

LOK SABHA

List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

Friday, August 11, 2017/Shravana 20, 1939 (Saka)

(Ministries of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Corporate Affairs; Defence; Finance; Health and Family Welfare; Women and Child Development)

(आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष); कॉर्पोरेट कार्य; रक्षा; वित्त; स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण; महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions—20

Sainik Schools and Rashtriya Military Schools

*361. DR. BHAGIRATH PRASAD:
SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the scheme to establish Sainik Schools and Rashtriya Military Schools in the country including the aims and objectives thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to establish Sainik Schools in all the States and provide certain percentage of defence budget for this purpose, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of proposals for establishment of Sainik Schools from various States/UTs pending at present, State/UT wise including Maharashtra;

(d) whether the Government has assessed the performance utility of these schools, if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the shortcomings noticed and the steps taken to address these shortcomings; and

(e) whether the formation of Army Units is still in the name of castes and races even after seven decades of independence of the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government to address regional imbalances in the officer cadre of defence services?

Wilful Defaulters of Farm Loans

*362. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of farm loans waived/written off since 2014 till date, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has noticed that expectation of loan waiver has prompted the farmers across the States to stop repayment of loans granted to them by financial institutions and become wilful defaulters;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether due to loan waiver, the default rate has increased by up to 50 per cent in some States in recent months and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the action taken/being taken by the Government to address this issue?

Amendments to Companies Act

*363. SHRI R.K. SINGH:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question No. 1053 dated 29 April, 2016 regarding "Loopholes in Companies Law" and state:

(a) whether in the recent past many Shell Companies have reportedly been set up to launder black money and hold benami property/companies;

(b) if so, whether the reply given to the above mentioned question was not correct;

(c) whether there is a need to amend the Companies Act, 1956/2013 and strengthen

the inspection and oversight mechanisms to prevent formation of Shell Companies and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the Government proposes to bring in the necessary changes in the Law and in the regulatory mechanisms in this regard?

Modernisation of Armed Forces*364. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:
SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED
BASHEER:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the budget estimates, revised estimates and actual expenditure on modernization of armed forces during the last five years and the current year;

(b) whether there has been an underutilization of the allocated funds for modernization of armed forces during the said period and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of investment made in the production of military equipment during the last three years and the current year;

(d) the mechanism put in place for auditing the allocated amount for the purpose along with the defence agreements signed for procurement of defence equipment during the said period;

(e) the percentage of funds allocated for modernization of armed forces spent on buying indigenous equipment; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government for modernisation of armed forces to improve weaponry like tanks and missiles and to reduce the dependence on imported equipment along with the contribution to the defence sector under 'Make in India' for the purpose?

Allocation of Funds to Industries

*365. SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated by the Government to industries along with the industry which has received the maximum number of loans under various schemes across the country particularly in Andhra Pradesh State/UT/Scheme/ Industry-wise;

(b) whether the Government has taken any steps to create awareness among the industries about such schemes/loans; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the number of beneficiaries across the country, State/UT-wise?

Immunisation Coverage

*366. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the number of infants breastfed within an hour of birth has decreased in all the districts of North-Eastern region of the country particularly in Meghalaya during 2014-15 to 2015-16 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has formulated any plan to address the issue and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the immunisation coverage in the region has decreased during the said period and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Government has any plan of action to improve the immunisation coverage in the North-Eastern region of the country and if so, the details thereof?

Physical Verification of Anganwadi Beneficiaries

*367. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has asked the States to carry out physical verification of Anganwadi beneficiaries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the response of the States thereto?

Helminth Infections

†*368. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether children in the age groups of 1—14 years are at the risk of getting infected with soil transmitted helminth infections and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has launched deworming programme in 277 districts of 11 States in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO) and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has taken a national initiative to reform deworming programme to cover 536 districts under the said programme and if so, the detail thereof?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Banking Services

†*369. SHRI ANSHUL VERMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the banking services are still a distant dream in many villages of the country particularly tribal, remote and hilly areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard along with the target set and achievement made for opening of the bank branches in the said areas?

Encroachment on Defence Land

*370. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of unauthorised construction on encroachment of the land under the Defence Estates Organisation and poor management of leases have come to the notice of the Government during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of such cases reported during the said period along with the land of the defence stuck in such cases across the country, State/UT-wise and the reasons therefor;

(c) the total area of defence land freed from illegal occupation and the number of offenders during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether defence land in various parts of the country remain un-utilised and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government and the mechanism put in place to protect the defence land from such unauthorised construction/encroachment?

Bundelkhand Regiment†*371. SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up Bundelkhand Regiment;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said Regiment is likely to be set up?

Non-Performing Assets

*372. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the net Non-Performing Assets (NPA) of the State Bank of India has come down to 3.71 per cent and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government Departments/Undertakings are the top defaulters causing NPA;

(c) if so, the details of NPAs of Public Sector and Private Sector Banks during the last five years and the current year;

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

(d) the action taken/being taken by the Government to sober down the NPAs therein; and

(e) the salient features of the report of the oversight committee for speedy resolution of 100 large non-performing corporate loan accounts?

CSR Funds

†*373. SHRI VINOD KUMAR
SONKAR:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs)/Private Sector companies and institutions which have not spent the funds under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) during the last two years and the current year;

(b) the number of such PSUs/ companies/institutions against which action has been taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has received complaints regarding misuse of funds by the PSUs/private companies and institutions under CSR and if so, the details of action taken by the Government in this regard, PSU, institution and company-wise;

(d) whether the Government has constituted any committee/authority to ensure proper use of CSR funds and to monitor the activities therein; and

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

One Rank One Pension

*374. SHRI K. N.
RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether One Rank One Pension (OROP) has been implemented for the armed forces personnel;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is dissatisfaction among the personnel in the armed forces in this regard;

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

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

Recruitment of Women in Defence Forces

*375. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to recruit women for secretarial and administrative jobs in the defence forces;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether recruiting women for such jobs in the defence forces would enhance the job opportunity without disturbing the functional efficacy of the defence forces; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

AYUSH Systems of medicine

†*376. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD
MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any information or made any assessment regarding the State which is encouraging/ leading in treatment/medication through AYUSH system of medicine;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of work carried out by the leading State;

(c) whether the Government has advised to other States work for the promotion of AYUSH systems of medicine in the same way; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Merger of MF Schemes

*377. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI
DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI RAM TAHAL
CHOUHDARY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any violations in the merger of the Mutual Funds (MF) schemes have come to the notice of the Government/ Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI);

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

(c) the action taken by the Government/ SEBI against such companies along with the outcome thereof?

Resident Doctors

*378. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the extreme workload of Resident Doctors in Government hospitals where they often work for 30 hours at a stretch and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any plan of action to decrease the workload of Resident doctors and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has increased the number of doctors in the ratio of population and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the mortality ratio in Government hospitals is more or less the same as in the private hospitals and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to improve the functioning of the Government hospitals?

Linking of Aadhaar with PAN

*379. SHRI RAM CHARITRA
NISHAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed any time frame to complete the linking of Aadhaar with PAN; and

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

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Spurious Ayurvedic and Unani Medicines

†*380. SHRI SATISH KUMAR GAUTAM:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received information about supply of spurious Ayurvedic and Unani medicines and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has prepared any effective action plan to check the supply of such medicines and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

NEW DELHI;
August 5, 2017

Shravana 14, 1939 (Saka)

ANOOP MISHRA
Secretary General

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361	Part (d); line 1: <u>for</u> "whetehr" <u>read</u> "whether"
364	Part (d); line 3: <u>for</u> "prupose" <u>read</u> "purpose"
368	Part (a); last line : <u>for</u> "detials" <u>read</u> "details"

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ANOOP MISHRA
Secretary General

LOK SABHA

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महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 230

JJ Irani Committee

4141. SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS
कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has requested the Government for amendments in the Companies Act, 2013 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the JJ Irani Committee constituted by the Government has submitted its report; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the major recommendations made by the Committee along with the action taken by the Government thereon?

Loan for Tenant Farmers

4142. SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH HOODA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to ensure the availability of institutionalised credit to landless tenant cultivators/farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has acted on Reserve Bank of India's recommendation to give credit eligibility certificates to tenant farmers; and

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

GST on Shipping Industry

4143. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether under the new Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime a levy of 5 per cent would be imposed on Indian shipping companies that ferry cargo from and to India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the GST at this rate is also levied on Indian companies that engage in the business of buying and selling of vessels and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the foreign shipping companies are exempt from GST placing the Indian companies at a disadvantage by raising the cost of its operations and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has taken cognizance that the lack of level-playing field would impel the Indian companies to move out of India; and

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

Radio Pharmaceuticals

4144. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) the details of growth achieved in the area of nuclear medicine and radio pharmaceuticals sector in the country;

(b) whether the country is lagging in the field of radio pharmaceuticals;

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

(d) whether the Government is considering giving special consideration to the above in the view of increasing acute diseases in the country; and

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

Jaundice Outbreak in Shimla

4145. SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether Shimla faced acute jaundice outbreak in 2007-08, 2010-11, 2013 and in 2016;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that the same is not repeated; and

(c) whether National Institute of Virology, Pune collected samples and highlighted issues relating to the untreated sewage water and the issues were also highlighted by the High Court and Centre for Science and Environment and if so, the details of the contents of the report and recommendations which were adopted?

Condition of Orphanages

4146. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of orphanages functioning at present in the country, State/UT-wise including Bihar;

(b) the details of funds allocated/released and utilised by these orphanages during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Bihar;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the pitiable condition of orphanages and lack of basic infrastructure therein and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the corrective measures taken by the Government to revitalise and improve the condition of orphanages?

Assault Rifles

4147. SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of assault rifles developed by Ordnance Factory Board for armed forces during the last ten years;

(b) the outcome of field trials conducted on these assault rifles and details of rifles inducted into defence services; and

(c) the mechanism in place for periodic replacement of outdated small arms systems of armed forces?

Compensation to Owners of Plots in Vicinity of Ammunition Depots

4148. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

SHRI DHARMENDRA

KUMAR:

COL. SONARAM

CHOUDHARY:

DR. C.

GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per guidelines/instructions there are restrictions regarding construction of any asset around Ammunition Depots in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of affected Cantonments especially Ammunition Depots in Barmer and Jaisalmer Districts of Western Rajasthan and Haryana;

(c) whether a large number of plots are falling within the ambit of 300 metres area of Ammunition Depot, Gurugram and land owners are compelled to vacate the plots as per the Punjab and Haryana High Court's judgement and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the total number of plots that are falling under the 300 metres of Ammunition Depot, Gurugram along with the fate of plot owners in this regard;

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to give compensation to the affected plot owners, if so, the details thereof and the time by which the Government will provide compensation or land *in lieu* of plots in some nearby areas; and

(f) the assistance provided to those plot owners whose plots are unbuilt since 2001 and are also falling within the ambit of 300 metres area of Ammunition Depot, Gurugram?

Quality of AYUSH Products/Drugs

†4149. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

DR. RAMESH

POKHRIYAL

“NISHANK”:

SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps for standardization and quality control of AYUSH products/drugs in view of the increasing demand in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the medicines and composite drugs of Ayurveda for which quality norms have been fixed by the Government;

(c) the steps being taken for abundant availability of desired medicinal components for manufacturing of medicines;

(d) the policy to impart modern education and issuing license to persons associated with the production and marketing in this sector; and

(e) the other steps being taken by the Government to ensure nation wide quality control of AYUSH medicines *vis a vis* keep unskilled and unqualified persons away from treating people under the said system?

