

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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UNIDENTIFIED BODIES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that every year a large number of unidentified bodies are disposed off and thousands go missing in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with amount spent for identification tracing the missing persons during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether any Expert Committee has been appointed by the Government to study issues concerning unidentified bodies; and
- (d) if so, the details along with its findings thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): The data of unidentified dead bodies recovered and inquest conducted during 2011-2013 as furnished by the National Crime Records Bureau is given at Annexure-I and the data of missing persons for the year 2012-2014 is given in Annexure-II.

(c) to (d): No such Expert Committee has been appointed by this Ministry, to study the issues concerning unidentified bodies.

Further, as per the Seventh Schedule, 'Police and 'Public order' are State subjects under the Constitution, and as such the primary responsibility on unidentified bodies and missing persons, lies with the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations.