

## LOK SABHA

### List of Questions for ORAL ANSWERS

Tuesday, March 21, 2017/Phalguna 30, 1938 (Saka)

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

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

Total Number of Questions — 20

#### Misleading Advertisements

†\*261. SHRI UDAY PRATAP  
SINGH:  
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR  
MONDAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of false/misleading advertisements rapidly growing all over the country and if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(b) the mechanism put in place to check misleading advertisements especially in print and electronic media?

#### Revival of Closed PSUs/Industrial Units

†\*262. SHRI SHYAMA CHARAN  
GUPTA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any scheme or action plan to protect sick public sector undertakings and for revival/rejuvenation of PSUs/industrial units which have been closed down;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the details of the PSUs/industrial units where revival plan is being implemented, State and location-wise including Naini in Allahabad;

(c) the action taken by the Government

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to provide means of livelihood to the workers employed in the sick/closed down PSUs/industrial units including in Naini, Allahabad; and

(d) whether the rising dues of the workers in these units is leading to unrest among the workers and if so, the corrective steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

#### **Conservation of Vellayani Lake**

\*263. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the Kerala State Biodiversity Board has submitted a concept note for the conservation of the Vellayani Lake, located in Thiruvananthapuram as a Biodiversity Heritage site under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002;

(b) if so, the details and the status of the said proposal;

(c) whether the Government is likely to provide financial assistance of Rs. 75 crore required for the conservation of the lake as a biodiversity site, promoting eco-tourism and other capacity building initiatives; and

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

#### **Custodial Deaths**

†\*264. SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

SHRI A.

ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a sharp increase in the incidents of deaths in police custody in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the total number of such cases reported, persons convicted and the action taken against the guilty along with the steps taken to solve all the cases during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the number of minors, especially children aged below 14 years who have died in police custody during the said period, State-wise;

(d) the number of children belonging to the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes out of the said custodial deaths; and

(e) the percentage of the custodial deaths of children out of the total cases of custodial deaths along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

#### **Kigali Agreement**

\*265. SHRI BAIJAYANT JAY PANDA:  
SHRI R. DHRUVA  
NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Kigali Agreement which amended the Montreal Protocol and substantially limited the emission of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) that contribute to global warming;

(b) the commitments pledged by India

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in the Kigali Agreement and the action plan to fulfil its commitments;

(c) whether the Government has banned the release of HFC-23, a family of potent greenhouse gases and if so, the alternatives for the same;

(d) the budgetary allocation for aiding the purpose of attaining these goals; and

(e) the measures taken by the Government to bolster R&D and technological initiatives to come up with alternatives to HFCs and cleaner sources of energy?

#### **Demand and Supply of Fertilizers**

\*266. SHRI D.S. RATHOD:  
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the demand and supply of various fertilizers in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) whether shortage of fertilizers and delay in supply have been reported in various States and if so, the details thereof and the remedial steps taken thereon;

(c) whether the Fertilizer Association of India along with Argus Media had organized a two-day event to understand trends and anticipated growth in water soluble fertilizers in the country and if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(d) the major issues discussed in the aforesaid conference along with the outcome thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to meet the growing demand for NPK and water soluble fertilizers in the country?

#### **Fencing along Gujarat Border**

\*267. SHRI C.R. PATIL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that out of the total 512 km. of land border of Gujarat with Pakistan, only 340 km. has been sanctioned for fencing and fencing work has been completed for only 262.7 km. and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the remaining stretch of border area is very sensitive and requires urgent fencing and if so, the steps being taken to complete the fencing work expeditiously;

(c) whether the Government has taken note of the incidents of smuggling of weapons/contrabands as well as infiltration of anti-nationals through the porous stretch of the said border and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) the time by which the fencing of the entire stretch of 512 km. of Gujarat border is likely to be completed?

#### **Cochlear Implant Project**

\*268. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken up Cochlear Implant Project in the country and if so, the details and the status of the project;

(b) whether the Government has appointed a nodal agency for identifying the beneficiaries under the said project and

if so, the details thereof along with the number of beneficiaries identified so far, region and State-wise;

(c) the number of persons who underwent Cochlear implant surgery under the said project in the country including Mumbai;

(d) whether the Government proposes to expand the said project so that maximum number of deaf persons across the country are able to avail benefit; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the proposed coverage under the said project in terms of area/region and number of beneficiaries, State-wise?

#### Online Sale of Food

\*269. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated guidelines for the companies selling food essentials through online medium and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government has also put in place any mechanism to ensure that the rights of such consumers are protected and if so, the details thereof ?

#### Wildlife Preservation

\*270. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government recognises the important role played by local community in the preservation of wildlife in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the steps taken to involve local community more rigorously; and

(c) the details of the activities undertaken in this regard?

#### Rhino Hunting in Kaziranga National Park

†\*271. DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:  
PROF. CHINTAMANI MALVIYA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) the number of rhinoceros in the country including in Kaziranga National Park at present, National Park and State-wise;

(b) whether cases of poaching/illegal hunting of rhinoceros in Kaziranga National Park and sale of the horns clandestinely in the international market have been reported;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to put a stop on the illegal hunting of rhinoceros; and

(d) whether any arrest has been made in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the action taken against the guilty persons?

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

**Empowerment of Differently Abled Persons**

\*272. SHRI DIBYENDU  
ADHIKARI:  
SHRI TAMRADHWAJ  
SAHU:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE  
AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme towards empowerment of differently abled persons in the country and if so, the details and the status of implementation of such schemes, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up old-age homes for the differently abled persons and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total funds allocated, released and the actual expenditure incurred for the empowerment of these persons during each of the last three years and the current year along with the projection of financial resources for the next three years, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to facilitate/empower the differently abled persons so as to enable them to earn their livelihood with dignity; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the efforts made so far in this regard?

**Racial Violence**

\*273. SHRIMATI VANAROJA R.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of racial violence

have been increasing in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details of such incidents reported and arrests made in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(c) the corrective steps being taken by the Government to prevent/curb such violence in the country?

**Abatement of Air Pollution**

\*274. DR. SATYAPAL SINGH:  
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT,  
FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the existing policy for regulation of air quality and abatement of air pollution at various locations across the country;

(b) whether the Government has taken note of the report of the US Embassy which showed Delhi's air quality level as very unhealthy and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the number of patients with respiratory diseases have increased manifold in the country due to unhealthy air quality;

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

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

**Increase in Youth Joining Militancy**

\*275. SHRIMATI K.  
MARAGATHAM:  
COL. SONARAM  
CHOUHDARY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether separatist tendency and militancy remain the biggest challenge given the recent rise in local recruits in militant ranks as well as surge in infiltration attempts in the State of Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) whether it is true that after successive summer protests from 2006 to 2010, the number of youth joining militancy has spiked abruptly and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State police has also started contacting family members of local militants, urging them to impress upon their children to surrender and rejoin the mainstream;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response received thereon; and

(e) the measures taken by the Government to check separatism, alienation of youth and inclination of youth towards militancy along with the incentives provided to bring such youth back into the mainstream of the society?

**Modernisation of Police Forces Scheme**

†\*276. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI  
PAATLE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently reviewed the implementation of the Modernisation of State Police Forces Scheme and if so, the details thereof along with the shortcomings detected therein;

(b) the corrective steps taken to address these shortcomings and to make the scheme more effective;

(c) whether only a certain percentage of the Central Armed Police Forces and the State Police Personnel is being provided housing facility and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether certain left wing extremism/naxal affected States including Chhattisgarh have requested for inclusion in Group 'A' category under the said scheme on the lines of the North-Eastern States; and

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

**Paris Agreement**

\*277. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER  
REDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT,  
FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is likely to fulfil its commitment under the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the difficulties being faced by the Government in reducing the Greenhouse Gas Emissions and the steps taken/being taken to resolve such issues;

(c) whether a national consultative process on low carbon strategies is being

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considered and if so the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has made efforts to upgrade the electricity grids for taking in higher loads of renewable energy and if so, the details thereof and if not, the alternative measures being taken for increasing the use of renewable energy; and

(e) the steps being taken to curb the emissions from buildings and transport sector?

#### **Remunerative Prices for Agricultural Produce**

\*278. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:  
SHRIMATI P.K.  
SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the farmers were forced to sell their agricultural commodities at very low price;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to control crashing prices of certain agricultural commodities and save the farmers from the distress sale of their produce;

(c) whether the Government has increased the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for agricultural commodities to ensure remunerative prices to the farmers during the current year; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, commodity-wise along with the details of agricultural commodities which are covered under the Minimum Support Price (MSP)?

#### **Promotion of Hybrid Seeds**

†\*279. SHRI NARANBHAI  
KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to promote various varieties of refined hybrid seeds for diverse agricultural climatic areas in order to tackle the global climate change which has an adverse impact on cultivation and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the manner in which these hybrid seeds are likely to prove helpful in tackling the problems arising out of global climate change?

#### **Setting up of New Chemical and Fertilizer Plants**

\*280. SHRIMATI BUTTA  
RENUKA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal for setting up of new Chemical and Fertilizer plants in various States of the country;

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

(c) the names of the companies granted permission to set up the said plants, State-wise; and

(d) whether the Government has any scheme to encourage or provide incentives

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for setting up of such plants in various parts of the country including in backward region of Rayalaseema in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof?

NEW DELHI;  
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ANOOP MISHRA  
*Secretary General*

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272	Name of Member: <u>for</u> "SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI" <u>read</u> "SHRI DIBENDU ADHIKARI "
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Total Number of Questions — 230

#### Deforestation

†2991. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA  
ALISHARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether large scale deforestation has been reported in various parts of the country during the last few years;

(b) if so, the details of those regions where deforestation has taken place during the last three years and the current year along with the reasons therefor and its impact on the climatic condition, State-wise;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to prevent large scale deforestation in the country;

(d) whether the Government proposes to extend the forest areas in the country specifically in rural areas; and

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

#### Monitoring Committees for Undertrials

2992. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the meetings of the Under-Trial Monitoring Committees at the District level presided over by the District Legal Services Authority are being conducted regularly to suggest the ways and means of reducing the unwarranted detention of undertrials as directed by the Supreme Court in the country;

(b) the details of the statistics of the conduct and participation of the judicial and non-judicial members of the Under-Trial Monitoring Committee Meetings held at the District Level across the country, High Court-wise;

(c) whether the proceedings of the Under-Trial Monitoring Committee Meetings held at the District level are forwarded to the High Courts having jurisdiction to take follow-up measures and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the recommendations of Under-Trial Monitoring Committee Meetings held at the District Level are being implemented by the subordinate judiciary punctiliously and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the review by the Under-Trial Monitoring Committees have reduced the unlawful undertrial detentions in the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### Tourists from Bangladesh

†2993. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN  
BHATT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to simplify the visa rules for tourists from Bangladesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### Bharat Stage-VI Norms

2994. SHRI DILIP PATEL:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that there would be huge economic burden

on automobile companies due to implementation of Bharat Stage-VI Norms by 2020;

(b) if so, the estimates of such economic burden likely to be faced by automobile companies; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to ease the burden of automobile companies?

#### Death of Livestock

2995. SHRI J.C. DIVAKAR  
REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware about the death of livestock due to starvation in drought prone areas of the country including Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is aware that the farmers have to sell their livestock to the slaughter houses due to lack of fodder and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to check livestock deaths in drought prone areas and provide relief to the farmers who are adversely affected by the drought?

#### Registered NGOs

†2996. SHRI NATUBHAI  
GOMANBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

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be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of registered NGOs and those NGOs which are functioning without registration under the Ministry at present;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any survey/review on the functioning of NGOs;

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

(d) the number of NGOs working for the welfare of backward classes;

(e) the number of NGOs which received funds from abroad; and

(f) the action taken/proposed to be taken against those NGOs which do not follow the norms and do not maintain their accounts properly or get them audited?

