

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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Suicide Cases
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of suicide cases are on the rise and fifteen people committed suicide every hour in India as per the report of National Crime Records Bureau in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the number of deaths due to suicides is higher than any other lethal diseases in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): A total of 1,35,445, 1,34,799 and 1,31,666 persons committed suicides in the country during 2012, 2013 and 2014 respectively, thereby showing a declining trend. As per latest available data for the year 2014, on an average 15 persons committed suicides every hour during 2014.

(b) to (c): The data on deaths due to lethal diseases is not maintained by National Crime Records Bureau. Major mental health problems like depression, schizophrenia, addiction to alcohol, affective disorders, drug dependence, adjustment disorders, mood and personality problems have been identified among those committed or attempting suicides. The Government has approved implementation of the District Mental Health Programme in some of the districts of the country with added components of suicide prevention services, work place stress management, life skills training and counseling in schools and colleges.