Compensation to Kins of Kargil Martyrs

4150. SHRI G.M.

SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the compensations announced by the Government for Kins of Kargil martyrs have not been fulfilled even after the passage of number of years;

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

(c) the extent to which the announcements made for the kins of Kargil martyrs have been fulfilled till date; and

(d) the other steps being taken for the welfare of the kins of the martyrs?

Setting up of Central Institution to Check Fraud

†4151. SHRI RAOSAHEB DANVE PATIL:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received suggestions from the Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO) and other quarters for setting up of a central institution to check the fraudulent activities of chit funds/multi-level marketing companies/schemes;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be set up;

(c) whether the Union Government have discussed with the State Governments in this regard; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the State Governments thereon?

Defence PSUs

4152. COL. SONARAM CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether various Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSUs) and Ordnance Factories have huge infrastructure and assets developed over seventy years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether some DPSUs are running into losses due to not getting work orders by his Ministry and other civil agencies;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Free and Affordable Treatment of Cancer

4153. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR:
DR. BANSHILAL
MAHATO:
SHRIMATI RANJANBEN
BHATT:
SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of breast, Cervix and other types of Cancer are on the rise among women and if so, the details thereof State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has formulated any programme/scheme for free screening/treatment of cancer cases especially for women and poor in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof and funds allocated for the same, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up Cancer Hospitals and Institutes in different parts of the country including Chhattisgarh, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including the funds allocated for the same;

(e) whether the Government has rolled out any policy to issue Health Card to all the women for free medical treatment; and

(f) if so, the details thereof including the number of States presently covered under the scheme?

Public Participation in Government Hospitals

4154. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:

SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote public participation in the management of Government hospitals;

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

(c) the challenges faced by the Government in the implementation of the scheme;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to overcome the difficulties in the implementation of the scheme;

(e) whether there is any improvement in the related indices after the implementation of the scheme;

(f) if so, the State-wise distribution of the related indices; and

(g) whether the Government is undertaking any other policies for promoting the community management of public hospitals and if so, the details thereof?

Supply of AYUSH Medicines under CGHS

4155. SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:

Intensified Diarrhoea Control Fortnight (IDCF)

4156. SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched the Intensified Diarrhoea Control Fortnight (IDCF) to check the number of child deaths due to diarrhoea;

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

(c) the challenges faced by the Government in the implementation of the scheme;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to overcome the difficulties in the implementation of the scheme;

(e) whether there is any improvement in the related incidence after the implementation of the scheme, if so, the State/UT-wise details of cases reported; and

(f) whether the Government is undertaking any other policies for restrict child deaths due to diarrhoea and if so, the details thereof?

Registration of New Borns

4157. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to crack the whip on unscrupulous nursing homes and hospitals

KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the AYUSH medicines, which are not available in Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Wellness Centres are procured through Authorized Local Chemists and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has fixed any time limit for the supply of indented AYUSH medicines through Authorized Local Chemists and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the Authorized Local Chemists are not providing the AYUSH medicine to CGHS wellness centres after the implementation of Goods and Services Tax (GST) and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has enquired into the matter and if so, the details thereof along with outcome thereto;

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure regular supply of indented AYUSH medicines through Authorized Local Chemists in CGHS dispensaries; and

(f) whether various types of Bhasm are not supplied in the Ayurvedic CGHS wellness centres, and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and measures taken by the Government to supply the same?

that do not register children born to unwed mothers or parents not desiring a child;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is considering to make it mandatory for these unscrupulous nursing homes and hospitals to register the birth of children within a time period; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Debt to GDP Ratio

4158. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of India's debt to Gross Domestic Product's (GDP) ratio and its relative position among different countries of the world;

(b) the total annual interest payment on loans and debts during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government has fixed any target for bringing down the debt to GDP ratio; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Dhanush Tank

†4159. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:
SHRI A. ANWHAR

RAAJHAA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether sub-standard spare parts have been purchased for Dhanush Tank in gun carriage factory, Jabalpur and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether irregularities have been noticed in the purchase of spare parts for Dhanush Tank;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the enquiry ordered to probe in the matter; and

(d) the action taken against the guilty persons/officers?

Nutritious Food Developed by DRDO

4160. DR. C.

GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed chicken biscuit, anti-fatigue tulsī bar, protein-rich mutton bar for service personnel deployed in high-altitude and snow-bound areas and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether DRDO has developed various nutritious and protein-rich foods like composite cereals bars, egg protein biscuits, iron-and-protein-rich food bar and protein-based chocolate and if so, the details thereof and the time by which these products will be available to the soldiers;

(c) whether such products be also made available to service personnel deployed in sensitive borders areas of Pakistan and China; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Accident of Naval Ships

†4161. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of accidents involving naval ships have taken place in

various parts of the country during the last three years and the reasons therefor along with current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of people died/injured in each accident during the above said period;

(c) whether the Government has probed into each accident during the above said period; and

(d) if so, the details and outcome thereof along with the number of officers held responsible for above said accidents and action taken against them so far?

Remarriage of Widows

4162. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:
SHRIMATI KIRRON

KHER:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering any scheme to encourage remarriage of widows under the Tribal Sub-Action Plan (TSP)/under any plan in socially backward areas; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Migration from Swavalamban to APY

4163. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of subscribers who have been transferred to Atal Pension Yojana (APY) based on their enrolment in Swavalamban Scheme;

(b) whether the Government has succeeded in ensuring enrolment of workers in unorganised sector into this scheme based on the mission statement of the pension scheme; and

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

Expenditure on Demonetisation

4164. SHRI P.K.

KUNHALIKUTTY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure incurred by the Government on implementing the scheme of demonetisation; and

(b) the number of cases of corruption registered during the implementation of the scheme?

PG Seats in Homoeopathy College

†4165. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR
PATIL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the manner in which seats are divided in PG courses of homoeopathy colleges of the country;

(b) whether seats in PG Courses of homoeopathy in Delhi are very low in comparison to other States;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor along with ratio of PG seats and PG colleges; and

(d) the steps being taken/have been taken by the Government for increasing seats in PG courses of homoeopathy in Delhi?

Weather Insurance Policy

4166. DR. UDIT RAJ:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has imposed penalty on ICICI Lombard for any weather insurance policy violation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Special Package to Chhattisgarh

†4167. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has provided 'special package' to some States for the development during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the criteria adopted for release of the said package;

(c) whether the similar package has been granted/proposed to be granted to Chhattisgarh also; and

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

Defence Cooperation between India and Singapore

4168. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether high-level meetings, including at the level of the Defence Ministers have taken place between the two countries as part of the Strategic Partnership between India and Singapore "Renewed Spirit, New Energy", 2015 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken steps to conduct joint military exercises and training between the Armies, Air Forces and Navies of the two nations and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the two countries have worked towards collaboration in defence technology, co-development and co-production between the defence industries of the two countries and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has taken steps to increase bilateral Coast Guard Cooperation between the two countries and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has established an appropriate mechanism for regular bilateral consultations and exchange of real time information on cyber issues, if so, the details thereof?

Shortage of Nurses

4169. SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA:
SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a shortage of trained nurses in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the present nurse-patient ratio in the country;

(c) the total number of Nursing Diploma and Nursing Colleges functioning in the country and the number of students getting training in them, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to open more such educational institutions to impart training across the country, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the time by which the said institutions are likely to be opened?

Female Infanticide

†4170. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALLAS HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken steps to contain female infanticide in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has made any achievement in containing female infanticide particularly through the Beti Bachao-Beti Padhao Yojana;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the achievements made so far in this regard in the last two years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Promotion of Research Clinical Trials

4171. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI B.V. NAIK:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD:

KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote research/clinical trials of AYUSH medicines in the country, if so, the details thereof along with guidelines formulated in this regard;

(b) the details of the institutions involved in clinical trials and research in AYUSH medicines particularly in Ayurveda, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study/clinical trial to check the authenticity of various types of Bhasm for Ayurvedic treatment for various ailments and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other steps being taken by the Government to promote clinical trials of AYUSH medicines in the country?

Drug Addiction

4172. SHRI RANJIT SINGH BRAHMPURA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Drug addiction related suicides are the only reliable all-India statistics to gauge the extent of drug problem, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to formulate parameters to quantify the consequences of drug abuse in India and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to establish drug related hospital emergency rooms and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is considering establishment of more affordable rehabilitation centres for the victims of drug abuse and if so, the details thereof?

NSEL Scam

4173. SHRI JAI PRAKASH
NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the SEBI/Government has delayed action against five brokers involved in National Spot Exchange Limited (NSEL) Scam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which the common investors are put to risk by allowing brokers involved in NSEL Scam to function in financial market?

Mandatory Test for all Drugs

4174. SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made bio-equivalence studies or tests mandatory for all drugs before they are launched in the market;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of steps taken by the Government to ensure generic medicines have the same quality and efficacy as their branded counterparts?

Concession on Recovery of Loan

†4175. SHRI SHYAMA CHARAN
GUPTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided concession on the recovery of agricultural loans in various States during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of farmers benefited by it; and

(c) the details of the loans recovered from farmers owning land upto five acres or more during the said period?

National Level Institutions

4176. SHRIMATI MAUSAM
NOOR:

Will the Minister of
AYURVEDA, YOGA AND
NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA
AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी,
सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of National Level Institutions under AYUSH along with their present status, institution-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that there are many vacancies in these institutions; and

(c) if so, the details of strength of each institution and vacancies existing there and since how long these vacancies are lying vacant along with steps taken to fill them?

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

Survey on Medicinal Plants

4177. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,
YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI,
SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी,
सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of a recent survey by the Botanical Survey of India that out of 8000 medicinal plants, only 53 species are under threatened categories like critically endangered and vulnerable and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government for conservation and development of threatened category medicinal plants in the country;

(c) whether the Government has any plans to introduce any special innovative scheme for the cultivation of natural herbs and medicinal plants in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of funds earmarked and allocated for such projects during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise?

Spying Activity in Armed Forces

4178. SHRI BHEEMRAO B.
PATIL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE
रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any spying activity has come to the notice of Government in the armed forces of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of cases registered during the last two years and the current year;

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard including the number of persons punished or arrested, etc;

(d) whether the Government has found out the agencies involved in such spying activities; and

(e) if so, the details thereof including the action taken against them?

Over Charging of Stents by Private Hospitals

†4179. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that private hospitals are charging excess price for Cardiac stents from the patients citing quality difference despite fixation of its Maximum Retail Price by the Government;

(b) whether the Government has received any complaints in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take any action against such hospitals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Stolen Childhoods

4180. SHRI ASADUDDIN
OWAISI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the report of Stolen Childhoods—Save the Children, India ranks

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

a poor 116 in global index of places where childhood is most threatened and lags behind even Myanmar, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Maldives etc. and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons put forward in report for low ranking of India;

(b) the details of indicators taken up for assessment by the report;

(c) whether it is true that the Government is contesting the indicators/parameters and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the corrective measures taken by the Government to enrich childhood in the country?

