

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5416

TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 28TH MARCH, 2018

District Mediation Centres

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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state?

- (a) whether the Government encourages the States to support district mediation centres to resolve the cases particularly related to the poor;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of cases brought to and disposed of by the mediation centres during the last three years and the current year State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to expand the facilities of existing mediation centres; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): Mediation is one of the alternate dispute resolution (ADR) mechanisms. Legal Services Authorities are engaged in promoting the use of ADR mechanisms including mediation. There are mediation centres in States, which deal with mediation matters referred to them by the Courts. Mediation is also done at pre-litigation stage in marital disputes pursuant to the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of *K.Srinivas Rao v. D.A.Deepa*. In Chief Justices' Conference held in 2013, it was resolved to strengthen ADR mechanism by sensitizing and training Judges and advocates, to conduct awareness programmes regularly and to set up mediation centres/ADR centres at the district level.

(c): A statement showing State-wise number of cases received and cases settled through mediation during 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 (upto December, 2017) is annexed.

(d) & (e): In order to promote and expand mediation, awareness campaigns are conducted to make the public aware of the facility of mediation. New ADR centres have been built to expand the facility of mediation.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5416
FOR 28.03.2018 REGARDING DISTRICT MEDIATION CENTRES.**

| S. No. | Name of the State | 2015-16 | | 2016-17 | | 2017-18 (upto December, 2017) | |
|--------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| | | No. of Cases Received | No. of Cases settled | No. of Cases Received | No. of Cases settled | No. of Cases Received | No. of Cases settled |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 3287 | 307 | 7095 | 821 | 4463 | 613 |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | Assam | 658 | 112 | 2268 | 599 | 983 | 339 |
| 4 | Bihar | 962 | 256 | 2295 | 371 | 2757 | 471 |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | 1372 | 566 | 1528 | 408 | 2194 | 363 |
| 6 | Goa | 158 | 13 | 116 | 4 | 183 | 10 |
| 7 | Gujarat | 2301 | 451 | 6231 | 796 | 2978 | 488 |
| 8 | Haryana | 18915 | 1949 | 7596 | 1628 | 8600 | 1703 |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | 1501 | 390 | 1783 | 520 | 2321 | 451 |
| 10 | Jammu & Kashmir | 73 | 15 | 291 | 43 | 345 | 40 |
| 11 | Jharkhand | 6072 | 2627 | 8270 | 2400 | 11483 | 4500 |
| 12 | Karnataka | 19121 | 1293 | 12945 | 3596 | 13154 | 4221 |
| 13 | Kerala | 33750 | 9578 | 35355 | 10557 | 27835 | 8433 |
| 14 | Madhya Pradesh | 55679 | 24803 | 75441 | 35517 | 53146 | 23293 |
| 15 | Maharashtra | Not available | | 48458 | 22021 | 49786 | 19709 |
| 16 | Manipur | 38 | 6 | 10 | 0 | 23 | 1 |
| 17 | Meghalaya | 23 | 13 | 22 | 4 | 5 | 1 |
| 18 | Mizoram | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 19 | Nagaland | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 | Orissa | 5029 | 489 | 2770 | 254 | 1859 | 172 |
| 21 | Punjab | 7092 | 1477 | 6944 | 1485 | 7087 | 1327 |
| 22 | Rajasthan | 14895 | 2193 | 18738 | 2705 | 16566 | 1559 |
| 23 | Sikkim | 88 | 20 | 170 | 72 | 107 | 53 |
| 24 | Tamil Nadu | 9055 | 1282 | 9554 | 1044 | 8373 | 986 |
| 25 | Telangana | 8864 | 981 | 5293 | 821 | 2673 | 580 |
| 26 | Tripura | 0 | 0 | 17 | 3 | 29 | 5 |
| 27 | Uttar Pradesh | 14993 | 3400 | 34423 | 6829 | 34642 | 6386 |
| 28 | Uttaranchal | 901 | 384 | 1004 | 272 | 902 | 326 |
| 29 | West Bengal | 1260 | 73 | 271 | 56 | 4595 | 724 |
| 30 | And. & Nico. Islands | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 17 | 1 |
| 31 | U.T. Chandigarh | 1186 | 335 | 1101 | 345 | 690 | 237 |
| 32 | D & Nagar Haveli | 5 | 0 | 11 | 3 | 3 | 1 |
| 33 | Daman & Diu | 0 | 0 | 34 | 8 | 12 | 1 |
| 34 | Delhi | 0 | 0 | 1782 | 526 | 1615 | 508 |
| 35 | Lakshadweep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 36 | Puducherry | 193 | 29 | 162 | 24 | 109 | 12 |
| | TOTAL | 207471 | 53042 | 291989 | 93732 | 259535 | 77514 |

