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PREFACE

This Pamphlet contains statistical information relating to notices of Questions received during the Two Hundred and Thirty-Sixth Session of the Rajya Sabha and disposal thereof. There are eleven statements containing various kinds of information which have been compiled from statistics relating to Questions dealt with during the Session. Statement-X contains some figures showing, at a glance, certain important features pertaining to Questions.

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Secretary-General

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STATEMENT-I

*Statement showing the notices of Starred and Unstarred
Questions received, Group-wise*

GROUP-I

Coal; Drinking Water and Sanitation; Human Resource Development; New and Renewable Energy; Panchayati Raj; Power; Road Transport and Highways; Rural Development; Shipping; Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation. 1482

GROUP-II

Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Civil Aviation; Corporate Affairs; Defence; Finance; Health and Family Welfare; Information and Broadcasting; Minority Affairs. 1893

GROUP-III

Commerce and Industry; Culture; Home Affairs; Labour and Employment; Mines; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Steel; Tourism; Tribal Affairs; Youth Affairs and Sports. 1977

GROUP-IV

Prime Minister; Atomic Energy; Development of North Eastern Region; Earth Sciences; Environment, Forests and Climate Change; External Affairs; Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises; Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation; Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Overseas Indian Affairs; Parliamentary Affairs; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Planning; Science and Technology; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; Social Justice and Empowerment; Space; Statistics and Programme Implementation; Urban Development; Women and Child Development. 1852

GROUP-V

Agriculture; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Communications and Information Technology; Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Food Processing Industries; Law and Justice; Railways; Textiles. 1556

TOTAL:

8760

STATEMENT-II

Statement showing the number of notices of Starred and Unstarred Questions received, sitting-wise

Sl. No.	Date of Sitting	Notices of Starred Questions received	Notices of Unstarred Questions received	Total Notices received	Notices received in Hindi
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	21.07.2015	286	138	424	83
2.	22.07.2015	337	133	470	90
3.	23.07.2015	301	137	438	81
4.	24.07.2015	355	148	503	92
5.	27.07.2015	368	151	519	101
6.	28.07.2015	334	116	450	62
7.	29.07.2015	330	135	465	85
8.	30.07.2015	298	120	418	70
9.	31.07.2015	354	155	509	96
10.	03.08.2015	352	155	507	85
11.	04.08.2015	359	149	508	77
12.	05.08.2015	364	144	508	96
13.	06.08.2015	326	154	480	71
14.	07.08.2015	386	158	544	105
15.	10.08.2015	312	144	456	89
16.	11.08.2015	340	171	511	84
17.	12.08.2015	359	175	534	108
18.	13.08.2015	333	183	516	94
TOTAL:		6094	2666	8760	1569

STATEMENT-III

Abstract showing the disposal of notices of Starred and Unstarred Questions

Category of Questions	Notices received	Admitted	Admitted by clubbing	Notices declubbed	Disallowed	Lapsed	Returned	Withdrawn	Cancelled
Starred	6094	270	-	25	486	3221	4	-	-
Unstarred	2666	2880+	284++	20	210	1357	2	1	-
TOTAL:	8760	3150	284	45	696	4578	6	1	-

+ Includes 1872 notices of Starred Questions admitted as Unstarred Questions.

++ Includes 216 notices of Starred Questions admitted as Unstarred Questions by clubbing.

STATEMENT-IV

Abstract showing the number of notices(Starred and Unstarred) received in respect of each Ministry/Department and their disposal

(The figures shown in bracket indicate the number of Notices of Questions received in Hindi)