Bank Frauds using Aadhaar Number

†4181. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints against banks on fraudulent withdrawal of money from the customers' accounts using the customers' Aadhaar number linked with their accounts, in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the total number of such incidents/complaints received and cases registered including amount involved therein, bank-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to resolve the complaints and to ensure that the amount are returned to the customers and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the remedial steps taken/being taken by the Government to check such incidents in future?

Innovation and Technological Development in Defence

4182. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved special fund to foster innovation and technological development in defence; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Menstruation Hygiene

†4183. SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plans to promote menstruation hygiene among the school girls and those who stay at home in rural areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has developed any mechanism to provide sanitary napkins free of cost to girls in the rural and the backward areas of the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the services of Asha and Anganwadi Workers are likely to be employed for distribution of sanitary napkins free of cost; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Universal Basic Income

†4184. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL: SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme to provide Universal Basic Income to the citizens;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has constituted any committee in this regard; and

(d) the time by which the said scheme is likely to be implemented?

Clinical Trials on HIV Patients

4185. SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of reported clinical trials conducted by a Government Homoeopathic Medical College that claims to have already turned eight persons HIV negative and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether these trials have been approved by the Clinical Trials Registry of India and the National Aids Control Organisation (NACO) and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has called for detailed inquiry in this regard and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government towards clarifying procedural overlapping and administrative complexities between agencies of the Ministries of Health and Family Welfare and Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH)?

Malaria Control Schemes in Jharkhand

†4186. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR HANSDAK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes rolled out by the Government in Jharkhand especially in the districts of Sahibganj, Pakur, Godda and Dumka to control malaria;

(b) the extent to which the Government has achieved success in controlling malaria especially in the above districts of Jharkhand under such schemes;

(c) whether the Malaria control work has been reviewed in the said districts; and

(d) if so, the outcome of the review?

Tuberculosis Drugs

4187. SHRIMATI KOTHAPALLI GEETHA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the WHO has suspended the approval of tuberculosis drugs made by India's Svizera Labs, a major supplier to developing countries;

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

(c) whether the Government is considering to permit independent experts to retest batches of medicine available in the market and to recall supplies depending on the outcome of those test; and

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

Review of MUDRA Scheme

4188. SHRI RAJESHBHAI
CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a recent review of the MUDRA scheme has revealed that the benefits of the scheme is percolating to needy small time entrepreneurs at grassroot level from rural areas with a sizeable number from backward classes and women and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the reasons for higher number of women borrowers can be ascribed to participation of Micro Finance Institutions (MFIs) and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the findings or review indicates that women are more disciplined borrowers and tend to take small loans for productive purposes and stick to repayment in time; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Reduced Fund Allocation to States on CSS

4189. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has reduced the amount of assistance being provided to States for the Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) like Indira Awas Yojana, MGNREGA, Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana;

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

(c) whether the amount meant for Karnataka has also been reduced heavily and as a result of which the public works are getting delayed there; and

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

Agricultural Sector Lending Target

4190. DR. P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the agriculture sector lending targets of the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) in Kerala since 2015;

(b) the details of the percentage of these targets achieved by the banks during the said period, bank-wise;

(c) whether the Government is planning to revamp the agriculture sector lending targets of the PSBs, if so, the details thereof; and

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

Unspent Funds under CSR

4191. SHRI Y.V. SUBBA REDDY:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) by various companies mandated under the Companies Act;

(b) whether the Government is aware that all companies have not been able to spend their 100 per cent funds allotted under CSR and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the amount of funds left unspent since implementation of CSR under Companies Act; and

(d) whether the Government has devised a monitoring mechanism on pre and post implementation of programmes under CSR so as to ensure full expenditure of funds by companies under CSR and if so, the details thereof?

Manufacturing of Generic Drugs

†4192. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI
PAATLE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the biggest manufacturer and exporter of generic drugs in the world and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has fixed any uniform procedure for issuing license to manufacturers of generic drugs in the country;

(c) the State-wise details of companies which have been issued such licenses; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to protect the interest of such generic drug manufacturers from multinational pharmaceutical companies?

Private Ambulance Operators in the Country

4193. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that there is an increase in the number of private ambulance operators in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the services are charged based on the equipment within the ambulances, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that all ambulances whether State run or privately, adhere to the highest standards of safety and availability of life saving equipment and trained para-medical staff;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the efforts have been made to train drivers of such ambulances, if so, the details thereof?

Free Screening of Cancer

†4194. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN
BHATT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering free screening of cancer in 100 districts of the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to make arrangements for free screening of cancer in Baroda city of Gujarat; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the decision is likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Shortage of Medals

4195. SHRI KONAKALLA
NARAYANA RAO:
SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is shortage of medals to be awarded to defence personnel for various achievements including bravery, distinguished service etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether medals have not being issued to defence personnel since 2008 and a backlog of medals has been created;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Stem Cell Bank

†4196. SHRI RAM CHARAN
BOHRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to setup 'Stem Cell Bank' for prevention from incurable diseases under Public-Private Participation (PPP) mode;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is planning to provide assistance to the various

States for setting up the 'Stem Cell Bank'; and

(d) if so, the details of the assistance given to various States of the country including Rajasthan?

Salary Discrepancies of AIIMS Doctors

†4197. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA
KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the doctors of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) are not being given salary in accordance with the recommendations of Seventh Central Pay Commission by the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some discrepancies are being noticed in giving salary to the doctors of AIIMS as per the recommendations of above Commission; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to appease them?

UPI Ecosystem in Banks

4198. SHRI KODIKUNNIL
SURESH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set any deadline for all banking institutions for migrating to the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) ecosystem and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the migration process is completed by all Public Sector Banks and major Private Sector Banks and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has asked Cooperative Banks to migrate to the digital banking system after ascertaining the efficacy of UPI ecosystem and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the staff of Cooperative Banks have provided specialised training to handle and operate the new payment interface system and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether various private sector tech entities have expressed their desire to National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) to launch UPI-enabled payment on their platform, if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government in the matter?

Charges on Digital Transactions

4199. SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has asked the banks to lower charges on digital transactions above Rs.1000;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the guidelines issued by the Government to banks in this regard;

(c) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has instructed banks to remove all charges on customers for transactions upto Rs.1000 settled on Immediate Payment Service (IMPS), Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD) or Unified Payment Interface (UPI) systems and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether these waivers were for a limited period and will be withdrawn once the currency circulation stabilises and if so, the details thereof?

Prime Minister National Relief Funds Scheme

4200. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the eligibility criteria for the hospitals to be empanelled for the treatment under Prime Minister National Relief Funds Scheme;

(b) whether any survey has been conducted on utilisation of funds received under Prime Minister National Relief Funds Scheme, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether there is any discretionary quota maintained for elected representatives of People to extend benefits under the scheme, if so, the details thereof?

Joint Naval Exercises

4201. SHRI SHIVKUMAR
UDASI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the joint Naval exercises that are being undertaken with other countries of world during the last three years;

(b) the details of the money spent on such exercises during the said period year-wise and country-wise; and

(c) whether there have been any such joint exercises with the Navy of China and if so, the details thereof?

Blindness

4202. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has evolved a new definition of blindness;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government for reduction in the prevalence of blindness and also to achieve the elimination of avoidable blindness?

Survival of Newborns

4203. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether newborns in India have the least chances of survival;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted a comparative study with the international neighbouring counterparts and African continent and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has achieved a minimum level of health care targets towards Universal Health Coverage, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has any target period to achieve sustainable development in the area of health care for the people of the country and if so, the details thereof?

Misuse of Loans by States

4204. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of loans disbursed by the Union Government to the States along with the outstanding liabilities of the States during the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has taken cognizance of certain misuse of the loans by the States during the said period and if so, the details thereof; and

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

Scientists of DRDO

†4205. DR. SWAMI SAKSHIJI MAHARAJ:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of scientists leaving the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is increasing;

(b) if so, the details of the scientists who have left DRDO during the last three years and the current year along with the reasons for their leaving the organisation; and

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

Outstanding Loans

†4206. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of loans borrowed from various countries/world bank, during the last three years, Country-wise, bank-wise and project-wise;

(b) the amount of such loans outstanding along with the monthly interest paid on these loans;

(c) the time by which the Government proposes to pay back the said loans;

(d) whether the Government proposes to take loans from various temples/places of worship having financial capability; and

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

Prescribing of Allopathic Medicines

†4207. SHRI SATYAPAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether medical practitioners registered only with Medical Council of India, State Dental Councils and Medical Councils are authorised to prescribe allopathic medicines, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Unani, Homoeopathy, Siddha doctors also prescribe allopathy medicines and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is a provision of stringent action against such doctors; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Kisan Credit Cards

†4208. SHRI MANOHAR UTAWAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any assessment on Kisan Credit Cards (KCCs) during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to make any changes in KCCs criteria to provide loans and easy renewal of KCCs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Attack on Army Camp at Uri

4209. SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of security personnel lost their lives in Uri terror attack;

(b) whether the Government has ordered any enquiry to find out the security breach that provided opportunity for terrorist to attach army camp at Uri;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to punish the terrorists and to discourage the terror groups?

National Health Policy 2017

4210. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has the latest data on the incidence of geriatric health issues, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise, including Delhi;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the National Health Policy 2017 (NHP) recognises a need to address geriatric health concerns and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is considering to implement measures in line with the NHP to address geriatric health concerns and if so, the details thereof?

National Institute of Medicinal Plants

†4211. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL "NISHANK":

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Institute of Medicinal Plants is proposed in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with location identified for the purpose; and

(c) the time by which the said institute is likely to come in existence?

Mid-Air Refuelling by Sukhoi-30 Aircraft

4212. SHRI P. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Sukhoi-30 fleet of aircraft were capable of mid-air refuelling technique and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether such fleets are now not able to refuel mid-air and also they are facing mid-air engine failures, of late;

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

(d) whether the Government has taken the matter with the Russian Government in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Russian Government thereon and the other corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Violations by Audit Firms

4213. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the existing provisions provide penal action only on chartered accountants for any wrong-doing in auditing and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government considers to amend the Companies Act to make auditing firms also liable to prosecution and if so, the details thereof;

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the World Health Organisation (WHO), a major cause of diseases is poverty;

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

(c) whether the WHO has given any suggestion for prevention of deaths cause due to poverty; and

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

(c) whether the Government has taken cognizance of several instances of violations by auditors Pricewaterhouse Coopers (PwC) and its partner firms over the last ten years that pose serious threats to public interest and national security;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government to minimise the impact of those violations; and

(e) whether the Government is also contemplating for tighter norms for peer review of audits and if so, the action being taken by the Government in this regard?

