

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1036

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4TH MARCH, 2015/PHALGUNA 13,1936 (SAKA)

ABSENCE OF SOP IN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

1036. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that in the absence of a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP), most of the investigation officers botch up investigations with improper collection of biological evidence from crime scenes;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by Government to identify loopholes and evolve uniform SOP for the purpose in order to increase the conviction rate?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL), New Delhi under CBI has intimated that it has its own guidelines/Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the collection of Biological Samples from the Crime Scenes. However, CFSLs at Chandigarh, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Bhopal, Pune and Guwahati under Directorate of Forensic Science Services (DFSS) do not collect the Biological Samples from scene of crime and only undertake the examination of these samples referred by the investigating agencies.
