

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 705**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 08TH FEBRUARY, 2023/ MAGHA 19, 1944 (SAKA)

INCREASING INCIDENCE OF SUICIDES

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of suicides committed in the country during each year of the last five years;**
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;**
- (c) whether any study report has been received by Government on the high rates of suicides in the country;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the details of the steps taken by Government to prevent the incidents of suicides in the country?**

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) compiles and publishes data on suicides in its publication 'Accidental Deaths & Suicides in India (ADSI)'. The published reports are available till the year 2021. As per NCRB data, State/UT-wise number of suicides committed by people in the country during 2017-2021 is given at Annexure.

(c) & (d): As per the findings of National Mental Health Survey 2015-16, an individual's risk of suicide was observed to be 0.9% (high risk) and 0.7% (moderate risk); it was highest in the 40-49 year age group, greater

amongst females and those from urban metros. The Report is available on the website of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (www.mohfw.gov.in).

(e): With a view to address the burden of mental disorders, the Government of India is supporting implementation of the District Mental Health Programme (DMHP) under the National Mental Health Programme (NMHP) in 716 districts of the country for which support is provided to States/UTs through the National Health Mission. Facilities made available under DMHP at the Community Health Centre(CHC) and Primary Health Centre(PHC) levels, *inter-alia*, include outpatient services, assessment, counselling/ psycho-social interventions, continuing care and support to persons with severe mental disorders, drugs, outreach services, ambulance services etc. In addition to the above services there is a provision of 10 bedded in-patient facility at the District level. The objectives of DMHP are:

- i. to provide suicide prevention services, work place stress management, life skills training and counselling in schools and colleges.**
- ii. to provide mental health services including prevention, promotion and long-term continuing care at different levels of district healthcare delivery system.**
- iii. to augment institutional capacity in terms of infrastructure, equipment and human resource for mental healthcare.**

iv. to promote community awareness and participation in the delivery of mental healthcare services.

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has also formulated country's first National Suicide Prevention Strategy. The Strategy is available on the website of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (www.mohfw.gov.in).

State/UT-wise Number of Suicides Committed by people in the country during 2017-2021 as per NCRB data

SN	State/UT	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
1	Andhra Pradesh	5354	5319	6465	7043	8067
2	Arunachal Pradesh	89	132	112	160	160
3	Assam	2276	2379	2370	3243	3262
4	Bihar	388	443	641	809	827
5	Chhattisgarh	6312	7046	7629	7710	7828
6	Goa	273	256	259	308	321
7	Gujarat	7418	7793	7655	8050	8789
8	Haryana	3387	3547	4191	4001	3692
9	Himachal Pradesh	576	740	584	857	889
10	Jharkhand	1214	1317	1646	2145	1825
11	Karnataka	11716	11561	11288	12259	13056
12	Kerala	7870	8237	8556	8500	9549
13	Madhya Pradesh	11770	11775	12457	14578	14965
14	Maharashtra	17646	17972	18916	19909	22207
15	Manipur	43	52	58	44	49
16	Meghalaya	165	189	198	224	226
17	Mizoram	91	79	70	108	99
18	Nagaland	33	36	41	48	43
19	Odisha	4493	4592	4582	5546	5651
20	Punjab	1481	1714	2357	2616	2600
21	Rajasthan	3838	4333	4531	5658	5593
22	Sikkim	214	199	220	285	266
23	Tamil Nadu	14459	13896	13493	16883	18925
24	Telangana @	7620	7845	7675	8058	10171
25	Tripura	692	720	728	845	771
26	Uttar Pradesh	4426	4849	5464	4804	5932
27	Uttarakhand	331	421	516	943	717
28	West Bengal	12014	13255	12665	13103	13500
	TOTAL STATE(S)	126189	130697	135367	148737	159980
29	A & N Islands	139	164	181	180	159
30	Chandigarh	113	160	131	128	120
31	D&N Haveli and Daman&Diu @ +	116	136	141	156	171
32	Delhi UT	2462	2526	2526	3142	2840
33	Jammu & Kashmir @ *	287	330	284	287	247
34	Ladakh @	-	-	-	12	11
35	Lakshadweep	0	3	0	2	1
36	Puducherry	581	500	493	408	504
	TOTAL UT(S)	3698	3819	3756	4315	4053
	TOTAL (ALL INDIA)	129887	134516	139123	153052	164033

As per data provided by states/UTs

Source: Accidental Deaths & Suicides in India

'+' Combined data of erstwhile D & N HAVELI AND DAMAN & DIU UT during 2012-2019

'**' Data of erstwhile JAMMU & KASHMIR State Including LADAKH during 2012-2019

'@' Data of newly created State/Union territory