

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1206

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3RD MARCH, 2015/PHALGUNA 12, 1936 (SAKA)

PRISONERS LODGED IN JAILS

1206. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:
SHRI D. S. RATHOD:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of prisoners lodged in jails vis-a-vis the capacity of the jails, gender and State-wise;
- (b) the details of facilities provided to the prisoners including security, rehabilitation, education and medical facilities;
- (c) whether the Government has constituted any Committee to look into the issue of modernization of jails and particularly on rehabilitation of the inmates;
- (d) if so, whether such Committee has submitted its report;
- (e) if so, the details of the recommendations made and implemented by the States;
- (f) whether there is a rehabilitation proposal or plan to link the inmates with the 'Made in India' project and if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the measures taken by the Government for modernisation of jails in the next few years?

ANSWER

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

- (a) As per the data compiled by the National Crime Records Bureau at the end of 2013, there were 4,11,992 inmates in the jails of the country out of the capacity of 3,47,859. A State/UT wise statement showing number of jails, capacity along with prisoners lodged is given at Annexure.

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(b) 'Prisons' is a State subject under Entry 4 of List II of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, and Prison Administration is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments.

(c)to(e) All India Jail Reforms Committee (1980) (popularly known as Justice Mulla Committee), Kapoor Committee (1986), Justice Krishna Iyer Committee on women prisoners (1986) and Model Prison Manual (2003) have made recommendations, touching on the various aspects of prison administration particularly relating to prison buildings, living conditions in prisons, training of prison personnel, strengthening of security, providing facilities to women prisoners and their children etc. Since 'Prisons' is a State subject as per Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, the implementation of majority of these recommendations pertained to the State Governments/ UT Administrations. Accordingly, the recommendations pertaining to the State Governments/ UT Administrations were sent to them for appropriate action.

(f)to(g) No funds have been granted by the Government for modernisation of jails after 31.3.2009. However, the Thirteenth Finance Commission has allocated Rs. 609 crore for upgradation of prisons from 2011-15 for eight States viz. Andhra Pradesh (Rs. 90 crore), Arunachal Pradesh (Rs. 10 crore), Chhattisgarh (Rs. 150 crore), Kerala (Rs. 154 crore), Maharashtra (Rs. 60 crore), Mizoram (Rs. 30 crore), Odisha (Rs. 100 crore) and Tripura (Rs. 15 crore).

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question
No. 1206 for answer on 3.3.2015 as per data compiled by NCRB
at the end of 2013

S. No.	State/UT	Number of Jails	Capacity	Inmate population		
				Male	Female	Total
1	Andhra Pradesh	120	14985	13414	899	14313
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1	56	90	2	92
3	Assam	31	8105	7957	306	8263
4	Bihar	57	35681	30159	1100	31259
5	Chhattisgarh	27	6070	15019	821	15840
6	Goa	3	395	495	28	523
7	Gujarat	27	12268	11481	577	12058
8	Haryana	19	16964	16814	830	17644
9	Himachal Pradesh	12	1692	1903	96	1999
10	Jammu & Kashmir	14	3011	2265	87	2352
11	Jharkhand	28	14243	17370	850	18220
12	Karnataka	102	13100	13534	584	14118
13	Kerala	54	6190	7205	190	7395
14	Madhya Pradesh	123	26967	33622	1086	34708
15	Maharashtra	210	24544	25841	1559	27400
16	Manipur	2	970	625	35	660
17	Meghalaya	4	530	839	11	850
18	Mizoram	7	1332	804	66	870
19	Nagaland	11	1450	475	12	487
20	Odisha	85	18012	13832	641	14473
21	Punjab	26	18629	25985	1464	27449
22	Rajasthan	119	16622	18631	662	19293
23	Sikkim	2	253	222	8	230
24	Tamil Nadu	136	22101	14014	707	14721
25	Tripura	11	1940	876	25	901
26	Uttar Pradesh	65	48550	80206	3312	83518
27	Uttarakhand	11	3562	3663	182	3845
28	West Bengal	57	20585	21385	1393	22778
29	A & N Islands	5	1109	1141	8	1149
30	Chandigarh	1	1000	637	24	661
31	D & N Haveli	1	60	35	0	35
32	Daman & Diu	2	150	55	1	56
33	Delhi	10	6250	12937	615	13552
34	Lakshadweep	4	64	0	0	0
35	Puducherry	4	419	273	7	280
	Total	1391	347859	393804	18188	411992
