

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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Report on attacks on minority community

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Shri Harivansh

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has sought report from the Governments of Jharkhand and Rajasthan over alleged attacks on minority community in separate incidents;

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

(c) if not, the reasons for not seeking reports on these unfortunate incidents?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJJU)

(a) to (c): The Central Government has issued Communal Harmony guidelines to all States/ Union Territories, which, inter alia, lay down standard operating procedures to be put in place to deal with situation arising out of communal violence. However, "Public Order" and "Police" are State subjects as per the provisions of the Constitution of India. The responsibilities of maintaining law and order, protection of life and property, including that of minorities, rest primarily with the respective State Government. The State Governments are competent to deal with such offences under the extant provisions of laws.
