

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SUICIDE CASES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether suicide cases are on the rise in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) the total number of such cases registered during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise and gender-wise; and
- (d) the steps being taken to address the problem?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) to (c): The States /UTs-wise and gender-wise number of suicides reported in the country during 2008-2010 are enclosed at Annexure. The causes of suicide have their origin in the social, economic, cultural, psychological and health status of an individual. Suicide is multi- factorial, cumulative and progressive in nature. Major mental health problems like depression, schizophrenia, addiction to alcohol, affective disorders, drug dependence, adjustment disorders, mood and personality problems have been identified among those committed or attempting suicides.

(d): The Government has approved implementation of the District Mental Health Programme in some of the districts of the country with added components of suicide prevention services, work place stress management, life skills training and counseling in schools and colleges.