

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1193**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2018 / AGRAHAYANA 27, 1940  
(SAKA)**

**FUNCTIONING OF CFSL**

**1193.      SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:**

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL) and State Forensic Science Laboratory (SFSL) functioning in the country till date;**
- (b) the total funds allocated for the laboratories and the total number of vacancies yet to be filled;**
- (c) the average number of references made to a central laboratory in a month; and**
- (d) whether all the forensic laboratories are equipped with high end technology for assessment of DNA and other testing etc. and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a):    A total of seven Central Forensic Science Laboratories (CFSLs) and 31 State Forensic Science Laboratories are functioning in the country.**

**(b):    Rs. 82.02 crore has been allotted during BE 2018-19 for seven CFSLs.**

**Data on budget allocation to State FSLs are not centrally maintained.**

**There are 4047 vacancies in the State/UTs Forensic Science Laboratories and 114 vacancies in the Central Forensic Science Laboratories.**

**(c): An average of 820 cases are referred to CFSLs per month.**

**(d): 4 CFSLs have the facility for DNA and other testing. The remaining 3 CFSLs have testing facilities other than DNA analysis. Development of State of Art Forensic Centre for DNA analysis at CFSL, Chandigarh has been approved at a total cost of Rs.99.76 crore.**

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