Study on Diabetes

4214. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have conducted a study on prevalence of diabetes in India;

(b) if so, the details of the outcome thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the study has revealed diabetes epidemic among the urban poor of the society;

(d) if so, the details and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise; and

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

Diseases due to Poverty

†4215. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Blocked Funds to ZPs/Block Committee

4216. SHRI VIRENDER KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the States have been benefited due to increase in the tax share of States and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of quantum of benefit given to Himachal Pradesh and other hilly States in the country; and

(c) whether the funds at the disposal to the Zila Parishad members/Block Development Committee members have been blocked in Fourteenth Finance Commission Report and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Recapitalisation of Banks

4217. DR. K. GOPAL:
SHRI RAM CHARITRA
NISHAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to infuse Rs. 70,000 crore in Public Sector Banks (PSBs) over four years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government asked the PSBs to raise a further Rs. 1.1 lakh crore from the markets to meet their capital requirements in line with global adequacy norms known as Basel-III and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has released 75 per cent of the amount for infusion as capital requirement so far under Indradhanush programme; and

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

Defence Procurement Organisation

4218. SHRI JAYDEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a separate Defence procurement organisation to procure arms acquisitions;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether above organisation focuses on procurement or defence production in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Digital Banking

4219. ADV. M.
UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has asked the banks to promote digital banking in mission mode and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there are 14 lakh Point of Sale (PoS) machines which are there at retail level and this figure has to be expanded manifold to translate into digital mode and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the overall aim of the Government is to shrink the physical currency and substitute the shranked currency by digital mode; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Budgetary Allocation under ICDS Scheme

4220. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of budgetary allocation made under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme during the 12th Five Year Plan along with the funds actually allocated and utilised thereunder, State/UT-wise and year-wise;

(b) the proportion of fund allocated/ released by the Government so far out of the total outlay under the scheme during the said period;

(c) the details of the targets set/ achieved under the scheme during the said period;

Government Hospitals

†4223. SHRI PASHUPATI NATH
SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government run hospitals in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to renovate the Government hospitals in Jharkhand and to equip them with latest medical equipments and to increase the number of doctors and staff therein; and

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

Asset Quality Reivew of PSBs

4224. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) asked Public Sector Banks (PSBs) to recognize some defaulting accounts as Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) and make adequate provision for them and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the RBI has set deadline of March, 2017 to complete the Asset Quality Review and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the further steps taken by the RBI to clean up the balance sheets of PSBs?

Special Courts

4225. SHRI DUSHYANT
CHAUTALA:

(d) whether decline in allocation has made any impact in the performance of scheme in view of rise in food prices due to inflation; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to fill these gaps and to protect the entitlements of beneficiaries of the Scheme?

Vacancies in RoC

4221. SHRI PR. SENTHIL
NATHAN:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state the details of the steps taken by the Government to fill up the existing vacancy positions in the Registrar of Companies (RoC) and the other allied offices of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs?

Ban on Use of Potassium Bromate

4222. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government in the wake of the report released by Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) is planning to ban the use of potassium bromate and potassium iodate—the chemicals, considered hazardous for public health in all the brands of bread sold in the country including Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has planned to set up special courts in different States and Union Territories for speedy trials of serious corporate offences;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is also concerned about the number of fake corporate companies which disappear after committing serious financial frauds; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the total number of such cases identified by the Government during the last three years and the total number of cases solved during the said period?

Non-Functional ATMs

4226. SHRI R.

GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ATMs of many Public Sector Banks (PSBs) including Private Sector Banks are not functioning properly in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the banks to sort out these issues and to make their ATMs function properly?

New Legislation to Check Fraud

4227. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to bring in new legislative measures or to repeal the Companies Act, 1956 by bringing in a new Companies Act;

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

(c) the extent to which the replacement of the Companies Act is likely to help in checking frauds committed by the Companies against investors?

Various Systems of Medicines

4228. SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated a policy to bring the various systems of medicines under the same roof to treat the patients and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any mechanism in place to review different methods of treatment to weed out unscientific and ineffective ones and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether this year's allocation in the budget is sufficient to meet the expenditure of treatment and investments under various systems of medicines, if so, the details thereof?

Funds to DRDO

4229. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to make plan in favour of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) to provide more fund in the current year as compared to previous year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Consolidation of Banks

4230. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Syndicate Bank, Canara Bank, Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank have approached to his Ministry making presentations about their merger/consolidation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has asked the NITI Aayog to offer its suggestion on the issue; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the stand of the Government in this regard?

Service Animals of Indian Army

4231. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has chalked out any programme to stop euthanasia of service animals of Indian Army including dogs, mules, horses etc. once their service years are over;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government to protect the sentient animal friends of Indian Army from pain and sufferings?

Mechanism under AYUSH

4232. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any mechanism under the AYUSH to collect demographic information, hygiene conditions, food habits, seasons, lifestyle etc., if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether incidence and prevalence of disease and their relation to the incidence of disease are studied across the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the AYUSH is assessing health status and propagation of Ayurvedic concept of pathya-apathya and extension of health care services; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Enhancing Stake of LIC in Companies

4233. SHRIMATI VANAROJA R.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) is considering to allow insurers to raise stake in companies beyond 15 per cent

and if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;

(b) whether this move may allow Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) to participate in the Government's sale of shares in blue chip companies held by the Specified Undertaking of Unit Trust of India (SUUTI) and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a lot of global interest in India's insurance sector and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government's stake held by SUUTI is collectively valued at almost Rs. 62,600 crore, more than the Rs. 56,500 crore budgeted from disinvestment in the current financial year and if so, the details thereof?

Ujjawala Scheme

4234. SHRI PREM DAS RAI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to curb human trafficking and step up rescue operations as envisaged by the Government under the Ujjawala scheme;

(b) whether the scheme has any special provisions with regard to the States which have an international boundary and are prone to high threat of trafficking; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the reaction of the Government thereto?

Anaemia amongst the Children and Women

4235. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the name of various health programmes being run by the Government to check the prevalence of anaemia amongst the children and women especially in rural areas, State/UT-wise particularly Jharkhand;

(b) whether the present programmes are giving satisfactory results in reducing the high prevalence of anaemia among women, especially in rural areas and if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

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

Impact of GST on ATM Industry

4236. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Automated Teller Machine (ATM) industry is facing a lot of problems under Goods and Services Tax (GST) in maintaining ATM machines as ATMs are put under the highest tax slab of 28 percent under the new GST regime and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received any representations from the

Confederation for ATM Industry (CATMI) for redressal of their problems with regard to GST implementation;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Agreement between NICPR and AIIA

†4237. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has signed any agreement with National Institute of Cancer Prevention and Research (NICPR) and All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) for prevention of cancer and its research in this regard;

(b) the main objectives of the said agreement; and

(c) the manner in which it will prove helpful in prevention and research on cancer and for the patients?

Weapons of Mass Destruction

†4238. SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take necessary steps to

bring down the tendency of manufacturing and import of weapons of mass destruction and to use the amount spend on the import of such weapons in the overall development of the country and in the manufacturing of essential military goods in the country itself; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Policy on Digital Payment Fee

4239. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any policy on the fee being charged for different modes of digital payments like RTGS, NEFT and debit cards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to disseminate digital payments data at a disaggregated level to analyse the growth and effectiveness of individual digital payment technologies;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Forward Markets Commission

4240. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
DR. SATYAPAL SINGH:
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued instructions to the commodities futures regulator Forward Markets Commission (FMC) to curb speculation and price manipulation of farm items;

(b) if so, the details thereof and its impact on prices of farm items so far;

(c) the number of complaints received by the Government/FMC for price manipulation of farm items in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise along with the action taken/being taken by the Government/FMC on such complaints so far;

(d) the existing mechanism to keep a check on speculation and price manipulation of farm items; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to curb speculation and price manipulation of farm items and to ensure balance between demand and supply of such items across the country?

Quality of Food Products in Restaurants

4241. SHRI SANGANNA
AMARAPPA:
SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:
SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the multi chain restaurants are fulfilling all the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) norms in India, to provide the best quality products in the country, if so, the details

thereof, if not, the action taken by the Government against such restaurants;

(b) whether the multi chain restaurants are running their restaurants under the valid agreement with the valid date of sanction in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any complaint has been received against such restaurants running their businesses in the country after the expiry of their licenses, if so, the details thereof, with the action taken report against such restaurants;

(d) whether the FSSAI has formulated any guidelines to cap the content of fat, salt and sugar in the packaged food and to label junk food that contains more than the prescribed limit of these ingredients, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the FSSAI panel has recommended to tax highly processed foods sugar sweetened beverages, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the said panel has also recommended the banning of ads promoting products containing high amount of fat, salt and sugar during children's TV shows, if so, the details thereof?

Setting up of State Commission for Protection of Child Rights

†4242. SHRI JANAK RAM:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the States/UTs have set up Commission for Protection of Child Rights and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the name of those States/UTs;

(c) whether the Government has made it mandatory for States/UTs to set up the said Commissions; and

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

Roadmap for Affordable Nutraceuticals

4243. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has any roadmap to make nutraceuticals affordable and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the estimated cost of nutraceuticals post Goods and Services Tax; and

(c) whether measures have been taken in this regard to make it affordable and if so, the details thereof?

Hawala Betting Scam

†4244. PROF. RAVINDRA
VISHWANATH
GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of involvement of former investigating Enforcement Directorate (ED) official of bribery and protection of accused in the Hawala/betting scam;

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

(c) the action proposed to be taken by the Government to curb such malpractices?

Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana

4245. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:
PROF. SAUGATA ROY:
SHRI GANESH SINGH:
SHRI B. SRIRAMULU:
SHRI ASADUDDIN
OWAISI:
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently launched the Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana (PMVVY), if so, the details along with the salient features and the expected number of beneficiaries thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has entrusted any nodal agency in implementing the scheme, if so, the details thereof along with the assured benefits under the scheme;

(c) whether the subscription of the scheme can be made offline as well as online, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether under the Scheme the interest is guaranteed and it is a time bound Pension Scheme with a ceiling on maximum pension per family and is exempted from GST and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether any shortfall owing to the difference between the interest guaranteed and actual interest earned shall be subsidized by the Government and reimbursed to the implementing agency and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the State Governments have any role in the implementation of the said scheme and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereon along with the extent to which this scheme is likely to give social security cover to persons who are not covered so far?

Investment by LIC in Tobacco Company

‡4246. SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has made investments in a big tobacco manufacturing company and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether LIC/Government is aware of cautionary message on tobacco products and the health hazards being faced by the people due to its consumption and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the compulsion behind making such investments in cigarette company by LIC?

Entry of Foreign Vessels in Indian Territorial Water

4247. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has come across instances of foreign vessels illegally entering Indian territorial water and India's Exclusive Economic Zone for fishing purposes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such illegal infiltration pose a serious security threat and cause huge economic loss to the country; and

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

Gold Smuggling at IGIA

‡4248. SHRI NANA PATOLE:
SHRIMATI BHAVANA
PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI PATIL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase in the number of cases of gold and silver smuggling at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the number of such cases reported during the last three years and the current year;

(c) the action taken against the offenders along with the value of gold and silver seized by the customs department, during the last three years and the current year;

(d) whether the customs officers thwarted three attempts of gold smuggling at the IGIA airport recently, if so, the details thereof;

(e) the total quantity of gold seized in these cases, total number of persons arrested along with action taken against the offenders; and

(f) the corrective steps taken by the Government to prevent the recurrence of such cases in future?

Anti-Piracy Escort by Navy

4249. SHRI BAIJAYANT JAY PANDA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the portal of 'Online Registration' for an anti-piracy escort by Indian Navy to ships transiting Internationally Recommended Transit Corridor (IRTC) has been functional and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the service of anti-piracy escort is available to ships registered both in India and abroad and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government charges any fee from shipping companies for anti-piracy escort service;

(d) if so, the details thereof on the actual revenues collected by the concerned Ministry *in lieu* of this service; and

(e) whether there are any figures on the number of merchant ships escorted by Indian Navy till date ever since this portal became operational and if so, the details thereof?