#### **Mangalore Chemicals & Fertilizers Limited**

2997. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of production of fertilizers in the Mangalore Chemicals and Fertilizers (MCF) unit;

(b) whether the MCF is meeting the target in production of fertilizers and if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to enhance the production of fertilizers at MCF to meet the growing demand in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Implementation of Civil Defence Act**

2998. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation of the Civil Defence Act, 1968 with focus on its implementation in border States of the North Eastern Region (NER);

(b) the names of States that have constituted a Civil Defence Corps pursuant to section 4 of the Act and strength of each of the corps thus constituted, State-wise;

(c) the names of States that have not yet constituted a Civil Defence Corps and reasons for the same;

(d) whether the Government is planning to revise and amend the said Act; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Battalion of CAPF**

2999. SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to introduce additional Battalions of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) in the State of Odisha;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the measures taken by the Government to address the asymmetric deployment of security personnel to curb the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) activities in the State of Odisha?

#### **Sugar Production**

†3000. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of sugar has decreased by 5.92 per cent by the 15th January of the current sugar season in comparison to the last sugar season resulting in 10 per cent increase in the whole sale prices of sugar since the last 15-20 years;

(b) whether the Government is considering to make sugar duty free to check the increasing prices of sugar; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Registration of FIRs**

3001. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWASI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has recently ruled that all the FIRs barring some must be made public and uploaded within 24 hours of its registration and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of States which are following this practice at present, State-wise;

(c) whether some FIRs have been barred from being uploaded as its contents are sensitive in nature;

(d) whether the Government has issued any advisory to the States in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether all the States have started this practice after the deadline set by Supreme Court; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the steps taken or being taken by the Government in consultation with the States in this regard?

#### **Production of Wheat**

†3002. SHRI AJAY MISRA TENI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated production of wheat during the year 2016-17; and

(b) whether the Government has fixed the support price of wheat and if so, the details thereof?

#### **Estimated Demand of Pulses**

3003. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the average annual estimated demand of pulses in the country during each of the last three years, variety-wise;

(b) whether it is true that in the recently held BRICS Summit, India sought

help from some of BRICS countries and if so, the details of cooperation sought and response received therefrom; and

(c) whether any BRICS country is exploring opportunities of investment in agriculture sector in the country and if so, the details thereof?

### Setting up of Agriculture College

3004. SHRI B. SRIRAMULU:  
SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Central as well as State Agriculture Universities/colleges in the country at present, State-wise including Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether the Government proposes to open Central Agriculture University/colleges in Karnataka and Tamil Nadu in the near future;

(c) if so, the procedure/criteria laid down by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether any request from some State Governments have been received by the Government for according the status of Central Universities to their State Agriculture University;

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

(f) the details of the funds likely to be allocated by the Government for setting up of these agricultural universities/colleges?

### Processing of Meat

†3005. SHRI VIKRAM USENDI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the types of meat produced, processed and being exported in the country at present;

(b) whether any subsidy is being provided by the Government in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the amount provided as subsidy during the last three years;

(d) whether the Government proposes to withdraw this subsidy; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Storage Capacity

3006. SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to create 100 lakh MT storage capacity in the form of steel silos;

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

(c) the time by which the construction of steel silos is likely to be completed and these steel silos are likely to be available for storage of food grains?

### Procurement of Electronic Gadgets

3007. SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has procured adequate IT and IT enabled electronic gadgets, wireless sets, HD cameras, High end CCTV cameras, NVDs, safety and security equipments for various security organisations like CRPF, BSF, CISF, NSG and SIT;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the procurements made during the last two years, item, quantity and value-wise; and

(c) the remedial measures taken by the Government to fill up any gap in these inventories to boost the effectiveness of operations of various vital organisations like CRPF, BSF, CISF, NSG and SIT?

### Automotive Mission Plan

†3008. SHRI BAHADUR SINGH KOLI:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to extend the Automotive Mission Plan (AMP) 2016 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the AMP has been extended from 2016 to 2026 and if so, the main objectives of the Government under the plan; and

(c) the manner in which the country is likely to be benefited after the extension of AMP 2016 to 2026?

### Allocation under Agricultural Schemes

3009. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA:  
SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated by the Government under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), National Mission on Oil Seeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) and Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) to Tamil Nadu during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any studies on the impact of "Per Drop More Crop" on Farmers in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the funds allocated by the Government during the last two years for the "Per Drop More Crop" scheme to Tamil Nadu?

### Generic Drug Manufacturers

3010. SHRI P. KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of manufacturers of generic drugs and companies registered for manufacturing of such drugs in the country;

(b) whether these manufacturers are associated with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of drugs manufactured by the aforesaid companies?

### Violation of Human Rights

3011. SHRI RAM CHARITRA  
NISHAD:

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

(a) whether there has been violations of human rights in certain areas in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the security forces are at times compelled to act with an iron hand to protect internal security; and

(d) whether the Government has directed the security forces to avoid such violation of human rights as far as possible and if so, the details thereof?

### Corruption in Auction and Tender of PSU

†3012. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a provision of signing an Integrity pact in Public Sector Undertakings to reduce corruption in their auction and tender process;

(b) if so, the details and the number of Public Sector Undertakings which have adopted this process;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study regarding the impact of such pact on the alleged level of corruption by the external or internal agencies and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is contemplating to implement this procedure in regard to their departmental agencies also which have direct connection with the goods and services providing agents or for speedy redressal of complaints from the public and if so, the details thereof?

### Great Indian Bustard

3013. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any progress in the artificial breeding of the Great Indian Bustard, a critically endangered species;

(b) if so, the details thereof including milestones achieved since the last one year;

(c) whether there is any contributory role of the three participatory States (Gujarat, Rajasthan, and Maharashtra) in the implementation of this programme and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the projected increase in the population of the Great Indian Bustard by 2017-18; and

(e) the details of the steps taken to reduce poaching of the Great Indian Bustard?

### Assistance for Kins of Security Personnel

3014. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes being run by the Government for family and dependents of police personnel who died on duty;

(b) the amount of funds allocated and spent on the above schemes during the last three years; and

(c) the number of applications of jobs on compassionate grounds pending in the country and the action taken thereon?

### Production of Air Compressor Motors

†3015. SHRI NANA PATOLE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal to start production of air compressor motors in order to tackle the problem of pollution and shortage of fuel in the country is under consideration of the Government;

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

(c) whether representations have been received by the Government from public representatives; and

(d) the action taken so far, in this regard?

### Vegetable Oil Board

†3016. SHRI PRATAPRAO

JADHAV:

SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Board is working for development of vegetable oil sector;

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

(c) whether the board is not able to achieve their objective and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to review the functioning of the board; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Removing Cap on SDRF Allocation

3017. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to remove the cap of 25 per cent and enforce the earlier norms for the annual allocation of SDRF in view of the situation in the State of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the annual allocation for SDRF according to the growth ratio criteria; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Welfare Schemes for SCs and OBCs**

3018. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:  
SHRI BHANU PRATAP  
SINGH VERMA:  
SHRI INNOCENT:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various welfare schemes including social security schemes being run for the Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in the country;

(b) the estimated number of beneficiaries covered under these schemes;

(c) the details of funds allocated and spent under these schemes during the last three years and the current year, scheme-wise and State-wise;

(d) the mechanism in place for monitoring the implementation of the schemes run by the Government for the welfare of SCs and OBCs in the country;

(e) whether the pace of implementation of the said schemes is very slow;

(f) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken in this regard;

(g) whether the Government has evaluated the impact of these schemes on Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes and;

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

**Retail Price of Essential Items**

3019. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR  
JENA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the retail prices of sugar, potato, chana dal, rice, wheat and milk in the current year;

(b) whether the prices of the above food items have increased or decreased from the last year;

(c) the details of the increase or decrease; and

(d) the stance of the Government with regard to the increasing prices of essential food commodities like sugar and potato and the steps taken to arrest this increasing trend?

**Drug Literature**

3020. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is mandatory for drug manufacturers to provide drug literature along with their products and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is aware of the fact that drug manufacturers have stopped providing drug literature along with their products and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the action taken/being taken by the Government regarding the aforesaid issue?

**Animal Health Fair**

†3021. SHRI PANKAJ  
CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received letters from the public representatives of Uttar Pradesh for organizing Animal Health Fairs/Public awareness fairs/camps to promote duck rearing in Maharajganj region of UP;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government thereon till date; and

(c) the time by which these fairs/camps are likely to be organized?

**Exploitation by Chemists**

3022. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that medical shops/chemists compel the retail customers to buy full medicine strip of 10/20 tablets in spite of doctors prescription for lesser days;

(b) whether the medical shops/chemists are adopting this practice of push sale to earn more thereby causing financial loss to the patients;

(c) whether various private hospitals are compelling the customers to buy medicines from their medical stores at higher rates;

(d) whether the Government proposes to take concrete measures to protect the small customers and poor patients from such exploitation by the medical shops/chemists; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Awareness Programmes for FPI**

3023. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH  
SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides assistance for organizing workshops, seminars, exhibitions, fairs for studies/survey etc. to create awareness about the potential and prospects of food processing industries in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the amount released and spent for the purpose during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the number of such programmes conducted by the Government in each State during the said period; and

(d) the number of persons benefited therefrom?

**Pine Needles**

3024. SHRI PREM DAS RAI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the power generation capacity of pine needles;

(b) if so, the details of current and proposed projects for generation of power through pine needles; and

(c) the details of investment made in this regard, if any?

#### **Suicide by Farmers in Flood Affected States**

3025. SHRI SIRAJUDDIN  
AJMAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of farmers have committed suicide in flood affected States including Assam during the last three years and the current year; and

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

#### **Indian Citizenship to Pakistani Immigrants**

3026. SHRIMATI SANTOSH  
AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Pakistani immigrants near Rajasthan-Pakistan Border have applied for Indian citizenship;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether recently the Government has delegated district Magistrates with the authority of granting Indian citizenship to Pakistan migrants; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Revival of PSUs**

3027. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:  
SHRI R.  
GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to revive various fertilizer plants in the country in collaboration with Central PSUs;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has fixed any time frame to complete the revival process of these plants and if so, the details and present status thereof?

#### **Purchase of Foodgrains**

3028. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR  
PANDEY:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of foodgrains purchased by the Government from each State especially Jharkhand, during the last three years;

(b) whether the Government has undertaken any agricultural development schemes in Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the budgetary allocation and disbursal for such schemes?

#### **Environmental Damage due to Illegal Mining**

†3029. SHRI BHANU PRATAP  
SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to assess the damage caused to the environment on account of illegal mining in Uttar Pradesh particularly in Bundelkhand;

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

(c) whether any report has been sought from Uttar Pradesh in this regard, if so, the details and response received thereon; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to check illegal mining and damage to the environment in Uttar Pradesh?

#### **Mechanisation in Agriculture**

†3030. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data regarding losses caused to the local workers due to mechanization in agriculture sector and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the manner in which the said loss caused to local workers is compensated?

#### **Dual MRP Policy for Bottled Water**

3031. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN  
SINGH:  
SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:  
SHRI OM PRAKASH  
YADAV:  
SHRI JANARDAN  
MISHRA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the Government is aware of the firms having dual MRP policy for bottled mineral water, beverages and packaged goods i.e. a higher MRP for the same product to be sold in Malls, Airports etc. if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereof;

(b) whether the major manufacturers of bottled packaged water have sought some relief from the Government on dual MRP and if so, the details of the same and the name of the companies involved in it;

(c) whether any committee has been constituted for redressal of complaints received regarding goods being sold at prices exceeding the Maximum Retail Price and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of complaints received from the States including Madhya Pradesh and Bihar in this regard; and

(e) whether steps have been taken by the Government for the redressal of the complaints received and if so, the details thereof?

### Production of Oilseeds in Karnataka

3032. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects implemented to support and improve production of pulses and oilseeds in Karnataka;

(b) the details of funds allocated, disbursed and expenditure incurred for the above purpose in Karnataka during the last five years;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to provide adequate financial, logistic and technical support to Karnataka to improve production of pulses, grains, oilseeds; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to support the revenue loss to farmers due to the natural calamities like heavy winds/rainfall and subsequent floods?

