

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
LAW AND JUSTICE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4522

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NOTARY PUBLIC

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**Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of applications received for appointment as notary public, State-wise, including State Government of Maharashtra from January to October 2012;
- (b) the present status of such applications;
- (c) whether Government has taken any step for early disposal of these applications;
- (d) if so, the time by which the said applications are likely to be disposed of; and
- (e) the number of Central and State Notaries under Notary Act during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

- (a) A statement is annexed at Annexure-A;
- (b) The applications are pending for consideration of the Central Government. The decision will be taken in the matter in due course;
- (c) & (d) No time limit has been prescribed to dispose of these pending applications in the Notaries Act, 1952 & the Notaries Rules, 1956. However, applicants will be called for interview as and when decision with regard to it is taken by the Central Government; and
- (e) A statement about notaries appointed by Central Government is annexed at Annexure-B. As per the Notaries Act, 1952 & the Notaries Rules, 1956, the records of the notaries appointed by the State Governments/UTs are kept by the respective States/UTs.