Sl. No.	Name of the Ministry/Department	Notices received	Admitted		Admitted by clubbing	Notices de-clubbed	Dis-allowed	Lapsed	Returned/Withdrawn/Cancelled	Starred Questions orally answered	No. of Supplementaries asked
			Starred	Unstarred							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1.	Prime Minister	7(1)	-	-	-	-	5(1)	2(0)	-	-	-
2.	Agriculture	374(90)	16(6)	117(31)	13(4)	3(2)	14(2)	209(45)	2(0)	-	-
3.	Atomic Energy	74(7)	3(0)	33(3)	5(0)	1(0)	14(1)	18(3)	-	-	-
4.	Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH)	86(17)	5(3)	37(8)	-	-	3(0)	41(6)	-	-	-
5.	Chemicals and Fertilizers	124(29)	5(0)	45(10)	3(0)	-	2(0)	69(19)	-	-	-
6.	Civil Aviation	255(42)	5(0)	100(16)	6(2)	2(0)	17(2)	125(22)	-	-	-
7.	Coal	108(10)	3(0)	34(5)	1(0)	-	6(1)	64(4)	-	-	-
8.	Commerce and Industry	345(57)	9(1)	102(11)	14(1)	3(0)	18(5)	199(39)	-	-	-
9.	Communications and Information Technology	239(44)	4(1)	78(16)	3(1)	-	8(0)	145(26)	1(0)	-	-
10.	Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution	177(40)	4(1)	50(9)	8(2)	-	8(2)	106(26)	1(0)	-	-

11.	Corporate Affairs	45(6)	1(0)	14(1)	-	-	3(0)	27(5)	-	-	-
12.	Culture	122(22)	9(2)	35(5)	4(0)	1(0)	9(1)	64(14)	-	-	-
13.	Defence	284(42)	7(1)	83(8)	10(1)	2(0)	19(2)	163(30)	-	-	-
14.	Development of North Eastern Region	30(5)	1(0)	10(0)	-	-	5(1)	14(4)	-	-	-
15.	Drinking Water and Sanitation	110(22)	4(3)	27(6)	4(0)	-	3(2)	72(11)	-	-	-
16.	Earth Sciences	32(1)	1(0)	11(1)	2(0)	-	4(0)	14(0)	-	-	-
17.	Environment, Forests and Climate Change	283(51)	12(1)	99(18)	8(2)	1(1)	30(7)	133(22)	-	1	-
18.	External Affairs	225(37)	5(1)	67(11)	16(2)	3(1)	59(7)	75(15)	-	-	-
19.	Finance	489(70)	16(0)	142(21)	7(0)	1(0)	36(9)	287(40)	-	-	-
20.	Food Processing Industries	51(1)	1(0)	12(0)	3(0)	-	-	35(1)	-	-	-
21.	Health and Family Welfare	547(101)	24(4)	201(40)	18(9)	-	30(3)	274(45)	-	1	1
22.	Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	39(6)	1(0)	17(3)	-	-	5(1)	16(2)	-	-	-
23.	Home Affairs	644(129)	13(3)	182(34)	25(7)	3(2)	64(11)	357(72)	-	-	-
24.	Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation	111(21)	3(2)	40(5)	12(0)	1(0)	8(3)	47(11)	-	-	-
25.	Human Resource Development	383(69)	11(3)	134(26)	9(0)	3(1)	28(4)	198(35)	-	2	-
26.	Information and Broadcasting	103(23)	2(0)	33(7)	-	-	8(2)	60(14)	-	-	-
27.	Labour and Employment	239(50)	7(0)	87(20)	11(3)	-	15(6)	119(21)	-	1	-

