started to experiment the power of other

radioactive element such as thorium as a safer and cleaner energy source;

(b) if so, whether the thorium-based small nuclear reactors would be able to make the world free from its dependency on coal and natural gas;

(c) if so, the response of the Government thereto and whether Government is contemplating to use it; and

(d) if so, the time as well as the manner in which it is likely to be done?

## Station Redevelopment Plan

847. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the redevelopment plan for railway stations in the country;

(b) the details of stations identified, for the same along with funds allocated State-wise; and

(c) the status of progress achieved so far in this regard?

#### **Issuance of Passports**

848. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work of issuing fresh passports or re-issue of passports in Gujarat is being delayed without any reason

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and the passports are not being issued on time;

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

(c) the number of applications received at passport office and Passport Seva Kendra for issuance of fresh passports and re-issue of passports, district-wise;

(d) the number of applications lying pending for more than three months at present, district-wise; and

(e) the time by which the said pendency is likely to be cleared?

#### One Belt and One Road Initiative

849. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

विदेश मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current stance of the Government on China's One Belt and One Road Initiative (BRI);

(b) whether the Government plans to use economic development projects as a foreign policy tool in South Asia, South-east Asia and Africa;

(c) if so, the planned investment therein; and

(d) if not, the strategies in place to counter BRI's economic and foreign policy influence among India's strategic Asian and African partners?

## **Defence** Cooperation

850. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from China for a border defence cooperation pact;

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

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to strengthen the defence cooperation between both the countries?

### **Procurement of Modern Weapon**

†851. SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a need to speed up the process of procurement of state-ofthe-art military weapons for the army;

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

(c) further efforts being made for procurement of the state-of-the-art weapons?

### **Integrated Security System**

852. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: SHRI BHARATRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sensitive railway stations in the country, as on date;

(b) whether the Government has received complaints for inadequate security to the passengers on such stations during each of the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken on such complaints;

(c) whether the Government has installed the upgraded Intergated Security System (ISS) on such stations to provide adequate security to the passengers and if so, the details thereof; and

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

## **Upgradation of Railway Stations**

853. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has decided for upgradation/modernization of some railway stations in the country including Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the upgradation work has been completed in all those railway stations;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

### **Banned Commodities**

†854. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री be pleased to state:

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(a) the details of those commodities whose export has been banned by the Government;

(b) the details and the reasons in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to review the policy in this regard; and

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

## Safe and Affordable Railways

†855. SHRIMATI RANJAN BEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to make Railways efficient, safe and affordable to all;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps in this direction;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Land Related Disputes

856. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that a World Bank study states that land related disputes account for two-thirds of all pending court cases in the Country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is contemplating to deal with the increasing

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

land related disputes and give a relief to common people to settle the disputes within a time-frame; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government in this regard?

# Rail Connectivity to Ports and Industries

857. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has any proposal for gauge conversion, new railway lines and doubling of railway lines for development of ports and industries in the State of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be sanctioned?

## Communication Gadgets to Fishing Vessels

858. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided communication gadgets to fishing vessels, specially in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has decided to distribute Navic, a satelliteenabled communication gadget developed by ISRO;

(d) if so, whether it has been implemented; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## **National Policy on Electronics**

859. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to lay down national policy on electronics to boost electronics manufacturing industry in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to promote manufacturing in electronics industries focusing and producing medical devices, defence and automobiles electronics components in India; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### Helicopter for Navy

860. SHRI SU. THRUNAVUKKARASAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

#### रक्षा मंत्री

#### be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Navy plans to acquire 111 NUHs (Naval Utility Helicopters) and 123 NMRHs (Naval Multi-Role Helicopters);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which these helicopters are likely to be inducted into the Indian Navy; and

(d) the total budget estimate for the project?

# 4G Speed

861. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

## संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is lagging behind Pakistan, Algeria and other small and poor countries in terms of 4G speed;

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

(c) whether telecom companies are facing financial stress and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the reported financial stress faced by these companies is responsible for slow 4G speed and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard in consultation with Telecom Service Providers; and

(f) whether MTNL/BSNL are still to launch 4G connections and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor alongwith the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Track Electrification**

862. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of electrification of Railways across the country, State-wise;

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projects; and

प्रधान मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(c) whether any clearances from State or Central agencies are pending for the above

(d) if so, the details thereof, project-

wise and the efforts made by the

**Space Research and Technology** 

HARIDAS:

(a) whether the Government has

evolved and laid down any policy about

linking space research related Government

establishments to the contemporary

development needs of the lives of the people

in general and if so, the details thereof and

appealing Government departments for

promoting use of space technology for

governance and public administration; and

**Mobile Phone Companies** 

the

†866. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:

(a) the number of mobile phone

(b) the details of the criteria laid down

companies operating in the Country as on

for setting up a new mobile phone

Minister

of

(b) whether there is any practice of

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not,

if not, the reasons therefor;

the reasons therefor?

Will

संचार मंत्री

date;

COMMUNICATIONS

be pleased to state:

company; and

865. SHRIMATI RAMYA

Will the PRIME MINISTER

Government to obtain clearance, if any?

(b) whether the Railways is set to achieve the track electrification target of 4000 kilometers;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the kilometers which are yet to be electrified, particularly in Gujarat?