### Hostel Facility to SC/OBC Students

†3033. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:  
SHRI OM PRAKASH  
YADAV:  
SHRI SUMEDHANAND  
SARSWATI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of hostels constructed for SC and OBC students through Nanaji Deshmukh Scheme in the country, State-wise, including Bihar and Rajasthan;

(b) the total number of students benefited under the scheme during the last three years, category and State-wise; and

(c) the number of pending proposals received from various States for construction of hostels for SC and OBC students along with the action taken to expedite the said proposals, State-wise?

### Eco-Sensitive Zone

3034. SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI ASHOK  
SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN  
MAHATO:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the large cutting/felling of trees in the eco-sensitive zone near the eastern gate of Taj Mahal;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken against those held responsible in this regard;

(c) whether the National Green Tribunal has issued notice to the Ministry in this regard;

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

(e) the further steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure that no unauthorized construction activities are permitted in the eco-sensitive zone near the said monument?

### Sale of Stolen Mobile Phones

†3035. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Police has recently unearthed a racket in which a gang operating in Haryana and Rajasthan was indulging in stealing mobile phones and subsequently selling such phones after changing the IMEI numbers in the NCT of Delhi;

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

(c) the total number of theft and other crimes reported and the action taken by the Delhi Police in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year?

### Sugarcane Dues

3036. SHRI S.P.  
MUDDAHANUME  
GOWDA:  
SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER

AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the rate of sugarcane prices being paid to the farmers and the facilities provided by the Government to sugar mills;

(b) the outstanding dues of sugarcane growers against the sugar mills in Karnataka, as on date, along with the dues pertaining to the previous year;

(c) the number of private, co-operative and Government owned sugar mills in Karnataka along with the number of mills which are in operation;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Government has received complaints regarding non-purchasing of the entire sugarcane; and

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

### Intensive Irrigation Development Programme

†3037. PROF. RAVINDRA  
VISHWANATH  
GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposals received by the Government from the State Government of Maharashtra for allocation of funds under Intensive Irrigation Development Programme for agriculture development scheme in the State during the last two years;

(b) the number of proposals approved out of the proposals received and the number of proposals pending so far; and

(c) the time by which the pending proposals are likely to be approved and sanctioned by the Government?

### State Human Rights Commission

3038. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

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

(a) the details of State Human Rights Commission functioning in the country, State-wise;

(b) the total number of violent incidents and complaints received and pending in the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the total number of cases in which the Union and the State Governments have accepted the recommendations of NHRC and the action taken thereon, State-wise;

(d) the details of the amount of compensation paid on the recommendations made by the NHRC during the said period, State-wise;

(e) whether there are reports of non disbursement of such compensation to the victims; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken by the Government in this regard, State-wise?

### Internet and PDS Rations

3039. SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the Government is aware of a media report under the caption "Need internet to buy PDS rations? Go climb a tree";

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

(c) whether the Government is likely to reconsider its decision to make Aadhaar compulsory for PDS in view of the poor internet connectivity in some parts of the country particularly the rural areas and if so, the details thereof?

### Modern System of Agriculture

†3040. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated a scheme to promote the use of modern system of agriculture on small land holdings in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether the Government is imparting training to the farmers for using latest technology in agriculture in the country including Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Landfills Near Tribal Villages

3041. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that huge dumps and landfills are being located next to tribal villages, creating enormous toxic pollution for thousands of tribals near river water projects;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to enforce the extant laws and ban landfills/mud dumps near human settlements of tribals, dalits and farmers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Crop Insurance

3042. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of per acre premium in rupees for crop insurance of irrigated and non-irrigated crops and the per acre amount assured separately;

(b) the details of sum assured for crop damage upto 25 per cent, 50 per cent, 75 per cent and 100 per cent, separately; and

(c) whether the Government would insure both irrigated and non-irrigated

crops on the basis of production cost per acre and would ensure at least 1.5 times insurance of cost of production in case of cent per cent or more than 75 percent damage of crops, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### Scheduled Castes Sub-plan

3043. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a huge difference between Budget Estimates, Revised Estimates and the Actual Expenditure under the Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCSP) during the last three years;

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

(c) the details of BE, RE, Actual Expenditure and achievements under SCSP during the said period, Ministry-wise/ Department-wise?

### Wastage of Fruits and Vegetables

3044. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that fruits and vegetables got wasted due to non-availability of market and lack of processing, packing, distribution and consumption and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to effectively utilize huge quantity of fruits and vegetable wastes as livestock feed and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the processing for fruits and vegetables in the country?

#### Attack on North Eastern Citizens

3045. SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

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

(a) whether various crimes, racial attacks and derogatory remarks against citizens hailing from the North Eastern States are on the rise in the country;

(b) if so, the total number of such cases reported, guilty arrested and the action taken against them during each of the last three years and the current year, crime and State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has assessed the reasons for the increase in the said incidents, if so, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to promulgate an anti-racial law or amend the Indian Penal Code to make "racial discrimination" a non-bailable criminal offence; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the other corrective measures taken to stop such cases in future along with the details of advisories issued to States and police departments in this regard?

#### Pollution due to Steel Plants

†3046. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether public and private sector steel factories are polluting the environment and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether inspection of the steel plants is being carried out by the Government;

(c) if so, the number and details of inspections carried out during the last three years alongwith the pollutants found during the inspections and the corrective action taken thereon;

(d) the funds allocated/sanctioned by the Government to the steel plants to install pollution control equipments during the last three years; and

(e) the details of steel plants where pollution control equipments have been installed/are yet to be installed, along with the time by which such equipments are likely to be installed in all the Steel plants, State/UT-wise?

#### Digitization of Ration Cards

3047. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:  
SHRI CHANDU LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER

#### AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for digitization of ration cards in all the States in the country, if so, the details and the present status thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken any steps to revamp all the FCI godowns in the country and also for their online functioning, if so, the details and the present status thereof;

(c) the time by which the above proposal is likely to be implemented across the country;

(d) the number of States that have completed online allocation of rations; and

(e) whether many States have not even started the online allocation work and there is no time line by which the process would be completed, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

#### IT-enabled Urea Distribution Policy

3048. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any systematic IT enabled Urea Distribution Policy in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details regarding the entire mechanism under the said policy including

distribution network and agents/dealers for the said distribution?

#### Funds under CAMPA

3049. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has allocated funds to States/UTs under the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA);

(b) if so, the total amount of funds allocated under the CAMPA till date, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has prepared any guidelines to monitor the works done from the said funds and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### Extension of AFSPA

3050. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has been decided to extend the Armed Forces Special Powers Act in three districts of Arunachal Pradesh; and

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

**National Helpline**

3051. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to introduce a national helpline to enable people to lodge complaints or get information about forest related activities and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there are provisions relating to man animal conflict and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has established any mechanism for the said purpose and launched a pilot project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Assembly Seat**

3052. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from Telangana requesting for increase of assembly seats in accordance with the AP Reorganisation Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the response of the Government in this regard?

**Procurement of Paddy**

†3053. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government for procurement of paddy from Gujarat;

(b) whether the whole quantity of paddy has not been procured from the farmers in Gujarat due to lack of godowns required for procurement of paddy;

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

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide bonus to the farmers for making arrangement for procurement of whole quantity of paddy from Gujarat; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Irregularities in Shelter Home**

3054. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN: DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that around 153 mentally retarded women and children were ill-treated and spied upon through the CCTV camera by the male employees in a shelter home in the NCT of Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has constituted any committee to investigate into the matter; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which such committee is likely to submit its report?

**Crop Insurance Schemes**

†3055. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE: SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the usage of live satellite data and drones in order to accurately gauge crop damage for providing compensation under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the total cropped area where such technology is being deployed by the Government, State-wise;

(c) whether the latest technologies such as GPRS and camera mobile phones are likely to be used in the effective implementation of the Crop Insurance Schemes in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to organise a comprehensive programme for the capacity building according to the needs of the stakeholders such as the officials of the concerned State Governments, insurers and the Central Government agencies associated with the crops insurance schemes, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the insurance companies and banks with the assistance of the State Governments concerned propose to prepare any programme to create

awareness and insurance literacy among farmers, if so, the details thereof?

**NSSO Report on Farming**

†3056. DR. SWAMI SAKSHIJI MAHARAJ:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the acres/hectares of land notified/allotted/transferred for urbanisation, industrialisation and infrastructure projects across the country and particularly in Uttar Pradesh during the last five years;

(b) whether as per the NSSO report a number of farmers in the country do not like farming; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**Seasonal Agricultural Operation Loan to Farmers**

3057. SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched any scheme to provide Seasonal Agricultural Operation loans to farmers and if so, the details and the salient features thereof;

(b) the details of loan disbursed under the scheme since the inception of the scheme, State-wise; and

(c) the beneficiaries under the scheme till date since the inception of the scheme, State-wise?

**Identity Cards to Hindu Refugees**

3058. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR:

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

(a) whether the Union Government has asked the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir to submit a status report on the issuance of identity cards to Hindu refugees from West Pakistan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, whether the Government proposes to direct the State Government to expedite the proposal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Raising Day**

3059. KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI ASHOK  
SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:  
SHRI GAJANAN  
KIRTIKAR:

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

(a) whether the Government has announced the observance of Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) Raising Day on 9th March, 2017 in the country and if so, the details along with the aims and objectives thereof;

(b) the details of the programmes organized by the Government on this occasion;

(c) the extent to which the objectives of observing the said day has been achieved;

(d) whether the Government proposes to enhance the strength of CISF in view of huge work load and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government for the welfare of CISF personnel as well as their families?

**Global Tiger Initiative**

3060. SHRI K.N.  
RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is a party to the Global Tiger Initiative and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any goal of doubling the tiger population, globally by 2020; and

(c) if so, the details of the initiatives taken by the Government under Project Tiger and National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) programmes, so far?

**Decrease in Coconut Prices**

3061. SHRI P.C.  
GADDIGOUDAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that farmers are suffering losses due to collapse in the prices of coconut in the country including Karnataka;

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

(c) whether the Government has started any scheme to encourage farmers by providing them remunerative prices for coconut in the country including Karnataka, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the funds allocated by the Government and spent for the said purpose in the country including Karnataka till date, the details thereof, State-wise?

**Funding for R&D**

3062. SHRI ANURAG SINGH  
THAKUR:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal for funding the Research and Development (R&D) costs for developing indigenous low-cost electric technology for vehicles; and

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

**Mango Processing Units**

3063. SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to encourage mango growers and traders to engage in producing value added products by providing adequate training and financial assistance to setup Mango processing units and if so, the details thereof; and

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

**World Day of Social Justice**

3064. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any programme on the World Day of Social Justice in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the programme organised on the occasion of World Day of Social Justice;

(c) the extent to which the objectives of observing the said day has been achieved;

(d) whether the Government recognise the need to promote efforts to tackle issues such as poverty, exclusion and unemployment in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Forest Development Activities**

3065. SHRIMATI KIRRON  
KHER:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of forest development activities undertaken currently in the country;

(b) the details of funds allocated for forest development activities during the last three years;

(c) whether initiatives have been taken to involve local people in forest development activities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### GM Crops

3066. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Council of Agricultural Research and Agricultural Universities have taken any steps for conducting field trials of Genetically Modified (GM) crops in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(b) the steps being taken to reduce the time lag between an application for conducting field trials and its subsequent approval or disapproval?

### Micro Irrigation Project

†3067. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Micro Irrigation Project has not started smoothly under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana in some States of the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Micro Irrigation Project is not being started in these States due to indifference of the Government;

(d) if so, whether the Government has issued any guidelines to these State Governments to get the Micro Irrigation Project started; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the other steps taken by the Government to implement the Micro Irrigation Project effectively in the entire country?

### Swachhta Udyami Yojana

3068. SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had launched a new scheme Swachhta Udyami Yojana during the year 2014;

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

(c) the projects/activities under the scheme, State-wise including Tamil Nadu;

(d) whether any proposals for financial assistance have been received by the Government under the scheme;

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Tamil Nadu along with the purpose for which financial assistance has been sought; and

(f) the action being taken by the Government on the said proposals, State-wise?

