

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4583**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 8TH JANUARY, 2019/ PAUSHA 18, 1940 (SAKA)

NCRB DATA ON JUVENILES

4583. SHRI ABHIJIT MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of Juveniles involved/accused of committing crimes of serious nature as per the NCRB data during the period of 2014-2018;**
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to address the problem of Mental Health of adolescents which will help reduce Juvenile Crimes; and**
- (c) the targets of National Mental Health Policy?**

ANSWER

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

(a): As reported in the latest published report of the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), the total number of cases registered against juveniles in the country for cognizable crimes during the years 2014, 2015 & 2016 are 38,455, 33,433 & 35,849 respectively.

(b): Government is supporting implementation of the District Mental Health Programme (DMHP) under the National Mental Health Programme (NMHP) in 517 districts of the country for detection, management and treatment of mental disorders/illness. The DMHP has been restructured to include additional components like suicide prevention services, work place

stress management, life skills training and counselling in schools and colleges.

(c): National Mental Health Policy was announced in October, 2014 with the following objectives:-

- **to reduce distress, disability, exclusion, morbidity and premature mortality associated with mental health problems across life-span of a person,**
- **to enhance understanding of mental health in the country,**
- **to provide universal access to mental health care,**
- **to increase access to mental health services for vulnerable groups,**
- **to reduce risk and incidence of suicide and attempted suicide,**
- **to ensure respect for rights and protection from harm of persons with mental health problems and reduce stigma associated with mental health problems,**
- **to enhance availability and distribution of skilled human resources for mental health.**
