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List of Ouestions for ORAL ANSWERS

Tuesday, December 7, 2021/Agrahayana 16, 1943 (Saka)

(Ministries of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare; Cooperation; Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying; Food Processing Industries; Heavy Industries; Home Affairs; Information and Broadcasting; Panchayati Raj; Rural Development; Social Justice and Empowerment; Youth Affairs and Sports)

(कृषि और किसान कल्याण; सहकारिता; मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी; खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग; भारी उद्योग; गृह; सूचना और प्रसारण; पंचायती राज; ग्रामीण विकास; सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता; युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्रालय)

Total Number of Questions — 20

Self-Help Groups

*121. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the current rural development schemes in the country in which Self-Help Groups (SHGs) are involved, State/UT-wise and scheme-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to enhance the annual income of SHGs which are the backbone of rural economy and if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether rural products from SHGs have huge potential of acceptance among masses in the country and abroad: and
- (d) whether the Government has identified e-commerce as an effective tool to harness it and if so, the details thereof?

National Young Leaders Programme

*122. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI: SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing National Young Leaders Programme (NYLP) in the country and if so, the details thereof alongwith aims, objectives and various components of the said programme;
- (b) the details of funds allocated/released and expenditure incurred under the said programme since its inception, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra;
- (c) the number of programmes organized in Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra under NYLP since its inception; and
- (d) the details of various activities undertaken and the number of youth actively participated/involved in

governance process under NYLP, particularly in the above two States?

Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana

†*123. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of ongoing road projects/roads being constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), State/UT-wise particularly in Bharuch district of Gujarat and Jaunpur district of Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) the time by which the construction work of the said projects are likely to be completed;
- (c) the detailed criteria for selection of roads under PMGSY;
- (d) the details of monitoring mechanism put in place by the Government to complete the construction of quality roads in time; and
- (e) whether there is any Government guideline as to who can lay the foundation stone of the said roads and if so, the details thereof?

Sports Academy in Odisha

*124. SHRI. RAMESH CHANDRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

- (a) the details of Sports Academies established by the Government in the country, State/UT-wise including Odisha:
- (b) whether the Government proposes to establish new Sports Academy in Odisha;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Drug Addiction among Children

*125. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the increasing number of children between 10 and 17 years of age consuming Cannabis, Opioids and Inhalants and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is maintaining the data of increasing drug consumption in colleges and universities all over the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to check the addiction of children and youth towards narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to undertake a survey on prevalance of drug addiction along the lines of the 'National Survey on Extent and Pattern of Substance Use in India 2019' on a regular five year interval and if so, the details thereof?

Manual Scavenging

*126. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an official estimate of the number of manual scavengers in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is true that the Government has not been able to achieve the target of abolition of manual scavenging as prescribed by the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and Rehabilitation Act, 2013 and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether many manual scavengers have benefited from the Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers and if so, the details thereof, Statewise:
- (d) whether the Ministry maintains a database of sanitation workers in the country and if so, the Statewise details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the measures taken to avoid hazardous cleaning of sewers and septic tanks?

Funds for Street Lighting in Villages

*127. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV: SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides funds to Gram Panchayats for street lighting in villages and if so, the

- details thereof during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has demanded utilization certificates of funds from the concerned authorities and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any actual target for fund utilization has been fixed for the said purpose and if so, the details thereof and the achievements made thereon, State/UTwise:
- (d) whether any time-frame has been fixed for providing street lights in all the villages in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Jurisdiction of BSF

*128. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the rationale for extending the jurisdiction of the Border Security Force (BSF) from 15 km to 50 km inside the international borders in Punjab, West Bengal and Assam by the Government Notification dated 11 October, 2021;
- (b) the rationale for reducing the jurisdiction of BSF from 80 km to 50 km inside the international borders in Gujarat;
- (c) whether the Government has taken necessary action/steps in this regard as required under Section 139(3) of the Border Security Force Act, 1968; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which the Government is planning to do the same?

Rural Sports Programme

*129. SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA: SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

- (a) whether the Rural Sports Programme was started in the country for broadcasting games and sports and to tap the hidden talents in the rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated and the expenditure incurred during each of the last five years and the current year under the said programme, sports discipline-wise and State-wise, especially in the State of Karnataka;
- (c) whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the progress of the said programme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which the said programme has been successful?

Allocation of Digital IDs under DILRMP

*130. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI: SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has begun allocating digital IDs to land plots under the Digital India Land Records Modernization Programme (DILRMP), if so, the progress made/targets achieved, State-wise;
- (b) the details of funds allocated and utilized under the said programme so far along with the system or software used to record the digital IDs and other data under DILRMP;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any study to know the outcomes in implementation of this programme all over the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal for conducting nationwide digital land survey to assess the total agricultural land in the country;
- (e) if so, the details of the proposal, the methods to be used and agencies involved and if not, the details of the States which are conducting digital land surveys; and
- (f) the details of benefits of implementation of DILRMP and initiatives under this programme?

Employment Opportunities in Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries

*131. DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:

SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any effective steps to increase the employment opportunities in the field of animal husbandry, dairying and fisheries in the country including the State of Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details of the amount allocated and expenditure incurred by the Government to promote fisheries, dairying and animal husbandry in the country during the last three years and the current year, Statewise including the State of Maharashtra;
- (c) whether many unemployed youth and farmers want to self-employ in the field of fisheries, dairying and animal husbandry but are unable to access the facilities meant for them; and
- (d) if so, whether the Government proposes to provide them technical, economic and other assistance and if so, the details thereof?

National Livestock Mission Portal

*132. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched a National Livestock Mission portal recently;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the benefits likely to be accrued to the Animal Husbandry sector with the launching of this portal;
- (d) whether the Government has also announced a special package for the livestock sector; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Damage due to Heavy Rains

*133. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the value of agricultural and horticultural crops damaged due to heavy rains in West Bengal during the last year;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any survey in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide assistance to farmers under the National Disaster Relief Fund to cover the said losses, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has received any request in this regard and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto:
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to cover the loss of life, property and livestock along with the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government has released any funds in this regard, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Issuance of Disabilty Certificate

*134. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV: SHRI RAJBAHADUR SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

- (a) the details of disability certificates issued in the country, State-wise and also district-wise in Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to formulate guidelines for hospitals and e-mitra centres for issuance of disability certificates;

- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor: and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to increase the efficiency of the software through which certificates are generated?

Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojana

†*135. DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the amount provided to farmers under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojana is being recovered due to wrong information;
- (b) if so, the number of farmers in Madhya Pradesh for whom orders have been issued for recovery of the said amount along with the details thereof;
- (c) whether any direction is proposed to be issued by the Government to provide relief to such farmers;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of farmers who are not getting the amount provided under the said scheme even after fulfilling the eligibility criteria and the number of such farmers in Seoni and Balaghat districts under Balaghat Parliamentary Constituency along with the details thereof?

Employment for Divyang Persons under MGNREGS

†*136. SHRIMATI GEETA KORA: SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Divyang persons registered as applicants seeking employment under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) during the last two years, State-wise;
- (b) the number of Divyang applicants who have got employment and the number of days for which they have been given employment, State-wise;
- (c) whether any exemption has been granted in the MGNREGS guidelines with regard to the nature of works to be given to Divyang people; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Employment for Rural Women under MGNREGS

†*137. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether rural women are getting employment opportunities under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS);

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the work of construction of dams in the rural areas near the fields has also been included under MGNREGS; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Construction of New Sports Stadiums

*138. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of new sports stadiums constructed throughout the country during the last five years with latest infrastructure for the benefit of sportspersons and youth;
- (b) the details of funds allocated for the said purpose, funds spent so far and status of stadiums which are under construction, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to construct Olympic level Sports Complex in Satara district of Maharashtra as it has rich tradition of wrestling and other sports; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Training to Fishermen

*139. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for providing necessary awareness and training to the fishermen about the International Maritime Boundary Line so that they are careful while fishing in deepwater particularly in view of the Judgement of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at Hague;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, by what time and the manner in which the Government proposes to improve the awareness among the fishermen in this regard?

Pending Cases in RNI

†*140. DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of cases relating to the transfer of ownership of Gujarat based magazines and newspapers are pending with the Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI);

- (b) the number of such cases pending with the RNI alongwith the period of pendency;
- (c) the reasons for not disposing of these cases which have been pending for years;
- (d) the time by which such cases are likely to be disposed of;
- (e) whether the staff in RNI office have been sensitized regarding appropriate behaviour with the applicants;
 - (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor and the action proposed to be taken in this regard?

New Delhi; December 1, 2021 Agrahayana 10, 1943 (Saka) UTPAL KUMAR SINGH
Secretary General

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Total Number of Ouestions — 230

Grant of Special Category Status to States

1381. SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the States for grant of special category status: and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon particularly on the newly-carved States like Andhra Pradesh including the measures taken for announcing Tax Holiday?

Sports Competetions under Khelo India Scheme

†1382. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of sports competions organised at national level by the Government under Khelo India Scheme; and
- (b) the facilities made available for above competions at national level specially for the identification of sports talent at rural level and for participation in sports competioins of international level specially in Chhattisgarh State during the last three years?
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Co-operative Societies

1383. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION

सहकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Co-operative societies are a State subject under Entry 32

- of the State List of Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India, if so, the need for creating a separate Union Ministry for the same;
- (b) whether a need assessment was conducted to determine the establishment of a Ministry for Cooperative Societies;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the rationale in introducing this Ministry;
- (d) whether there was a request from the States to establish a Union Ministry to govern Cooperative Societies;
- (e) if not, whether an open discussion was held with the States to collect feedback and to inform of the establishment of the Ministry to the States, since it is a State subject, if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether there are any objectives identified to achieve under the Ministry of Cooperative Societies, if so, the details thereof?

State Government Employees of J&K and Ladakh

†1384. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether, after abrogation of Article 370 and 35-A, the State employees working in Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh including police personnel of Jammu and Kashmir are likely to get facilities which have been made available in other Union Territories;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the approximate number of such employees in Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh who are likely to be benefitted?

Cost of Electric Vehicles

1385. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI ANURAG SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES भारी उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to reduce the cost of electric vehicles (EV) to the level of petrol vehicles in the next two years, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has identified the States where the infrastructural facilities are to be developed for the e-vehicles, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to frame policy for installing EV charging stations across major National Highways (NH) in the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Missing Children

1386. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of instances of missing children being recovered by the police although their relatives have not been traced during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the number of such children in the last three years, State-wise; and
- (c) the proposal formulated by the Government regarding the upbringing and education of such children?

Promotion of Organic Farming

†1387. SHRI BALAK NATH: SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD: SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is promoting organic/natural farming as chemical-free farming;
- (b) if so, the details of the areas covered under organic/natural farming, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any scheme to provide organic certification services to individual farmers and if so, the criteria for providing the assistance;
- (d) the initiatives taken by the Government to promote alternative or organic fertilizers to reduce the excessive consumption of urea in the country; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Citizenship Amendment Bill, 2019

1388. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that few state Assemblies have passed a resolution against Citizenship Amendment Bill (CAB) 2019 in their States and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether it is a fact that these State Governments cannot deny the implementation of CAB 2019 in their States, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to issue instructions to such States to enforce the CAB and if so, the details thereof?

Pre-matric Scholarships

1389. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:
SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA:
SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR:
SHRIMATI KAVITHA MALOTHU:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether out of 7.46 lakh applications received in the Ministry between 2018-19 and 2020-21 under Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme in Telangana only 4.6 lakh applicants have got scholarship;
- (b) if so, the reasons for sanctioning only half of applicants; and
- (c) the details of scholarships sanctioned during the abovesaid period to various States, State-wise and district-wise?