### Driverless Cars

3069. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that India has become a design hub for global auto makers, especially for compact cars and two wheelers and the industry needs to respond expeditiously to fresh challenges such as the emergence of driverless cars and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is likely to be a greater demand for newer automotive designs to meet the aspirations of the Indian market and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the industry needs to focus more on tapping the rural market which currently has only 13 per cent share of passenger vehicles sales; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Procurement of Rice

3070. SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of total quantum of rice produced and procured during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government for increasing procurement and making proper arrangement for storage and marketing of foodgrains in the country, State-wise?

### Depletion of Natural Resources

3071. SHRI INNOCENT:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any information regarding depletion of natural resources of forests of Western Ghats region and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken any action to obtain factual information in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

### Pay Revision of PSUs

3072. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware that revision of pay scale is due from 01.01.2017 for employees of PSUs and Cooperative fertilizer producing units as the Central Government has already implemented 7th Pay Commission; and

(b) the details of the action taken for timely revision of pay scale of employees of PSUs and Cooperative fertilizer producing units?

**Subsidized Foodgrains from Fair Price Shops**

3073. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of households, rural and urban, that have purchased subsidized foodgrains from Fair Price Shops under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS), State and year-wise, since 2014;

(b) the number of ration cards issued, since 2014, year-wise;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to update beneficiary database of TPDS since implementation of the National Food Security Act, 2013; and

(d) the number of Fair Price Shops in rural and urban areas, State and year-wise, since 2014?

**Post Matric Scholarship for Disabled**

3074. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAOTALA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only 2368 students with disabilities and 3777 students under post-matric scholarship scheme have been benefited in the year 2015-16 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is lack of awareness regarding Government's schemes amongst students with disabilities which led to poor number of beneficiaries and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) whether the Government has issued any special guidelines to the States for awareness generation and timely effective implementation of the scheme for upliftment of physically and mentally challenged persons and if so, the details and outcome thereof?

**Greenhouse Cultivation**

3075. SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to encourage farmers to take up greenhouse cultivation, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes any policy or plan to take greenhouse cultivation up to an extended revolution in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to bring such production activities under a special mechanism, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has signed any agreement or MoU with other countries especially with Netherland to promote greenhouse cultivation in the country?

**Increasing Stipend of Surrendered Militants**

3076. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the stipend of the surrendered militants in different parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of surrendered militants getting stipend in the country, State-wise; and

(c) the total number of designated camps or outfits in operation in the country, State-wise?

**Setting up for New Markets**

3077. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal for setting up new markets in various States of the country including North Eastern States in order to facilitate the agricultural producers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which these markets are likely to be set up?

**Production of Coconuts**

3078. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of coconuts in Maharashtra during each of the last three years and the current year, year-wise;

(b) the number of coconut tree climbers and tappers employed in Maharashtra;

(c) the number of farms owned by the Coconut Development Board and the types and varieties of coconut grown in Maharashtra; and

(d) the steps taken by the Coconut Development Board to promote the cultivation of coconut?

**Mandatory Hallmarking of Jewellery**

3079. SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for mandatory Hallmarking of gold, silver items;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent to which Hallmarking ensures purity of the metal items;

(d) whether the Government has set up recognized Hallmarking centres all over the country, if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Cancellation of Tender for Speed Boats**

3080. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that following allegations of corruption, the Government has cancelled all the tenders invited for 75 speed boats for coastal security and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has investigated the allegation of corruption;

(c) if so, the outcome and action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government against the erring officials;

(d) whether action has been initiated by the Government for retendering process so that coastal security is not hampered; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Rashtriya Krishi Bazar Pariyojana**

†3081. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received a proposal to connect Malegaon Mandi, Lasalgaon Mandi and Nasik Mandi of Nasik district with Rashtriya Krishi Bazar Pariyojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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

**Pollution due to Fire Crackers**

†3082. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the increasing air pollution, the Government proposes to ban fire crackers during festivals/ceremonies specially in marriage ceremony;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the steps being taken in this regard?

**Research & Development**

3083. DR. K. KAMARAJ:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the expenditure incurred by the Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in the Pharmaceutical sector on Research and Development (R&D) work as compared to private sector during each of the last two years;

(b) whether some of the above PSUs have been declared sick and closed down and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the medicines produced by these PSUs are now being imported by spending foreign exchange; and

(d) if not, the alternative arrangements made by the Government for the availability of medicines in the country?

**Funds for Pollution Abatement Schemes**

3084. SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has allocated/released funds under the National River Conservation Programme (NRCP), National Lake Conservation Plan (NLCP) and various other programmes to control pollution; and

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year, Scheme and State/UT-wise including Andhra Pradesh and Telangana?

**Pet Animal Welfare**

3085. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to introduce certain provisions to prevent cruelty inflicted on animals kept in various shops for sale;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is likely to be mandatory to maintain the records of sales, purchase, sick animals and death of animals in the pet shops and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other provision being contemplated for the welfare of pet animals?

**Drug Price Control Order**

3086. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Drug Price Control Order, 2013 has a provision for price revision of essential drugs;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the basis on which such revision is undertaken indicating the revision carried out since its inception;

(c) whether the Government proposes to lower the prices of the essential medicines during the current year and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether a number of Drugs companies have opposed the move of the Government; and

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

**Goodwill Ambassadors for Organic Farming**

3087. SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to sign up regional personalities/celebrities as goodwill ambassadors to promote organic farming, drip irrigation, soil health cards and other projects; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Assistance for Pollution Control**

†3088. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared/proposes to formulate any action plan to provide assistance including financial, technical or otherwise to the State Governments to control industrial and environmental pollution;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of financial and technical assistance provided for this purpose during each of the last three years, State-wise?

**Assistance to Endosulfan Victims**

3089. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has noticed the recent Supreme Court Judgement for the assistance to endosulfan victims of the country;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to insist the endosulfan producers to abide the court order;

(c) whether the Government will take strict action to make sure that the dreaded/highly toxic chemicals will not be produced in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Improvement in Situation of Kashmir**

†3090. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the extent to which the situation in Kashmir has improved in the current year;

(b) whether the situation is getting fully normal; and

(c) if so, the measures being taken to keep the situation normal permanently?

**Enemy Property**

3091. SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM: SHRI HARINARAYAN RAJBHAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

**DISTRIBUTION**

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

(a) whether the Government has started/proposes to start online portal for registering various types of complaints like electricity, water, hospital, road, etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the portal is likely to be set up across the country?

**Surface Water Pollution**

3094. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that "Water Aid" an international organization has stated in its report that 80 per cent of the surface water in India is polluted and is dangerous to health;

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

(c) the steps taken by the Government to check surface water pollution in the country?

**Encroachment of Forest Land**

†3095. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of properties sold by the Custodian of Enemy Property (CEP) in the country since 1978, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether the Supreme Court in its recent verdict has suggested transfer of enemy property to the Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the status of the Enemy Property Act, 1968 and the Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971; and

(e) the details of other measures taken by the Government regarding enemy property?

**Green Cover**

†3092. SHRI SUBHASH PATEL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether green areas in the cities has declined from 68% to 25% since 1973 due to continuous increase in constructed area;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any action plan to increase green area in the cities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Online Portal for Complaints**

†3093. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC

(a) the total area of forest land in the country along with the details of the forest land occupied by tribals/forest dwellers and non-tribal people for livelihood, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether complaints have been received by the Union Government regarding encroachment of forest land by outsiders for constructing farm houses and Dhabas in Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government thereon;

(c) the penal provisions under the Indian Forest Act for encroachment of reserved forest land; and

(d) the details of the action taken along with the number of persons against whom action has been taken under these provisions in Maharashtra during the last three years?

#### BS-IV Norms for Vehicles

3096. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASAREDDY:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided that only BS-IV compliant vehicles will be manufactured from April 1, 2017 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government would allow the registration of non-BS-IV vehicles after April, 2017 and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Environment Pollution Prevention and Control Authority (EPCA) has directed that vehicle manufacturers should exhaust their stock of non-BS-IV

vehicles before April, 2017 and the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers are raising the issue of inventory of non-BS-IV vehicles and has said it is impossible for them to meet the April 1 deadline, due to the impact of demonetisation; and

(d) if so, whether unsold non-BS-IV vehicles would be allowed to register after April 1 or would have to be scrapped?

#### Chemicals in Vegetables

3097. SHRI Y.V. SUBBAREDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ICAR has found high quantity of arsenic content in potato, brinjal, arum, amaranth, radish, lady's finger, cauliflower, etc., recently which affected more than 7 crore people and more than 3 lakhs of people are also affected with arsenic-related diseases due to use of arsenic-laden water for irrigation, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also true that 100 out of 640 districts in the country are affected with arsenic contamination/poisoning;

(c) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon;

(d) whether the Government is also aware that crops in 48 mandals out of 56 mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh have been affected due to high quantity of fluoride and arsenic in ground water; and

(e) if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard including short term and long term measures?

#### Pricing of Hip Implants

3098. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:  
SHRI VINAYAK  
BHAURAO RAUT:  
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH  
MUNDE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the import price of a popular hip implant is Rs. 8,906 but by the time it is marked on a patient's bill, it costs Rs. 1.29 lakh, a markup of 1,448 per cent and if so, the facts thereof;

(b) whether such scam is occurring daily but it does not make an impact because it is scattered across the country and if so, the response of the Government thereon;

(c) whether there have been many discussions on the inflated prices of ortho implants and syringes but no action has been done so far and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to bring ortho implants and syringes under NLEP to check the said irregularities?

#### Culling of Pigs

3099. DR. RAVINDRA BABU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the tribes which are involved in raising of pigs for meat

purpose and for their livelihood in the country including Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether it is a fact that there was a large scale culling of pigs in the country including Andhra Pradesh recently, if so, the main reasons for such culling;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to avoid such culling of pigs in future;

(d) whether it is true that the epidemics in pigs cannot be treated like any other epidemic diseases in the country, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether there is any proposal with the Government to allot land by Municipal Corporations and Panchayats for raising of pigs in a scientific way as it is being done in many advanced/developed countries of the world, if so, the details thereof?

#### WPI and CPI

†3100. SHRI RAM KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether an increase in Wholesale Price Index (WPI) and decrease in Consumer Price Index (CPI) was estimated in the country during January, 2017 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the percentage of the said increase and reduction registered during the same period last year, 2016; and

(c) the reasons for the increase in WPI and decrease in CPI?

**Consumer Products**

3101. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether it has been reported that consumer products are adulterated or contaminated during transit, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether large scale pilferage is also reported especially on products like cosmetics, healthcare, childcare, hygiene, etc., if so, the measures being taken for safety sealing of these products, in detail; and

(c) the steps taken to expedite the submission of report on amending provisions of the Legal Metrology Act, 2009 and its immediate implementation?

**Forest Assistance Programme**

3102. SHRINAGENDRA KUMAR PRADHAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has discontinued the forest assistance programme in the country including the Maoist affected districts;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to reintroduce the said programmes in

Maoist affected districts and if so, the details thereof?

**Protection to Cashew Workers**

3103. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that a huge number of cashew workers lost their employment due to the change in policy of levying tax;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to protect the cashew workers;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide sufficient quantum of raw cashew at reasonable prices, so as to protect the cashew industry; and

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

**Demographic Changes due to Illegal Immigration**

†3104. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

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

(a) whether demographic changes are taking place in the bordering areas in an unexpected manner owing to inadequate monitoring on the borders and illegal immigration;

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

(c) whether the Government proposes to speed up the works like border fencing and installation of satellite monitoring equipments and if so, the details thereof?

**Reservation to Jats in Central List of OBC**

3105. SHRI RAJKUMAR SAINI:  
PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has struck down the OBC reservation in Central List granted to the Jats;

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

(c) whether the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC) has opposed the grant of OBC status to Jats and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is again considering to provide reservation to Jats and if so, the details thereof?

