

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1159**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9TH FEBRUARY, 2021/ MAGHA 20, 1942 (SAKA)

DEATHS DUE TO COLD WAVES

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people who died due to cold weather and cold waves across the country during the last five years including 2020-21, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has given any compensation to the families of such people;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to face such a calamity?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a) to (d): The primary responsibility to take necessary measures to prevent deaths from cold weather and cold wave in the country rests with the State Government concerned. The data on deaths due to cold weather and cold wave is not maintained centrally by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

However, as per information received from National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB), the details of the death caused due to exposure to cold during 2015 to 2019 are at Annexure.

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The damages caused due to cold waves & frost stands included as one of the eligible natural calamity for providing assistance by State Governments from State Disaster Risk Management Fund (SDRMF)/National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) as per the norms. A copy of items and norms is available at

<https://www.ndmindia.nic.in/images/pdf/SDRF-NDRFNormsdated8april,2015.pdf> .

State/UT wise number of Deaths Due to Exposure to Cold during 2015-2019

Sl. No.	State / UT	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
STATES:-						
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	0	1	0	0	0
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0	0	0	0	1
3	ASSAM	2	1	0	0	0
4	BIHAR	80	114	140	192	131
5	CHHATTISGARH	5	6	0	12	8
6	GOA	0	0	0	0	0
7	GUJARAT	31	12	10	5	13
8	HARYANA	57	33	46	49	62
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	23	9	15	13	13
10	JHARKHAND	73	87	75	75	119
11	KARNATAKA	0	1	0	0	0
12	KERALA	0	0	0	0	0
13	MADHYA PRADESH	11	10	28	18	21
14	MAHARASHTRA	10	18	28	26	22
15	MANIPUR	0	0	0	0	0
16	MEGHALAYA	0	3	0	0	1
17	MIZORAM	0	0	0	0	0
18	NAGALAND	0	0	0	0	0
19	ODISHA	5	0	0	2	1
20	PUNJAB	127	135	93	83	141
21	RAJASTHAN	32	24	28	27	49
22	SIKKIM	5	1	2	1	3
23	TAMIL NADU	0	0	0	0	0
24	TELANGANA	1	0	0	0	0
25	TRIPURA	1	0	1	0	1
26	UTTAR PRADESH	636	188	222	196	190
27	UTTARAKHAND	20	33	37	20	18
28	WEST BENGAL	22	3	0	0	1
	Total (States)	1141	679	725	719	795

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	Union Territory	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
1	A & N ISLANDS	0	0	0	0	0
2	CHANDIGARH	0	4	1	0	0
3	D & N HAVELI	0	0	0	0	0
4	DAMAN & DIU	0	0	0	0	0
5	DELHI (UT)	0	3	0	0	0
6	JAMMU & KASHMIR & LADAKH	8	1	12	38	1
7	LAKSHADWEEP	0	0	0	0	0
8	PUDUCHERRY	0	0	0	0	0
	Total (UTs)	8	8	13	38	1
	TOTAL (ALL INDIA)	1149	687	738	757	796

Source: 'Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India' as per data provided by States/UTs