Relief for Cyclone-affected Areas

1390. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

- (a) the details and the number of people, who have been displaced from their coastal locations because of the increasing incidents of cyclones, State-wise:
- (b) whether the Union Government has made any provision for compensation for those affected by cyclones and rehabilitation plan for those displaced because of loss of houses and property;
- (c) if so, the classification of the number of individuals who have received benefits, State-wise;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to make the coastal States like Andhra Pradesh and coastal districts like Guntur, Prakasam, Visakhapatnam etc. flood and cyclone resilient;

- (e) whether there has been progress in insuring the coastal population against loss of property and life in wake of recurrent incidents of cyclones; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Facilities for Differently-abled Persons

†1391. SHRIMATI SUNITA DUGGAL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to provide barrier-free environment to People with Disabilities (PwD);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) the common guidelines for PwD; and
 - (d) the total number of disabled persons in India?

Braille Books for Visually Imapaired Student

†1392. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to provide Braille books to visually-impaired students;
- (b) if so, the steps that have been taken by the Government in this direction so far; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ATMA Scheme

1393. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details regarding the achievements of the State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms through Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA) Scheme for 2021-22 till October 2021, Statewise; and
- (b) the achievements of the above said scheme since 2016-17 under its various metrics and components particularly in Jharkhand?

Floriculture in Andhra Pradesh

1394. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Andhra Pradesh is the largest producer of flowers in the country in spite of limited area under cultivation:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any special emphasis is given for protected cultivation through financial assistance; and
 - (d) if so, the details of the same?

DDU-GKY in Maharashtra

1395. DR. HEENA GAVIT:

SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:
DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL:
SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO
MANE:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Deen Dayal Upadhyay-Grameen Kaushal Yojana (DDU-GKY) is being implemented by the Government in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Maharashtra;
- (b) whether the youth in rural areas of Thane, Jalgaon, Kolhapur, Sangli, Ahmednagar, Nandurbar, Usmanabad, Marathwada including Parbhani and Ramtek Parliamentary Constituency and from districts of Vidharbha are being imparted training under the said scheme, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the youth are getting financial benefits and adequate employment opportunities after completing the training;
- (d) the details regarding the number of youth who have been imparted training and those out of them, who got employed after completion of training;
- (e) the method through which training is being imparted under DDU-GKY; and
- (f) whether any special education project has been formulated for the said youth and if so, the details thereof?

Production of Organic Fertilizers

1396. SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH: SHRI D.K.SURESH: SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL: SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to increase the production of organic fertilizers and to encourage the farmers to use them;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has formulated any action plan during the last three years; and
- (c) if so, the details of the framework of this action plan and the funds earmarked and spent under the scheme?

Social Protection to Transgender Community

1397. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government to address the distress of the Transgender Community hit hard by the pandemic:
- (b) the steps taken by Government to provide the Transgender Community with alternative livelihoods amidst the pandemic;
- (c) whether the Government has plans to introduce new schemes for providing social protection to the Transgender Community; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Biometric Details of NRC Applicants

1398. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the locking of biometric details of NRC applicants who filed claims and objections to get their names listed in the final NRC list, if so reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government has data on the number of such individuals from Assam whose biometric details were locked;
- (c) the date by when the Government intends to unlock frozen biometric details; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any measures to ensure individuals are not deprived of access to welfare schemes due to frozen biometric details, if so, the details thereof?

Amount Spent for Advertisement

1399. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the amount that has been spent for advertisements by the Government in electronic as well as print media during the last three years;

- (b) the details of the expenditure and the purpose for advertisement during the said period;
- (c) the details of all the beneficiary news channels and newspapers indicating the amount given to theron; and
- (d) the details of criteria and rules on the basis of which a news channel and newspaper becomes eligible for Government's advertisement?

Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Scholarships for SCs

1400. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing various centrally sponsored scheme of scholarship for SCs students in Bihar including district Gopalgan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total amount provided to the State of Bihar for scholarship of SCs students and the amount utilised;
- (c) the details of the fund contributed by the State Government and the Union Government for scholarship of SCs students in Bihar particularly district Gopalganj; and
- (d) whether the Union Government did not sanction the amount due for the State of Bihar due to specified reasons, if so, the details thereof?

Increasing Income of Farmers

1401. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of steps taken by the Government to increase the income of farmers of the country including in Odisha;
- (b) whether the three farm acts were introduced to increase the income of farmers; and
 - (c) if so details thereof?

Manufacturing of Hybrid and Electric Vehicles

1402. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES

भारी उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) the present status of the manufacturing of Hybrid and Electric Vehicles in the country;
- (b) the reasons for very slow pace of implementation of Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid and Electric Vehicles (FAME) Scheme; and
- (c) the fresh steps taken by the Government to bring down the cost of electric/Hybrid vehicles on par with those with internal combustion engines (ICEs)?

Auto and Taxi Prepaid Booths

1403. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK: SHRI BHOLA SINGH: DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY: SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR: DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Delhi Traffic Police operates Auto and Taxi Prepaid booths at Railway stations, Airports and other places;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the list of Prepaid Booths, Zone-wise fare and staff deployed, income generated during the last three years;
- (c) whether there have been regular complaints like overcharging, delay in providing auto/taxi, misbehaviour by drivers/booth staff, lack of display of rate list, etc. against prepaid booth service;
- (d) if so, the details of complaints received during the last three years and the action taken thereon;
- (e) whether there is an urgent need for computerisation of the system and make it online through an app; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof including other steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Old Age Homes

1404. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:
SHRI SELVAM G.:
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the existing guidelines for setting up and maintenance of Old Age Homes in the country;
- (b) whether there is shortage of Old Age Homes in the State of Maharashtra considering the increasing population of senior citizens, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has made any assessment on the requirement of old age homes and if so, the details and outcome thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is implementing the National Action Plan for Senior Citizens (NAPSrC);

- (e) if so, the number of old age homes being run and the number of senior citizens residing therein along with the financial assistance provided for such homes during each of the last three years and the current in the country;
- (f) the number of proposals received from Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu for opening of old age homes and the number of new old age homes opened;
- (g) whether reports of senior citizens not being properly looked after or taken care of in old age homes have been received; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof and the steps/corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Latest Sports Facilities in Haryana

†1405. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct stadiums with latest sports facilities in each district and to provide such facilities in already existing stadiums with the objective of increasing inclination of the youth towards sports and to prepare talented young players at local level itself in Karnal, Panipat in the State of Haryana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide latest sports facilities in the stadium situated in Karnal, Panipat districts after coordinating with the Haryana State Government for the said objective so that the local youth can make the name of the state and the country famous in the sports world after getting benefits from it; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Resumption of Census Operations

1406. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRIMATI MALA ROY:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is set to resume the Census operations, aborted due to COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has filled the vacant posts of Census officers in various States to conduct the Census smoothly;

- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the time by which such posts are likely to be filled;
- (d) the total number and details of languages that will be counted in Census, 2021;
- (e) whether the Government has fixed any deadline for the Census and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government has sorted out or fixed all necessary legal formalities in this regard and if so, the details thereof and if not the time by which it is likely to be done?

National Food Security Mission

1407. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL: SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing the National Food Security Mission (NFSM) in the country;
 - (b) if so, the motives and salient features thereof;
- (c) the details of the targets set and achievements made so far under this Mission;
- (d) the details of funds provided to the States under the said scheme;
- (e) whether the said scheme is implemented in all States of the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether the Government is planning to increase agricultural land under irrigation in order to achieve the objectives of the National Food Security Mission; and
- (g) if so, the details of the proportion of increase in land under irrigation planned by the Government?

PM-KISAN Scheme in Nagaland

1408. SHRI TOKHEHO YEPTHOMI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beneficiaries of the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) Yojana in the State of Nagaland; and
- (b) the total amount given to Nagaland under the Yojana from 2019-2021?

Closure of Radio Stations

1409. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA: DR. UMESH G. JADHAV: SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA: SHRI B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA: SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:

SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA: SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of radio stations under the All India Radio (AIR), State-wise/UT-wise, as on date;
- (b) whether the Government is in the process of merger or closure of several radio stations/channels, if so, the reasons therefor and the details of the merged radio stations/channels;
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to ensure the broadcasting of regional/local content in the merged radio station/channel;
- (d) the estimated expenditure to be saved by the Government through the above process per year; and
- (e) whether the AIR has closed the Amruthavarshini FM radio channel in Bengaluru, if so, the details thereof and the measures taken/being taken by the Government to ensure preference to local artistes post-closure?

Vacant Posts of Chairpersons in RCI, National Trust & CCPD

1410. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that there are many key posts lying vacant in the Department of Person with Disabilities like Chairperson for Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), Chairperson of National Trust and Chief Commissioner Person with Disabilities (CCPD);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government is taking immediate steps to fill up such vacancies for speedy work and if so, the details thereof?

Compensation for Loss due to Lockdown

†1411. SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) the steps taken so far by the Government to compensate the farmers and agriculture sector affected due to lockdown;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to modify the scheme of doubling the income of farmers by 2022 and to increase the budget allocated for said scheme in view of current scenario;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Increase in Wage Rate under MGNREGS

1412. SHRIMATI MALA ROY: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the dues pending for States under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to increase the wage rate under this scheme, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Union Government has received any communication from the Government of Maharashtra regarding increase of wages under MGNREGS;
- (d) if so, the details in this regard and the wage paid under the scheme in Maharashtra presently;
- (e) whether the State Government has also requested to release Central assistance for such increased number of wage days to the State; and
- (f) if so, the details and the steps taken so far by the Union Government on such a request?

Promoting Youth Sports in Bihar

†1413. SHRI DULAL CHAND GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Bihar is actively participating in Youth Affairs and Sports activities;
- (b) if so, whether any concrete steps have been taken by the Government to promote Youth Affairs and Sports in the State of Bihar during the last three years and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the amount provided to the State Government of Bihar for development of this area during the said period?

Members of Gram Panchayats

1414. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ

पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal to increase members of the Gram panchayats across the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is going to contribute financial assistance to all the State Governments in this regard; and

(c) if not, should there be a consideration to increase the salary of Gram panchayats members and further instructions to all the State Governments?

Production of Fox Nuts

†1415. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of fox nuts produced in the country, State-wise:
- (b) whether the demand for fox nuts has increased in the country during the last few years;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the special efforts made by the Government to increase the production of fox nuts in view of the increased demand?

MGNREGS in UP

†1416. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT: SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether work is being carried out under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA) in the country, if so, the details thereof; State-wise and district-wise particularly, in Misrikh and Shahjahanpur Parliamentary constituency of Uttar Pradesh including updated status as on date; and
- (b) the details of the Central fund allocated, the utilisation of the said funds and the number of benefeciaries during each of the last three years?

Funds Granted under Various Schemes

†1417. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA: SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK: SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

- (a) the details of amount of grant given to the State Governments of Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand and Jammu and Kashmir during the last three years under various schemes of the Government;
- (b) whether the aforesaid grant was provided within the stipulated period;
- (c) if so, the details of the grants given till now, scheme-wise and year-wise; and
- (d) the details of the spending pattern of the aforesaid grant, area-wise?

Promotion of Agro-forestry

†1418. SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA: SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the regions proposed to be covered under agro-forestry schemes like 'Har Med Par Pedh' in Rajasthan and the time by which this scheme is likely to be started?

Implementation of National Dairy Plan

1419. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU: SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the attention of the Government is drawn to the implementation of National Dairy Plan in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the initiatives taken by the Government to help increase productivity of milch animals and provide rural milk producers with great access to organised milk-processing sector?

Dr. Ambedkar Interest Subsidy on Educational Loan

1420. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN: SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of Dr. Ambedkar Scheme of Interest Subsidy on Educational Loan for Overseas Studies for OBCs and EBCs;
- (b) whether a very meagre amount has been released out of the huge allocation made for this purpose;
- (c) if so, the details of the allocation and release of funds during the last three years, particularly to Maharashtra;
- (d) the reason for release of such paltry sums when allocations were very high; and
- (e) the candidates who have benefitted, and the reasons for rejecting applications, if any, the details thereof, State-wise?