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
28.	Law and Justice	132(20)	-	30(6)	2(0)	-	6(1)	93(13)	1(0)	-	-
29.	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	74(16)	1(0)	22(3)	1(0)	-	6(2)	44(11)	-	-	-
30.	Mines	40(9)	-	19(6)	-	-	2(0)	19(3)	-	-	-
31.	Minority Affairs	84(5)	-	30(4)	1(0)	-	1(0)	52(1)	-	-	-
32.	New and Renewable Energy	83(15)	-	35(6)	1(0)	-	3(1)	44(8)	-	-	-
33.	Overseas Indian Affairs	39(3)	-	16(2)	3(1)	-	9(0)	11(0)	-	-	-
34.	Panchayati Raj	30(5)	1(0)	10(2)	-	-	1(0)	18(3)	-	-	-
35.	Parliamentary Affairs	9(2)	-	-	-	-	3(1)	6(1)	-	-	-
36.	Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions	98(16)	4(1)	32(6)	1(0)	-	26(5)	35(4)	-	-	-
37.	Petroleum and Natural Gas	207(44)	10(2)	80(14)	7(2)	3(0)	17(5)	90(21)	-	-	-
38.	Planning	82(20)	4(1)	19(3)	4(1)	2(0)	28(6)	25(9)	-	-	-
39.	Power	173(33)	8(1)	55(12)	8(0)	-	16(1)	86(19)	-	-	-
40.	Railways	386(64)	13(0)	127(21)	7(0)	2(0)	6(2)	229(41)	2(0)	-	-
41.	Road Transport and Highways	221(45)	4(0)	63(7)	12(0)	2(1)	20(4)	120(33)	-	-	-
42.	Rural Development	139(37)	6(2)	46(13)	7(0)	1(0)	15(3)	64(19)	-	-	-
43.	Science and Technology	49(7)	-	12(0)	-	-	15(3)	22(4)	-	-	-
44.	Shipping	56(3)	2(0)	16(0)	1(0)	-	1(0)	36(3)	-	-	-
45.	Skill Development and Entrepreneurship	106(14)	1(0)	42(8)	6(2)	-	6(2)	51(2)	-	-	-

46.	Social Justice and Empowerment	141(36)	2(1)	59(16)	7(0)	-	13(7)	60(12)	-	-	-
47.	Space	25(3)	-	16(2)	1(0)	1(0)	-	7(1)	-	-	-
48.	Statistics and Programme Implementation	34(5)	-	11(1)	6(0)	-	4(1)	13(3)	-	-	-
49.	Steel	39(7)	-	13(1)	2(0)	-	3(0)	21(6)	-	-	-
50.	Textiles	73(5)	2(1)	21(3)	2(0)	1(0)	5(0)	42(1)	-	-	-
51.	Tourism	132(21)	7(0)	44(6)	4(0)	-	4(1)	73(14)	-	-	-
52.	Tribal Affairs	90(16)	1(0)	32(3)	5(0)	-	9(0)	43(13)	-	-	-
53.	Urban Development	208(33)	10(1)	71(9)	5(0)	4(1)	26(8)	92(14)	-	-	-
54.	Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation	179(36)	6(0)	60(16)	3(0)	1(0)	11(1)	98(19)	-	-	-
55.	Women and Child Development	186(32)	12(4)	63(11)	5(0)	2(0)	12(8)	92(9)	-	1	-
56.	Youth Affairs and Sports	119(24)	4(2)	46(9)	1(0)	2(0)	7(1)	59(12)	-	-	-
TOTAL:		8760(1569)	270(48)	2880(505)	284(40)	45(9)	696(136)	4578(831)	7(0)	6	1

STATEMENT-V

Statement showing the subjects on which considerable number of Questions were answered

Sl. No.	Name of Ministry/ Department	Subject	<u>No. of Questions Admitted</u>		No. of Supplementaries asked
			Starred	Unstarred	
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Agriculture	Agricultural production	2	15	-
		Crop loss due to droughts, hailstorms and heavy rains	3	17	-
		Technologies and welfare programmes for farmers	2	10	-
2.	AYUSH	Promotion of yoga/yoga day	1	11	-
3.	Civil Aviation	Performance of Air India	2	9	-
4.	Chemicals and Fertilizers	Demand and supply of urea/fertilizers	-	15	-
5.	Commerce and Industry	FDI	2	17	-
		Import/export	-	16	-
6.	Culture	Protection of monuments	6	13	-
7.	Environment, Forests and Climate Change	Pollution	5	32	-
8.	External Affairs	China	-	10	-
9.	Finance	Loans from banks	2	11	-
		Money market	2	9	-
10.	Health and Family Welfare	AIIMs, AIIMs-like institutions, medical colleges, etc.	-	13	-

