

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2702

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MISSING CHILDREN

Bais Shri Ramesh;Bundela Shri Jeetendra Singh;Dhotre Shri Sanjay Shamrao;Dhruvanarayana Shri R. ;Gandhi Smt. Maneka Sanjay;Hazari Shri Maheshwar ;J Helen Davidson;Jindal Shri Naveen;Kumar Shri Vishwa Mohan;Meghe Shri Datta Raghobaji;Pandurang Shri Munde Gopinathrao;Pradhan Shri Nityananda;Premdas Shri ;Reddy Shri Modugula Venugopala ;Sahu Shri Chandulal Chandu Bhaiya;Saroj Shri Tufani;Saroj Smt. Sushila;Singh Chaudhary Lal;Singh Shri Ravneet;Verma Smt. Usha;Wankhede Shri Subhash Bapurao

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

- (a) whether cases of missing/abduction of children are on the rise in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of such cases reported, children traced/untraced and the steps taken to trace all the children, accused arrested and the details of the action taken against them during each of the last three years and the current year, separately, gender-wise and State-wise including the National Capital Territory of (NCT) of Delhi;
- (c) whether there have been demands from various quarters to formulate a National Action Plan and to establish a Central Unified Agency on the issue of missing/abduction of children;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government in this regard; and
- (e) the other measures taken by the Union Government to check such cases in future?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) to (e) As per information provided by National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), data regarding missing, traced and untraced children for the years 2009, 2010 and 2011 respectively is given in Annexure A.

As per information provided by the Delhi Police, the details of missing children along with traced / untraced reported to Delhi Police during the last three years 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 is as under :

Year	No. of missing children		No. of children traced		No. of children yet to be traced	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
2009	3,273	2,673	3,001	2,460	272	213
2010	2,634	2,457	2,196	2,041	438	416
2011	2,446	2,665	2,024	2,106	422	559
2012	1,519	1,652	1,077	1,109	442	543

(upto  
15.08.12)

Ministry of Home Affairs have issued a detailed advisory on missing children-measures including those needed to prevent trafficking and steps to be taken for tracing the children on 31st January, 2012. It also includes computerization of records, involvement of NGOs and other organizations, community awareness programmes etc.

Ministry of Home Affairs has also circulated a comprehensive pro-forma to States/UTs on missing children for better matching of missing and found children

The Ministry of Women and Child Development under consultation with Ministry of Home Affairs is also developing a National Portal for tracking of 'missing' and 'found' children. Ministry of Women and Child Development is also implementing Integrated Child Protection Scheme.

Ministry of Home Affairs is not aware of any demands for a Central Unified Agency on the issue of missing / abduction of children.