Procedure for Setting up Cold Storage

1421. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:

SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria and procedure for setting up of cold storages by the Government in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide adequate storage facility for agricultural produce across the country and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether farmers are facing difficulties due to lack of storage facilities and they have to face the problem of wastage of their produce and if so, the steps taken to provide adequate amount of storage facilities across the country;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to provide any financial assistance for the construction of storage, cold storage and warehouse facilities and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) the present capacity of storage facility, cold storage and warehouses in the country; and
- (f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to save the produce of farmers?

Free Legal Aid to Under Trial Prisoners

†1422. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide free legal aid to undertrial prisoners keeping in view their increasing number in prisons across the country so that illiterate and poor accused persons can get timely legal assistance;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether certain provisions were made after amendment to section 31 of the Indian Penal Code with respect to arrest in the year 2010 and the same are not being followed at present in the case of arrests made; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Empowering Dumb and Deaf

1423. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working towards empowering deaf-dumb people;
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme by the Government;
- (c) whether the Government is planning for uniformity of 'sign language'; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof of the R&D and new technology which will provide same sign language to all deaf people?

Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan in Haryana

1424. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the aims and objectives of Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA);
- (b) the total amount of funds approved and released under RGSA to the State of Haryana from 2017-18 to 2021-22, year-wise;
- (c) whether it is true that no money has been released during the last three years to the State of Haryana under RGSA;
 - (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of the steps taken to release the pending dues to the State of Haryana?

Land Allocation for Youth Hostel in Rajasthan

†1425. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that land has been allocated for youth hostel at Nagaur district headquarters in Rajasthan;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to construct the said hostel building by releasing the funds, if so, the details of grants if any by the Government;
- (c) whether the Government is in receipt of letters/ proposals from local administration, State Government and local parliamentarian regarding the construction of aforesaid hostel and building; and
- (d) if so, the details of action taken on aforesaid letter proposals received?

Connectivity of Rural Roads with Major Roads under PMGSY in Chattisgarh

†1426. SHRI ARUN SAO: SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether rural roads have been connected with major roads through various schemes including Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana with focus on development of rural areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including Chattisgarh during the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the fund allocated and utilized for the development of villages in rural areas during the said period, State-wise;
- (d) whether the third phase of the said scheme has been sanctioned recently; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Artificial Fitment Distribution

1427. PROF. SOUGATA RAY:

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 distribute artificial equipment to physically challenged citizens of the country freely, if so, the details thereof and the expected tenure to complete the projects, and
- (b) if not, the reasons for not distributing the same freely in a welfare state?

Promoting Sports among Tribal Children

†1428. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

- (a) the number of youth benefitted through the Khelo India Programme along with the districts;
- (b) whether the Government has also accorded sanction for inclusion of sports being played by the Tribals under the said programme;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme to promote sports among the tribal children of the country if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of the number of sportspersons belonging to the Tribal Community who have got opportunity in various sports in the country so far district-wise and State-wise; and

(f) the details of the sports persons given appointment by the Union and State Governments during the last ten years, name-wise?

Boosting Sports in the North East Region and Bhagalpur

1429. MS. S. JOTHIMANI: SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposel to boost sports participation in the North East Region and Bhagalpur, considering the success of sportspersons of the said Region at the 2021 Olympics;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of "Khelo India" in the North East region, including funds allocated and disbursed, along with the number of beneficiaries from inception till date, State-wise and year-wise; and
- (d) the status of the setting up of the 1000 new Khelo India centres announced in June 2020, including the details of centres sanctioned, constructed and operational?

Cleaning Human Excreta

1430. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that nearly 500 people died while cleaning human excreta during the last five years;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to stop this inhuman activity in the country;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to make stricter laws prohibiting engagement of people for cleaning human excreta; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Cold Storage Facilities in the North-Eastern Region

1431. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Government cold storage facilities in the North Eastern Region, State-wise;
- (b) the steps taken to enhance the functioning of cold storage facilities in Meghalaya; and
 - (c) the funds allocated for the same, State-wise?

Land under Agroforestry

1432. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any State-wise data on the actual land under agroforestry and the potential land which can be brought under agroforestry in each State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the Government has undertaken any steps to ensure uniformity in guidelines for exemption of agroforestry tree species amongst States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government is formulating structured guidelines for insurance and credit access in the area of agroforestry, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether the preparation of regional models of agroforestry is being undertaken by the Government for the benefit of small, marginal and large farmers who are presently not covered by the policy, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Prevent Linguistic Discrimination in Films

1433. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Odia film "Khyanikaa The Lost Idea" was pulled down from Over The Top (OTT) platform without any formal communication;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to prevent linguistic discrimination especially Odia films which is a classical language; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Paris Olympics 2024

1434. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has not performed well in the Tokyo Olympics and other sports competitions organized at the national/international levels;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is not encouraging sportspersons properly, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the funds allocated/released/spent for training/infrastructure/salaries and other maintenance works of stadiums and engaging coaches in the sport field;
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to utilise the services of sport coaches to train the sport students in all the fields of sports in future by setting new guidelines/timeframe; and
- (f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to put all efforts for a good 2024 Paris Olympics and for other games which are coming up in the future?

Playground in Villages under Khelo India Scheme

†1435. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the government proposes to develop playgrounds in villages in the country under 'Khelo India' scheme;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of playgrounds developed since December 2020?

Computerisation of Primary Agricultural Credit Socieites

1436. SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI: SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV: DR. SANJEEV KUMAR SINGARI: SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION

सहकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared an action plan to computerize all Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) across the country and link them with District Banks, State Co-operative Banks and NABARD;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the States that have already undertaken the implementation of the above program?

Seaweed Cultivation in Tamil Nadu

1437. SHRI A. RAJA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether seaweed park for seaweed cultivation is proposed in coastal States, especially in Tamil Nadu;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of fishermen/fisherwomen empowered under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) and the amount spent in the country, State-wise, during the last three years?

Development of Mini Food Parks

1438. MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken measures to develop mini food parks under the agro-processing cluster scheme to promote farm produce exports;
- (b) whether the Government has received any proposal from Government of West Bengal to strengthen agro processing units in West Bengal;
- (c) if so, the actions taken by the Government to approve and sanction funds for the scheme;
- (d) whether the Government is ready to disburse loans to State Cooperative Banks for farmers and allocate a grant every year for promotion of export of organic farm produce; and
- (e) the measures taken by the Government to promote capacity of agro-processing sectors?

Enrolment in PMFBY

1439. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY: SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is taking steps to maintain the enrolment of farmers and the coverage of lakhs of acres under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY); and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and progress made till date, State-wise?

Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Agriculture

1440. SHRI RAHUL GANDHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on agricultural households;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the average debt of agricultural households has increased in light of the COVID-19 pandemic; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Cooperatrive Structure in West Bengal

1441. DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION सहकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to strengthen the cooperative structure in the State of West Bengal, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether any amount has been allocated for strengthening the cooperative structure in the above mentioned State, if so, the details thereof?

National Cooperative University

1442. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA: SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION

सहकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to establish a National Co-operative University;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received any request seeking upgradation of the Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management (VAMNICOM), Pune into a Cooperative University;
 - (d) if so, the action taken thereon; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and the time likely to be taken for its early resolution?

Scheme for FPOs

1443. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether agriculture plays a very important role in both economic development and nation building;
 - (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether the Union Government has launched a Central sector scheme titled 'Formation and Promotion of 10,000 Farmer Produce Organizations (FPOs)' in the country;
 - (d) if so, the salient features of the said scheme;
- (e) whether the Union Government has set up dedicated fund for providing credit guarantees to FPOs under the scheme; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the details of funds allocated for implementation of said scheme?

Irregularities in Co-operative Credit Societies

1444. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION सहकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to take strict & stringent actions against the societies for the irregularities found in co-operative credit societies covered under multi-State status working across the country and to recover and restore the funds to small investors who had invested their hard-earned money in such credit societies;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof and
- (c) the details of such societies which have been found so far in various State including the State of Bihar?

Increasing Turmeric Farmer's Income

1445. SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is taking steps to increase the income of farmers, especially turmeric producing farmers in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Schemes for Fishery and Dairy Industries

1446. SHRI D.K.SURESH:
SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:
SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes introduced for development of fishery and dairy industries in the country during the last five years;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the target set to achieve under the schemes along with the details of the achievement during the said period;
- (d) the fund earmarked and spent under each scheme during the said period; and
 - (e) the details thereof, State-wise and year-wise;

Killing of Minorities by Terrorists

1447. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that during the last Six months, several Kashmiri Pandits Hindus and Sikhs have been killed by the terrorists in Srinagar;
 - (b) if so, the complete details in this regard;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that a sense of fear has gripped the minorities in the Kashmir Valley with several Government employees and teachers turning to other parts of the country; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to protect the minority community and announced compensation to the deceased families?

Daily Sahakar Scheme

1448. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY: SHRI ANURAG SHARMA: SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a)whether the Government has launched the Dairy Sahakar Scheme, if so, the details thereof and the objective behind the move;
- (b) the details of amount allocated under the said scheme;
- (c) the nodal agency appointed to implement the scheme;
- (d) the role of National Cooperative Development Corporation in implementing the scheme; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government to strengthen the dairy sector in the country?

National Programme for Dairy Development

1449. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI RAJBAHADUR SINGH:
SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI:
SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH SOLANKY:
DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:
SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the release of funds under the National Programme for Dairy Development by Government of India during the last two years;
- (b) the amount of funds allocated and utilized under this scheme, State-wise; and
- (c) the number of projects and proposals received and sanctioned under this scheme in NCT of Delhi in the States of Madhya Pradesh, Odisha and Uttar Pradesh?

Eradication of Rabies

†1450. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the efforts being made by the Government for eradication of rabies;
- (b) the time by which this disease is likely to be eradicated completely;
- (c) the number of deaths caused by the said disease througout the country, particularly in Gujarat; and
- (d) the efforts being made by the Government to make aware the tribal communities of the State of Gujarat about said disease?

Journalist Welfare Scheme

†1451. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सुचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the main objectives of the Journalist Welfare Scheme being run by the Government;
- (b) the details of financial assistance provided under this scheme to help the families of journalists who have died due to COVID-19, State-wise/UT-wise including the State of Gujarat;
- (c) whether apart from financial assistance, employment related assistance is also provided to the families of the deceased journalists under this scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Training to Public Representatives

†1452. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to organise any special training programme for imparting training to the public representatives in panchayats and municipal bodies with respect to their rights, duties and powers:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Diversifying Operations in BHEL

1453. SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES भारी उद्योग मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the initiatives taken by the Government to diversify operations in Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL);
 - (b) the strategy/plans to be implemented;
- (c) the time by which the new renewable energy technologies are to be adopted; and
 - (d) the outcome of the diversification strategy?

Beneficiaries of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana

1454. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) checked the gaps in the value chain and fisheries management;
 - (b) if so, the reason thereof;
- (c) the details of budget allocation and budget utilization under the PMMSY during the last seven years;
 - (d) the number of beneficiaries of PMMSY; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to increase fish production and fisheries management?

DILRMP in UP

†1455. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR: SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether work is being carried out under Digital India Land Records Modernization Programme (DILRMP) in the country, particularly in Misrikh and Shahjahanpur Parliamentary Constituencies of Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, particularly in the said Parliamentary Constituencies including updated status in Uttar Pradesh as on date; and
- (c) the details of the Central fund allocated including the utilization of the said funds during each of the last three years, State-wise?

National Horticulture Mission

1456. MS. DIYA KUMARI: SHRI DHARMENDRA KASHYAP:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts, State-wise across the country covered under National Horticulture Mission (NHM);

- (b) whether the Government proposes to expand the said NHM to rest of the districts too, if so, the details thereof, State-wise, including Rajasamand and any other districts of Rajasthan under the NHM in the next phase;
- (c) whether representations have been received from several States for inclusion of more districts under the said Mission:
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon:
- (e) the amount sanctioned and utilized by each State under the NHM during the last three years; and
- (f) the details of accomplishments of NHM during the last three years, State-wise, including Rajasthan?