11.	Home Affairs	Crime against women and children	10	22	-
		Maoism/naxalism	1	21	-
12.	Human Resource Development	Schools	-	18	-
		Universities	-	13	-
13.	Information and Broadcasting	DD/AIR/Prasar Bharati	1	11	-
14.	Labour and Employment	Provident fund	2	15	-
15.	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	Schemes	-	13	-
16.	New and Renewable Energy	Solar energy/plants /schemes/cities	-	15	-
17.	Petroleum and Natural Gas	Prices of petroleum products	2	13	-
18.	Railways	Modernization of railway stations	1	13	-
		Rail projects	1	17	-
19.	Road Transport and Highways	National Highways	2	15	-
20.	Rural Development	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act	1	11	-
21.	Urban Development	Metro rail	-	18	-
		Smart cities	3	25	-
22.	Youth Affairs and Sports	Promotion of sports	1	12	-

STATEMENT-VI

Statements laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha in reply to Starred Questions

Copies of 246 statements (both in English and Hindi), which were laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha in reply to Starred Questions, were sent to the Rajya Sabha Notice Office and Lobby for being supplied to Members, half an hour before commencement of the Question Hour, in pursuance of the announcement made by the Chairman in the House on the 16th July, 1952. In addition to this, a copy each of the statements was also kept at the seats of Members concerned. Spare copies of the statements were placed at the counter in Lobby for use by other Members.

STATEMENT-VII

Abstract showing the disposal of SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS

Subject	Name of the Member	Ministry/ Department	Disposal	No. of supplementaries asked
2	3	4	5	6
1. Withdrawal of direction given to GPCB	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Environment, Forests and Climate Change	Disallowed	-
2. Patents of DRDO pending for registration	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Commerce and Industry	Disallowed	-
3. Bogus voter identity cards	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Law and Justice	Disallowed	-
4. Notification for marine outfall norms	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Environment, Forests and Climate Change	Disallowed	-
5. Stress level of students	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Human Resource Development	Disallowed	-
6. High suicide cases in India	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Health and Family Welfare	Lapsed	-
7. Study to assess benefit yielded by agricultural research projects	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Agriculture	Disallowed	-
8. Framing of uniform National Education Policy	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Human Resource Development	Disallowed	-
9. Live broadcasting of court proceedings	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Information and Broadcasting	Disallowed	-
10. Manipulation in electronic measurement indicators at petrol pumps	Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya	Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution	Disallowed	-
11. Statutory inspection by Commissioner of Railway Safety on Kasganj Bareilly Section	Shri Gulam Rasool Balyawi	Railways	Disallowed	-
12. Extending fresh loans to loan defaulters	Shri Arvind Kumar Singh	Finance	Disallowed	-

Admitted: Nil Disallowed: 11 Lapsed: 1

STATEMENT-VIII

*Statement showing the disposal of notices received for raising
HALF-AN- HOUR DISCUSSION on matters of public importance arising out
of answers to Questions*

Dy. No.	Subject	Name of the Member	Ministry/ Department	Disposal	No. of Members who took part in the discussion
1.	Worsening situation of natural rubber growers due to imports	Shri K.K. Ragesh	Commerce and Industry	Disallowed	-
2.	Suicide by farmers	Shri K.C. Tyagi	Agriculture	Lapsed	-
3.	Declaration of assets/liabilities before joining service	Shri Dilipbhai Pandya	Prime Minister	Disallowed	-
4.	Suicide by farmers	Shri C.P. Narayanan	Agriculture	Lapsed	-
5.	Consultations for NEP	Shri Joy Abraham	Human Resource Development	Disallowed	-

Admitted: Nil Disallowed : 3 Lapsed: 2

STATEMENT-IX

Abstract of Statements made/laid by the Ministers correcting replies to Questions given in the Rajya Sabha

Sl. No.	Date	Statement made/laid by	No. of Question to which statement was made/laid	Date of answer to the Question	Subject of the Question
1.	31.07.2015	Shri Manoj Sinha, Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways	Unstarred Question 223	24.04.2015	IRCTC to emulate online shopping portals

