

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5939
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ALLOCATION FOR JUDICIARY
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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the budgetary allocation for judiciary in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the budget allocated for the judiciary is adequate and if not the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to increase the budget allocation for judiciary particularly in view of the need for evolving an appropriate technology to enable accessible and speedy justice;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a): The primary responsibility for providing budgetary allocation for subordinate judiciary rests with the respective State Government. The Central Government has been augmenting the resources of the State Governments in this regard inter-alia through Plan

Schemes for infrastructure development and e-Courts Mission Mode Project. The details of budgetary allocations made for judiciary under the Plan Schemes being implemented by the Department of Justice in the last three years and current year are given at Annex.

(b) to (e): The Chief Justice of India has written in February, 2013 to the Chief Justices of High Courts in the context of doubling the number of subordinate courts, to take up the matter with the State Governments so that outlay by them (State Governments) for the judiciary is increased. This has been reiterated in the recent Conference of Chief Ministers and Chief Justices held at New Delhi on 7th April, 2013.

Against the budgetary allocation of Rs. 1487 crore in the 11th Five Year Plan, approved outlay of Department of Justice for the 12th Five Year Plan is Rs. 5802 crore, which is nearly three times higher than before.

ANNEX

Details of budgetary allocation and funds released by Department of Justice for Judiciary under Plan Schemes during the last three years and the allocation for the current year.

(As on 30/04/2013)

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	Year	Budget Estimate	(B.E.) Actual release
1.	2010-11	280.00	277.41
2.	2011-12	1000.00	691.60
3.	2012-13	1050.00	798.26
4.	2013-14	1103.00	-