GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4561 ANSWERED ON:17.04.2001 ATROCITIES ON SCS/STS ANANTA NAYAK;RATTAN LAL KATARIA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases registered under 'Prevention of untouchability Act' and 'Atrocities against adivasi Act' during the last three years, till date, State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) whether the said Acts enacted by the Union Government are not being strictly implemented in several States including Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the directives proposed to be issued by the Union Government to the State Governments for strict implementation of the said Act?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)to(c): The information received from the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment regardingcases registered by the Police under the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the ScheduledCastes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 during 1997, 1998 and 1999 is enclosed (Annexure I & II). There is no basis to hold that the States are not implementing the Acts properly.

(d): `Public order` and `Police` are State subjects as per the Seventh Schedule to theConstitution of India and as such, registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Government of India has been advising the State Governments from, time to time, to give more focused attention to improving the administration of criminal justice system and take such measures as are necessary for the prevention of crime against the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other vulnerable sections of the society.

The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment have taken the following steps for proper implementation of both the Acts:

- (i) Under the centrally Sponsored Scheme, Central assistance is provided to the StateGovernments on 50:50 basis and to Union Territories Administrations on 100% basis for measures undertaken/proposed by them for effective implementation of the Prevention of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 which include provision of adequate facilities including legal aid, the appointment of officers for initiating or exercising supervision over prosecution, setting up of committees or Special Courts, periodic surveys, identification of atrocity prone areas and providing relief and rehabilitation to the victims/dependants of atrocities.
- (ii) State Governments/UT Administrations have been requested to accord priority to implementation and monitoring of the policies/schemes relating to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.
- (iii) The Governments of the States where pendency of cases is high have been requested to establish exclusive Special Courts for expeditious disposal of cases registered.
- (iv) Implementation of the Acts was reviewed in a meeting of the State Secretaries of Scheduled Castes Development and Social Welfare Department held in February, 2000 and the State Secretaries were requested to take necessary action for implementation of the Acts.
- (v) Chief Secretaries of the States/UTs have been requested by the Secretary, SocialJustice and Empowerment on 24.2.2000 for ensuring effective implementation of provisions of the Act and policies as also the delivery of services and justice to the victims and target group.
- (vi) Minister of State for Social Justice & Empowerment has requested the Chief Ministersof all States/UTs on 2.8.2000 to take effective steps for implementation of the Act.

Forty exclusive Special Courts under the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and 78 exclusive Special Courts under the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 have been set up in the country for speedy disposal of cases.

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT SHOWING CASEREGISTERED BY POLICE UNDER THE SCHEDULED CASTES AND THE SCHEDURES (PREVENTION OF ATROCITIES) ACT, 1989 DURING 1997.

S.NO. State/UT No.of cases No.of cases with No. of cases No. of cases No. of cases pending Registerd police during closed after chargesheeted with police at the end During 1997 1997 including investigation in courts of 1997
B.F.

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1. Andhra Pr 698 1053 205 308 540

2. Assam 2 2 0 2 0

3. Bihar 1479 1726 220 1020 486

4. Goa 1 1 0 0 1
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5. Gujarat 2122 2341 114 1955 272 6. Haryana 32 36 3 22 11

7 Himachal Pr 17 17 9 8 0

8. Kranataka 1192 1312 161 1081 70

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9. Kerala 756 1087 135 407 545
10. Madhya Pr 4292 4547 150 4037 360
11. Maharashtra 1114 1697 127 1426 144
12. Manipur 0 3 0 1 2
13. Orissa 1180 1180 203 915 62
14. Punjab 5 7 4 3 0
15. Rajasthan 6994 9572 3504 2815 3253
16. Sikkim 1 1 0 1 0
17. Tamil Nadu 757 1281 364 360 557
18. Uttar Pr 9236 10793 2254 7483 1056
19. West Bengal 25 62 0 5 57
20. A & N Island 2 2 0 0 0 2
21. D & N Haveli 1 4 0 4 0
22. Delhi 13 17 2 6 9
23. Daman & Diu 1 2 1 1 0
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Total 29,920 36,743 7,456 21,860 7,427

Note:- 1. Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (POA) Act, 1989. Not applicable in Jammu & Kashmir State.