**Caste Related Violence**

†3106. SHRI HARINARAYAN  
RAJBHAR:  
SHRI MD.  
BADARUDDOZA KHAN:  
SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:  
SHRI MOHD. SALIM:  
SHRI CHANDRA  
PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether caste related violences are on the rise in the country and if so, the details thereof indicating the total number of such cases reported, persons killed/injured separately, guilty arrested/convicted and the action taken against the guilty during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government has identified the reasons behind such increase and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any inquiry in this regard and if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to introduce any law to tackle caste related violence and communal violence, which takes into account principles of command responsibility, relief and rehabilitation and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the comprehensive measures taken by the Government to prevent/check such violence including advisories issued to the States in this regard and the follow up action taken by the States on such advisories?

**Agreement for Cooperation in Agriculture**

3107. DR. HEENA  
VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
SHRI J.C. DIVAKAR  
REDDY:  
SHRI SUMAN BALKA:  
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL  
VIJAYSINH  
SHANKARRAO:

SHRI DHANANJAY  
MAHADIK:  
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:  
SHRI DIBYENDU  
ADHIKARI:  
SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH  
PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has signed agreements with a number of countries including Poland and Israel to enhance agricultural cooperation;

(b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last five years and the current year along with the core objectives thereof;

(c) the details of programmes undertaken and implemented *vice-versa* support extended and activities done under these agreements during the said period, country-wise;

(d) whether a Joint Working Group has been set up thereunder and if so, the details thereof along with the benefit that India will get out of this agreement; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to promote viable farm practices that have been adopted by several countries?

#### Revamping Crop Insurance Scheme

3108. DR. BHOLA SINGH:  
SHRI P.K. BIJU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to revamp the old crop insurance scheme by reconciling the discrepancies under recently introduced new Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) to enable farmers to get maximum benefits, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any deficiencies have been found in the existing form of crop insurance scheme, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government has sought views of various State Governments on revamping of the crop insurance scheme, if so, the response of the various State Governments thereto;

(d) whether the amount of premium paid by farmers under PMFBY has been substantially reduced and also the cap on payment on insurance has been withdrawn, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to make the crop insurance scheme most beneficial/fruitful for farmers?

#### Development of Food Processing Sector

†3109. SHRI RAM CHARAN  
BOHRA:

Will the Minister of FOOD  
PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sought any assistance from the developed countries for development of food processing sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to improve share and position of food

processing sector in the world particularly in neighbouring countries?

#### Milk Production

3110. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI GAJANAN  
KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN  
MAHATO:  
SHRI T.  
RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the largest milk producer in the world but per animal milk productivity is very low as compared to other countries;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that the feed production in the country does not meet the global standards;

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

(d) whether National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) has launched Cattle Feed Knowledge Portal for the benefit of milk producers; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost the per animal milk productivity in the country?

#### Licence for NGOs

3111. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:  
Will the Minister of HOME  
AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) working in the field of Human Rights protection, which have not been allowed renewal of their licenses and the amount received by them through foreign funding during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) the reasons for non-renewal of their licenses;

(c) whether the litmus test laid down by the UN Special Rapporteur on the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association was applied in the adjudication by the Union Government and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the National Human Rights Commission has recently issued a notice to the Ministry of Home Affairs on a complaint alleging "draconian approach" of the Centre in the renewal of Foreign Contributions Regulation Act (FCRA) licence of NGO, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government in this regard?

#### Misappropriation of Public Funds by Voluntary Organisations

3112. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN  
REDDY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL  
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Voluntary Organisations (VOs) whose licenses had been cancelled by the Government during each of the last two years and the grounds for cancellation, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh, Odisha and West Bengal;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to introduce any guidelines/regulations to prevent misappropriation of public funds by VOs and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to create other sources of funds for VOs as some of the VOs whose licenses were cancelled were working for project implementing agency; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Rabi Crops

†3113. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the production and acreage of Rabi crops in the country during the last three years, State/UT and crop-wise;

(b) whether sown area of Rabi Crops is higher in the current rabi season than the average sown area during the said period and if so, the details thereof, crop-wise;

(c) whether the practice of unplanned sowing of crops is still prevalent in various parts of the country; and

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

### Manufacturing of Medical Devices

3114. SHRI BHEEMRAO B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to remove the anomalies in the duty structure to boost manufacturing of medical devices;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Shortage of Water for Irrigation

†3115. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the farmers have to spent huge amount to get water for irrigation due to lowering ground water level in most areas of Rajasthan and Gujarat making the condition of farmers quit pitiable there;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to formulate any action plan to provide assistance to these farmers and make them self-reliant, if so, the details thereof?

### Pension to Retired Personnel

3116. SHRI KAMAL NATH:  
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.  
SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Central Armed Police Personnel (CAPF) veterans held a protest at New Delhi demanding grant of special pay One Rank One Pension (OROP) and restoration of old pension scheme for serving and retired personnel;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government on such demands made by the ex-CAPF personnel;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide financial and other benefits to such personnel on the lines of ex-defence personnel; and

(d) if so, the time by which such financial and other benefits are likely to be provided to ex-CAPF personnel?

### Establishment of Heavy Industries

†3117. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:  
SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:  
SHRI GODSE HEMANT  
TUKARAM:  
SHRI OM PRAKASH  
YADAV:  
SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:  
SHRI JANARDAN  
MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of heavy industries functioning in various parts of the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has received proposals to set up more heavy industries in the country including in the rural and backward areas during the last three years and the current year and if so, the details and present status thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to encourage setting up and promoting heavy industries in areas where no such industry exists as well as in the rural and backward areas of the country for industrial and economic development and removal of regional imbalance;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to formulate a National Policy for development of heavy industries in the country and if so, the details thereof?

### Rehabilitation Council of India Act

†3118. SHRI PASHUPATI NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed any minimum standards of education under the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, particularly in Jharkhand;

(c) whether the Government proposes to amend the minimum criterion of education under the RCI Act in Jharkhand State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Allocation for Mitigating Air Pollution

3119. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated towards Hazardous Substances Management (HSM), Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) and National Green Tribunal (NGT) during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the budgetary allocation towards HSM, CPCB and NGT and other agencies/bodies has been reduced despite poor ambient air quality in the country and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there has been an increase in the number of deaths due to PM 2.5 and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government to improve the infrastructure to check pollution including data collection on pollution levels in the country?

### Linking of Farmers to Milk Industry

†3120. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL  
"NISHANK":

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is providing any subsidy to the farmers to link them with milk industry in view of

shortage of milk products leading to adulteration in the entire country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether organic milk is being produced by the farmers;

(d) if so, whether any trainings and incentives are being provided to the farmers in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is running any campaign to save consumers from adulterated milk in the country, if so, the outcome thereof; and

(f) the details of the provisions made by the Government to penalise the persons guilty of milk adulteration?

### Agrarian Crisis

†3121. SHRI JANAK RAM:  
DR. A. SAMPATH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study on the regions facing agrarian crisis in the country;

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

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to encourage the use of modern agricultural techniques to sustain growth of agriculture and to solve the problem of agrarian crisis in the country?

### Nirbhaya Fund

3122. SHRI MD.  
BADARUDDOZA KHAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to utilise the Nirbhaya fund or other resources to provide compensation and rehabilitation to the Muzaffarnagar gang-rape survivors;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is taking any steps to set up a robust process to grant reparation to victims of sexual violence, which includes elements of relief, return and resettlement and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to establish a comprehensive victim and witness protection programme; and

(e) if so, the details, thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

### Database for Food Processing Units

3123. SHRIMATI ARPITA  
GHOSH:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formed proper line of action regarding food processing units in rural areas and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government has done any research to prepare the database for setting up of Food Processing units in rural areas and if so, the details thereof?

### Feature of PEG Scheme

3124. SHRI GODSE HEMANT  
TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Private Entrepreneurs Guarantee (PEG) Scheme implemented by the Government;

(b) whether the Government has allocated adequate funds for construction of godowns under the said Scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to cover each State under the said Scheme so as to increase the capacity of godowns for storage of food grains in the country, if so, the details thereof and by when; and

(d) the other steps taken by Government to ensure safe storage of food grains across the country?

### Shortage of IFS Officers

3125. DR. GOKARAJU GANGA  
RAJU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is huge shortage of Indian Forest Service (IFS) officers in the country including Andhra Pradesh;

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

(c) the number of IFS officials allotted during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh?

### Cold Storage

†3126. SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI:  
DR. BHARATIBEN D.  
SHYAL:  
SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR  
JENA:  
SHRI RATTAN LAL  
KATARIA:  
SHRIMATI POONAMBEN  
MAADAM:  
SHRI Y.V. SUBBA REDDY:

Will the Minister of FOOD  
PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the existing and required capacity of cold storage/cold chain units in the country along with the budgetary provision made and disbursed to increase the capacity of cold chain units and to save fruits and vegetables from wastage during the last three years and the current year and the benefits accrued therefrom, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether cold storage facilities is enough to manage the demand in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the new food parks and cold storage units that have been announced by the Government, region-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received several proposals to set up Integrated Cold Storage Units in various States including Uttar Pradesh during the

last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether only a few cold chain projects out of sanctioned projects have been started due to shortage of funds and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to mobilise the funds for the purpose;

(e) whether some foreign companies have shown interest to invest in the cold storage units in the country and if so, the details of inflow of foreign direct investment thereon during the said period; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to maintain the data of functional Integrated Cold Storage Units in the country?

### Schemes Related to B.R. Ambedkar

3127. SHRI GAJANAN  
KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN  
MAHATO:  
SHRI T.  
RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL  
JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to observe B.R. Ambedkar Remembrance Day on 14th April, 2017 in the country;

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

(c) the programmes being organized by the Government on this occasion;

(d) the new schemes being launched by the Government for the welfare of Scheduled Caste communities in the country; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to uplift the socio-economic condition of SCs in the country?

### Pest Management

†3128. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to strengthen the pest control and management in agriculture sector in the country;

(b) the measures taken to promote the use of indigenous system of pest control; and

(c) the steps being taken to create awareness among people regarding the use of organic pesticides to control pests?

### Prices of Fruits and Vegetables

†3129. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:  
SHRIMATI REKHA  
VERMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the prices of fruits and vegetables being sold in wholesale markets

of various cities increase manifold by the time these fruits and vegetables reach the retail markets;

(b) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to resolve the said issue;

(c) whether the Government is considering to fix a maximum limit to the reckless price margin on fruits and vegetables and their maximum selling price margin; and

(d) if so, the time by which the same is likely to be implemented in the entire country?

### Registry of Sex Offenders

3130. SHRI KODIKUNNIL  
SURESH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish a sex offenders registry in the country;

(b) if so, whether the draft guidelines on the proposal to set up such registry has been prepared and inter-ministry consultations were held with respective State Governments and the public;

(c) if so, the consensus arrived at and decision taken in this regard;

(d) whether the Government has received any proposal from the National Crime Records Bureau regarding the modalities to be adopted; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Moratorium on Industrial Clusters

3131. SHRI DEVUSINH  
CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether Moratorium based on the scale of Comprehensive Environment Pollution Index (CEPI) was imposed in the year 2010 on seven industrial clusters of Gujarat including clusters of Vapi, Ankeshwar and Vatva;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State Government of Gujarat has put forward the case for lifting moratorium from Ankeshwar, Vapi and Vatva industrial clusters as the level of pollution in these areas has gone down by 70%, 75% and 50% respectively and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) whether the Ministry has carried out the inspection of the concerned areas on 18 and 19 January, 2016 and if so, the time by which the moratorium is likely to be lifted from these areas?

#### Data on Suicides and Accidental Deaths

3132. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:  
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M.  
SCINDIA:

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

(a) whether the annual report published by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) recently on accidental deaths and suicides does not include data compiled under caste and religion;

(b) if so, the reasons for not disclosing data of suicides by caste and religion-wise;

(c) whether the NCRB has been functioning on the directives of the Government and deliberately hiding the factual figures on deaths and suicides; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to bring transparency in the functioning of the NCRB?