Impact of GST on Tourism

4250. SHRI HARISH MEENA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite lower tax rate under Goods and Services Tax (GST), the absence of input credit for tour operators making the international travels expensive;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereon and the steps taken by the Government to resolve this;

(c) whether the Government has assessed its effect on tourism sector particularly in the State like Rajasthan where tourism is the main source of income for many people; and

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

Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955

4251. SHRI B.S. YEDIYURAPPA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the pesticide/insecticide and other banned substances have been found in soft/cold drinks in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the action taken against the manufacturers of such soft/cold drinks;

(c) whether the Government has issued certain directions/guidelines to all States/UTs and Central Government Food Laboratories to monitor the level of pesticides and take samples of carbonated water and water used in manufacturing of carbonated drinks by the soft drink companies as per Prevention of Food Adulteration (PFA) Rules, 1955 and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure the compliance of regulation/provision by cold/soft drink manufacturers under PFA Rules, 1955?

Salaries and Benefits of Nurses

4252. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently issued any guidelines to various State Governments regarding the salaries and benefits of nurses working in private hospitals;

(b) if so, the details and major directives thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any report from any State Government regarding the steps taken by them to comply with the aforesaid guidelines; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Make in India Initiative

4253. SHRI RAGHAV LAKHANPAL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any plan to include persons from Indian Army in 'Make in India' initiative which is being widely promoted and appreciated throughout the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the schemes formulated for the defence personnel in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons for not including the end users in development of ideas and innovations under the 'Make in India' initiative?

National Strategic Plan to Eliminate Malaria

4254. SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT: DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE: SHRIANANDRAO ADSUL: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO: SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR PRADHAN: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the World Malaria Report 2016, India contributed 89 per cent of the incidence of Malaria in the South East Asia region;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has recently unveiled National Strategic Plan (NSP) based on WHO recommendations for elimination of Malaria by 2027 in the country and if so, the details in this regard;

(d) whether NSP divides the country into four categories from 0 to 3 and if so, the details thereof, category-wise;

(e) the name of States in which cases of Malaria has registered growth during the last three years; and

(f) whether the Government has allocated any funds to meet the targets for elimination of Malaria in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Adding Cancer in Notifiable Diseases' List

†4255. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to declare cancer a notifiable disease similar to tuberculosis;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the appropriate steps being taken by the Government to check the increasing number of cancer patients?

Development of Indigenous Weapons

4256. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is running a programme for developing indigenous weapons and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the amount allocated and spent during the last three years against the said programme;

(c) whether private parties are also involved in the aforementioned programme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ASHA Health Workers in Urban Areas

†4257. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the appointment of health workers in urban areas along the lines of Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) is being considered and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the work area and the minimum educational qualification required for the said workers;

(c) whether ASHA health workers are proposed to be appointed across the country, if so, the details thereof, State/UT, district-wise;

(d) the names of the districts selected in Maharashtra for the said purpose; and

(e) whether Wardha and Amravati in Maharashtra have been selected and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

AYUSH Doctors

†4258. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Homoeopathic, Unani, Siddha and Naturopathy practitioners in place *vis-a-vis* the total number of AYUSH hospitals and dispensaries operating in the country, State/

UT-wise including Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) and Jharkhand;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to bring AYUSH medical services in the mainstream; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up any Naturopathy Hospital in J&K and Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof?

Incentives to Farmers for Cultivation of Medicinal Plants

†4259. SHRI MANSHANKAR NINAMA:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is providing any incentive to the farmers to encourage the cultivation of herbs/medicinal plants in the country; and

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

Nirbhaya Fund

4260. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:
SHRI OM BIRLA:
SHRI HARI MANJHI:
SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features and corpus of Nirbhaya Fund implemented by the

Government for enhancing safety and security of women in the country;

(b) the details of project proposals of various Ministries/Departments and States/UTs received, appraised and recommended/approved along with the funds provided thereunder since its inception;

(c) the details of projects completed/commenced and funds utilised out of the projects approved so far, project-wise;

(d) whether a large portion of Nirbhaya Fund remains unutilized and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(e) the further measures taken for the judicious/optimum utilisation of Nirbhaya Fund for its better implementation; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Government for safety and security of women/girls in the country?

Action against Jewellers after Demonetisation

†4261. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:
SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken action against several jewellers after demonetisation;

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

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

Fastest Growing Economy

4262. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noted that India has lost its fastest growing major economy tag;

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

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

Action against Non-Fileers of Income Tax

4263. SHRI RAYAPATI SAMBASIVA RAO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the existing laws in place to deal with the IT defaulters;

(b) whether the Government is planning to take severe punitive measures against those who fail to file IT returns;

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

(d) whether the Government is contemplating to formulate new laws to stop this trend of failure of filing IT returns; and

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

Donation to Political Parties

†4264. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amendments made by the Government in Finance Bill is likely to check the cash transactions, black money and bring transparency in election related donation;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the political parties are likely to accept donation;

(c) whether the political parties accepting donation and the donor will be entitled to the benefits under section 80 of Income Tax; and

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

Population Control Policy

†4265. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:
SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the population of India is expected to take the top position by overtaking China by 2050, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is planning to study the various aspects of it by setting up an expert group, if so, the response of the Government thereon; and

(c) whether the Government is considering a population control policy along the lines of that which is in effect in China, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Affordable Medicines

4266. SHRIMATI K.
MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Government has made 700 medicines affordable for the poor;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the Government had taken adequate steps to ensure that the doctors prescribe only generic medicines; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Unhealthy Competitions in Corporate Sector

4267. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed the rising of unhealthy competitions in the corporate sector, especially in the telecom sector to attract more consumers and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether these types of competitions will affect the sector and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has any mechanism to control such unhealthy competitions in the sector for its overall development and if so, the details thereof?

Incentives on Deposits

4268. SHRI R.P.
MARUTHARAJAA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to give any incentives on the funds deposited as savings in the bank to encourage the common man;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Defence Infrastructure

†4269. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to set up strong defence infrastructure along Indo-Pakistan border in the bordering States including Rajasthan; and

(b) the steps taken to provide proper road and rail network in the Indo-Pakistan border areas to counter security threats?

Health Cards for Women

4270. PROF. RICHARD HAY:
SHRI PARBHUBHAI
NAGARBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to issue health card to all the women across the country;

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

(c) the number of States initially being covered under this programme;

(d) the funds likely to be sanctioned for this programme along with the target likely to be set under this programme;

(e) whether the steps have been taken in view of the fact that certain diseases are spreading particularly among women, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to provide free medical check up facility for women under this programme, if so, the details thereof?

Defence Hardware Sector

4271. SHRI JOSE K. MANI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether defence hardware sector mandated with rapid indigenisation of Sukhoi-30 MKI and Tejas fighters, Hawk trainer, Dhruv helicopter and Dornier 228 is lagging behind in the absence of a strong hi-tech manufacturing sector and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the present status of indigenisation of defence hardware and systems in the country;

(c) whether at present the percentage of weaponry India imports remains much above sixty per cent;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to encourage indigenisation of defence hardware and systems?

Shortage of Beds in Hospitals

†4272. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ratio of hospital beds per thousand population is very low in India as compared to other developing countries;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to formulate any policy in this regard so that number of beds in hospital could be raised; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Ordnance Factories and Defence PSUs

4273. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total Ordnance Factories (OFs), Public Sector Units (PSUs) and research and development establishments under his Ministry;

(b) the indigenous equipment and machineries produced by these establishments and the total foreign exchange saved from their production in the last five years and the current year;

(c) the reasons for the lacklustre production from these establishments needing heavy import in the defence sector;

(d) whether there is a move to encourage private players in defence production rather than enhancing Ordnance Factories (OFs) and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures taken to ensure these OFs, PSUs and Research Centres are fully equipped to meet our demand?

Fiscal Deficit

4274. DR. M. VEERAPPA MOILY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of change in Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and Fiscal Deficit of Centre and States/UTs from 2012-13 to 2016-17;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for this fiscal deficit;

(c) whether some of the States/Union Territories (UTs) have become ineligible for additional market borrowings as they are not compliant with fiscal prudence norms prescribed by the 14th Finance Commission, if so, the details thereof along with the public debt position of States such as Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan, Haryana and Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) whether the Government has implemented the recommendations of Shri N.K. Singh Committee for gradual reducing of the Centre's Fiscal Deficit to 2.5 per cent of GDP and Revenue Deficit to 0.8 per cent by 2022-23 and if so, the details thereof?

Exemption of Handloom Products from GST

4275. SHRI M. RAJA MOHAN REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to exempt some products like handloom products from the ambit of Goods and Services Tax (GST);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Malnutrition and Nutrition Deficiency among Women and Children

4276. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:
SHRI GANESH SINGH:
SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:
SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:
SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:
SHRI ALOK SANJAR:
SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that problem of malnutrition and nutrition deficiency/under-nutrition is still prevalent among women/girls and children

in the country, particularly in tribal, rural and backward/hilly areas, as pointed out by in latest Global Hunger Index and other surveys/reports made in this regard, if so, the details and the outcome thereof, State/UT-wise and the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of the schemes implemented by the Government along with works undertaken under National Nutrition Mission (NNM) for eradication of malnutrition and nutrition deficiency in the country along with the funds allocated/released and utilised thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, Scheme and State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the said schemes has made any impact in eradication of malnutrition and nutrition deficiency in the country, if so, the details thereof, scheme and State/UT-wise;

(d) the monitoring mechanism in place by the Government to check funds utilization by the States/UTs under said schemes to improve health and nutrition level of malnourished women and children; and

(e) the further measures taken by the Government to make the country free from malnutrition and nutrition deficiency?

International Research Institute

4277. SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Kerala has submitted a proposal to the

Union Government for approval and funding with regard to establishment of International Research Institute of Ayurveda in the State; and

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

Health Insurance Scheme for Unorganised Workers

4278. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:
SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any health insurance schemes for unorganised workers including migrant workers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any social security portfolio/schemes for migrant labourers in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the State Governments have their own policies in this regard; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Functioning of Anganwadi Centres

4279. SHRI NINONG ERING:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:
SHRIMATI VANAROJA R.:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Anganwadi centres under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme which have been set up to provide nutritional support, healthcare and pre-school education to children under six years of age and pregnant and lactating mothers in order to reduce cases of mortality and malnutrition are not functioning according to the rules across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating irregularities found/reported in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to depute a central team to each State/UT to inspect the operations and the beneficiaries listed with the Anganwadi centres across the country;

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

(e) the further steps taken by the Government to bring transparency and effectiveness in the functioning of Anganwadi centres across the country?

Recruitment in Grameen Banks

†4280. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has found irregularities in Grameen Banks recruitment process in the recent past; and

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

Assessment of Black Money before Demonetisation

4281. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the assessment made by revenue intelligence agencies, funds and unaccounted black money were flowing into the real estate, mining, manufacturing and entertainment sector, prior to demonetisation, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of companies involved and booked in investment of such black money flowing from tax havens and organisations along with the action taken against the erring companies;

(c) whether international financial transactions to and from foreign countries are monitored/scanned/probed, if so, the details thereof and the findings involving shady/illegal financial transactions during the last three years, agency-wise;

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

(e) whether India has entered into a pact with other countries to share the mutual flow of information pertaining to money laundering and terror funding, etc., if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereon?

