GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3001

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21st MARCH, 2017 / PHALGUNA 30, 1938 (SAKA)

REGISTRATION OF FIRS

3001. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has recently ruled that all the FIRs barring some must be made public and uploaded within 24 hours of its registration and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of States which are following this practice at present, Statewise;

(c) whether some FIRs have been barred from being uploaded as its contents are sensitive in nature;?

(d) Whether the Government has issued any advisory to the states in this regard and if so, the details thereof;

(e) Whether all states have started this practice after the deadline set by supreme Court; and

(f) If so, the details thereof and if not, the steps taken or being taken by the Government in consultation with the states in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (f) : In the matter of Youth bar Association of India Vs Union of India

and others, the Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 7th September

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2016 has directed all the Home Secretaries and Director General of Police of the States Government that the copies of the FIRs, unless the offence is sensitive in nature like sexual offences, offences pertaining to insurgency, terrorism and of that category, offences under POCSO Act and such other offences, should be uploaded on the Police website, and if there is no such website, on the official website of the States Governments, with in twenty four (24) hours of the registration of the FIRs.

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As 'police' and 'public order' are State subjects under the seventh Schedule of Constitution of India, the States are primarily responsible for compliance with the Apex Court directives.

Under the ongoing Crime and Criminal Tracking Networks and System (CCTNS) project, there is a provision of entering FIRs in the CCTNS application software. So far over 1 Crore FIR have been entered in the CCTNS system by all States/UTs except Bihar and Rajasthan. The Department Website in Lakshadweep is being re-designed and CCTNS Portal in Jammu and Kashmir is under testing. Apart from these, all other States/UTsare uploading the FIRs as per the ruling of the Supreme Court of India.

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