

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1329

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 03RD MARCH, 2015/PHALGUNA 12, 1936 (SAKA)

FORENSIC LABS

1329. SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:
SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:
SHRI DALPAT SINGH PARASTE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of forensic laboratories functioning in the country, State-wise;

(b) the number of cases pending before the forensic laboratories and the average time taken by the forensic laboratory to furnish the forensic reports;

(c) whether delay in obtaining forensic reports has been cited as one of the reason for high pendency in criminal cases at courts;

(d) if so, the reasons for high pendency in cases before the forensic laboratory; and

(e) the action taken by the Government to reduce delays and pendency in furnishing forensic reports?

ANSWER

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

(a) There are seven Central Forensic Science Laboratories functioning in the country. The Six Central Forensic Science Laboratories (CFSLS) located at Chandigarh, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Bhopal, Pune and Guwahati are under Directorate of Forensic Science Services (DFSS). Apart from this one Central Forensic Science Laboratory of CBI is located at New Delhi. The State/UT-wise details of the forensic labs are given at Annexure.

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(b) 6206 cases are pending in CFSLs (under DFSS) and 972 cases are pending in CFSL(CBI) as on 31st January, 2015. Further, the average time to examine a case varies from case to case depending upon the nature.

(c) to (e): One of the reasons of pendency of cases in CFSLs is due to high inflow of cases and shortage of scientific/technical manpower. Further, as a stop gap arrangement, Government has decided to fill up the vacant posts on contractual basis till the posts are filled on regular basis.

ANNEXURE**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1329 FOR 3RD MARCH, 2015 ASKED BY SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA, SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV AND SHRI DALPAT SINGH PARASTE, MPs**

Sl.No.	States/UTs	Existing State Facilities	
	States	Main FSL	RFSLs (Regional Forensic Science Laboratories)
1	Andhra Pradesh	1	9
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1	Nil
3	Assam	1	Nil
4	Bihar	1	1
5	Chhattisgarh	1	2
6	Gujarat	1	5
7	Goa	1	Nil
8	Harayana	1	2
9	Himachal Pradesh	1	Nil
10	Jammu and Kashmir	1	1*
11	Jharkhand	1	Nil
12	Karnataka	1	4
13	Kerala	1	2
14	Madhya Pradesh	1	3
15	Maharashtra	1	4
16	Manipur	1	Nil
17	Meghalaya	1	Nil
18	Mizoram	1	Nil
19	Nagaland	1	Nil
20	Orissa	1	2*
21	Punjab	1	Nil
22	Rajasthan	1	3
23	Sikkam	Nil	Nil
24	Tamil Nadu	1	9
25	Tripura	1	Nil
26	Uttar Pradesh	1	1
27	Uttarakhand	1	Nil
28	West Bengal	1	2*
	Union Territories		
29	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1*	Nil
30	Chandigarh	Nil	Nil
31	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	Nil	Nil
32	Daman and Diu	Nil	Nil
33	Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil
34	NCT Delhi	1	Nil
35	Puducherry	1	Nil
	Total	30	50