Increase of Wage Days under MGNREGS

1457. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU: MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have received any communication from the State Government of Odisha regarding increase of wages days from 100 to 200 under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the State Government has also requested to release Central assistance for such increased number of wage days to the State;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps so far taken by the Government on such request;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal to increase the duration of employment contract (from the current guaranteed employment for 100 days) and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to increase the wages under the MGNREGA scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government has undertaken measures to ensure safety for women employed under MGNREGS and if so, the details thereof?

Horticulture Cluster Development Programme

1458. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) the details of Horticulture Cluster Development Programme implemented by the National Horticulture Board:
- (b) the details of clusters selected for the project and for the pilot phase of the project;
- (c) whether the Government has received any request from the State of Kerala for inclusion of clusters in the pilot phase; and

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

Mega Food Park

1459. SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:

SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to have a Mega Food Park in Western Odisha and Jharkhand, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is planning a second phase of implementation of the mega food park scheme, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any survey in Odisha for assessment to set up Food Processing Industries;
- (d) if so, the details of potential in the State with regard to food processing sector;
- (e) whether the Government has set up any food testing lab in Odisha; if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government has any proposal to promote FDI in food processing in Odisha; if so, the details thereof?

Loans to KCC Holders

1460. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND: DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the loans given to the Kisan Credit Card (KCC) holders in Tamil Nadu during the last five years;
- (b) whether the quantum of allotment of loans increased for KCC holders to meet the increasing expenses incurred for farming activities from sowing the seeds to harvest;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has taken serious note of farmers being harassed by the Public Sector Bank officials as well as private Banks and money lenders for not being able to pay their interests and loan capital; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to solve this grave problem?

Cyclone Gulab

1461. SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cyclone Gulab has caused heavy damage to infrastructure, property and livestocks in the affected States;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Central Government has allocated funds to affected States for restoration of infrastructure; and
- (d) if so, , the details of assistance provided, Statewise ?

Agriculture Infrastructure Fund

1462. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL: SHRI D.K.SURESH: SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total funds earmarked and spent so far from the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund for farm gate-based infrastructure for farmers;
- (b) the details of total number of beneficiaries including farmers and entrepreneurs under the said scheme till date, State-wise;
- (c) the achievements made under the scheme till date; and
- (d) the details of the targets set to achieve and actual achievements?

Cross Border Drug Smuggling

1463. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has any statistics regarding number of cross border drug smuggling cases registered by the security forces or by any other agencies in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of such cases reported in the country during the last five years, year-wise and Statewise;
- (c) whether the Government's decision to enhance the jurisdiction of Border Security Force (BSF) in Border States will help to reduce cross border smuggling of drugs;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and

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

Fish Farmer Producer Organisations in Gujarat

1464. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) in the State of Gujarat;
- (b) whether the Government is taking any steps to improve cold storage and export of fishery products especially in Jamnagar and Devbhumi Dwarka districts of Gujarat;
 - (c) if so, progress made in the last three years; and
- (d) whether the Government is planning to increase number of Fish Farmers Producer Organizations (FFPOs) in coastal area of Gujarat?

Fund Allocations to Paralympic Atheletes

1465. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is having any separate fund allocations to paralympic atheletes at par with other sports body;
- (b) if so, budget provision made/utilised to these paralympic atheletes who covered under Rights of persons with disabilities Act during the last four years, year/category-wise;
- (c) whether the Government have felt inadequate funding to these paralympic sports body; and
- (d) if so, the decision taken by the Government for providing adequate funding?

New Pension Scheme for Para Military Forces

1466. SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE: SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU: DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE: SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether paramilitary forces personnel joining force after 2004 are eligible for new pension scheme;
 - (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether the Central Government proposes to include the paramilitary forces personnel in the old pension scheme, in parity with the armed forces and their families;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard;

(f) if not, the reason therefor and manner in which the Central Government proposes to bring them in parity particularly since they are also responsible as far as armed forces are concerned?

FDI in FPIs

1467. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the reports that Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Food Processing Industries FPIs has declined by around 57 percent in 2020-21;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the Government plans on formulating any regulations to promote and reinvigorate FDI in the Food Processing Industry;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (e) whether the Government has taken any policy measures to help big and small investors in setting up Food Parks; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons thereof?

Reducing Advertising to Print Media

1468. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that bureau of outreach and communication (BOC) has reduced support of advertisement to the print media during the last two years:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the total advertisement support to newspapers, since FY 2018 therein;
- (d) the details of advertisement support to electronic media including TV, Radio and social media platforms since 2018 thereof; and
- (e) time by which the print media will get full fledged support by the Government thereof?

Food Processing Units in Andhra Pradesh

1469. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that State Industrial Development Corporation, Government of Andhra Pradesh (AP), with a view to push food processing in the State, has constituted AP Urban Infrastructure Asset Management Ltd, as project consultancy;

- (b) whether the Government is also aware that the State Government of Andhra Pradesh is planning to set up, at least, one food processing unit, incubation centre, food testing laboratory, skill development centre in every Parliamentary Constituency; and
- (c) if so, whether the Government is going to help the State to push in food processing in AP and export the same to earn foreign exchange for the country?

Computerisation of Gram Panchayats

1470. SHRI PARTHIBAN S.R.: SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Gram Panchayats computerized in the country, State/UT-wise including the State of Bihar?
- (b) the number of Gram Panchayats which are yet to be computerized, State/Union Territory-wise?
 - (c) the reasons for slow progress in this regard? and
- (d) the steps taken to accelerate the pace of computerization of Gram Panchayats and the time by when the remaining panchayats are likely to be computerized??

Welfare of Senior Citizens in Maharashtra

1471. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes run by Union Government for welfare of senior citizens in the State of Maharashtra; and
- (b) the funds allocated, released and utilised for the year 2018-19, and 2019-2020, the details thereof, schemewise?

Centrally Sponsored Schemes

†1472. KUNWAR DANISH ALI: SHRI GIRISH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of centrally sponsored schemes running in the country;
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating to reduce or discontinue the number of these schemes, if so, the details thereof;

- (c) whether the Government proposes to conduct a social audit of the social sector welfare schemes in terms of beneficiaries;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of its impact on the smoth functioning of social sector schemes?

Seaweed Park

1473. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the plan to establish multipurpose seaweed parks within Tamil Nadu along with its present status:
 - (b) the details of the funds estimated for the same;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any target for the establishment of multipurpose seaweed parks in Tamil Nadu in near future; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Increase in Stray Cattle

1474. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of major problems of increasing numbers of stray cattle in the State of Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof from past three years for number increase State-wise including the State of Rajasthan district-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is taking any initiatives or is any budget allocated for active rehabilitations of stray cattle;and
 - (d) if so, details thereof?

Maintain Database of Registered Birth & Death

1475. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government is considering to maintain the database of registered birth and deaths at the national level;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

- (c) whether it is also a fact that the Government will maintain parallel repository of birth and death data; and
- (d) whether the Centre could use the data to update the National Population Register?

Zero Budget Farming

†1476. SHRI SURESH KUMAR KASHYAP: SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA: SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL: SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government intends to launch a scheme to implement Zero Budget Farming across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of farmers connected with it especially in Prayagraj district of Uttar Pradesh, Banswara and Dungarpur districts of Rajasthan and also in Himachal Pradesh;
- (c) the details of the pilot project on Zero Budget Farming launched in Anand, Gujarat, including achievements gained, challenges identified and timelines of the project; and
- (d) whether any other study has been commissioned by the Government to understand benefits and viability of Zero Budget Farming to the farmers including tribal farmers and if so, details thereof?

District Rural Development Agencies

1477. DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the allocation and utilization of funds made to the District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs) during the last three years, State-wise and district-wise including Tamil Nadu;
- (b) whether any suggestions/complaints have been received to strengthen the DRDAs for their effective functioning and implementation of schemes; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Subsidies for Horticulture

1478. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes implemented and subsidies provided in the last five years to promote horticulture in Bihar

- including Kishanganj and Purnia under National Horticulture Board;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposals from the State Government to promote Horticulture in Kishanganj and Purnia districts; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

Settlement of Bangladesh Migrants

1479. SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has cleared the Indian enclave dwellers in Bangladesh regarding their migration inside India despite the agreement reached between the two sovereign nations long back;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the delay in implementation;
- (c) the total number of migrants and the money released by the Central Government to State Governments with full details of amount sanctioned, utilized and the unspent balance as on date;
- (d) whether the State Government has allotted the land to these migrants or whether they are detained in camps; and
- (e) if so, whether the Central Government will coordinate with the State Government of West Bengal to speed up the settlement and the estimated time taken to complete the job?

Smuggling of Narcotic Drugs

†1480. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any joint effort with the neighbouring nations to check the smuggling of narcotic drugs;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to check the smuggling of narcotics in the border areas adjoining Pakistan, Nepal and Tibet; and
- (d) the action plan formulated by the Government to check the increasing consumption of narcotic drugs amongst the youth?

Implementation of PMGSY

1481. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY: SHRI JAYANT SINHA: SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN: SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of lengths of roads constructed since inception under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna (PMGSY) along with the targets set in the country, year, State and district-wise particularly in Hazaribagh and Ramgarh districts of Jharkhand and the State of West Bengal and Maharashtra;
- (b) the criteria for selection of roads and whether the recommendations letter received from the Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) is a criteria for construction of roads under such Yojana;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (d) whether the Government has any scrutiny procedure and whether the sanctioned roads have completed properly, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of the total cost incurred, including maintenance cost, year-wise as of date; and
- (f) whether all the roads have been constructed/are being constructed as per the norms laid out in this regard?

MPLADS funds for SAGY

1482. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether expenditure for the development of villages adopted by Members of Parliament under Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) can be made only from MPLADS funds?
- (b) if so, whether these adopted villages have been rendered orphan on account of stoppage of MPLADS funds by the Government;
- (c) whether the Government would consider to provide funds for development of these villages from any head other than MPLADS funds so that development of these villages can further take place; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government for all round development in these villages under the scheme after emergence of new scenario?

Interest Subvention Scheme under DAY-NRLM

1483. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of funds disbursed to State Governments under the Interest Subvention Scheme under the Deendayal AntyodayaYojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) up to October 2021 scheme since its inception;

- (b) the total number of regional rural banks and cooperatives collaborated with under the scheme, Statewise and down to district level distribution for the State of Rajasthan;
- (c) whether the Government intends to provide 75 per cent of the amount of Interest Subvention in the beginning of the Financial Year (calculated on the basis of previous year's data) or to provide 75 per cent of Interest Subvention as interest free "Revolving Fund" to Cooperative Banks?

Regional Disease Diagnostic Laboratory

1484. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government will inform the house if it will consider setting up of a Regional Disease Diagnostic Laboratory at Bhubaneswar having BLA-III lab facility;
 - (b) if so, the time by when; and
 - (c) if not, the reason therefor?

PM-Kisan Scheme

1485. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has considered including livestock and fisheries under the PM-Kisan Scheme;
- (b) if so, the details of the steps taken by the Ministry including the current status of the initiative and if not, the reasons therefor?

Improvement of Organic Farming

1486. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI: SHRI GUMAN SINGH DAMOR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has any programmes or plans to improve organic farming in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government maintains any data related to the total number of farmers adopting organic farming practices in the country;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to set new targets for promoting organic farming with a view to increase the income farmers?

National Livestock Mission

†1487. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पश्पालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of livestock farmers benefited under the National Livestock Mission in Naupada and Kalahandi districts of my Parliamentary constituency; and
 - (b) the details thereof?

Manufacturers of Electric Vehicles

1488. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES भारी उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the number of companies manufacturing electric vehicles in the country;
- (b) the efforts being made by the Government to promote the manufacturing of electric vehicles in the country; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to have a policy framework in promotion of electric and hybrid vehicles in the country?

