GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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COMPARATIVE STUDY ON CRIMES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any comparative study of various crimes has been made;
- (b) if so, the details of crimes reported, nature-wise and State-wise; and
- (c) the remedial steps initiated by the Government to minimise its re-occurrence?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

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(a)&(b): The National Crime Records Bureau's publication entitled 'Crime in India' contains details and analysis of various crimes in the country. The publication for the year 1998 reveals that 61,80,996 cognizable crimes were reported in the country during 1998 as against 64,11,259 such crimes during the preceding year as per details given below:

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YEAR IPC Spl.Laws TOTAL

1997 17,19,820 46,91,439 64,11,259

1998 17,79,111 44,01,885 61,80,996
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Crimewise & Statewise details are available in the said publication.

(c): `Public Order` and `Police` are State subjects as per the Constitution of India and, as such, registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Central Government has been advising the State Governments, from time to time, to give more focussed attention to the improvement of Administration of Criminal Justice System and take such measures as are necessary for the prevention of crime. The Central Government has also been providing financial assistance to the State Governments for improving their policing infrastructure.