GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.985

ANSWERED ON 13.02.2025

NUMBER OF BENGALI REVOLUTIONARIES IN ANDAMAN CELLULAR JAIL

985. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that revolutionaries from undivided Bengal were the highest in number to be deported to Andaman Cellular Jail;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of revolutionaries deported to Andaman State/Province-wise;
- (d) whether the pictures of all revolutionaries deported to Andaman are displayed in the jail; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) to Yes, Sir. The Directorate of Art and Culture, Andaman & Nicobar Administration,
 - (c) Port Blair has stated that 585 revolutionaries were jailed in the Cellular Jail from 1909 –1938, out of them 398 revolutionaries were from undivided Bengal. The State-wise details of freedom fighters deported to Andaman Cellular Jail are at Annexure.
- (d)& Only the photographs available are displayed in Cellular Jail.

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ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 985 FOR 13.02.2025

STATE-WISE DETAILS OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS DEPORTED TO ANDAMAN CELLULAR JAIL

Sl.	State	Number	of	Freedom
No.		Fighters		
1.	Bengal		398	
2.	Punjab		95	
3.	Maharashtra		03	
4.	Bihar		17	
5.	Uttar Pradesh		18	
6.	Kerala		14	
7.	Andhra Pradesh		08	
8.	Odisha		05	
9.	Himachal/NW Frontier/Tamilnadu/ State not		27	
	known			
Total			585	