Child Begging

1489. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether cases of involvement of children in begging in all the States/UTs of the country have been increasing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the number of children below 15 years engaged in begging activities;
- (c) whether the Government is likely to formulate any effective policy to bring such children into the main stream of the society;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government for rehabilitation of the children involved in begging;
- (e) whether the Government has any data of the number of children involved in begging and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (f) if not, whether the Government is likely to conduct any assessment regarding the number of children involved in begging under Integrated Child Protection Scheme?

Violence due to Fake News

1490. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN: SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सुचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the number of violence and suicides cases due to fake news being spread through electronic and other social media network, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to prevent the spread of such fake news, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the measures taken/being taken by the Government to present the spread of fake news include active participation by the youth, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the action proposed to be taken by the Government against such culprits who is disturbing the peace and social harmony in the country; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to bring in a legislation to control such malicious activities and if so, the details thereof?

Mismatch Between Growth of FPIs

1491. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has done any realistic assessment of a mismatch between the growth of food processing industries and stagnant farm income, despite tremendous potential in food processing industries;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the major steps that the Government has taken to create a cold chain infrastructure in different parts of the country; and
- (d) the number of mega food parks that have so far been established in the country under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY) along with details on their distribution?

Shortfall in Implementation of SPMRM

1492. SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed any shortfall in the implementation of Shyam Prasad Mukherjee Rural Urban Mission in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details there of;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that the SPMRM is not achieving the desired goals; and
 - (d) if so, the details there of?

Rules and Codes Regulation for Television

†1493. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the rules and codes regulating the telecast of programs and advertisements on television;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government regarding violation of the said rules and codes by television channels along with the conditions on which the Government has powers to ban such channels in case of violation; and
- (c) the details of the action taken by the Government against the channels showing programs based on obscenity and violence during the last three years?

Discontinuation of Dairy Entreneurship Development Scheme (DEDS)

1494. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that dairy farmers in the country are protesting against the decision to tax the milk cooperatives under section 194Q of IT Act, if so, the action taken thereon;
- (b)the details of the schemes implemented by the Government for the development of dairy sector in the country in the FY 2021-22 and the state wise allocations in this regard;
- (c)the reason for the discontinuation of the Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme (DEDS) implemented through NABARD from 2020-21; and
- (d) whether the Government will consider providing requisite allocation for the continuation of the DEDS scheme, if not, the reasons therefor?

FCRA for NGOs

1495. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether new provisions were made under FCRA and NGOs under section seven restricting transfer of foreign contribution to other persons/NGOs once received in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of such cases came to the notice where NGOs were found transferring such funds;
- (c) whether this step taken by the Government has affected many NGOs to perform their social work especially in the field of health sector those who are working at grass root level for community development and awareness; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and steps taken or being taken by the Government to address the concern raised

by NGOs as well as regulate NGOs for utilization of funds judiciously received for special purpose?

Batteries for Electric Vehicles

†1496. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI: SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES भारी उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken by the Government to improve quality and to bring down the prices of batteries used in electric vehicles;
- (b) whether any agreement has been signed with any educational or research and development agency in the country and abroad in this regard; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Fisheries Start-ups

1497. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has started the country's first-of-its-kind, a dedicated business incubator to nurture fisheries start-ups in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC), is the implementing agency for fisheries sector incubators;
- (d) if so, whether NCDC has identified the first batch of ten incubates from four States;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of other steps being taken in fisheries sector under the central flagship Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) in the country including in the State of West Bengal?

Compensation to Workers due to Delay in Payment of MGNREGS Wages in Andhra Pradesh

1498. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

- (a) whether a wage seeker under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) is entitled to receive payment of compensation at the rate of 0.05% of the unpaid wages per day of delay beyond the sixteenth day of closure of muster roll in case of not receiving payment of wages within fifteen days from the date of closure of muster roll, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the total number of MNREGS transactions which took more than 15 days to transfer wages to workers in

Andhra Pradesh (AP) since 2019, year-wise and district-wise:

- (c) the total amount of compensation paid to workers due to delay in payment of MGNREGS wages beyond 15 days in AP since 2019, year-wise and district-wise; and
- (d) whether there was a delay in payment of wage and no compensation was given to the workers, if so, the reasons for the same?

Promotion of Fishing Industry

†1499. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing any special scheme to promote fishing industry; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan

1500. SHRI RITESH PANDEY: SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for using "man-days" as opposed to "number of jobs created" to measure employment generated by the Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan(GKRA);
- (b) the details of the total number of beneficiaries of the GKRA so far; and
- (c) the total number of migrant labourers being trained/likely to be trained under the GKRA
- (d) the expected timeline to achieve the objectives of providing 125 days of employment to 670,000 migrant workers?

Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA)

1501. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA);
- (b) the data on the funds allocated for the RGSA, State-wise in the last three years;
- (c) the data on the funds allocated for RGSA, Panchayat-wise during the last three years especially in the districts of Palamu and Garwha;
- (d) whether any new initiatives have been taken up under the scheme; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Gram Panchayat Development Plan(GPDP)

†1502. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any step has been taken to improve the role of the Panchayats and localization of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is a proposal to merge Village Poverty Reduction Plan (VPRP) with Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP); and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Setting-Up of FPIs in Punjab

1503. SHRI BHAGWANT MANN:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up Food Processing Industries (FPIs) in every district of Punjab;
- (b) if so, the districts in Punjab where food processing zone have already been set up;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to set up food processing zone in the remaining districts of Punjab; and
- (d) the financial assistance provided to the private entrepreneurs to set up such units?

Installation of CCTV Cameras

1504. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Supreme Court direction on installation of CCTV cameras at the offices of the National Investigation Agency (NIA), Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), and any other central agency office where interrogation of people is carried out is not followed;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the status of implementation of judgment Paramvir Singh Saini v. Baljit Singh?

Opening of New FPIS

1505. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to boost the opening of new Food Processing Industries (FPIs);
- (b) whether there is any kind of subsidy or loan provided to the individuals who want to start Food Processing Units; and
- (c) the status of FPIs in the State of Maharashtra , particularly those being run with the support of the Government?

Cold Storage

1506. SHRI RAJU BISTA: SHRI M. SELVARAJ:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cold storage facilities established across the country in the past three years including those established from Union Government funds, Statewise;
- (b) the details of the cold storages established in the country from the grants provided by the Union Government, State-wise during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Union Government proposes to launch a scheme for providing grants for establishing cold storages for agricultural crops, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the cold storage facilities in the districts of Darjeeling, Kalimpong, Jalpaiguri, Alipurduars, and Cooch Behar in the North Bengal region; and
- (e) the details of Central Government Schemes under which local FPOs and SHGs can apply for setting up of cold storage facilities?

Barren Land

†1507. 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 agricultural land in the country is rapidly becoming barren;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there is any proposal of the Government to provide land and farming knowledge to the farmers, so that the agricultural land could be saved from becoming barren in the future; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

National Programme for Dairy Development

1508. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any extension of benefits to dairy entrepreneurs/dairy industry is proposed by the Government through convergence of National Programme for Dairy Development (NPDD);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the release of funds under the National Programme for Dairy Development by Government during the last two years; and
- (d) the number of projects and proposals received and sanctioned under this scheme in Rajasthan?

Improving Quality Badminton Facilities

1509. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken steps to improve access to quality badminton facilities in the country and if so, details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has taken steps to increase availability of badminton coaches in the country, particularly at schools and in private coaching facilities for teenagers and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details and the number of Badminton players palyers of the country ranked in the top 100 players of the world for men and women each;
- (d) whether there are any sponsorship schemes for lesser-privileged players with potential to get access to quality training of badminton and if so, the details thereof?

Schemes for Information and Broadcasting Sector

1510. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has been succeeded through its various schemes in improving the status of information and broadcasting sector in the country during the last six years; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Guidelines for Selection of Coaches

1511. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines recently for selection of coaches;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken to inject more professionalism in this regard?

Policy Hurdles of Cooperative Model

1512. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION सहकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cooperative model in the country is facing numerous policy hurdles;
- (b) if so, the initiative(s) that have been taken/being taken by the Government to address this issue; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Betel Farming

†1513. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken special measures to promote betel farming in Bundelkhand;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of expansion of betel farming in the country including Bundelkhand during the last five years, State-wise?

Training Modules of Central Sector Schemes

1514. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has planned for Training Modules of Central Sector Scheme within the country
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) the funds estimated and target set for this;
- (d) the number of States likely to be covered under this scheme for the said Training Modules; and
- (e) whether the Government has planned to cover Assam for Training Modules, if so, the details thereof, district wise and if not, the reasons therefor?

Subsidy to Promote Milk Production

†1515. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the subsidy being provided to promote milk production in rural areas;
- (b) the details of dairy schemes of Central Government and State Government of Madhya Pradesh related to dairy industry;
- (c) the details of various schemes related to animal husbandry; and

Cash Dole to Sri Lankan Refugees

1516. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to increase the monthly cash dole given to Sri Lankan refugees who are languishing in more than 100 camps in Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to construct temporary houses for the refugees;
- (c) if so, the details of amenities including the cash dole given to refugees belonging to various countries;
- (d) the provisions available to the refugee children to get quality education; and
- (e) the details of the repatriates given citizenship under Rajiv Gandhi - Jayawardane Accord signed between India and Sri Lanka?

Agro-Processing Cluster

1517. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) the details of various initiatives of agroprocessing cluster undertaken and the ongoing projects of such clusters, including the State of Kerala, statewise;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study in the context of developing agro-processing clusters and mega food parks in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether some modern infrastructure has been provided for food processing units and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of ongoing and upcoming projects and initiatives taken by the Government regarding reduction of networth criteria for women and SC/ST entrepreneurs for agro processing clusters and units in it; and

(e) the number of projects approved under the infrastructure development of agro-processing clusters under Mega Food Parks Scheme in the State of Kerala?

Upgradation of Roads under PMGSY in Telangana

1518. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Telangana for upgradation of the proposed 4000 km Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) roads in the State from 3.75 mts to 5.5 mts bituminous pavement, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any decision has been taken by the Government in this regad, if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Eradication of Manual Scavenging

1519. SHRI JAGDAMBIK A PAL:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government for the Eradication of Manual Scavenging;
- (b) whether there is any exsiting national or statelevel body to monitor the implementation of the Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (prohibition) Act, 1993, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has any State-wise data showing the casualties caused due to the manual scavenging, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken for the rehabilitation of the victims of manual scavenging?

Quality of Life of Farmers

†1520. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the action taken by the Government to improve the quality of the life of farmers engaged in the cultivation of amla as their quality of life is not satisfactory?

Use of Drugs Among Women and Children

1521. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the incidence of use of drugs is rising among women and children in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of women and children detained for selling/using drugs during each of the last three years and current year, year-wise;
- (d) the number of the de-addiction Centres functioning across the country, State-wise; and
- (e) the details of financial assistance provided to these Centres during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including the State of Jharkhand?

Fertility of Soil

†1522. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the fertility of soil is being affected due to use of insecticides and low grade fertilizers in agriculture;
 - (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has done/proposes to do any evaluation of the side effects of insecticides and low grade fertilizers on the fertility of soil; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Funding for Terrorism

1523. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

- (a) the details and the number of cases disclosed in funding for terrorism in the country during the last three years;
- (b) the details of the domestic and international attachment of assets and penalties issued under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) and charge sheets filed by various probe agencies during the said period;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to counter terrorist financing; and

(d) the efforts of the Government to take membership of Financial Action Task Force?

Inclusion of Language in Eighth Schedule

†1524. SHRI KISHAN KAPOOR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prescribed any criteria to recognise a popular language of a State in the List of Language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the last language along with its State added in the said List?