#### Toll-free Helpline Numbers

3133. SHRI CHANDU LAL  
SAHU:  
SHRI OM BIRLA:  
SHRIMATI RANJEET  
RANJAN:  
SHRI CHANDRA  
PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether for redressal of consumer complaints, the Government has introduced 49 helplines through which consumers can register their complaints on Mobile Phones from any where, if so, the total number of complaints received so far through these helplines along with the action taken thereon;

(b) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of said helplines and if so, the details thereof along with the names of States where these helplines are working at present;

(c) whether the Government has taken note of the observation of the Standing Committee that toll-free helpline numbers

are not helpful in solving the day to day problems being faced by the consumers and that such toll-free numbers are usually not responsive to the needs of the users and most of the time calls on such numbers go unattended to by the authorities, if so, the reasons for the prevailing situation and the steps taken by the Government to punish the authorities responsible for neglect;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to streamline the functioning of these helpline numbers so as to make them functional in the interest of the consumers; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to modernise the consumer courts and if so, the details thereof along with the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

#### Storage and Disposal of Narcotic Drugs

3134. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR  
DIWAKER:  
SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

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

(a) the quantum of narcotics confiscated by various methods by the Police in the country during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the narcotics confiscated and placed in the custody of the police have been stolen from their custody;

(c) if so, the number of such cases reported and quantum of drugs stolen, during the said period, State-wise;

(d) whether the narcotics was stolen from the police custody was done with the nexus of the police;

(e) if so, the number of such cases that came to the notice of the Government and the action taken against those found guilty;

(f) whether there is any clear cut policy for storage and disposal of seized drugs like Hashish and Ganja and if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government to check re-routing of siezed drugs in the market due to loopholes in the system?

#### Priority Households under AAY

3135. DR. BHARATIBEN D.  
SHYAL:  
SHRI SUBHASH PATEL:  
SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH  
SHEKHAWAT:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) the guidelines prepared by the State Governments to identify the priority households covered under Antyodaya Anna Yojana;

(b) the percentage of the rural population receiving entitlements under the National Food Security Act, 2013 and the details thereof;

(c) the number of anganwadi workers working under the scheme, State wise and the details thereof;

(d) the criteria adopted for selection of anganwadi workers and the training module if any and the details thereof; and

(e) the total budget allocated to various schemes under the Scheme for the current financial year?

### Condition of Milk Cooperative Federations

‡3136. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:  
DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:  
SHRI VIKRAM USENDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken by the Government to improve the condition of Milk Cooperatives in various States of the country;

(b) whether the Government is implementing any scheme to increase the production of milk in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a proposal with the Government to grant assistance for setting up of industry, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide loan at zero per cent rate of interest to the dairy farmers for purchase of milch animals and if so, the details thereof?

### Research on Agricultural Technology

3137. SHRI KESINENI NANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

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

(b) whether any advances/ achievements in agricultural technology have been made in any of the agricultural research institutes in the country during the last three years, if so, details thereof;

(c) whether these advances have been adopted by farmers in the country, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to import agricultural technology from other countries?

### Sub-Categorisation of SCs

3138. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Justice Usha Mehra Commission has recommended for sub-categorisation of SCs through amendment of Article 341 of the Constitution;

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

(c) whether the Government is likely to hold consultations with the State Governments and other stakeholders in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action being taken for expeditious implementation of the recommendations of Justice Usha Mehra Commission?

### Setting up of Fishing Harbours

3139. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE

AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has a proposal to set up fishing harbours and cold storage facilities in coastal districts of Andhra Pradesh to tap the potential of fisheries sector in the State for the provision of livelihood and income generation of small scale fishermen;

(b) if so, the details of the steps taken by the Government in this regard along with the present status thereof; and

(c) the time by which the project is likely to be taken up?

### Vacancies in Police Force

3140. DR. A. SAMPATH:  
SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of existing strength, vacant posts and requirement of State police personnel and IPS officers in the country, State-wise including Delhi Police personnel;

(b) whether there is shortage of IPS officers, State police personnel and Delhi Police personnel and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) the time by which such vacant posts are likely to be filled;

(d) whether the Government proposes to increase the strength of IPS officers, State police personnel and Delhi Police personnel and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to launch any special recruitment

drive to fill the vacant posts and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other measures taken by the Government to fill all the vacant posts along with the details of advisories issued to States and police department in this regard?

### Special Tiger Protection Force

3141. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal is under consideration to constitute Special Tiger Protection Force for protection of tigers through National Tiger Conservation Authority and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the State Government of Rajasthan has sent any such proposal to the Government and if so, the details and status thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to make some contribution for this force;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to bring tigers to Mukundara Hills Tiger Reserve in the near future; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

### Food Processing Units

3142. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:  
SHRI RAJU SHETTY:  
DR. MAMTAZ SANGHAMITA:  
SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

SHRI HARISH CHANDRA  
ALIAS HARISH  
DWIVEDI:  
SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS:  
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:  
SHRI RAMA KISHORE  
SINGH:  
SHRI Y.S. AVINASH  
REDDY:  
SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:  
SHRI CHANDRAKANT  
KHAIRE:  
SHRI Y.V. SUBBA REDDY:  
SHRI RAJESHBHAI  
CHUDASAMA:  
SHRI HARISHCHANDRA  
CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of FOOD  
PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of flagship  
programmes are under implementation to  
improve storage facilities in the food  
processing industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with  
the current status of food processing units/  
industries in the country during the last  
three years and the current year, State-  
wise;

(c) the details of financial,  
technological and logistic support provided  
and utilised for setting up of food  
processing units using herbal, horticulture  
and floriculture produces during the last  
three years and the current year, State-  
wise;

(d) whether the Government has fixed  
any target for the development of food  
processing industries mainly to prevent  
wastage of perishable food items in the  
country and if so, the details thereof along  
with the number of food processing units

proposed to be set up and funds allocated  
for the purpose; and

(e) the number of workers engaged and  
employment created in the food processing  
industries during the said period,  
State-wise?

#### Effect of Climate Change on Milk Production

3143. DR. KAMBHAMPATI  
HARIBABU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that climate  
change may hit milk production in the  
country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government  
to address the effects of climate change  
on conception rates and milk yield?

#### Subsidy to Farmers

3144. SHRI BHARTRUHARI  
MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes/  
programmes being implemented by the  
Government to provide subsidy to the  
farmers to mitigate the hardship being  
faced by them in the country;

(b) the details of the subsidy provided  
to the farmers under the said schemes/

programmes during each of the last three  
years and the current year, scheme/  
programme and State/UT-wise;

(c) the criterion followed by the  
Government to provide subsidy to the  
farmers under the said schemes/  
programmes;

(d) whether it is a fact that the subsidy  
provided to the farmers in developed  
countries is more than the subsidy provided  
to the farmers in India;

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

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

#### Issue of TPDS

3145. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:  
SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER  
AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC  
DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the Targeted Public  
Distribution System (TPDS) in the  
country is facing massive issues which  
resulted in failure in distribution, if so, the  
details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has  
recently reduced the State-wise  
allocation of food distribution through the  
Fair Price Shops, if so, the details  
thereof;

(c) whether weak monitoring, lack of  
transparency and inadequate  
accountability of officials implementing the  
scheme are reported in the country, if so,  
the details thereof;

(d) whether price charged exceeds the  
official price by 10 per cent to 14 per cent,  
if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is true that the progress  
of work of computerization of TPDS is  
progressing at very slow pace, if so, the  
reasons therefor;

(f) whether the Government has  
initiated any action plan to impress upon  
the States/UTs to speed up the work of  
computerization of TPDS on war-footing  
and complete the work in a time bound  
manner so as to improve the over-all  
functioning of the TPDS operations in the  
country; and

(g) whether the pace of Aadhaar  
seeding with ration cards is very slow,  
if so, the details thereof and the reasons  
therefor along with the corrective action  
taken thereon?

#### Closing of FCI Offices

†3146. SHRI JAI PRAKASH  
NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER  
AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC  
DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the Government has taken  
decision to close down some offices of  
Food Corporation of India in the country  
including the FCI office at Munger (Bihar),  
if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government plans to  
review its decision in the matter;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

### Credit Enhancement Guarantee Scheme for SC

3147. SHRI FEROZE VARUN  
GANDHI:  
SHRI RAMA KISHORE  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has discontinued the Credit Enhancement Guarantee Scheme for Scheduled Castes in the wake of MUDRA and Start-up India Schemes;

(b) if so, the reasons for discontinuing the said scheme;

(c) if not, the details of allocated budget and expenditure incurred during the last two years in this regard;

(d) the total number of entrepreneurs who have been assisted under Credit Enhancement Guarantee Scheme for Scheduled Castes and under Venture Capital Fund, State-wise; and

(e) the role played by the National Scheduled Caste Finance and Development Corporation in this regard and the total amount released under Credit Enhancement Guarantee Scheme for Scheduled Castes during 2015-16 and 2016-17?

### Green Tax

3148. SHRI RAYAPATI  
SAMBASIVA RAO:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that a Panel has mooted 10%-25% green tax on diesel cars in the country;

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

(c) the details of incentives/steps taken by the Government to check environmental pollution caused due to diesel cars in the country?

### Income of Farmers

†3149. SHRI LALLU SINGH:  
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:  
SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:  
SHRI HARISHCHANDRA  
CHAVAN:  
SHRI RAM KUMAR  
SHARMA:  
SHRI RAM TAHAL  
CHOUDHARY:  
SHRI K.N.  
RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amount of indebtedness on each farmer is more than the national average of annual income in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there has been increase of loan burden on farmers as a result of liberal sanctioning of institutional loan to farmers and if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;

(c) whether monthly income of farmers has increased in the country during the year 2002-2013 and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been increasing cases of turtle poaching in the country during the last several years;

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

(c) whether the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) has launched a specific operation on turtles, code named "Operation Save Kurma"; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of turtles recovered and arrests made under the operation, State-wise?

(d) whether income from farm sector is less as compared to that of industrial and service sectors and the farmers are leaving the profession of agriculture and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the scheme/policy formulated to increase the income of farmers by making agriculture a viable profession and giving the farmers a special and different treatment in the country; and

(e) whether any panel/expert group has recommended reduction in the investment in the agriculture as well as in irrigation in the country and if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

### Package to Sugarcane Growers

3150. SHRI B.S. YEDIYURAPPA:  
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide a special package to sugarcane growers to give relief from indebtedness and enable them to adopt modern agricultural techniques;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said package is likely to be cleared?

### Poaching of Turtles

3151. SHRI SUMAN BALKA:  
SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI  
LEKHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

### Fire Stations

3152. SHRIMATI HEMA  
MALINI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of fire stations in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is shortage of fire stations in the country and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether most of the fire fighters have not been provided uniform and necessary equipments and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) the total number of buildings which are not fire safe and the measures taken thereon;

(e) whether there are penalty provisions in case fire safety rules are violated and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the strict compliance of

guidelines related to fire safety measures in all the buildings in the country?

#### Achievements under BADP

3153. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Border Area Development Programme (BADP);

(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under this programme during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the details of the target fixed and achievements made under this programme during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government is satisfied with the achievement under BADP; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the fresh initiatives proposed to be taken for the development of border areas of the country?

#### Organisational Head for CAPF

3154. SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO (AVANTHI):

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a clamour from among the CRPF, BSF and SSB police forces that their offices should be headed by their own personnel instead of an IPS officer; and

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

#### Biennial DG Level Talks

3155. DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:

SHRI MOHITE PATIL

VIJAYSINH

SHANKARRAO:

KUNWAR

BHARATENDRA:

SHRIMATI SUPRIYA

SULE:

SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

SHRI DHANANJAY

MAHADIK:

DR. HEENA

VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Border Security Force and Border Guard Bangladesh had held biennial Director General level talks in Dhaka;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the main issues discussed in the meetings and the outcome thereof;

(d) whether the two sides have signed joint record of discussions; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Investment in Food Processing Sector

3156. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA

BARNE:

SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL

SHIVAJIRAO:

SHRI VINAYAK

BHAURAO RAUT:

DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country's food processing sector has potential to attract huge investment and generate more employment by the year 2024 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the food processing is a key contributor to employment generation in India and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India is one of the top rankers in the production of bananas, guavas, ginger, papaya and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether despite the massive production, the degree of processing is low and ranges between 2%-35% for different produce and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to increase investment in food processing infrastructure?

