

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1525  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2023**

**SERIOUS OFFENCE CASES UNDER PCPNDT ACT**

**1525. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:**

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) The number of court cases that were registered in the last three years under the Pre-Conception & Pre-natal Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) Act;
- (b) whether authorities have filed appeals against the acquittals, given the low conviction rate and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefore;
- (c) the number of ultrasound machines sealed and seized so far for offences committed under PCPNDT Act in the country; and
- (d) whether, any of the machines has been released during trials and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE  
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

As per the information received from the States/ UTs:

- (a) total **425** court cases have been registered in the last three years under the Pre-Conception & Pre-natal Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) Act.
- (b) total **90** appeals have been filed against the acquittals by the Authorities
- (c) total **3521** ultrasound machines have been sealed and seized so far for offences committed under PCPNDT Act in the country; and
- (d) total **125** ultrasound machines have been released during trials in the country

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