Centrally Sponsored Schemes for Rural Development

1525. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL: SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY: SHRI ANURAG SHARMA: MS. RAMYA HARIDAS: SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD: SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details/names of centrally sponsored schemes and flagship programmes being implemented at present for development of rural areas, backward areas and tribal areas, State/UT-wise particularly in the States of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Assam;
- (b) whether the Government has allocated any funds for the said schemes;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the total funds sanctioned/released/utilized seperately during each of the last five years and the current year, State/UT-wise including North Eastern States, Uttar Pradesh(espeically Jhansi and Lalitpur), Jehanabad, Arwal and Gaya districts of Bihar;
- (d) the names of the states which are achieving targets set by this ministry and utilizing the fund released by this ministry perfectly;
- (e) whether the Government has reduced the financial allocation in different rural development projects, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the other steps taken by the Government for effective implementation of this scheme?

Dryland Development Mission

1526. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH: SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing the Dryland Development Missions and lakhs of rainfed farmers will benefit from such projects funded by Union and State Governments including Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;
- (b) whether the use of new drought resistant varieties and rainwater harvesting techniques will create a secure environment for rainfed cultivation, as many small and marginal farmers in all States are engaged in dry farming in lakhs of hectares on cluster basis;
- (c) whether rainwater harvesting systems such as farm ponds and contour funding will be created, agricultural inputs like bio-fertilizers, quality seeds of nutri-cereals, oilseeds and pulses, farm machinery will be distributed at subsidized rates and financial assistance for planting high value tree saplings will be given to villages which come forward under these schemes; and
 - (d) if so, the details and present status thereof?

Homeless Beneficiaries under PMAY

†1527. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of such poor category under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) which have not been covered under the 2011 Survey list;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is formulating a separate plan for such homeless eligible beneficiaries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the Government is bringing the proposal for homeless eligible beneficiaries; and
- (d) if not, the manner in which the Government proposes to address the issue of homelessness including the details of such a plan?

Natural Disaster in Maharashtra

†1528. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI: SHRI SANJAY JADHAV: SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is aware that several districts of Maharashtra have to face natural disasters like unusually heavy rainfall, unseasonal rain and various cyclones during the year 2020 and 2021;
- (b) if so, the total loss caused by the said natural disasters in the said districts and the amount of financial assistance released by the Government so far to compensate the said loss;
- (c) the amount of funds allocated to resume transportation and telecommunication services affected due to heavy rainfall, flood, cyclone, landslide, etc.;
- (d) whether the Government provides any financial assistance to compensate the farmers for the loss of their livestock under NDRF, if so, the details thereof, district-wise;
- (e) the amount of funds allocated by the Government to Maharashtra under the financial provision under NDRF particularly the amount of funds relessed for Yavatmal-Washim; and
- (f) whether the State Government of Maharashtra has sent any proposal to the Union Government to provide financial assistance to the said districts under NDRF and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Increase in Stray Cattle

†1529. SHRI R.K. SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of stray animals has increased in recent times in the State of Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof of all the districts in Bundelkhand region of the State of Uttar Pradesh from 2015-2021;
- (c) whether there is any action plan to protect crops of farmers from stray animals; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Funds Gram Panchayats

1530. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU: SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY VASANTH:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ

पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has suggested that gram panchayats may lease their assets to raise their own revenue;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the advisory issued by the Government recently to gram panchayats suggesting a number of activities to be done across the country;

- (d)whether there is any hindrance to the infrastructural and developmental activities of the gram panchayats due to lack of adequate financial resources or delay in release of funds by the Government and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of the measures being taken by the Government to ensure timely and adequate fund availability to the gram panchayats in the country?

Traditional Fisherfolk in Kerala

1531. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to protect the traditional fisherfolk for their livelihood, if so, the details of action taken there on;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted study regarding the difficulties of traditional fisherfolk in the State of Kerala, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the facilities and subsidies given by Union Government for the traditional fisherfolk using outboard motor for fishing;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to restore supply of kerosene in subsidized rate for fisherfolk, if so, the details of action taken thereon;
- (e) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that about 30700 outboard motors being used by traditional fisherfolk in Kerala use Kerosene as fuel:
- (f) if so, the action taken for restoring the supply of Kerosene;
- (g) whether the Government proposes to supply sufficient quantity of Kerosene in subsidized rate for ensuring livelihood of traditional fisherfolk; and
 - (h) if so, the details thereof?

Small Business for Farmers

†1532. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is implementing or proposes to implement any scheme to enable the farmers to set up their small business in their farm along with farming without land conversion;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the efforts being made by the Government to enable the unemployed young farmers to set up any small business in their farm along with farming; and
- (e) the details of efforts being made by the Government to provide employment to the unemployed farmers?

Performance Based Incentives

1533. SHRI PASUNOORI DAYAKAR: SHRIMATI KAVITHA MALOTHU: SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA: DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any request from the Minister of Panchayati Raj has been received in the Ministry for release of performance-based incentive to the tune of Rs. 254.74 crores to the State of Telangana;
- (b) whether it is true that the Minister has requested to release first trench of funds under Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) to Telangana to the tune of Rs. 52.55 crores; and
- (c) if so, the details of the action taken by the Government and the time by when the Government is going to release the same?

Construction of National-Level Stadium

†1534. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for the construction of a national-level stadium in West Champaran of Bihar to promote games of international-level;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds released for promotion of sports in West Champaran district during last five years; and
 - (d) the details thereof?

ODOFP Scheme

1535. SHRIMATI RITA BAHUGUNA JOSHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has finalized a list of all the 728 districts across the country for "One District One Focus Product" (ODOFP);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise;
- (c) the list of districts where Government has started delivering all the centrally sponsored schemes to the farmers under the said project; and
- (d) whether Allahabad in Uttar Pradesh and its nearby areas are also covered in ODOFP; if so, the details thereof?

Construction of Roads in Railway Crossings under PMGSY

†1536. SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any provision to construct a road on both sides of railway crossings situated near villages under Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the steps taken by the Government to approve the said proposal in view of rural development?

OBC Reservation

†1537. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is correct that in the direct recruitment of Group 'C' and Group 'D' post of the Government of India, on which local or regional candidates are generally interested for appointment, the 27 per cent reservation prescribed for Other Backward Classes has been amended;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether direct recruitment of Group 'C' and Group 'D' post of Government of India is done on local or regional basis instead of all India level and there is a provision to invite applications from local candidates only, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time when the amendment was made in the 27 per cent reservation prescribed for OBCs for direct recruitment of Group 'C' and Group 'D' posts of the Government of India and State-wise reduction made in the percentage of OBC reservation from 1993 to 2021?

Monitoring Team to Check Infiltration

1538. SHRI CHIRAG KUMAR PASWAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government proposes to constitute a special monitoring team to monitor and check infiltration in view of steep rise in population ratio particularily in bordering areas, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of cases of infiltration that has come to light in bordering areas during the last three years;
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (d) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to deal with the population imbalance in such areas?

PMGSY in Bihar

†1539. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of roads identified for development under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in different areas/districts of Bihar;
- (b) the targets fixed for road construction in kilometers during the current and forth coming fiscal year; and
- (c) the details of funds allocated under the aforesaid scheme for the above mentioned districts?

Restriction on Sowing of Paddy

1540. SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY NALAMADA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are restrictions by the Government on sowing of paddy in Rabi crop 2021, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government has issued any restriction on sowing of any crops in Telangana and if so, the details thereof?

Cold Storage and Warehouse Facilities

†1541. SHRI AJAY NISHAD: SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any shortage of cold storage and warehouse facilities in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is planning to strengthen the same in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Gujarat;
- (d) the present capacity of cold storage and warehousing in the country including the shortfall for the last three years and the cold storage units in public, private and cooperative sectors, State-wise;
- (e) the number of cold storage and warehousing infrastrucre created during the past three years, State-wise including Gujarat;
- (f) whether the Government provides financial assistance for setting up of these facilities and if so, the year-wise details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and disbursed to the States during the last two years and current year, State-wise;

- (g) whether the Government has implemented any scheme for creating warehouse facility in rural areas, if so, the details thereof; and
- (h) the strategic plan for doubling farmers' income in Gujarat?

Dairy Products Market in North East

1542. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is immense marketing potential of dairy products in Northeastern States particularly in the State of Assam;
- (b) whether it is a fact that North Eastern Region faces milk scarcity; and
- (c) if so, the details of initiatives taken by the Government to increase quality and quantity of milk and milk products in North Eastern Region?

Expansion of FPIs

†1543. SHRI NIHAL CHAND: SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress made with respect to setting-up/expansion of Food Processing Industries (FPI) in various States/UTs of the country including Rajasthan during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has carried out any study for setting-up and expansion of such industries in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the steps taken by the Government for expansion and dissemination of food processing industries in the country;
- (d) the number of Mega Food Parks set-up so far in the country;
- (e) whether the Government is working on any roadmap for setting-up of these parks in future; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the progress made so far?

Pradhan Mantri Matsaya Sampada Yojana in Maharashtra

1544. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the new projects taken up under the Pradhan Mantri Matsaya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) in Maharashtra;
- (b) whether any steps have been taken for seaweed development and special fisheries export ports; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Stubble Burning

†1545. SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the action plan formulated by the Government to solve the problem of environmental pollution emerging due to stubble burning posing a health threat for citizens of the country;
- (b) whether the Government is providing any subsidy on the machines used for stubble cutting;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Union Government for promotion of small scale industries making product made from stubble?

Survey of Fishing Ports

†1546. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to identify such fishing ports which lack infrastructure and other facilities;
- (b) whether the Government has received any proposal from States for conducting survey of fishing ports in coastal States; and
- (c) if so, the details of the proposals received for setting up fishing ports during the last three years and current year, State/UT-wise?

Promotion of Traditional Rural Sports 'SILAMBAM'

1547. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is having any special schemes for promoting sports talent among rural youth and if so, the details thereof;

- (b) the details of the amount budgeted and spent for the purpose during the last five years;
- (c) whether traditional rural sports such as 'SILAMBAM' in Tamil Nadu are accorded priority in the schemes for rural sports promotion and development; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Upgradation of Agricultural Universities

1548. SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the Maharashtra Government for upgradation of State Agricultural Universities to Central Agricultural University in the last three years and current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government on the said proposals and the total amount sanctioned by the Government for the said purpose; and
- (c) the other steps taken by the Government to develop the infrastructure and teaching in Agricultural Universities to meet the current demand?

RFID Tagging of Stray Animal

1549. SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD: SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has introduced Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tagging of livestock's in the country to curb the stray animal menace and check insurance frauds;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the significant features & organisation responsible for implementation of the said programme;
- (d) the details of quantum of funds allocated and expenditure incurred till date;
- (e) whether safety measures are ensured while putting tags to livestocks;
 - (f) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (g) if not the reasons therefor?

Promotion of Livestock/Fishries in Tribal Areas

†1550. SHRI GUMAN SINGH DAMOR:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

- (a) whether any policy has been formulated by the Government for the promotion of livestock/fisheries in tribal areas; and
- (b) the efforts made for growth of livestock/fisheries in tribal areas as animal husbandry the basic foundation of agriculture is declining day by day?

Caste-wise Census

1551. SHRI THIRUMAAVALAVAN THOL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to take Caste-wise census for raising the socio-economic status of the downtrodden;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Promotion of Sports at Rural Level

†1552. DR. RAMAPATI RAM TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is formulating any action plan to promote sports at rural level;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is considering the need for construction of new stadiums or sports complexes to increase the participation of the youth in sports and encourage them towards this field; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof particularly in the State of Uttar Pradesh?

Developmental Works under MGNREGS

†1553. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV: SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the Kuccha and pucca developmental works done under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Gurantee Scheme (MGNREGS) during the last five years;
- (b) the details of their costs and locations along with details thereof with regad to the State of Maharashtra, district-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to provide relief to the farmers under the above scheme by making amendments and doing works related to construction of contour-dams and digging pits in the

fields and if so, the district-wise details of such works and the number of beneficiaries thereof in the State of Maharashtra; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to amend the scheme to include the use of machinery and if so, the details thereof?