Non-linking of Aadhaar with Accounts

4282. PROF. SADHU SINGH:
PROF. PREM SINGH
CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether large number of farmers are deprived of crop loan/farm loan and benefits of debt waiver because of unlinking of their Aadhaar number with bank accounts;

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

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

Benefits of Schemes to Intended Beneficiaries

†4283. SHRI HARI MANJHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noted that funds provided to the States under various schemes with a view to give facilities and assistance/benefits to the common people are not reaching the intended beneficiaries;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of such schemes; and

(c) whether the Government has any monitoring mechanism in place to monitor and ensure the proper utilisation of the allotted funds and fix responsibility in such cases and if so, the details thereof?

Contractual Employees under National Health Mission

4284. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI
TUMANE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is operating a "National Tuberculosis Programme" under the aegis of "National Health Mission";

(b) if so, details of the functional parameters of the schemes;

(c) whether the Government proposes to consider regularization of the services of contractual employees enrolled under the scheme so as to enable them to avail various service benefits at par with paramedical and other staff engaged in health related schemes/programs; and

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

NPAs of Educational Loan

†4285. SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:

DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:

SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA

BARNE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH

SHINDE:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO

RAUT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to recent reports, the total education loan dues in the banking system had risen and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) on account of education loans disbursed by the banks has registered growth in the recent past;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the growth registered during the last three years, bank-wise;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any study to find out the factors responsible for such increase and if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof; and

(e) the details of corrective measures taken by the Government to check such trend?

**Super Speciality Block and
Emergency Blocks in Safdarjung
Hospital**

†4286. DR. ARUN KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had granted approval for setting up of super speciality block and emergency blocks in Safdarjung hospital;

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

(c) whether the Government has approved setting up robotic system in super speciality and emergency blocks;

(d) if so, the details and present status in this regard;

(e) whether only one per cent of GDP is spent on healthcare in India as compared to 10-16 per cent of GDP in other countries; and

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

**Establishment of
Meditech Parks**

4287. SHRI D.S. RATHOD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from the State Governments for financial assistance to develop/establish meditech park, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) the present status of the said proposals;

(c) whether any policy/ schemes has been rolled out for financial assistance to promote/ establish meditech parks in the States/UTs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Draft Bill on
Bankruptcy**

4288. SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G.
FATEPARA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has finalised the draft bill on bankruptcy of financial institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

**Action against
Guarantor**

†4289. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any provision in banking law to take action against the guarantor in case the borrower fails to repay their loans;

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

(c) whether the banks have taken any action against the guarantors during the last three years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, bank-wise?

Healthcare Facilities in Rural Areas

†4290. SHRI HARINARAYAN
RAJBHAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rural population do not have sufficient medical facilities till date in most of the rural areas in the country including Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the extent to which National Rural Health Mission has achieved its objectives;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up super speciality healthcare centres in rural areas;

(d) if so, the details thereof during the last three years; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Direct Transfer of Funds under
ICDS Scheme**

†4291. SHRIMATI RANJEET
RANJAN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to directly transfer money in the accounts of pregnant women with certain conditions instead of providing them ration through Aanganwadi Centres;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with eligibility criteria in this regard;

(c) whether it will cost the Government 11 thousand crore rupees annually and 7.5 crore Jan Dhan Accounts are required to be opened for women in

this regard and if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated by the Government for the purpose; and

(d) whether Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme is not proving to be effective at grassroot level and the Government is contemplating to wind up the Scheme and if so, the details thereof?

**National Tobacco Control
Programme**

4292. SHRI VIKRAM USENDI:
SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the districts covered by States/UTs under National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP);

(b) the funds allocated and utilized under the scheme during the last three years and the current year;

(c) the number of challans issued against section 4 & 6 of COTPA (Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act) in each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(d) the details of the cases filed and prosecuted under section 5 & 6 of COTPA, State-wise during the said period?

Counting of Demonetised Notes

4293. DR. THOKCHOM
MEINYA:
SHRI KAUSHALENDRA
KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note that the counting of demonetised notes is not completed, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the previous data issued by the Government on deposited old notes are inaccurate/incomplete and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government is in the process of procuring new counting machines for the purpose;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the total old currency deposited is likely to be verified?

GST on Small Scale Industries

4294. SHRI MD.
BADARUDDOZA
KHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Goods and Services Tax (GST) rate is favouring big industries only and affecting certain sectors and goods adversely especially the Small Scale Industries (SSI)/Entrepreneurs and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the SSI as a whole will be adversely affected because they are to pay a full tax for units above Rs. 75 lakh turnover whereas they were earlier exempted for all units below Rs. 1.5 crore and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government and the GST Council has any plan to relook into these issues and remove the anomalies; and

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

Observation and Special Homes for Juveniles

†4295. SHRIMATI BHAVANA
PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI PATIL:
DR. RAVINDRA BABU:
SHRIMATI REKHA
VERMA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Observation and Special Homes presently functioning in the country for the children in conflict with law, State/UT-wise along with amenities provided therein;

(b) whether the Government has taken note of shortage of such homes and lack of basic amenities/infrastructure in such homes and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the funds allocated/released and utilised for infrastructure development and modernisation of such homes during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government has received proposals from States/UTs for construction of such homes during the said period, if so, the details thereof indicating the proposals received and approved along with the funds provided thereunder, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether it is a fact that most of the inmates in these homes are diverted towards criminal activities and become drug addicts and if so, the measures

taken by the Government to stop such activities; and

(f) the further measures taken by the Government for monitoring of these homes and facilitate the conducive environment therein for rehabilitation of juveniles?

National Family Health Survey

4296. SHRI KAMAL NATH:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Family Health Survey report released during 2016 has highlighted that the population in many districts of the country including Madhya Pradesh are facing malnutrition, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of persons who lost their lives due to malnutrition in various districts of the country including Madhya Pradesh in the last three years, district-wise and year-wise;

(c) whether the State Governments have failed in addressing the malnutrition deaths, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has issued instructions/guidelines to the State Governments including Madhya Pradesh to check malnutrition deaths, if so, the details thereof?

Awards to Anganwadi Workers

4297. SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:

SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides National and State level awards to the Anganwadi workers across the country;

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

(c) the details of the awards given to the Anganwadi workers during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government has provided financial assistance to the State/UT for such awards;

(e) if so, the details thereof during the said period, State/UT-wise; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve the living standard of Anganwadi workers in the country?

Reuse of Disposable Items in Private Hospitals

†4298. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:
SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:
SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of complaints have been received/cases came into light about reuse of disposable items/material by several private hospitals of the country particularly in cardiac treatment department and other intensive care units;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of complaints received during the last two years, State-wise and hospital-wise; and

(c) the corrective measures taken by the Government for the safety of health of patients for taking action against such hospitals?

Products Developed by DRDO

4299. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH
YADAV:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE
रक्षा मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has collaborated with various organisations for commercialisation and marketing of technologies and products developed by Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO);

(b) if so, the details thereof including number of technology commercialised and profit earned;

(c) whether the Government has implemented any scheme to encourage research projects to provide commercial benefits to scientists;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is planning to have international collaboration

in technology transfer and if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Heart and Kidney Transplants

4300. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR
DIWAKER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of heart and kidney transplants have increased in the country;

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

(c) whether the Government has any plan to invest into artificial heart research, if so, the details thereof?

Childhood Obesity

4301. SHRI NALIN KUMAR
KATEEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the junk foods and processed foods have increased the burden of childhood obesity, heart disease and diabetes in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether these chronic diseases have become very common in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government is taking any measure to conduct any studies to give proper guidance to people to consume healthy food, if so, the details thereof?

Recommendations of Narasimham Committee

4302. SHRI SUMAN BALKA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE
वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to reconsider/revisit the Narasimham Committee's recommendation for a three tier banking system as part of the Indradhanush programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Privatisation of Ordnance Factories

4303. DR. ANBUMANI
RAMADOSS:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE
रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to privatise small arms factories under Ordnance Factory Board and outsource certain products;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the rationale behind such decision;

(c) whether the Government proposes to privatise ordnance factory at Tiruchirappalli; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

AYUSH under Universal Health Insurance Scheme

4304. SHRI MALLIKARJUN
KHARGE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to include AYUSH under Universal Health Insurance Scheme and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government is planning to promote collaborative research and education in AYUSH with WHO, if so, the details thereof?

Financial Assistance to new Medical Colleges

4305. SHRI N.K.
PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to strengthen the medical Colleges, District General Hospital in the State;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government proposes to extend financial assistance to new medical colleges in the State and if so, the details of the financial assistance given during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government had received a proposal from Government of Kerala for the financial assistance to new medical college at Kollam, Parippally, Kerala; and

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

Uniform for Soldiers

†4306. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:
SHRIMATI REKHA
VERMA:

SHRIMATI MAUSAM
NOOR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has carried out any study to identify needs for special uniforms for safety of soldiers deployed on borders/field areas in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has decided to procure bullet proof jackets and protective gears/garments for soldiers in a time bound manner;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the procurement is likely to be made; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to frame any policy for periodic review and necessary upgradation in the uniforms of the soldiers and if so, the details thereof?

Bank Resources for Unorganised Sector

4307. SHRI RATTAN LAL
KATARIA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has asked/ issued guidelines to the banks and other lending institutions to make their higher resources available to the unorganised sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this would be the game changer for financial inclusion;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Implementation of 7th CPC Recommendations in CCRH

4308. SHRIMATI KAVITHA
KALVAKUNTLA:
DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,
YOGA AND NATUROPATHY,
UNANI, SIDDHA AND
HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी,
सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendations of the Seventh Central Pay Commission duly accepted by the Government have been extended to the Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH), with full financial support from the Government and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether it is a fact that the said recommendations have been implemented in many similar autonomous institutions/ organisations under the Ministry and premier institutes like AIIMS, ICMR, etc. where no internal revenues are generated;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for not implementing the same in CCRH;

(d) whether the recommendations of the previous Central Pay Commissions have been implemented in CCRH; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Linkage of Aadhaar with Bank Accounts

4309. SHRI TATHAGATA
SATPATHY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to mandatory Aadhaar linkage to bank accounts and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has raised any objection to use Aadhaar as KYC document and if so, the details and objections thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any methodology to identify duplicate PAN cards and if so, the details thereof; and

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

Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres

4310. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:
KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have reviewed the functioning and performance of the Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres (NRCs) in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to make the NRCs more effective?

GNPAs

4311. SHRI KALIKESH N. SINGH
DEO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the Gross Non-Performing Assets (GNPAs) to the total advances of the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) as on 31st March, 2017;

(b) whether the major portion of NPAs in the Public Sector Banks is on account of frauds and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has assessed the factors/attributes of advances/ loans turning into bad loans/NPAs, if so, the details thereof along with sector-wise NPAs during the last three years and the current year; and

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

App for GST

4312. SHRI SULTAN AHMED:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has developed an application format for helping to navigate rate of Goods and Services Tax (GST);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be brought into operation?

Defence Land

4313. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Defence Authority (DA) has acquired only 10 acres 10 guntha land out of 26 acres 36 guntha in Pune, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether all procedural formalities have been followed for taking the possession of the said land, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether compensation has been paid to the owner for entire land, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that only 8 acres land has been acquired by the Defence Authority (DA), if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for claiming right over entire land by the authorities; and

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to return the land which is not under possession of DA to land owners, if so, the details thereof and measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Bank Preparation for Demonetisation

4314. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:
DR. RATNA DE (NAG):

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is aware that the banking system was not fully prepared/equipped to tackle the situation arising due to sudden ban on Rs. 500 and Rs. 1000 notes;

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

(c) the extent by which the said ban has helped in improving the Indian economy?

