

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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SIPHONING OFF AMOUNTS OF MONEY ORDERS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received regarding alleged misappropriation/siphoning off the amounts of Money Orders by the postal staff in the country, especially in the State of Orissa and Jharkhand during each of the last three years, State-wise; and

(b) the action taken by the Government in this regard and the quantum of money recovered and restored to the genuine receivers during the said period, State-wise and year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT)

(a) & (b) 636 complaints were received regarding alleged misappropriation/siphoning off amounts of Money Orders by the postal staff in the country during the last three years, including Jharkhand. However, no such complaint was received from Orissa.

Investigations were carried out in all cases of alleged misappropriation/siphoning off amounts of Money Orders by the postal staff. A statement of year-wise and Circle-wise details of complaints received, complaints settled and the amount recovered and restored to the genuine payees, is given in the Annexure.