2. Nil data reported by 8 States/ UTs, viz Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura, Chandigarh, Lakshedweep and Pondicherry.

ANNEXURE - II

STATEMENT SHOWING CASES REGISTERED BY POLICE UNDER THE SCHEDULED CASTES AND THE SCHEDULED TRIBES (PREVENTION OF ATROCITIES) ACT, 1989 DURING 1998.

Registerd police during closed after chargesheeted with police at the end During 1998 1998 including investigation in courts of 1998 B.F.

- 1080 686 195 199 1. Andhra Pr 540
- 2. Bihar 1407 1893 201 1065 617
- 3. Goa 2 3 1 1 1
- 4. Gujarat 2138 2410 140 1998 272
- 5. Haryana 32 43 8 22 13
- 6. Himachal Pr 15 15 10 3 2
- 7 Karnataka 1279 1349 100 554 695
- 8. Kerala 716 1261 167 482 612
- 9. Madhya Pr 4138 4498 286 3669 543
- 9. Madhya Pr 4130 10. Manipur 2 4 0 0 4 10. Manipur 2 4 0 0 4 1213 94 929 190 10. Manipur 2 - 1 11. Maharashtra 1069 1213 94 925 1394 104 506 784
- 13. Punjab 17 17 6 6 5
- 14. Rajasthan 6858 10111 3475 2915 3721 15. Tamil Nadu 897 1454 339 521 594
- 16. Uttar Pradesh 7095 8151 1890 5443 818
- 17. West Bengal 15 72 0 19 53 18. A & N Island 0 2 1 0 1
- 19. D & N Haveli 1 1 0 1 0 20. Delhi 7 16 4 6 6
- 21. Pondicherry 1 1 0 0 1

Total 27,561 34,988 7,522 18,335 9,131

Note:-

- 1. Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (POA) Act, 1989. Not applicable in Jammu & Kashmir State.
- 2. Nil data reported by 10 States/UTs, viz Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, Chandigarh, Daman & Diu and Lakshedweep .

ANNEXURE - III

STATEMENT SHOWING CASES REGISTERED BY POLICE UNDER THE SCHEDULED CASTES AND THE SCHEDULED TRIBES (PREVENTION OF ATROCITIES) ACT, 1989 DURING 1999.

- S.NO. State/UT No. of cases No. of cases with No. of cases No. of cases pending Registered police during closed after chargesheeted with police at the end During 1999 1999 including investigation in courts of 1999 B.F.
- 1. Bihar 1258 1875 167 880 828
- 1 2 1 1 0 2. Goa
- 3. Gujarat 1846 2118 76 1643 399
- 4. Haryana 28 41 18 17 6

- 5. Himachal Pr 13 15 6 5 4 6. Madhya Pradesh 3990 4533 250

7 Maharashtra 927 1117 133 827 157

- 8. Orissa 1449 2233 212 911 1110
- 9. Punjab 19 24 4 13 7 10. Rajasthan 6838 10559 5625 3921 1013 11. Tamil Nadu 1011 1605 648 700 257
- 12. Uttar Pradesh 6917 7735 1238 5464 1033
- 13. West Bengal 9 62 0 17 45 14. A & N Islands 1 1 0 0 1
- 15. D. & N. Heveli 1 1 0 1 0 $\,$
- 17. Daman & Diu 1 1 0 1 0 16. Delhi 14 20 11 5 4
- 18. Pondicherry 2 3 0 1 2

Total 24,325 31,945 8,389 18,049 5,507

Note:-

- 1. Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (POA) Act, 1989. Not applicable in Jammu & Kashmir State.
- 2. Nil data reported by 8 States/ UTs, viz Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, and Chandigarh

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3. The data furnished by Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Manipur and Lakshadweep. (5)

STATEMENT SHOWING CASES REGISTERED BY POLICE AND THEIR DISPOSAL UNDER THE PROTECTION OF CIVIL RIGHT ACT, 1955 DURING 1997.

