GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LAW AND JUSTICE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:572 ANSWERED ON:07.08.2013 FAST TRACK COURTS Gowda Shri D.B. Chandre;Ram Shri Purnmasi

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

- (a) the details of Fast Track Courts functioning in the country;
- (b) the number of cases disposed off and the number of cases pending in these courts, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the total funds allocated/spent for setting up of these courts during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of the said courts; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a)to(c) Fast Track Courts (FTCs) were established with support of the 11th Finance Commission in 2000 as a one time measure to reduce the pendency of sessions cases. Central funding was continued till 31st March, 2011. As on that date, 1192 FTCs were reported functional. A Statement giving number of FTCs functioning, cases disposed off by them and number of cases pending Statewise as on 31st March 2011, is at Annex-I. State-wise central grants released for FTCs during the period 2008-2011 is at Annex-II. While central support for the FTCs has been discontinued, several State Governments have been providing support to continue the FTCs from their own resources.

(d)&(e) After the unfortunate incident of gang rape in Delhi in December 2012, the States have been requested to set up FTCs for trial of rape cases, inter-alia by utilizing 10% additional positions of Judges being created in the Subordinate Judiciary based on the judgment of the Supreme Court in Brij Mohan Lal case on 19th April 2012. The Joint Conference of Chief Ministers of States and Chief Justices of the High Courts held on 7th April 2013 also decided that the State Governments shall take necessary steps to establish suitable number of FTCs for offences against women, children, differently abled persons, senior citizens and marginalized sections of the society and provide adequate funds for the purpose.

Annex-I

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 572 for 7/8/2013

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Sl.No. Name of the No. of FTCS No. of cases No. of state functioning disposed off cases as on 31/3/2011 as on 31/3/2011 pending as on 31/3/2011
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- 1 2 3 4 5
- 1 Andhra Pradesh 108 199953 36975
- 2 Arunachal Pradesh 3 1660 2502

- 3 Assam 20 55811 16380
- 4 Bihar 179 159105 80173
- 5 Chhattisgarh 25 76575 18095
- 6 Goa 5 434296 103340
- 7 Gujarat 61 4017 1079
- 8 Haryana 6 33590 4769
- 9 Himachal Pradesh 9 33427 6699
- 10 Jharkhand 39 87789 22238
- 11 Karnataka # 87 184067 34335
- 12 Kerala 38 95367 13793
- 13 Madhya Pradesh 84 317363 43239
- 14 Maharashtra 51 381619 41899
- 15 Manipur 2 2861 198
- 16 Meghalaya 3 843 188

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17 Mizoram 3 1635 233
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18 Nagaland 2 716 129

19 Odisha 35 60441 5758

20 Punjab 15 46347 12223

21 Rajasthan 83 123024 26423

22 Tamil Nadu \$ 49 371336 40621

23 Tripura 3 5591 221

24 Uttar Pradesh 153 411658 53117

25 Uttarakhand 20 98797

26 West Bengal 109 113903 32180

Total 1192 3292785 605813

as on February,2011 as on December, 2010 # as on August, 2010 \$ as on December, 2008

Annex-II

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 572 for 7/8/2013 Central grant released to States for Fast Track Courts during the year 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11

(Rs. In lakh)

- 1 Andhra Pradesh 142.40 0 1096.00
- 2 Arunachal Pradesh 14.40 14.40 14.40
- 3 Assam 91.20 96.00 96.00
- 4 Bihar 720.00 720.00 720.00
- 5 Chhattisgarh 148.80 148.80 129.60
- 6 Goa 19.20 14.40 24.00
- 7 Gujarat 580.80 0 777.60
- 8 Haryana 38.40 76.80 67.20
- 9 Himachal Pradesh 38.40 43.20 43.20
- 10 Jharkhand 249.60 196.80 192.00
- 11 Karnataka 182.40 446.40 441.60
- 12 Kerala 148.80 148.80 148.80
- 13 Madhya Pradesh 312.00 316.80 316.80

- 14 Maharashtra 417.60 412.80 537.60
- 15 Manipur 9.60 9.60 9.60
- 16 Meghalaya 28.80 0 28.80
- 17 Mizoram 14.40 14.40 14.40
- 18 Nagaland 9.60 9.60 9.60
- 19 Orissa 158.40 168.00 168.00
- 20 Punjab 0 163.20 81.60
- 21 Rajasthan 398.40 398.40 398.40
- 22 Tamil Nadu 0 470.40 235.20
- 23 Tripura 0 11.56 0
- 24 Uttar Pradesh 1161.60 1161.60 1094.40
- 25 Uttarakhand 0 0 99.62
- 26 West Bengal 571.20 571.20 571.20