#### Raw Material for Manufacturing of Medicines

3157. SHRI SULTAN AHMED:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity and percentage of raw material produced in the country for manufacturing medicines;

(b) the quantity of raw material imported from China during the last two years and the current year;

(c) whether suggestions have been received from certain quarters to minimise dependence on Chinese sources; and

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

#### Budget for Agriculture

†3158. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:

SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI

TUMANE:

SHRIMATI REKHA

VERMA:

SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to prepare independent budget for agriculture and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to give impetus to growth rate of agriculture sector and accord status of industry to agriculture to attract investment in this sector and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the details of funds invested/ released for this purpose during the said period along with the achievements made thereunder?

#### Use of Regional Languages

3159. SHRI PARESH RAVAL:

SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to use the regional languages on all the documents which are related to the consumers, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is any rule to use English language on the said documents; and

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

#### e-Commerce Consumers

3160. SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:  
SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH  
SHEKHAWAT:  
SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:  
SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:  
SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM:  
SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the number of complaints against e-commerce companies have increased by more than 300 percent during the last three years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the action taken by the Government for quick redressal of the complaints of the consumers against these companies;

(c) whether the Government is aware that there is no clear definition of e-commerce and there is no clear policy regarding the operation of various portals doing e-business, if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government plans to make it mandatory for e-commerce firms to put product pictures on the site in a manner that the printed MRP is visible and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the manner in which the Government is planning to address the issues such as the place of business, jurisdictional issues, non-availability of common dispute resolution system etc. with regard to e-commerce firms and the details thereof?

#### Manufacturing of Essential Drugs

3161. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:  
SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has given any guidelines regarding the discontinuation of the medicines manufactured by the Pharma companies by the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority especially the essential drug manufacturers, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has any specific proposal to formulate guidelines for uninterrupted supply of essential drugs in the interest of the general public; and

(c) the details of pharma companies producing essential drugs in Karnataka along with the discontinuance of such production, if any?

#### National Bamboo Mission

†3162. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Bamboo Mission Scheme is far from achieving its objective due to low propagation of the same across the country besides low demand of bamboos and less production of the same and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the total amount of funds earmarked and the grant provided under this scheme during the last three years, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the scheme formulated by the Government for providing market to the farmers for their bamboo produce;

(d) whether the target fixed under the scheme has not been achieved by the Government, if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the major reasons behind failure of the said mission have been reviewed by the Government and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the various measures taken by the Government to promote the National Bamboo Mission Scheme in the entire country?

#### Pending Projects

†3163. SHRI MANSHANKAR  
NINAMA:  
SHRI RAM PRASAD  
SARMAH:  
SHRI BHARAT SINGH:  
SHRI SADASHIV  
LOKHANDE:  
SHRI RAJU SHETTY:  
SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether various developmental projects/proposals for roads, railways, small, medium and big hydel power/power projects are pending with the Government for Environmental/Forest Clearance;

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

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study to assess the losses caused due to delay in granting clearance for the said projects;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps/measures taken by the Government to expedite the process for grant of clearance?

#### Ranking in Global Hunger Index Report, 2016

3164. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU  
JADHAV:  
SHRI R. DHRUVA  
NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) the ranking accorded to the country in the Global Hunger Index Report, 2016 prepared by the International Food Policy Research Institute and the steps taken by the Government to improve this position;

(b) whether a substantial proportion of the population continue to suffer from lack of food according to the said report;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken to look into all the aspects of the problem; and

(d) whether the country's Global Hunger Index score is lower as compared to those of other BRICS nations, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

#### **Programme for Food Processing Industries**

3165. SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:  
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:  
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country's food processing sector is a small scale and unorganised sector and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the country's food processing sector lacks access to credit, marketing network, efficient tool/technology and managerial knowledge and if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;

(c) whether this sector needs targeted programmes to improve access to credit, technology, market and productivity, if so, the details thereof along with the assistance provided for procurement of machineries, credit, technical advice on productivity improvement and machinery

selection and trainings on adopting standardized processing system; and

(d) whether employment intensity in the food processing sector is higher as compared to that of organised sectors for the same level of investment and if so, the details thereof?

#### **English Language**

†3166. SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendation No. 15 of clause 4 of Committee of Parliament on Official Language envisages doing away with the compulsion of English language in recruitment examination;

(b) if so, whether the Government has decided to do away with the compulsory English language test for recruitment to various posts conducted by the Union Public Service Commission;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is in consultation with the Union Public Service Commission on the said issue; and

(e) if so, the details of the meetings held and the officials who attended the said meetings?

#### **Illegal Timber Trade**

3167. DR. RATNA DE (NAG):  
SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to check illegal timber trade in the forest areas and if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of the time frame and the plan outlay for the aforesaid plan, if any?

#### **Wastage of Crops**

3168. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:  
SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the scientists of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) have recently stated that nearly 30-35 per cent of the annual crop yield in the country gets wasted due to pests;

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

(c) whether it is a fact that the crop loss due to pests is having an adverse effect on the agricultural bio-safety which is paramount to food security; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to assist the farmers from crop losses due to pests across the country?

#### **Loss due to Flood**

3169. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether floods alone claimed 850 lives and over 1.2 crore people spread across 112 districts in 12 States were affected during the rainy season in 2016;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is considering to have a permanent mechanism to deal with such calamities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **Resettlement Fund for Hindu Refugees**

3170. SHRI HARISH MEENA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned a package of Rs. 2000 crores as resettlement funds for Hindu refugees of PoK in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details thereof and steps taken by the Government to transfer funds directly into the beneficiary's account; and

(c) the details of other benefits provided/proposed to be provided to Hindu refugees in the valley ?

#### **Inclusion of Cotton Crop under PMFBY**

3171. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representation from the State Government of Telangana regarding inclusion of Cotton Crop under the purview of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY); and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government thereon?

### Computerization of Fair Price Shops

3172. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the Government is in the process of computerising all Fair Price Shops across the country, if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the progress on the front and the expected timeline for completion;

(b) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure direct benefit transfer to beneficiaries under the Public Distribution System;

(c) whether the Government plans to make Aadhaar card essential although not mandatory, for subsidized foodgrains under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has prepared a detailed roadmap and an action plan along with State-wise targets to implement the various modes to cashless transactions at all Fair Price Shops and if so, the details of plan of action in this regard since cashless payments are mandated only in 38,000 ration shops out

of the total 5.27 lakh shops across the country; and

(e) whether any consultations have been held with States/UTs to enable cashless transactions in all FPSs and to monitor the progress, if so, the outcome thereof?

### Information Regarding Whole Grain

†3173. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether full information regarding whole grain products on packets of food items is not being given by some companies;

(b) whether the Government plans to inquire about the packaged food items where appropriate information regarding quantum of whole grain and refined wheat flour is not given separately; and

(c) whether the Government plans to take action to check misleading advertisements as health of the consumers is at stake?

### Cutting of Trees

3174. SHRI RAM PRASAD  
SARMAH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of trees were slashed in Assam and Kaziranga National park during the last three years for construction purpose;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of trees slashed;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps for plantation of more trees in place of the slashed trees; and

(d) if so, the amount sanctioned and released in this regard along with the number of trees planted in the NE region including Assam during the said period?

### Maoist Threat

†3175. SHRI HARI MANJHI:  
SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA  
RAJESHWARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the nature of Maoist threat in the country particularly in the States of Jharkhand, Bihar, Chhattisgarh and Odisha;

(b) whether the Government proposes to provide air support to security personnel in the said affected States and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has included the districts of Sonepur, Boudh and Angul of Odisha under the Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other measures being taken to curb naxalism in the country?

### Grahak Suvidha Kendras

3176. SHRIMATI KIRRON  
KHER:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the success of the Grahak Suvidha Kendras, which was established as a pilot project, has been reviewed;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are plans to expand the project by setting more Grahak Suvidha Kendras;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the number of Grahak Suvidha Kendras already established in the country?

### Assessment of Loss due to Vardah Cyclone

3177. ADV. M.  
UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a central team visited the Vardah cyclone affected areas in Chennai and neighbouring areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that the total loss assessed by the central team is not matching with the assessment made by the affected State and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering to release the assistance on the basis of the assessment made by the State Government; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Norms for Power Plants**

3178. SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has notified a revised set of norms for power plants under construction in the country in view of the rising environmental pollution;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the power plants in operation in the country have been given an extended period to adapt to the new norms; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**BPL Farmers**

†3179. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to evaluate the number of farmers living Below Poverty Line (BPL) in the country;

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

(c) the details of welfare schemes being implemented for the farmers and the number of beneficiaries thereunder during the last three years, scheme and State-wise?

**Damaged Foodgrains**

3180. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:  
SHRI KIRTI AZAD:  
SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether a large quantum of wheat and rice get destroyed due to poor and inadequate warehousing facility, if so, the details thereof for the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the details of the action taken against officials/persons held responsible for such damages;

(c) whether the Government is aware about a recent seminar organised by ICAR wherein the issue of damages to foodgrain in storage was discussed, if so, the details thereof including action taken/proposed to be taken in this regard;

(d) the details of the storage capacity required, available and created during the last three years; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to augment storage capacity and check wastage/damage of foodgrains and the time by which these are likely to be completed?

**Calamity/Disaster Management for Livestock**

†3181. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the salient features of the calamity/disaster management for livestock;

(b) the details of the loss of livestock during such natural calamities/disasters occurred during the last three years in the country, State-wise including Bundelkhand region;

(c) whether the Government is considering livestock insurance besides introducing scheme of Aadhaar Card for the same so that farmers may get timely and adequate compensation in case of any such natural calamities/disasters; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Support to Small Farmers**

3182. SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any measures to support farmers, especially small and landless farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Accelerated Fodder Development Programme**

3183. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is still operating Accelerated Fodder Development Programme in the country;

(b) if so, the allocations made by the Government to various States of the country during the last three years and the current year under AFDP;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide quality fodder to various States of the country including Tamil Nadu which were affected by severe droughts during the recent years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Forests Guards**

3184. DR. MAMTAZ SANGHAMITA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that combating poaching is a serious threat for the life of forest workers namely forest guards and even rangers;

(b) whether the Government is likely to allow the use of arms by forest officers at the time of encounter with poachers; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**Creating Autonomous Body for Procurement**

3185. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) whether the Government considers creating an autonomous body on the lines of Food Corporation of India (FCI) for the procurement, storage and distribution of pulses in the country;

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

(c) the estimated quantum of pulses stored in private and public warehouses in the different parts of the country by the Government, State and UT-wise?

**Processing of Onion and Potatoes**

3186. SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to promote processing of onions and potatoes after taking cognizance of the extreme price fluctuations of these two vegetables and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set aside a corpus fund to incentivize farmers to convert the vegetables into flake, paste and powder forms and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Diversion of Drug Consignments**

3187. SHRI CH. MALLA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are reports that the medicines sent to the gulf countries are reaching terror groups;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps the Government is taking to check such deviation of drug consignment?

**Foodgrain Sale/Purchase Centre**

†3188. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up foodgrain sale/purchase counters at block or panchayat level for providing remunerative prices to the farmers; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Pharma-cum-Medtech Zone**

3189. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Medtech zones set up in the country so far, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government plans to set up a pharma-cum-medtech zone in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the locations identified for the purpose?

**Fertilizers & Chemicals Travancore Limited**

3190. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for revival of Fertilizers and Chemicals Travancore Limited (FACT) in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details of the assistance given to the FACT during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(c) whether the FACT is now a profit making fertilizer manufacturing unit in the country and if so, the details thereof?

**Protection of Lakes/Ponds**

†3191. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to enact any law to protect lakes/ponds in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the efforts made so far for protection of ponds and lakes in the country;

(d) whether the Government has issued directions to the State Governments to take concrete steps to protect the ponds and lakes and to construct boundary walls around such water bodies; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Fishing Harbour and Fish Landing Centre**

3192. SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to promote infrastructure facilities for fishing harbour and fish landing centre from the central assistance for Gujarat, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering to provide subsidy on interest of loan in fisheries, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to increase the fish production of Gujarat to double the income of fishermen, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any proposal with the Government for approval of development of fish harbour at Mangrol Phase-III;

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the total project cost for development of the said fishing harbour; and

(f) the details of the boats which are registered at Mangrol fishing harbour and the number of boats which can be accommodated after the development of Mangrol Phase-III?