Outstanding Dues under Direct Taxes

†4315. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have fixed any targets regarding recovery of outstanding dues under direct taxes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which said targets have been achieved?

Foreign Banks

†4316. SHRIMATI JYOTI
DHURVE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has permitted foreign banks to open their branches in the areas which lack banking services and in rural areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any policy for regulating the said banks;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Loan against Brand Value and Promoters' Share

4317. SHRI DEVUSINH
CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the loan against brand value and promoters' share has resulted into Non-Performing Assets;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any suggestion to review the accepting of promoters' share as security/collateral security and banning advance against intangible assets, brand value, goodwill, etc.;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action being contemplated by the Government to stop financing against brand value?

Backlog of Vacancies

4318. DR. RAVINDRA BABU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) had issued certain notifications in the year 2014 and 2015 to fill up the backlog of vacancies meant for SC/ST candidates and the same were struck down by Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether CBEC has any plans to challenge the judgement of CAT in the interest of SC/ST candidates and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether CBEC notifications dated 11th and 18th July, 2016 in this regard are going to cover SC/ST candidates also, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Family Planning Program

4319. SHRI DHARAM VIRA:
SHRI KUNWAR
PUSHPENDRA SINGH
CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal to increase the age limit of marriage, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the cases have been registered wherein the females have been forced by the family members to have more than two children without their wilful consent and if so, the details thereof;

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

(d) whether any strategy is being planned to engage/involve men in the family planning program as envisioned in National Health Policy to increase the male vasectomy from less than 5 per cent to 30 per cent or more; and

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

Regulating e-Pharmacies

4320. SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:
SHRI B. SRIRAMULU:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR
MONDAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is going to set up e-portal to regulate online sale of drugs and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to stop the advertisement and sale of drugs online and on television and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government formulated a sub-committee to examine the issue of regulating sale of drugs (medicine) over internet under the Drugs and Cosmetic Rules and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether his Ministry has issued a public notice for public consultation regarding regulation of sale of drugs in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government to regulate e-pharmacies in the country?

Indian Naval Material Management Service

4321. SHRI CH. MALLA REDDY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted an organized Group 'A' Engineering Service, namely Indian Naval Material Management Service (INMMS) to attract the best talents available and to provide a reservoir of technically qualified material managers for handling the materials management functions of Indian Navy; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Shortage of Health Workers for Malaria Elimination

4322. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of measures taken by the Government to address the shortage of 40,000 Multipurpose Health Workers (MHW) to carry out active surveillance of malaria under the National Strategic Plan (NSP) for Malaria Elimination (2017-22);

(b) whether the Government plans to partner with any international organization to implement the above mentioned NSP;

(c) if any, details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to take special measures to access conflict affected North-Eastern States where the incidence of malaria is particularly high; and

(e) whether the Government plans to adopt practices from the approach taken by Sri Lanka in becoming a malaria-free nation, if so, the details thereof?

Brick and Mortar Bank Branches

4323. SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR PRADHAN:
SHRI KALIKESH N. SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for opening of brick and mortar bank branches of Scheduled Commercial Banks in each of the unbanked Gram Panchayats in the country including Odisha within the target period of five years by March, 2019;

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

(c) the time by which the Government has addressed the above issue?

Menstrual Hygiene for Adolescent Girls Scheme

4324. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States and districts covered under the promotion of Menstrual Hygiene for Adolescent Girls Scheme in the last three years and the current year;

(b) the funds allocated by the Government for the scheme and the actual expenditure incurred in the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has a mechanism to assess the trend in adoption levels of sanitary napkins in rural areas under the scheme and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is aware that the CAG has reported irregularities in the distribution of sanitary napkins in the country including Gujarat and Chhattisgarh and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is planning to tackle the issues of poor quality, under-utilisation and low adoption rates of sanitary napkins in rural areas; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the Government's response on imposition of GST on sanitary napkins?

Import of Essential Drugs

4325. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the huge quantity of essential drugs are being imported from various countries;

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

(c) whether the Government is contemplating any action plan to minimise such import and manufacture such essential drugs in the country with minimum cost;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Grant-in-Aid under NAM

4326. SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of Grant-in-Aid transferred to Andhra Pradesh under the National AYUSH Mission along with the funds allocated under different activities;

(b) the number of public health outreach activities organised in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise;

(c) whether the Government is planning to start Integrated AYUSH Hospitals in the said States and if so, the

details of funds allocated and disbursed for the purpose; and

(d) the number of villages selected under AYUSH Gram in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise?

Women Fighter Pilots

4327. ADV. CHINTAMAN
NAVASHA WANAGA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether women fighter pilots have increased in Air Force recently; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the total number of women fighter pilots in the IAF at present?

Defence Cooperation with United States

4328. DR. GOKARAJU GANGA
RAJU:
SHRI PONGULETI
SRINIVASA REDDY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the US House of Representatives has passed defence policy bill that proposes to advance defence cooperation with India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has entered into security memorandum of agreement with the US for basic exchange and cooperation agreement for geospatial cooperation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Expenditure on Curing of Diseases Caused by Alcohol

4329. SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government maintains a data on revenue generated from alcohol and the expenditure/amount incurred in the treatment of health risk caused by the chronic heavy drinking;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Homoeopathy College

4330. SHRI JITENDRA
CHAUDHURY:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

आयुर्वेद, योग और प्राकृतिक चिकित्सा, यूनानी, सिद्ध और होम्योपैथी (आयुष) मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of homoeopathy colleges functioning in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the estimated number of homoeopathy doctors working at present; and

(c) the details of seats reserved for SC/ST in homoeopathy colleges in the country?

PIO and Appellate Officers in Banks

4331. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR
SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed that the Public Information Officers (PIO) and Appellate Officers are not deployed in each Public Sector Banks and Private Banks to reply the application under RTI Act particularly in Bihar;

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

(c) the existing norms to file application under RTI Act for information from Banks;

(d) the number of PSBs and Private Banks have appointed PIO and Appellate Authority along with the number of such posts are vacant in various Banks, State-wise including Bihar; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to appoint PIO and Appellate Authority in each Banks and if so the details thereof?

Dhanalakshmi Yojana

4332. DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA
SULE:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR
GAVIT:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has undertaken scheme called Dhanalakshmi Yojana to promote families to retain and educate girl child;

(b) if so, the objectives and the salient features thereof;

(c) the challenges faced by the Government in the implementation of the scheme along with the steps taken by the Government to overcome the difficulties in its implementation;

(d) whether there is any improvement in the related indices like child sex ratio and enrolment of girl child after the implementation of the scheme, State/UT-wise;

(e) if so, the distribution of the related indices since 2016; and

(f) whether the Government is undertaking any other policies for promoting conditional cash transfer for girl child and if so, the details thereof?

Celebration of Vijya Diwas

4333. SHRI DHANANJAY
MAHADIK:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Army celebrated Vijya Diwas and if so, the details thereof and the main theme thereof;

(b) the details of the programme organised on the occasion of the Vijya Diwas along with the expenditure incurred on the celebration of the event this year;

(c) the number of participants in these programmes and places where these were held;

(d) whether compensation to the families of Kargil announced earlier have been extended to them; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which it is likely to be extended?

Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme

4334. SHRI MOHITE PATIL
VIJAYSINH
SHANKARRAO:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. HEENA
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has rolled out a scheme called Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) to promote surveillance of the disease trends and collection of data on diseases;

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

(c) the challenges faced by the Government in the implementation of the scheme;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to overcome the difficulties in the implementation of the scheme;

(e) whether there is any improvement in the related indices after the implementation of the scheme;

(f) if so, the State-wise distribution of the related indices; and

(g) whether the Government proposes to roll out policies for promoting surveillance systems for tracking the trends in disease and if so, the details thereof?

CGHS Cards with Aadhaar Cards

4335. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has instructed the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) beneficiaries to enroll/ link their CGHS cards with Aadhaar cards in their respective dispensaries, if so, the aims and objectives thereto;

(b) whether the earlier CGHS cards issued in paper forms used to be valid for

10 years and the new CGHS plastic cards for only five years even after the computerisation and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for revalidation of all CGHS plastic cards in five years;

(d) the total expenditure likely to be incurred in every five years on account of revalidation of CGHS plastic cards; and

(e) the corrective measures taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard and to check the losses incurred in every five years for revalidation of CGHS plastic cards?

National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS)

4336. SHRIMATI KIRRON
KHER:
SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS) has conducted certain interview/survey at field level;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the NIMHANS has submitted the report on the said survey;

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

(e) if not, the time by which the said report of the survey is likely to be submitted?

Mission Indradhanush Immunisation

†4337. SHRI JANARDAN
MISHRA:
SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the age group targeted under the Mission Indradhanush Immunisation drive;

(b) the number of persons covered under the said scheme, State/UT-wise including Madhya Pradesh; and

(c) the nodal agencies appointed by the Government to conduct the said drive?

Recruitment in Army

4338. SHRIMATI SAVITRI
THAKUR:
SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH
HOODA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Army has scaled up recruitments for various non-commissioned posts in the last three years and the current year;

(b) the number of recruitments done by the Army in last five financial years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the other steps taken by the Government to meet the shortage of soldiers in the Armed Forces?

Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women

†4339. SHRIMATI REKHA
VERMA:

DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:
SHRIMATI BHAVANA
PUNDALIKRAO
GAWALI PATIL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of Support to Training and Employment Programme (STEP) to provide skills and knowledge to women;

(b) the details of project proposals submitted by eligible institutions/organisations including Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) under the said programme indicating the projects sanctioned and funds allocated, released and utilised along with the number of beneficiaries thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken note that a large number of fake NGOs have applied under the programme and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any mechanism is in place to identify the fake NGOs and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken against them; and

(e) the further measures taken for effective implementation and to expand the reach of the programme?

Defence Procurements

4340. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR
CHOUHEY:
SHRI R.K. SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of inordinate delay in the process of defence procurements;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time taken at various stages for procurements for which orders were placed in the past three years;

(d) whether any study has been made about the stage at which inordinate delays are occurring and if so, the details thereof; and

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

Irregularities of Companies

†4341. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN
YADAV:
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI
DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI RAM TAHAL
CHOUHDARY:
SHRI R.P.
MARUTHARAJAA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE
AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any probe on irregularities of companies in the country;

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

(c) the number of companies in regard to which irregularities have been found out by the Government during the last three years; and

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

Post-GST Issues

4342. SHRI PONGULETI
SRINIVASAREDDY:
SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS:
ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints that various retail institutions/unscrupulous traders are overcharging the customers and producing inflated bills post-Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has also received inputs about unscrupulous elements posing as GST officers and fleecing merchants in various parts of the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the instances reported to the Government where certain Government officials have made illegal inspections of premises of traders and shopkeepers without authorisation;

(d) the steps taken by the Union Government in consultation with various State Governments to address the issue and enforce proper vigilance to prevent such misuse;

(e) whether the Government plans to launch a working toll free number to enable the customers to register complaints and for surprise checks to prevent misuse of GST and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether hotels have increased the food prices due to GST and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government for reducing the rates or exempting any sector especially eateries from GST?

