GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 458

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 19TH JULY, 2022/ ASHADHA 28, 1944 (SAKA)
DEATHS DUE TO SPURIOUS LIQUOR

458. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether several people have reportedly died due to consumption of spurious and poisonous liquor in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of persons died and accused/arrested for the sale of such liquor, separately, during the last five years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has issued any directions to the States in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the State Governments thereto; and
- (e) the other measures taken by the Government to prevent such cases and to make stringent laws in this regard?

ANSWER

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

- (a): As per data published by National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), State/UT wise details of deaths reported due to consumption of illicit spurious liquor during 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 are at Annexure.
- (b): No such data is maintained separately by NCRB.

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(c) to (e): As per entry 8 in List-II (State List) of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, the production, manufacture, possession, transport, purchase and sale of liquor is a State subject. Further, 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects under the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India and State Governments are responsible for prevention, detection and investigation of crimes and for prosecuting the criminals through their law enforcement agencies. The Ministry of Home Affairs have issued advisories to States and UTs, from time to time, to maintain law and order and to ensure that any person who takes law into his/her own hand is punished promptly as per law.

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State/UT-wise Deaths due to consumption of Illicit/Spurious Liquor during 2016-2020

SL	State/UT	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
	Andhra Pradesh	23			2019	
1			183	42		18
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	1	0	0	0
3	Assam	1	4	2	98	0
4	Bihar	6	0	0	9	6
5	Chhattisgarh	142	104	77	115	67
6	Goa	0	0	0	0	0
7	Gujarat	25	11	1	3	10
8	Haryana	169	135	162	0	10
9	Himachal Pradesh	25	43	43	56	43
10	Jharkhand	41	76	56	115	139
11	Karnataka	68	256	218	268	99
12	Kerala	3	4	11	7	3
13	Madhya Pradesh	184	216	410	190	214
14	Maharashtra	0	0	0	0	0
15	Manipur	0	0	0	1	0
16	Meghalaya	13	7	4	3	15
17	Mizoram	10	7	2	0	1
18	Nagaland	0	1	0	0	0
19	Odisha	0	4	6	0	18
20	Punjab	72	170	159	191	133
21	Rajasthan	45	51	64	88	31
22	Sikkim	0	4	2	3	8
23	Tamil Nadu	0	0	0	0	20
24	Telangana	54	0	0	0	0
25	Tripura	5	13	3	2	3
26	Uttar Pradesh	68	54	78	41	50
27	Uttarakhand	7	2	0	47	5
28	West Bengal	0	8	12	0	0
	TOTAL STATE(S)	961	1354	1352	1264	893
29	A & N Islands	18	0	0	0	20
30	Chandigarh	0	0	0	5	4
31	D&N Haveli and Daman&Diu @ +	4	0	5	3	2
32	Delhi UT	7	31	8	22	26
33	Jammu & Kashmir @ *	9	8	0	2	2
34	Ladakh @	<u> </u>		, , ,		0
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	55	117	0	0	0
30	TOTAL UT(S)	93	156	13	32	54
	TOTAL (ALL INDIA)	1054	1510	1365	1296	947
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As per data provided by states/UTs

^{&#}x27;+' Combined data of erstwhile D & N HAVELI AND DAMAN & DIU UT during 2016-2019

^{&#}x27;*' Data of erstwhile JAMMU & KASHMIR State Including LADAKH during 2016-2019

^{&#}x27;@' Data of newly created Union territory