GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2754 ANSWERED ON TUESDAY, THE 20TH MARCH, 2018

CASES OF FRAUD INVOLVING COMPANIES

QUESTION

2754. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of number of cases of fraud involving companies reported from 2014 onwards, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether Government is cognizant of the fact that fraud cases involving companies went up by 21 per cent in 2017 as per Kroll Annual Global Fraud and Risk Report 2017-18, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government is planning to take any steps to curb cases of fraud and theft; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI P. P. CHAUDHARY) AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS

(a) & (b): The requisite information is given in Annexure 'A'

(c) & (d): The Government has taken a number of measures to curb cases of corporate frauds:

- (i) 'Fraud' as a substantive offence has been introduced in the Companies Act, 2013.
- (ii) Statutory status to the Serious Fraud Investigation Office has been granted under the said Act.
- (iii) Stricter norms for Corporate Governance have been prescribed under the Companies Act, 2013.

 (iv) Information Communication Technology (ICT) tools are being used for early detection of frauds through data analysis, surveillance and forensics etc.

Annexure-A

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) and (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2754 FOR ANSWER IN RAJYA SABHA ON 20.03.2018

State wise and Year-wise details of fraud cases involving companies where investigation has been ordered by the Central Government and carried out/to be carried out by SFIO.

	Financial Year				
State	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (current Year	Total
Assam		6	_	as 01.03.2018)	6
Andhra Pradesh	_		3	5	8
Bihar	2	_	2	2	6
Chandigarh	-		12	1	13
Delhi	15	89	29	34	167
Gujarat	-	1	6	4	11
Haryana	-	10		_	10
Jammu	-		_	1	1
Jharkhand	2	_	1	_	3
Karnataka	-	_	3	6	9
Kerala	_	_	1	-	1
Maharashtra	5	20	23	109	157
Meghalaya	-		23	-	2
Odisha	18	8	1	5	32
	-	3	1	-	4
Punjab					
Rajasthan	-	2	1	1	4
Tamil Nadu	-	1	2	4	7
Uttar Pradesh	-	10	2	16	28
Uttrakhand	-	2	-	-	2
West Bengal	29	32	22	21	104
Total	71	184	111	209	575