NSFDC

†1554. SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of various schemes being run by the National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC) for the people belonging to the Scheduled Castes;
- (b) whether the people are not able to avail benefits under above schemes run by NSFDC due to lack of information about the scheme;
- (c) if so, the measures being taken in this regard; and
- (d) the details of schemes being run and applications approved thereunder in the tribal dominated States of the country including Maharashtra?

Seizure of Narcotic Drugs

1555. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of increased instances where the youth are being deployed as narcotic drugs carriers with confiscated material often running into kilograms and operating under criminal networks, especially in Kerala;
- (b) if so, the details of the total seizure of narcotic drugs from the State of Kerala during the last three years and current year with gender-wise details;
- (c) whether the Government is intending to engage in awareness creation programmes against proliferation of drugs in the country; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

National Sports Development Bill

†1556. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS यवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce National Sports Development Bill which mandates bringing all Olympic and Non-Olympic Sports Federations under the ambit of Right to Information; and (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Alternatives to Increase Farmers Income

†1557. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sought alternatives to increase the income of small-medium farmers of the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to take measures to make marketing facilities available to such farmers in this regard; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Demanded of Households for Work under MGNREGS

1558. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of households that have demanded work under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Gurantee Scheme (MGNREGS) since January 2020 till October 2021, month-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the number of households that have been provided work under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme since January 2020 till October 2021, month-wise and State-wise; and
- (c) the reasons for not providing work to each household who have demanded it?

Drug Addiction amoung Youth

†1559. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken congnizence of increasing consumption of narcotic drug among the youth, if so, the efforts being made by the Government to save youth from the same;
- (b) whether a strict nationwide campaign is the need of the hour to save the youth from drug addiction; and
- (c) if so, whether the Government has fixed any time limit for launching of such a campaign?

Guidelines for MGNREGS Funds

1560. SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has issued any specific guidelines to State Governments for proper utilization of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) funds;
- (b) whether the Government has adopted any process for compliance of the guidelines; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Irregularities in PMAY-G

1561. SHRI DHARMENDRA KASHYAP: DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana- Gramin (PMAY-G) in the country to provide houses to the downtrodden people to achieve the objective of Housing for All, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the number of houses constructed under PMAY-G during the last three years in Uttar Pradesh, district-wise and year-wise;
- (c) whether the houses constructed under PMAY-G during the said period in all the States are not of good quality, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether any irregularities have been noticed across the country with regard to PMAYG, State-wise; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken to remove the irregularities?

Delimitation in J&K

†1562. SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any steps have been taken for completion of the work of delimitation at the earliest in Jammu Kashmir Union territory by the Union Government as a result of the meeting held with the representatives of various political parties of Kashmir recently;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which this work of delimitation is likely to be completed?

Incorporation of Tamil as Official Language

1563. DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

रह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether during the recently concluded Southern Council Meeting in Tirupati, the Government of Tamil Nadu has raised the issue of declaraing Tamil as one of the official languages of India as has been done in Sri Lanka and Singapore and Thirukurral as a national book; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and response of the Government thereto?

One District One Product Scheme

†1564. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to implement 'One District One Product' Scheme to promote agricultural products;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the financial assistance will also be provided to the farmers for preparing the selected product for any district under the said scheme; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Irregularities in Distribution of flood Relief Funds

1565. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has observed irregularities in the distribution of flood relief funds by State of Kerala, if so, the details regarding the same, district-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has ensured that funds disbursed to Kerala under flood relief has reached the intended beneficiaries;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has provided grants to the State Government of Kerala for flood relief operations during the last three years, if so, the details regarding such grants?

Disabilty Pension

†1566. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides uniform pension to the disabled in the country;

- (b) if so, the details thereof including the eligibility criterian;
- (c) whether the persons with less than 50 percent disability do not get the benefit of pension; if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to increase the pension of persons with disabilities; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

Promotion of Electric Vehicles

1567. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES भारी उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to encourage automakers to promote electric vehicles in the country as the prices of petrol/diesel are going up;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any subsidy/incentive has been proposed for automakers; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Agreement with Flipkart under NRLM

†1568. SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has entered into any agreement with flipkart for National Rural Livelihood Mission;
- (b) if so, the facilities and benefits which are likely to be received by Self Help Groups (SHGs) by this businees agreement;
- (c) whether the finished goods are likely to be sold in the country only or there is any possibility to sell abroad also through flipkart; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Khelo India Programme in Maharashtra

†1569. SHRIMATI NAVNEET RAVI RANA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

- (a) the details of schemes relating to sports introduced by the Government including the number of such schemes introduced in the State of Maharashtra;
- (b) the amount of funds released for such schemes being run in Maharashtra including the district of Amarawati along with the details thereof;
- (c) the number of training centers set up in Maharashtra along with the number of persons imparted training under the said scheme; and

(d) the details of sportspersons selected and recent training under the 'Khelo India' programme, district-wise particularly with respect to Amarawati Parliamentary Constituency in Maharashtra?

Export-Oriented FPIs

1570. SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which the Government gives incentives to the entrepreneurs engaged in the exportoriented Food Processing Industries (FPIs), especially the region-specific agricultural produce in the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide a conducive environment for the entrepreneurs exporting the finished products under the food processing industry in the State; and
- (c) the number of food processing industries, engaged in the export of finished products, and presently in operation in Cuddalore district in the State of Tamil Nadu?

Assistance for Dairy Production

1571. SHRI M. SELVARAJ:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is providing financial assistance to various States including the State of Tamil Nadu for setting up of dairies in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the salient features of the schemes for the purpose along with the amount of assistance provided by the Government to various States during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any scheme for training of milk producers in the use of new techniques for development of dairy production sector with upgraded technology; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

MoU between FPI and Department of Animal Husbandry

1572. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Ministry of Food Processing Industries (FPI) to extend the benefits of various schemes to the beneficiaries by providing them credit support in establishing dairy processing, meat processing and animal feed plant;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the target set for achieving the goal of income generation and for sustainable development of the rural poor;
- (c) whether the per capita availability of milk in the country has increased during the last three years and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that there is a shortage of milk quality testing infrastructure and village level cold chain infrastructure which is adversely affecting the export, if so, the details thereof and the necessary steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Financial Assistance to Police Stations

†1573. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR PINTU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether financial assistance is being provided to the States for upgrading civil police stations to stop cyber crimes in the country particularly in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and funds provided for this purpose during the last three years, State-wise; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Farmers Insured under PMFBY

1574. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government can provide the number and percentage of marginal and small farmers insured under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) as of November 2021, State-wise;
- (b) the number of insurance claims made by marginal, small, medium, semi-medium and large farmers, State-wise and year-wise form 2016-17;
- (c) the number of insurance claims made by marginal, small, medium, semi-medium and large farmers approved and received payments for their approved insurance claims, State-wise and year-wise from 2016-17;
- (d) the number of outstanding insurance claims since 2016-17, State-wise, and the total amount yet to be paid;

- (e) whether the Government is aware of the low rates of participation in the scheme by marginal and small farmers; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to ensure crop insurance for small and marginal farmers?

AP Reorganisation Act 2014

1575. SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the provisions and assurances made to the State of Telangana under the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 which have been fulfilled or completed by the Government so far;
- (b) the reasons for non-fulfillment of the remaining assurances;
- (c) whether the Central Government has set any deadline for fulfillment of all the assurances;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the action taken/proposed to be taken for fulfillment of all the assurances made to the State of Telangana by the prescribed deadline?

PEMSR Offences

1576. SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of convictions under the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013, year-wise;
- (b) the reasons for the non-inclusion of PEMSR offences as a separate category in National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) reports;
- (c) whether the Government plans to rectify this through publication of data regarding manual scavenging in the Annual Reports of NCRB; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Survey on Quitting Agriculture by Farmers

1577. DR. AMAR SINGH:

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 assess the number of farmers who quited

- agriculture and allied activities during each of the last three years, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (b) the details of the main factors responsible for quitting of agriculture by those farmers;
- (c) whether the Government has suggested any measures to address these issues, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the survey highlights some other deficiencies and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to popularize agriculture to ensure that the farmers do not quit agriculture in the near future; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof?

Self-Sufficiency in Dalhan and Tilhan Produce

1578. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes for making the country self-sufficient in Tilhan and Dalhan;
- (b) whether it is production of fact that shortage of production of Tilhan and Dalhan are the major factors for high prices of these products and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government has any scheme for farmers of Tal Area in Bihar for financial support as they are facing problems for their Dalhan produce; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Manual Scavenging

1579. SHRI GIRISH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

- (a) the number of people currently engaged in manual scavenging in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the number of people engaged in manual scavenging who have died during the last five years;
- (c) the number of manual scavengers who have been rehabilitated by the Government during the last five years, year-wise and State-wise;

- (d) the funds allocated for the rehabilitation process and the amount utilised out of that; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure proper rehabilitation of these workers?

Implementation of DAPSC

†1580. SHRIMATI SANDHYA RAY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the fund allocated and sanctioned during the current year under Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC) scheme for the development of Scheduled Caste community;
- (b) whether the Government is monitoring the proper utilization of said DAPSC funds from time to time, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the schemes initiated by the Government for betterment of SC communities and differently abled persons?

Fund Allocation to Uttar Pradesh

1581. SHRI UPENDRA SINGH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of fund allocated by the Government for panchayat development particularly in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years;
 - (b) the amount of fund utilised for the said purpose;
- (c) the details of the total population in Blocks/ Panchayats in Uttar Pradesh;
- (d) whether the Government has any guidelines regarding the total population level in blocks/gram panchayats; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Development of Sports at the Primary and Middle School Level

1582. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken any steps for the development of sports at the primary and middle school level all over the country for creating world class athletes who can bring international medals for the country; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

Funds for of Fisheries Sector

†1583. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under various schemes for the development of fisheries sector, scheme-wise in the State of West Bengal during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Government has received utilization reports from the State Governments during the said period and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the State Government is not getting the funds sanctioned by the Government as per their demand and if so, the reasons therefor?

Infrastructure for Sports at Panchyat Level

1584. SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ):

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to launch any scheme for development/improvement of basic infrastructure for promotion of sports at the village/panchayat level in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; State/UT-wise, particularity in the State of Uttar Pradesh; and
- (c) if not, the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Eighth Schedule

1585. DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Committee has been set up to examine the question of declaring all languages included in Eighth Schedule of the constitution as official languages of Union, if so, the details thereof including criteria thereof;
- (b) whether there is any intention of the Government to declare eighth schedule language also be an official language of union, if so, status thereof;
- (c) if so, the details there of along with the status thereof; and
- (d) whether any corrective steps have been taken in this regard along with the manner the Government intends to settle this issue?

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsava under FPIs

†1586. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of programmes organized by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (FPIs) and the Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) under Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsava; and
- (b) the details of the programmes proposed to be organized under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav in the coming days?

Andhra Pradesh DISHA Bill

1587. SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:
SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:
SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:
SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:
SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA:
DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received comments of the Ministry of Women and Child Development and all other concerned on the Andhra Pradesh DISHA Bill;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government intends to provide assent to the above Bill; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Cross Disabilty Early Intervention Centres

1588. DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched 14 Cross-Disability Early Intervention Centers at 7 National Institutes and 7 Composite Regional Centers (CRCs) and if so, the details thereof and aims and objectives behind the move;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up more such Centers in the coming years in the country in all States/UTs especially in Andaman & Nicobar Islands;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether these Centers will provide services to children with disabilities who are vulnerable to develop

- a disability and them early assistance to ensure optimal development of the child and if so, details thereof;
- (e) the estimated number of children with disabilities in age group of 0-6 year;
- (f) the number of disability centres functioning for children in Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra; and
- (g) the other steps taken by Government to provide medical and rehabilitation services to all types of disabilities under one roof?

National Automated Facial Recognition System

1589. SHRI MANISH TEWARI: SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government can delineate the legal architecture or the law that allows or authorizes the use of National Automated Facial Recognition System (NAFRS);
- (b) whether the Government can provide information of the agencies that are authorized and proposed to be authorized to use this facial recognition database;
- (c) the guidelines for the use of the NAFRS, if any; and
- (d) the details of the safeguards and redressal mechanisms available for wrongly implicated victims who are put to legal rigors because of the NAFRS?

