GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:42 ANSWERED ON:24.02.2015 CENTRAL FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORIES Chavan Shri Harishchandra Deoram

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is shortage of Central Forensic Science Laboratories (CFSLs) and experts in the field of forensic science in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to set up American Model DNA profiling centers in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which such CFSLs are likely to be set up in all the States; and
- (e) the allocation of funds made by the Government for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

- (a) & (b): There are seven Central Forensic Science Laboratories functioning in the country. Six Central Forensic Science Laboratories (CFSLs) are under Directorate of Forensic Science Services. Three CFSLs are at Chandigarh, Kolkata & Hyderabad and three upcoming Hi-tech CFSLs are located at Pune, Bhopal and Guwahati. Apart from this one Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CBI) is located in New Delhi. Government has proposed for upgradation and creation of new Divisions in the existing as well as new CFSLs under XII Five Year Plan. Upgradation of equipments and adequate technical manpower has also been proposed in the XII Plan Scheme of Directorate of Forensic Science Services.
- (c): There is no such proposal under consideration with this Ministry.
- (d) & (e): In view of the above, does not arise.