# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3189 ANSWERED ON:24.04.2012 STAMPEDE CASES Singh Shri Ratan;Vasava Shri Mansukhbhai D.

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

- (a) whether incidents of stampede has been reported in the country;
- (b) if so, the total number of persons killed/injured, gender-wise during each of the last three years in such stampedes, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any inquiry in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of the financial assistance provided to the families of the victims during the said period, State-wise;
- (f) the details of directives issued by the Union Government to the State Governments on crowd management and evacuation procedures to prevent such cases in future; and
- (g) the details of the steps taken to ensure implementation of such directives/guidelines?

## **Answer**

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

(a) & (b): As per available information, the details of incidents of stampede during the last three years are as under:-

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Place Date State/UT No. of Persons# Killed Injured
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Kanakadurga Temple, Vijaywada 03.01.2008 Andhra Pradesh 06 Mata Janaki Temple, Karila 26.03.2008 Madhya Pradesh 08 11
Jagannath Temple Puri 04.07.2008 Orissa 06 03
Nainadevi Temple, Bilaspur 03.08.2008 Himachal Pradesh 147 150
Chamunda Devi Temple, Jodhpur 30.09.2008 Rajasthan 215 100
Levva Patel Sanskritik Bhawan, Rajkot 20.12.2009 Gujarat 09 50
Jetty Ghat, Kakdwip, South 24 Parganas 14.01.2010 West Bengal 07 16
Pratapgarh 04.03.2010 Uttar Pradesh 63 28
Hadrwar Kumbh 14.04.2010 Uttarakhand 05 14
Jagannath Temple 13.07.2010 Orissa 01 02
Pullumedu Idukki District 14.01.2011 Kerala 102 71
Chehallum District Ratlam (MP) 14.01.2012 Madhya Pradesh 12 04

#### # Gender-wise data is not centrally maintained in each case.

- (c) to (e): Since the responsibility for arrangements of Law and Order for such occasions entirely vests with the State Government, it is the State Government which takes up inquiry in this regard. Further, it also provides medical assistance and other necessary relief to the persons/families affected in such incidents.
- (f) to (g): A detailed advisory was issued to all States/UTs on 01.10.2008 making the State/UTs aware of the need to manage such gatherings and suggesting measures such as allowing manageable number of persons to visit the temple/shrines at a particular time; proper access control procedure/system at every entry/exit point; establishing sound alert system; regular training of staff in evacuation procedures; etc. to avoid recurrence of incidents of stampede in future. Further, on the basis of inputs received from security agencies, advisories are being issued from time to time.