## **Manufacturing Defence Equipments**

863. MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country has become highly dependent on imported weapons and defence equipments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is contemplating on taking steps to make the country self-reliant with regard to defence equipments and weapons; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Rail Projects in Andhra Pradesh**

864. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether 18 new lines and 15 doubling projects in Andhra Pradesh are pending for completion;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the status of release of funds each year since announcement, target of completion and reasons for delay in completing each of the above project; (c) whether the said companies are providing more attractive schemes to their subscribers due to which of the services of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd. (MTNL) are being affected and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

## **Development of Industrial Area**

†867. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken/ proposes to take any steps or received proposal from the State for development of industrial area in Sandila under the Misrikh Parliamentary constituency;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the progress made so far in this regard?

### Aadhaar Cards

### 868. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of aadhaar cards issued in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the expenditure incurred for issuance of aadhaar cards and promotion of the same separately during each of the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise; and (c) whether any private player has been associated in the process of issuance of aadhaar cards and if so, the details thereof?

## Crash of MI-17 Helicopter

869. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY:

## Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an MI-17 helicopter was downed by friendly fire in Budgam on February 27, 2019 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of persons killed in the crash;

(c) whether any enquiry/investigation has been conducted in this regard;

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

(e) the steps taken by the Government to avoid such incidents in future?

## Amendment in Representation of People Act

†870. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE

विधि और न्याय मंत्री

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to amend the Representation of the People Act to make it compulsory for political parties winning general and assembly 256

elections to bring details regarding fulfilment of promises made by them in their manifestoes in public forum in the third year and making recognition of political parties contingent upon fulfilment of those promises; and

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

## **Cashew Industry**

871. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a comprehensive scheme for the protection of cashew industry and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(b) whether the Government has taken note of the crisis in the cashew industry;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government for the protection of cashew industry;

(d) the details of the action taken by the Government to ensure the supply of raw cashew nuts at a reasonable price;

(e) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that cashew industries in the State of Kerala have been closed due to the non-availability of raw cashew nuts; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government to ensure availability of sufficient quantity of raw cashew nuts to these industries?

Laying of New Lines in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar

†872. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey for laying new rail lines, electrification and gauge conversion of old lines in various States in the Country during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise including Uttar Pradesh and Bihar;

(c) the length of railway lines proposed for gauge conversion and electrification in the Country, State/UT and location-wise;

(d) the details of the plan chalked out by the Government for laying new rail lines, gauge conversion and electrification during the current financial year; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to construct a dedicated freight corridor and if so, the details thereof?

## Launch of 5G Network

†873. SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK: SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY: SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS

संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce 5G network/services across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard and the time by which it is likely to be made commercially available;

(c) the details of estimated revenue expected from the auction of 5G spectrum; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to build technological and infrastructural capacities to launch 5G in remote parts of the country?

#### **SMS Service for Passengers**

†874. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate a plan for providing information to the passengers through SMS regarding delay in operation of trains like Rajdhani and Shatabdi;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said facility is likely to be made operational in the trains plying to Bihar;

(c) whether the passengers have to pay any charges for availing this facility; and

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

# Construction of Warehouses at Stations

875. SHRI SRIRANGA APPA BARNE: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to construct warehouses in less utilised stations;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the scheme, if any, prepared by the Government in this regard;

(c) the names of the Railway Stations identified for the same, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the time-frame fixed by the Government for implementation of the aforesaid scheme?

## **Holistic Industrial Policy**

876. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is actively devising holistic industrial policy based on the inputs of all the stakeholders for rejuvenating and equipping the industrial sector to cater to the needs of future;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the initiatives taken by the Government to reduce the burden of the existing regulations on industrial sector?

### Security of Nuclear Power Plants

877. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER प्रधान मंत्री be pleased to state: (a) whether reports of incidents expressing doubts about security of nuclear power plants in the country have come to the notice of the Government and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is aware of any reports indicating the trespassing of two French investigative journalists into a prohibited zone belonging to Indian Rare Earths Limited in Tamil Nadu; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken to conduct a review of safety of such installations including nuclear power plants and vital installations of such capability?

## Common Service Centres in Gram Panchyats

†878. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

इलेक्ट्रोनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Common Service Centres (CSCs) have been set up in Gram Panchayats by the Government of Indian to provide cyber services;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of CSCs set up across the country at present State/UT-wise;

(d) whether any timelimit has been fixed for setting up of common service centres in all Gram Panchayats of the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Performance of BSNL

†879. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR: SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS संचार मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether public sector Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is on the verge of closure and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government to strengthen BSNL;

(b) whether the Government has any statistics regarding existing BSNL landline and mobile phone connections and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether BSNL is providing new landline and mobile connections and if so, the details thereof including the number of such connections provided by BSNL during each of the last three years and the current year;

(d) whether the Government communication systems are getting affected due to poor performance of BSNL and if so, the details thereof including the loss incurred by BSNL during each of the last three years;

(e) whether the Government has any record regarding number of employees working under BSNL and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the employees of BSNL are not getting their salary regularly and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

## New Train from Ujjain

†880. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS

रेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal to introduce a train from Ujjain to Ayodhya *via* Mahoba;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which this new train is likely to be introduced?

## Indo-Pak Border Dispute

†881. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS विदेश मंत्री

New Delhi; June 20, 2019 Jyaistha 30, 1941 (Saka)

## be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plans to resolve the border dispute between India and Pakistan in the near future;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the timeframe and means to resolve the issues related to neighbouring countries;

(e) whether there is any legal hurdle for this; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

SNEHLATA SHRIVASTAVA Secretary General

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