Damage to Agricultural Land by Flood

1590. SHRIMATI NUSRAT JAHAN RUHI: SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

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 country suffers from huge crop loss due to flood every year;
- (b) the details of the extent of agricultural land damaged by floods in the last five years, State/UT-wise and year-wise; and
- (c) the details of the estimated damage to agricultural output as a result of flooding during the said period, State/UT-wise and year-wise?

Original Equipment Manufacturers

1591. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES

भारी उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to compensate the significant financial distress across the

automobile value chain caused by the exit of foreign automobile Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) from Indian market, if so, the details thereof;

- (b) whether the Government has sought a report from the concerned departments to assess the financial impact and the employment losses caused by such exits, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, whether the Government intends to undertake an enquiry into the impact of such exits on all stakeholders in the industry; and
- (d) whether the Government has devised a strategy to protect automobile dealers from above mentioned foreign automobile OEM exits, if so, the details thereof?

Electric Vehicle Policy

1592. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES भारी उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there exists an Electric Vehicle Policy, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government plans to promote electric vehicles by giving tax exemptions, if so, the details including Income Tax exemptions;
- (c) whether there is any plans to promote electric vehicles manufacturing in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is any plan to promote EV charging station buildings at large scale along major highways to facilitate smooth inter state travel using EV, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government plans to promote EV charging stations by giving tax exemptions, if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether there is any plan to promote EV battery production in the country at highly affordable rates, if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) whether battery swapping transform urban mobility and would catalyze EV adoption, if so, the Government/PSU initiatives in this regard?

Small Food Processing Units at Farm Level

†1593. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK: SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to promote the setting up of small food processing units at farm level in vew of the plenty of agricultural produce in a special geographical area;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has identified such foodgrains, oilseeds, vegetables, fruits etc. that can be processed and packed in the food-processing units at small level specially in the parliamentay constituency of Western Singhbhum in Jharkhand as well as Madhya Pradesh?

Cold Storage in FPIS

†1594. SHRIMATI GEETA KORA: SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether steps are being taken to promote cold storage as an important support to minimize the loss of crops after harvesting of crops in the food processing sector:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds allocated and disbursed for the purpose; and
- (d) the details of funds disbursed for Madhya Pradesh & Jharkhand, district-wise?

Registered FPOs

1595. SHRI JAYANT SINHA: SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of Farmer Produce Organizations (FPOs) constituted/registered till date, State-wise especially in Jharkhand so far;
- (b) the number of FPOs which have been provided benefits/facilities in Jharkhand along with the details of benefits/facilities/financial assistance provided, FPO-wise;
- (c) the details of steps being taken for development of these FPOs and creation of new FPOs, FPO-wise;
- (d) the number of new FPOs targeted to be constituted in the Jharkhand; and
- (e) whether the Government has achieved its targets, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Gramin Agricultural Markets

1596. DR. HEENA GAVIT:

SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:

DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL: SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to improve/ develop Gramin Agricultural Markets (GrAMs) according to the requirements/demands of the farmers so as to provide right price for their produce so that they could avoid unnecessary expenditure and save time;
- (b) the number of 'mandis' targeted to be set up under 'Gramin Agricultural Markets' (GrAMs) along with the details thereof;
- (c) the number of total 'mandis' set up in compliance with the said target, State-wise particularly in Maharashtra;
- (d) the number of the said 'mandis' that organise weekly markets and the number of 'mandis' which function on daily basis; and
- (e) the number of 'mandis' out of the above which have basic facilities and those which lack it?

Infrastructure Development and Post-Harvest Management under PMMSY

1597. SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:

SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

SHRI SELVAM G.:

SHRI RATANSINH MAGANSINH RATHOD:

DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:

SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पश्पालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the contribution of fisheries sector in the overall development of the country's economy;
- (b) the achievement made by Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) in the overall production and export of fisheries sector;
- (c) the major impact, including employment generation potential of the scheme since its inception;
- (d) the State-wise allocation, percentage utilization of activities carried out under the Centrally Sponsored components of PMMSY with district-wise details for the State of Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra;
- (e) whether the Government has taken steps to enhance productivity in aquaculture from the present National average of 3 tonnes to about 5 tonnes per hectare and if so, the details thereof;
- (f) the steps taken for infrastructure development and post-harvest management in fisheries and aquaculture sector under PMMSY; and

(g) the other steps taken for enhancement of production and productivity in fisheries and aquaculture sector under PMMSY?

Production and Export of Marine Products

1598. SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH: SHRI D.K.SURESH: SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the production and export of marine products in the country during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) whether it is true that there is a decline in employment opportunities for fishermen and allied workers; and
- (c) if so, the details of remedial measures taken by the Government to protect the fishermen along with the financial assistance extended to the affected fishermen?

Policies on OTT Platform

1599. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has rolled out any policy regulating web portals and Over The Top (OTT) platform and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the circumstance under which contents are blocked on the web along with the nodal authority set up to govern such issues; and
- (c) the number of persons booked so far for spreading fake news State/UT-wise?

Women Sarpanch in Gram Panchayats

1600. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS: SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ पंचायती राज मंत्री

- (a) the total number of women who hold the position of Sarpanch in the country especially in the State of Telangana during the last ten years;
- (b) the total number of Sarpanch posts which are occupied by a member from Scheduled Caste or Scheduled Tribe in the country including the State of Telangana;
- (c) the total number of Scheduled Caste members on non-reserved seats in Gram Panchayats in the country including the State of Telangana;

- (d) the number of Gram Panchayats where more than one-third Panchayat council leaders are women in the country including the State of Telangana; and
- (e) whether the Government has made any assessment of the reservation being given to women and SC/ST in Gram Panchayat and if so, the details thereof?

Decongestion of Jails

1601. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS

गृह मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any efforts to decongest jails in light of the COVID-pandemic, if so, the details thereof along with caste, religion and Statewise;
- (b) the details of the number of under-trials still imprisoned as of 1 November, 2021;
- (c) details of vaccination status of inmates in Indian prisons as of 1 November, 2021, State-wise;
- (d) details of COVID-positive cases in Indian prisons as of November, 2021, State-wise; and
- (e) details of prison inmate deaths in 2019-2020 and 2020-21, and proportion of deaths registered as COVID-deaths, State-wise?

PMMSY in Bihar

1602. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पश्पालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing a flagship scheme of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana to bring about Blue Revolution through sustainable and responsible development of fisheries sector in India particularly in Gopalganj district of the State of Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor:
- (c) the details of amount spent under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana in Bihar particularly in district Gopalganj; and
- (d) the details of amount allotted under PMMSY which is spent in the State of Bihar and amount to be released to the State of Bihar?

Women SHGs in FPIs

1603. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK: SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI RAVI KISHAN: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to connect women self-help groups (SHGs) with the villages of the country in the field of Food processing Industry (FPI);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the work done in this direction;
- (c) whether his Ministry has sanctioned and released any fund for the said purpose and if so, the details thereof during the each of the during last five years;
- (d) the total number of Women Self-Help Groups working in the field of FPI across the country, State-wise;
- (e) whether under 'Aatmanirbhar Narishakti se Samvad' initiative Government wishes to increase opportunities for the women and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of employment likely to be generated for the women in the field of FPI by establishing such self help groups?

Use of Machines in Work under MGNREGS

1604. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK
NIMBALKAR:
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM
SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ग्रामीण विकास मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether certain States have requested to allow use of machines in the work done under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme(MGNREGS);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to allow use of machines for executing projects in different terrains?

PLI Scheme

1605. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK: DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR: SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR: SHRI BHOLA SINGH: DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY: SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to implement Productivity Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme to encourage manufacturing of Agriculture Machinery in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government should consider bringing a 50% localization norm for farm machinery products empanelment in various financial assistance/subsidy schemes like Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) specially in case of Rice Transplanters and Combine Harvesters for which the domestic manufacturers have sufficient installed capacity;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps being taken by Government for promotion of domestic production of agriculture machinery to become Atmanirbhar?

Operational Mega Food Park

†1606. SHRI RODMAL NAGAR: SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Mega Food Parks operational in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to set up Mega Food Parks in Rajgarh district of Madhya Pradesh and Chhittorgarh districts of Rajasthan shortly; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

Free Import of Pulses

1607. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR: SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the detrimental impact leading to lower prices for local farmers as a result of the announcement of free import of pulses;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

- (c) whether the Government has assessed the impact of falling prices of pulses on the sowing quantity by farmers;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government has assessed the impact on traders who already bought grains at higher prices than MSP and stocked them; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Employment Exchange Portal for Senior Citizens

1608. SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY VASANTH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether number of senior citizens in the country have increased over the years;
- (b) if so, the estimated senior citizens living in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to start a dedicated employment exchange portal, namely, Senior Able Citizens for Re-Employment in Dignity (SACRED) for elderly;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the features thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the new senior citizens employment exchange is likely to be started?

Schemes for Exploitation Free Society

†1609. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government is committed towards establishing a society free from exploitation and based on equality for the poor and downtrodden sections of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof of the Public Welfare Schemes operated during the last seven years, scheme and year-wise;
- (c) the number of beneficiaries benefited from said scheme till October 2021, scheme, year and State-wise; and
- (d) whether there is any plan to start new scheme in the above direction, if so, the details thereof, schemewise?

Use of Plastic Fishing Equipment

1610. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the increasing presence of deeply harmful plastic micro-

particles in Indian waters, particularly along the North Kerala coast, as found recently in scientific studies;

- (b) whether the Government intends to take specific steps to curb the spread of these particles, which are spread by practices including poor waste management and the use of plastic fishing equipment and are extremely harmful to marine life;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

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LOK SABHA CORRIGENDUM

to the List of Questions for **WRITTEN ANSWERS** on December 7, 2021/Agrahayana 16, 1943 (Saka)

Question	Correction
No.	
1515	Insert last part: (d) the details of subsidy being provided to promote milk
	production in rural areas?

New Delhi December 2, 2021. Agrahayana 11, 1943, (Saka)

LOK SABHA CORRIGENDA-2

to the List of Questions for **WRITTEN ANSWERS** on December 7, 2021/Agrahayana 16, 1943 (Saka)

Question	Correction
No.	
1429	Part (a) Line 1: <u>for</u> "proposel" <u>read</u> "proposes"
1477	Name of Members: for "DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR"
	Read "DR. A. CHELLAKUMAR"
1500	(i) Part (b) line 2: <u>delete</u> "and" <u>after</u> "far;"
	(ii) Part (c) line 2: <u>insert</u> "; and" <u>after</u> "GKRA"

New Delhi December 3, 2021. Agrahayana 12, 1943, (Saka)

LOK SABHA CORRIGENDA-3

to the List of Questions for **WRITTEN ANSWERS** on December 7, 2021/Agrahayana 16, 1943 (Saka)

Question	Correction
No.	
1382	(i) In heading, : <u>for</u> "Competetions" <u>read</u> "Competitions"
	(ii) Part (a) Line 1: <u>for</u> "competions" <u>read</u> "competitions"
	(iii) Part (a) Line 2: <u>for</u> "Goverment" <u>read</u> "Government"
	(iv) Part (b) Line 2: <u>for</u> "competions" <u>read</u> "competitions"
	(v) Part (b) Line 4: <u>for</u> "competioins" <u>read</u> "competitions"
1399	Part (c) Line 2: <u>for</u> "theron" <u>read</u> "thereon"
1509	Part (c) Line 2: <u>delete</u> "palyers" <u>after</u> "players"
1569	(i) Part (b) Line 3: <u>for</u> "Amarawati" <u>read</u> "Amravati"
	(ii) Part (d) Line 3: <u>for</u> "Amarawati" <u>read</u> "Amravati"

New Delhi December 6, 2021. Agrahayana 15, 1943, (Saka)