## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2662

#### TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1<sup>st</sup> AUGUST, 2017/ SHRAVANA 10, 1939 (SAKA)

#### **IMPLEMENTATION OF SC/ST AMENDMENT ACT**

## 2662. SHRI SANTOKH SINGH CHAUDHARY: SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been monitoring the implementation of Section 14 of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2016 and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether all the States have constituted Special and Exclusive Special Courts in this regard;

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

(d) whether there has been any improvement in reporting of cases related to caste atrocities, their investigation and judicial trial after enactment of the said Act and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Special and Exclusive Special Courts constituted under the law have taken cognizance of offences and if so, the details of such cases, State-wise?

#### ANSWER

### MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (c): Section 14 of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes

(Prevention of Atrocities) {PoA} Act, 1989 has been amended by the

Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (PoA) Amendment Act, 2015. As

per available information, State Governments and Union Territory

Administrations of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Goa,

Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala,

Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Odisha, Punjab,

Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, West Bengal, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Chandigarh, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, NCT of Delhi, Lakshadweep and Puducherry have designated District Session Courts as Special Courts. Further, 205 Exclusive Special Courts, have also been set up by fourteen States, namely Andhra Pradesh (14), Bihar (05), Chhattisgarh (17), Gujarat (26), Karnataka (08), Kerala (03), Madhya Pradesh (43), Maharashtra (03), Odisha (03), Rajasthan (25), Tamil Nadu (06), Telangana (10), Uttar Pradesh (40) and Uttarakhand (2). The State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations have also been addressed to effectively implements various provisions of the PoA Act as amended.

(d): As per the information provided by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), State/UT-wise cases reported, cases chargesheeted and cases convicted under total Prevention of Atrocities Act for Crimes against Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) is enclosed as Annexure-I & II respectively.

(e): 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects under the seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India. The responsibilities to maintain law and order, protection of life and property of the citizens rest primarily with the respective State Governments. The State Governments are competent to deal with such offences under the extant provisions of laws. Ministry of Home has issued advisories for combating crimes against SCs/STs which are available at <u>www.mha.nic.in</u>

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Annexure-I

State/UT-wise Cases reported (CR), Cases ChargeSheeted (CS) and Cases Convicted (CV), under Total Prevention of Atrocities Act for Crimes against Scheduled Castes (SCs) during 2015-2016\*

2015-2016*												
		2015			2016*							
SL	State/UT	CR	CS	CV	CR	CS	CV					
1	Andhra Pradesh	2263	963	32	2343	1167	31					
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0					
3	Assam	5	0	0	4	3	0					
4	Bihar	6293	4575	118	5701	5218	204					
5	Chhattisgarh	216	231	62	243	250	56					
6	Goa	13	9	1	10	3	1					
7	Gujarat	1009	949	11	1321	1197	22					
8	Haryana	510	351	35	639	465	39					
9	Himachal Pradesh	91	64	2	115	84	1					
10	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0	0	0	0					
11	Jharkhand	736	409	40	525	281	87					
12	Karnataka	1841	1340	23	1866	1488	22					
13	Kerala	695	376	11	810	444	13					
14	Madhya Pradesh	3546	3503	721	5123	4781	902					
15	Maharashtra	1795	1376	64	1736	1484	106					
16	Manipur	0	0	0	2	3	0					
17	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	0	0					
18	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0					
19	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0	0					
20	Odisha	1821	1424	55	1796	1432	34					
21	Punjab	147	64	11	132	82	16					
22	Rajasthan	5911	2420	755	5134	2391	541					
23	Sikkim	3	3	1	1	0	0					
24	Tamil Nadu	1735	1334	53	1287	991	76					
25	Telangana	1292	893	71	1529	780	23					
26	Tripura	1	0	0	0	0	0					
27	Uttar Pradesh	8357	6526	2033	10457	8408	1873					
28	Uttarakhand	80	51	19	65	39	24					
29	West Bengal	150	61	0	119	127	0					
	TOTAL STATE(S)	38510	26922	4118	40958	31118	4071					
30	A & N Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0					
31	Chandigarh	1	0	0	1	0	0					
32	D&N Haveli	0	0	0	0	0	0					
33	Daman & Diu	2	0	0	0	0	0					
34	Delhi UT	49	34	1	53	32	0					
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0					
36	Puducherry	2	2	0	2	1	0					
	TOTAL UT(S)	54	36	1	56	33	0					
	TOTAL (ALL INDIA)	38564	26958	4119	41014	31151	4071					
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Source: Crime in India Note: "\*" Data is provisional

#### Annexure-II

State/UT-wise Cases reported (CR), Cases ChargeSheeted (CS) and Cases Convicted (CV) under Total Prevention of Atrocities Act for Crimes against Scheduled Tribes (STs) during 2015-2016\*

		2015			2016*			
SL	State/UT	CR	CS	CV	CR	CS	CV	
1	Andhra Pradesh	362	159	3	390	240	2	
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1	0	0	0	0	1	
3	Assam	0	0	0	1	1	0	
4	Bihar	5	21	2	25	22	5	
5	Chhattisgarh	373	376	120	402	393	78	
6	Goa	8	6	0	11	6	1	
7	Gujarat	248	226	3	281	237	1	
8	Haryana	0	0	0	0	0	0	
9	Himachal Pradesh	6	4	0	2	1	0	
10	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0	0	0	0	
11	Jharkhand	266	176	25	280	170	34	
12	Karnataka	386	282	5	371	301	0	
13	Kerala	165	96	2	182	133	4	
14	Madhya Pradesh	1358	1363	281	1844	1816	278	
15	Maharashtra	481	350	25	403	396	21	
16	Manipur	0	0	0	1	1	0	
17	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	0	0	
18	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0	
19	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0	0	
20	Odisha	691	506	32	681	617	18	
21	Punjab	0	0	0	2	0	0	
22	Rajasthan	1409	525	161	1195	538	139	
23	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0	
24	Tamil Nadu	25	25	0	19	19	1	
25	Telangana	386	246	16	375	229	12	
26	Tripura	3	1	0	3	1	0	
27	Uttar Pradesh	6	8	7	4	4	12	
28	Uttarakhand	6	2	1	3	3	0	
29	West Bengal	84	28	0	83	136	0	
	TOTAL STATE(S)	6269	4400	683	6558	5264	607	
30	A & N Islands	3	5	0	6	5	0	
31	Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	0	0	
32	D&N Haveli	3	1	0	2	0	0	
33	Daman & Diu	0	0	0	0	0	0	
34	Delhi UT	0	1	0	2	0	0	
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	1	0	0	
36	Puducherry	0	0	0	1	0	0	
	TOTAL UT(S)	6	7	0	12	5	0	
	TOTAL (ALL INDIA)	6275	4407	683	6570	5269	607	

Source: Crime in India Note: "\*" Data is provisional