- S.NO. State/UT No. of cases No. of cases No. of cases No. of cases registered with police closed after chargesheeted pending with during 1997 during 1997 investigation in courts police at the end of 1997 including B.F.
- 1. Andhra Pr 197 382 30 46 306
- 2. Goa 1 1 0 1 0
- 3. Gujarat 22 23 0 22 1
- 4. Haryana 5 6 1 2 3
- 5. Himachal Pr 12 12 3 8 1 6. Jammu & K 0 1 0 0 1
- 7 Karnataka 234 1089 26 126 937
- 8. Kerala 7 10 3 4 3

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9. Madhya Pr 67 67 1 64 2
10. Maharashtra 154 219 18 187 14
11. Orissa 7 7 0 6 1
12. Punjab 3 3 0 1 2
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- 13. Rajasthan 4 18 1 3 14
- 14. Tamil Nadu 68 141 29 34 78 15. Uttar Pradesh 20 32 5 25 2
- 16. Delhi 8 11 2 1 8
- 17. Chandigarh Admn 1 1 0 0 1
- 18. Pondicherry 21 30 19 5 6

TOTAL 831 2035 138 535 1380

Note:-

Nil data reported by 14 States/UTs - Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, West Bengal, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu and Lakshadweep.

STATEMENT SHOWING CASES REGISTERED BY POLICE AND THEIR DISPOSAL UNDER THE PROTECTION OF CIVIL RIGHT ACT, 1955 DURING 1998.

S.NO. State/UT No. of cases registered with police closed after $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$ during 1998 during 1998 investigation in courts police at the including B.F. end of 1998

- 1. Andhra Pr 199 505 431 22 52
- 2. Goa 1 1 0 0 1
- 3.@ Bihar 1 1 0 0 1
- 4. Gujarat 19 20 4 15 1
- 5. Haryana 1 4 3 0 1
- 6. Himachal Pr 0 1 0 0 1
- 7 Madhya Pradesh 58 60 2 54 4
- 8. Jammu & K 1 2 0 1 1
- 9. Karnataka 137 1074 17 53 1004 10. Kerala 2 5 2 0 3
- 11. Maharashtra 108 122 16 86 20
- 12. Orissa 4 5 0 1 4 13. Punjab 1 3 2 1 0
- 14. Rajasthan 1 15 0 1
- 15. Tamil Nadu 49 127 34 47 46 16. Uttar Pradesh 8 10 4 6 0
- 17. Chandigarh Admn 0 1 0 1 0
- 18. Delhi 9 17 4 5 8
- 19. Pondicherry 12 18 2 9 7

Total: 611 1991 521 302 1168

Note:

^{1.} Nil data reported by 13 Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Minipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, West Bengal, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu , Andaman

- & Nicobar and Lakshadweep.
- 2. @ Data reported for 15 District only of Bihar.

STATEMENT SHOWING CASES REGISTERED BY POLICE AND THEIR DISPOSAL UNDER THE PROTCTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, 1955 DURING 1999

- S.NO. State/UT No. of cases No.of cases with No. of cases No. of cases No. of cases registered police during closed after chargesheeted pending with 1999 including investigation in courts police at the during 1999 B.F. end of 1999
- 1. Bihar 2 20 0 1 19
- 2. Goa 0 1 1 0 0
- 3. Gujarat 3 4 0 4 0
- 4. Haryana 1 2 1 1 0
- 5. Himachal Pr 2 3 0 1 2
- 6. J & K 1 2 0 0 2
- 7 Karnataka 106 1110 18 42 1050
- 8. Kerala 3 6 0 2 4
- 9. Madhya Pr 13 17 0 11 6
 10. Maharashtra 53 73 8 56 9
 11. Orissa 4 8 0 3 5
 12. Punjab 5 5 0 2 3
 13. Rajasthan 2 16 3 13 0
 14. Tamil Nadu 32 78 30 45 3
 15. Delhi 10 18 3 8 7

- 16. Pondicherry 10 17 4 6 7

Total 247 1380 68 195 1117

Note: 1 Nil data reported by 14 States/UTs viz Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Andaman & Nichober Islands, Chandigarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu Lakshedweep.

2. Data not furnished by Andhra Pradesh and Manipur (2)