STATEMENT-X

Some interesting features pertaining to Questions asked and answered in the Rajya Sabha

1. The number of sittings during which the Question time was originally allotted..... 18
2. The number of sittings during which the Question Hour was dispensed with..... Nil
3. The number of sittings which were adjourned without transacting any business..... 2(27th and 28th July, 2015)
4. The number of sittings during which Question time was allotted but no Questions were orally answered in the House..... 12
5. The number of sittings cancelled..... 1(29th July, 2015)
6. The number of sittings extended without Question Hour (special sittings)..... Nil
7. The number of Questions (Starred and Unstarred) received in Hindi..... 1569
8. The number of Members from whom notices were received..... 156
9. The maximum number of times any Member's name appeared in the ballot of Starred Questions 9(Shri Ritabrata Banerjee)
10. The number of Starred Questions answered orally 6
11. The number of Starred Questions on which Supplementaries were put..... 1
12. The number of Supplementary Questions put..... 1

13.	The number of Questions to which written replies were laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.....	3144
14.	The maximum number of notices received from any one Member.....	200 (from Dr. K. V. P. Ramachandra Rao)
15.	The maximum number of Supplementary Questions put by any one Member.....	1 (Dr. V. Maitreyan)
16.	The maximum number of Supplementaries asked by any one Member on any one day.....	1(Dr. V. Maitreyan)
17.	The days on which there were less than 15 Questions in a Starred list.....	Nil
18.	The minimum number of Unstarred Questions put down in a day's list.....	160
19.	The maximum number of Questions on which Supplementary Questions were asked on any one day.....	1 (on 11 th August, 2015)
20.	The minimum number of Questions on which Supplementary Questions were asked on any one day.....	1 (on 11 th August, 2015)
21.	The maximum number of notices received on any one day after the issue of Bulletin for commencement of the Session.....	786 (on 10 th July, 2015)
22.	The maximum number of Questions orally answered on any one subject.....	1
23.	The maximum number of supplementaries raised on any one Question.....	1
24.	The maximum number of notices addressed to any one Minister by Members.....	644 (to Minister of Home Affairs)
25.	The maximum number of admitted Questions addressed to any one Minister.....	225 (to Minister of Health and Family Welfare)

26.	The maximum number of Questions orally answered by any one Minister.....	1 (by Minister of Health and Family Welfare)
27.	The maximum number of Supplementary Questions answered by any one Minister	1 (by Minister of Health and Family Welfare)
28.	Number of Questions answered by a Minister, other than by the Minister-in-charge.....	Nil
29.	Average number of Questions received per sitting.....	486.67
30.	Average number of Questions orally answered per sitting...	0.35
31.	Average number of Questions orally answered per sitting (only for those sittings when Questions were orally answered).....	1
32.	Average number of Supplementary Questions asked per sitting.....	0.06
33.	Average number of Supplementary Questions on each Question answered orally	0.17
34.	Average time taken on each Question orally answered.....	2.17 minutes
35.	Total number of Statements in reply to Questions sent to the Rajya Sabha Notice Office and Lobby half an hour before the Question Hour.....	246
36.	The largest number of Statements sent to the Rajya Sabha Notice Office with reference to Questions on any one day.	15 (each on 21 st , 22 nd , 23 rd , 24 th , 28 th , 30 th July, 5 th , 6 th , 7 th , 10 th and 12 th August, 2015)
37.	The biggest statement laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha with reference to a Question sent to Notice Office and Lobby.....	54 pages (for SQ 269 answered on 13 th August, 2015)
38.	Total number of statements made/laid by Ministers correcting replies given by them to Questions in the Rajya Sabha.....	1

STATEMENT-XI

Statement showing the Observations/Directions/Rulings made / given for smooth functioning of Question Hour in the Rajya Sabha

Sl. No.	Observations/ Directions/ Rulings made/given by Chairman/ Dy. Chairman	Date	Observations/Directions/Rulings made/ given
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Nil