**Price Stabilization Fund**

3193. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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

(a) the details of the crops for which a price stabilization fund is established by the Government;

(b) whether the Government has a proposal to extend the scheme of a price stabilization fund to other farm produce beyond these crops; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

### Juvenile Crime

†3194. SHRIMATI REKHA  
VERMA:  
SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR  
PATIL:

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

(a) whether cases of crime by Juveniles are on the rise in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of such cases reported during each of the last three years and the current year, crime and State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any survey to identify the reasons behind such increase and if so, the details and outcome thereof;

(d) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for providing employment to juveniles residing in children homes/reform centres by providing training in collaboration with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, if so, the details and status thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to implement a new education policy for developing students' personality by

building ideal character to prevent juvenile delinquency and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the corrective steps taken by the Government to check such cases in future along with the measures taken for rehabilitation of the said juveniles?

### Pollution due to Sugarcane Industries

3195. SHRI HUKUM SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NGT has ordered for inspection of 'Kolhus' used for crushing sugarcane in Uttar Pradesh and several other States following the allegations that these unregulated units were major contributors to air and water pollution and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(b) whether there is any scientific study or any report with regard to working of these units and the adverse impact on the environment and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the guidelines of CPCB in this regard along with the violations that took place and the action taken thereon, State-wise?

### Naxal Violence

†3196. SHRIMATI RANJEET  
RANJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether officials of the Home Ministry has stated during a review meeting that there has been 160% rise in killing of Naxalites by the Security Forces during the year 2016 which is highest during the last six years;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to exclude 20 districts from the list of 106 Naxal affected districts due to the reduction in violence therein;

(c) if so, whether the Government is contemplating to launch special campaign for the development of the said districts in the aftermath of reduced naxalite violence;

(d) whether the Government is contemplating to provide any additional assistance to the said 20 districts and if so, the names of such districts, State-wise;

(e) whether Expenditure Finance Committee has approved Rs. 11725 crores for the Construction of roads and bridges in 44 highly Naxal affected districts; and

(f) if so, the details thereof indicating the names of such districts and the time by which works is likely to commence in these districts?

### Samajik Samrasta Abhiyan

†3197. SHRI RATTAN LAL  
KATARIA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had taken a decision to celebrate the 125th Ambedkar Birth Anniversary as 'Samajik Samrasta Abhiyan' in the year 2016;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government had taken certain steps to establish social harmony in the country during 125th birth anniversary celebration of Dr. Ambedkar;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government had declared all five important places related with Dr. Ambedkar as national monuments; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

### Overcharging by Hospitals

†3198. SHRI RAMA KISHORE  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority has made public the names of 24 hospitals against which complaints have been received for charging more than the ceiling price of coronary stents and several hospitals out of these have been issued notices in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details regarding the provisions of penalty for charging more than the fixed price of coronary stents; and

(c) the details of penalty imposed by the Government on hospitals/doctors and others in this regard, State and Union Territory-wise?

### Export of Seeds

†3199. SHRI YOGI ADITYA NATH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is working on a scheme to promote the export of seeds to increase the income of farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the various steps taken by the Government to increase the income of the farmers and production of high quality seeds in the country?

#### Liquidity Crisis of Fertilizer Companies

3200. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Fertilizer Companies are facing a liquidity crisis due to delay in release of subsidy to the companies and if so, the details thereof including the reasons for the delay in the release of subsidies to the companies;

(b) the details of the steps taken by the Government to resolve the liquidity crisis within the industries;

(c) the details of steps taken by the Ministry on its assurance in November last year to clear the fertilizer subsidy arrears at the earliest; and

(d) the status of implementation of Direct Benefit Transfers in fertilizer subsidy?

#### Violation of Pollution Laws

†3201. SHRI SHER SINGH GHUBAYA:

PROF. CHINTAMANI MALVIYA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the industrial units are not complying with the anti-pollution laws and pollution is on the rise day by day in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether several cases of injecting waste water into underground resources after drilling and boring by several industrial units have been reported/noticed;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken against such units, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to launch a national helpline for prevention of pollution in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

#### Marine Police Academy in Andhra Pradesh

3202. SHRI KONAKALLA NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any request from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for establishment of a national-level marine police academy at Krishna district in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the steps taken by the Government to expedite the process of constructing the Marine Police Academy?

#### Assistance for Micro Irrigation

3203. SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to enhance the Central share under Micro Irrigation and providing equal subsidy for DPAP/non-DPAP areas *i.e.* 60% for small farmers/marginal farmers (SF/MF) and 45% to other farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that the subsidy can be availed to establish processing of Oil Palm in Odisha; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### Investment by PSUs

†3204. SHRIMATI JYOTI DHURVE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) like Coal India Limited Container Corporation of India, Bharat Electronics Limited etc. have been advised to increase investment in their work places or in other areas so that cash worth crores of rupees available with them could be utilised in a better way;

(b) if so, whether the proposed investment would be confined to India itself or PSUs are permitted to make

profitable investment in foreign countries also; and

(c) the total funds invested by various PSUs in foreign projects as on 30th December, 2016, PSU-wise?

#### Circuit Census

3205. MOHAMMED FAIZAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS  
गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to collect circuit census of population in the metro cities including Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

#### Consumer Protection Council

†3206. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUHDARY:  
SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the task assigned to the Consumer Protection Council in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that many States have not set up the council as yet, if so, whether action has been taken by the Government in this regard, so as to establish such councils in these States;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the number of institutions working for consumer right protection and the total financial assistance provided to these

institutions during the last year;

(e) the laid-down procedure to assess the performance of these institutions; and

(f) whether there is a need to set up mobile PDS system, if so, the details thereof?

### Cutting and Smuggling of Red Sanders

3207. SHRI M. RAJA MOHAN REDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether cutting down and smuggling of Red sanders are prevalent in the country especially in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether logs of red sanders have been seized in some States;

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

(d) the action taken by Government to check the aforesaid practice?

### Setting up of Automatic Weather Stations

†3208. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the areas where Automatic Weather Stations have been

set up under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana, State-wise; and

(b) the details of estimated expenditure incurred by the Government on these stations across the country including Gujarat during each of the last three years?

### Efficacy of MSP

3209. SHRI KONDA VISHWESHWAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the criticism that the Minimum Support Price (MSP) does not factor in fully the actual costs at the farmers end and that it is tilted in favour of urban consumers, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the NITI Aayog's evaluation report on efficacy of MSP; and

(c) if so, the details of action taken or planned to improve the efficacy of MSP in the future?

### Coordination of Relief Measures

†3210. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Agriculture co-ordinates the mandatory relief measures for drought, hailstorms and pest attacks;

(b) the details of the works done to co-ordinate the said mandatory relief measures during the last year and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether it is a fact that the assistance in the form of relief work has been provided very late to the affected States; and

(d) if so, the response of the Government thereto along with the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

### Sedition Cases

3211. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of sedition cases filed in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) whether the North Eastern Region accounts for 42% of sedition cases in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that out of 147 cases registered in 2015, 63 were from the said region and Assam has recorded the highest number; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Pesticide Production

3212. SHRI R.P. MARUTHARAJAA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of pesticide production and consumption in the country during 2015-16 and 2017 to till date, State-wise;

(b) the details of the countries to which pesticides has been exported and the quantum and value of export during the above said period;

(c) whether the Government encourages the farmers by various methods to use limited and correct quantity of pesticides due to its adverse impact on human health and environment; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

### Horticulture Development Scheme

†3213. SHRI OM PRAKASH

YADAV:

SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

SHRI SUMEDHANAND

SARSWATI:

SHRI JANARDAN

MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has implemented National Horticulture Mission (NHM) in various States of the country including Bihar, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of persons benefited under the horticulture development scheme in various States of the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the details of the works likely to be carried out under the said scheme;

(d) the details of the amount allocated by the Government to various States during the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(e) the various steps taken by the Government to promote the horticulture in the entire country?

### Cyber Crimes

3214. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:  
SHRI P. KUMAR:  
SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:  
SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:  
SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:  
DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:

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

(a) whether there has been a rise in cyber crimes and hacking of official websites in the country recently;

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported and the number of persons arrested during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has received the recommendations of the expert committee set up to find the means and ways of stopping cyber crimes and suggest roadmap for tackling this menace effectively and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has decided to set up Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre and Cyber Crime Prevention against Women and Children and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other measures taken by the Government to check cyber crimes and hacking in the country in view of the fact that online transactions are being promoted along with the measures taken to find out the sources of hackers and neutralising them?

### New Crop Varieties

3215. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
KUNWAR BHARATENDRA:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:  
SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:  
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's public sector agriculture research institutions led by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has released 310 new crop varieties during 2015-16 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether new crop varieties have the potential to increase the farm production and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these new crop varieties also play an important role in handling nutritional deficiency in grains/crops and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there has been any change in the cropping pattern to exploit the

potential of new crop varieties in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to help in increasing farm production in the country?

### Increase in Horticulture Production

3216. KUNWAR BHARATENDRA:  
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:  
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:  
SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:  
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is marginal increase of Horticulture production during 2016-2017 as compared to 2015-16 despite good monsoon last year, if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(b) whether there is steep fall in the production of vegetables during the current year, if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by the Government to increase the horticulture production in the country?

### Illegal Stay of Immigrants

†3217. SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE:

DR. BHOLA SINGH:  
DR. RAVINDRA BABU:  
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:  
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:  
SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has recently taken a serious view of the illegal Bangladeshi immigrants in Assam and other parts of the country and directed the Government for taking steps to deport them;

(b) if so, the number of illegal Bangladeshi immigrants staying in various parts of the country, State-wise;

(c) the reaction of the Government on the remarks made by the Supreme Court;

(d) the number of other foreign nationals including Nepalis staying illegally in the country, country-wise and State-wise; and

(e) the measures taken to identify and deport such immigrants and the number of foreigners deported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise?

### Land under Cultivation

3218. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT:  
DR. BHOLA SINGH:  
SHRI JANAK RAM:  
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:  
SHRI YOGI ADITYA NATH:  
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE

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कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of land under cultivation and land irrigated with different sources of irrigation in the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether cultivable land is declining day by day in the country due to diversion of agricultural land for non-agricultural purposes;

(c) if so, the extent of cultivable land declined due to change in classification of land from agricultural zone to industrial, commercial and institutional zones during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether there has been an adverse impact on the agricultural production and productivity on account of diversion of land for non-agricultural purposes and if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) whether the Government has formulated any policies/laws to check diversion of agricultural land and boost agricultural production in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the subsidies being given to farmers during the said period, State-wise?

### Forestry Research

3219. SHRI ASHOK  
SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI GAJANAN  
KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN  
MAHATO:

SHRI T.  
RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the institutions under the Ministry which is undertaking holistic research on forestry species in the country along with the fund allocated/released/utilized in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year, institution-wise;

(b) whether the Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Dehradun have developed 20 high yielding varieties of plant species recently;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the characteristics of the said plant species;

(d) whether the Government has granted approval for release of the said plant species and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the steps taken/being taken by the Government to carry out holistic research on forestry species and to improve yield, quality and productivity of plant species in the country?

### Hybrid/Electric Vehicles

3220. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN  
MAHATO:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI ASHOK  
SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:  
SHRI GAJANAN  
KIRTIKAR:

manufacture electric vehicles to control pollution in their States;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the support extended by the Government to such States in this regard;

(d) whether the Government proposes to increase the outlay under the Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid and Electric vehicles (FAME) scheme in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to create a policy framework and promote electric and hybrid vehicles in the country?

SHRI T.  
RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

भारी उद्योग और लोक उद्यम मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of usage of electric and hybrid electric vehicles in the country;

(b) whether some State Governments have expressed their intention to

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*Secretary General*

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