Repricing of Social Security Schemes

4343. DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO
RAUT:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:
SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of claim-to-premium ratio of the Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) along with the percentage of coverage since inception of these schemes, State/UT/scheme-wise;

(b) whether insurance companies have requested the Government to reprice the schemes;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon;

(d) whether the Government has also received complaints against banks for non-cooperation in the implementation of above said schemes; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

Merchant Discount Rate

4344. SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:

SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:
SHRIMATI SANTOSH
AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to reduce Merchant Discount Rate (MDR) charges on all card payments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has noticed that after introducing digital payment system by the Government, the consumers are being forced to do payment through card and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is appropriate to abolish the MDR completely instead of reducing it in such cases as it is a burden on consumers; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?

National Trade Facilitation Action Plan

4345. SHRI B. SRIRAMULU:
SHRIMATI K.
MARAGATHAM:

SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has released the National Trade Facilitation Action Plan in tune with the WTO-Trade Facilitation Agreement and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of Goods and Services Tax (GST) which has revolutionised the current indirect taxes such as excise/VAT/service tax and the revenue collection from imports under the GST has seen tremendous increase in the first 30 days of GST implementation;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has created a detailed roadmap for GST audits after the levy's rollout, listing risks, target industries and even potential auditees for officials examining corporate India's transition to the new regime and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of new and old registrations that have been made under the GST till 31st July 2017?

Operational Prowess of Defence Services

4346. SHRI HARIOM SINGH
RATHORE:
SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the measures being taken to restore the operational prowess of the defence services;

(b) whether nearly fifty per cent of major defence systems are close to getting obsolete and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to equip the Armed Forces and improve defence weapons like tanks, missiles etc.?

PPP Mode for Treatment of Non-Communicable Diseases

4347. KUNWAR HARIBANSH
SINGH:
SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM
GAIKWAD:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN
MAHATO:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes a Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode to provide diagnosis and treatment for three non-communicable diseases;

(b) if so, the details of the guidelines along with the aims and objectives thereof;

(c) whether the Government has sought assistances from the World Bank in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has written to all the States/UTs for comments on the draft model concessionaire agreement and guidelines prepared with the help of the World Bank and working groups;

(e) if so, the response of the State Governments thereto; and

(f) the steps taken to bring down the healthcare cost and stop exploitation of patients?

ED Meeting with CPS

†4348. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA
BARNE:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR
PRADHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether officers of Enforcement Directorate (ED) has visited London and met the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS);

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

(c) the details of response of the CPS on the issues raised by the officials of ED;

(d) whether any time frame has been given by the CPS to finalise their stand on the issue of extradition case; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Signatory to IAIS

4349. SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
SHRI DHARMENDRA
YADAV:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH
MUNDE:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL
SHIVAJIRAO:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH
SHINDE:
SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR
PRADHAN:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO
RAUT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) is a global interface for co-ordination and information exchange between insurance supervisors;

(b) if so, whether in the absence of bilateral agreements, IAIS is not able to ensure co-ordination and information exchange among the signing authorities where cross border aspects arise in regard to supervision of insurance companies;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether India has signed IAIS Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) a global framework of co-operation and information exchange and if so the details thereof; and

(e) the extent to which the activities of Anti Money Laundering (AML) and Combating the Finance of Terrorism (CFT) in the signatory countries will be checked?

Antibiotics in Poultry Items

4350. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI ASHOK
SHANKARRAO
CHAVAN:
SHRI T.
RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI GAJANAN
KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the poultry items like eggs and meat containing a large amount of antibiotics are being sold in various parts of the country

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

(b) whether scientists have warned that the overuse of antibiotics for growth promotion in poultry is causing drug/antibiotic resistance in humans and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any research in this regard and if so, the details thereof along with the outcome thereto;

(d) whether the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has laid down any norms for the sale of poultry items across the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to update and modify regulatory framework and fasttrack elimination of harmful ingredients from food items?

Attack on Fishermen

4351. DR. SATYAPAL SINGH:
DR. ANBUMANI
RAMADOSS:
SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Sri Lankan Navy has attacked Indian fishermen and arrested them on charges of fishery related violations during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the number of fishermen attacked/arrested by the Sri Lankan Navy during the said period;

(c) whether the Indian Government has taken up the said matter with the

Sri Lankan Authorities through diplomatic channels during the said period;

(d) if so, the details and outcome thereof along with the number of such fishermen released during the said period; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to curb such incidents in future?

Dog and Monkey Bites in AIIMS

4352. SHRI A. ANWHAR
RAAJHAA:
DR. C.
GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that a large number of incidents of biting and snatching by dogs and monkeys are being reported in the campus of All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any action to curb these activities of dogs and monkeys in the hospital campus; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Signing of Hague Convention on Child Abduction

4353. KUMARI SHOBHA
KARANDLAJE:
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is not a signatory of the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, that seeks to protect children from wrongful removal across international borders and if so, the reasons for not signing the Treaty;

(b) whether with increasing cases of parental child abduction, the Government plans to rethink its position on the Treaty and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether by signing the Hague Convention, India will be compelled to recognise a foreign judgement regardless of the justness of the decision on custody under Indian law or was delivered ex-parte and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Law Commission has recently given its recommendations on this issue and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether India does not recognise removal of child by a parent as an offence and if so, the details thereof?

National Nutrition Mission

4354. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.
SCINDIA:
SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the aims and objectives of the National Nutrition Mission (NNM) implemented by the Government;

(b) the budgetary allocation made under the mission during each of the last three years and the success achieved as a result thereof;

(c) the progress and achievements made under the mission in the light of targets set in the results framework document;

(d) whether the mission is under implementation in all the indentified States/districts and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu;

(e) whether the programmes being implemented by various Ministries/Departments to address the issue of malnutrition are properly coordinated and monitored by the mission; and

(f) if so, the details thereof along with the measures contemplated to tackle the issue in a more effective manner?

Operation Surya Kiran

4355. DR. RATNA DE (NAG):
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI CHANDRA
PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to carry out defence joint exercise with Nepal by the name of operation Surya Kiran in the near future; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the strategic importance of the said exercise for the neighbouring countries?

Costly Medical Facilities

4356. SHRIMATI BUTTA
RENUKA:
DR. RAVINDRA BABU:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the health services have become beyond the reach of the common people due to high cost charged by the hospitals/doctors;

(b) if so, any measures are being taken to make the health services affordable;

(c) whether the Government proposes to regulate the charges levied by private hospitals to make it accessible to poor and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether there is a proposal to bring a legislation on 'Right to Health' covering the entire health services both in Government and private sector hospitals and if so, the details thereof?

Missing Aircraft

4357. SHRI SISIR KUMAR
ADHIKARI:
SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of fighter planes jets including AN-32 transport aircraft gone missing during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any investigation has been conducted to find out the cause of disappearance of such aircraft including AN-32 transport aircraft; and

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

Closure of Bogus Companies

4358. SHRIMATI SANTOSH
AHLAWAT:

SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU
JADHAV:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND
SARSWATI:
SHRI R. DHRUVA
NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an increase in the closure of bogus private limited companies especially those who had barely done business in the previous years but only taking loans and giving advances and creating money entries and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has prepared any action plan to monitor and curb such bogus companies; and

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

Implementation of GAAR

4359. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to implement the General Anti Avoidance Rule (GAAR) from April 1, 2017, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the GAAR was initially proposed to target companies and investors that route investments through tax heavens, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the GAAR is not likely to interplay with the right of the taxpayers to select or choose the method of implementing a transaction, if so, the details thereof?

Non-Compliance of CSR

†4360. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether private and multinational companies in the country spend meagre funds and the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) during the year 2015; and

(b) if so, the details of names of such private and multinational companies which have not complied with CSR along with the action taken by the Government against them?

Works under CSR in Rajasthan

†4361. SHRI ARUN LAL MEENA:
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the private companies, multinational companies and Semi-Government Organisation are undertaking the work of toilet construction under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) so as to make our country free from open defecation and clean;

(b) if so, the details of the number of toilets constructed since the year 2014 till now under CSR, State/UT-wise;

(c) the details of the public sector and private companies functioning in Rajasthan as on date and whether these companies or there ancillary companies have done any work under (CSR);

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the works including toilet construction, number of beneficiaries and the locations where works under CSR have been taken up including by private companies in various districts of Rajasthan including Udaipur since the year 2014 till now; and

(e) the country-wise details of funds spend during the last three years and the current financial year?

Funds Allocated for Healthcare Sector

4362. DR. ANUPAM HAZRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE:

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of GDP allocated for the healthcare sector for welfare women and children in the country at present;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating to increase the said percentage to the above vital sectors in the future; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Healthcare Sector

4363. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE:

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has entered in to an agreement with Tata Trusts and GE Healthcare that aims to train 10,000 youth in various technical areas of the Healthcare sectors in three years, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken by the Government to bridge the growing gap between demands-supply of healthcare professionals;

(c) the measures undertaken by the Government to bridge the skills gap among healthcare staff in technical or operating roles; and

(d) whether there are any special provisions for women and men belonging to rural areas, if so, the details thereof, if not, the alternative steps taken to provide them to requisite skills?

Yoga Session in Anganwadi Centres

4364. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

महिला और बाल विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has started Yoga session in all the Anganwadi Centres in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the response of the general public thereto; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to make Yoga training session compulsory for all children for Anganwadis schools and colleges to ensure healthier future for the country and if so, the details thereof?

Recruitment in Defence Services

4365. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE

रक्षा मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any report or complaints or

irregularities/malpractices in the recruitment to defence services in Kerala; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

CSR in Non-Industrial Areas

†4366. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS

कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are such districts in the country where there is neither any factory nor any industry and due to which the developmental works cannot be undertaken there under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether CSR funds are provided only in such areas where factories/industries are located and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in such circumstances, the Government proposes to change the CSR guidelines/expenditure rules providing CSR Funds to those districts so that contribution of companies/industries can be obtained for providing drinking water, development of educational institutions and healthcare, etc. in those areas; and

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

Exit Examination for MBBS Graduates

4367. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:
SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G. FATEPARA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Medical Commission (NMC) Bill proposes an exit examination which all MBBS graduates have to clear to get practice licence;

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

(c) the other steps being taken by the Government to ensure transparency and accountability in the medical education in the country?

Stapler Pins in Tea Bags

4368. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to ban the use of stapler pins in tea bags considering its health hazards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons behind such a decision;

(d) whether health hazards have been reported in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

National Health Mission

4369. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has integrated the staff under the National Health Mission (NHM) working under various programmes under a single umbrella, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this will check duplication of staff in some places, while opening up possibilities of round-the-clock services where it is required, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the new system is functioning properly in all the States, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is planning to increase the remuneration of staffs under NHM, if so, the details thereof?

Local Currency Loan in Indian Rupees

4370. SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI:

NEW DELHI;
August 5, 2017
Shravana 14, 1939 (Saka)

Will the Minister of FINANCE

वित्त मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has explored the possibility for availing of local currency loan in Indian Rupees instead of LIBOR based dollar denominated loan from World Bank and Asian Development Bank (ADB) which has inherent exchange rate fluctuation risk;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the comparative advantage and disadvantage of local currency loan over dollar denominated LIBOR based loan?

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Secretary General

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New Delhi
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