GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1623

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND JULY, 2019/ ASHADHA 11, 1941 (SAKA)
SUICIDE CASES

1623. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the rate of suicides in the country have gone up over 50 per cent during the last three years;
- (b) if so, whether young adults account for 33 per cent of the suicide cases;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the rate of suicides is higher among men than women;
- (d) the detailed report of suicides for the age group between 20-45 and 45-60, State-wise; and
- (e) the reasons behind these suicides and the policy of Government to combat the situation?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

- (a): National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) compiles and publishes statistics inter alia on suicide cases. The data maintained by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) does not show any such trend.
- (b): In the age group of 18 to 30 years a total of 43,852 persons committed suicides in the country in 2015, which constitutes 32.8% of total suicides in 2015.
- (c): Yes, Sir.
- (d): State/ UT-wise and age-group wise details on suicides for the year 2015 are at Annexure.

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- (e): As per the reports available, family problems, illness, marriage related issues, love affairs and bankruptcy or indebtedness are the main reasons for suicides. To address the issue, the Government of India is implementing the National Mental Health Programme (NMHP) and supporting implementation of the District Mental Health Programme (DMHP) under NMHP in 655 districts of the country with the objectives to:
- (i) Provide mental health services including prevention, promotion and longterm continuing care at different levels of district healthcare delivery system.
- (ii) Augment institutional capacity in terms of infrastructure, equipment and human resource for mental healthcare.
- (iii) Promote community awareness and participation in the delivery of mental healthcare services.
- (iv) Provide suicide prevention services, work place stress management, life skills training and counselling in schools and colleges.

Further, establishment of 25 Centres of Excellence in Mental Health and strengthening/ establishment of 47 Post Graduate training departments in mental health specialties have been funded.

State/UT-wise and Age group-wise Suicides during 2015

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		halaw	14 and above –	18 and	30 and above –	45 and	60	
Sl. No.	State/UT	below 14	below	above – below	below	above – below	years &	Total
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		years	years	years	years	years	above	
1	Andhra Pradesh	68	280	2207	1972	1137	562	6226
_	Arunachal							
2	Pradesh	10	26	31	44	14	10	135
3	Assam	6	352	1277	1166	388	42	3231
4	Bihar	6	86	239	142	36	7	516
5	Chhattisgarh	220	513	2562	2222	1185	416	7118
6	Goa	5	11	85	119	49	33	302
7	Gujarat	45	473	2725	2373	1159	471	7246
8	Haryana	77	171	1255	1229	606	207	3545
9	Himachal Pradesh	5	26	176	184	121	31	543
10	Jammu & Kashmir	4	21	127	170	42	8	372
11	Jharkhand	14	70	250	273	185	43	835
12	Karnataka	85	614	3248	3853	2233	753	10786
13	Kerala	38	259	1255	2197	2289	1654	7692
14	Madhya Pradesh	167	893	4132	3131	1428	542	10293
15	Maharashtra	61	730	5391	5880	3450	1458	16970
16	Manipur	1	4	13	15	3	1	37
17	Meghalaya	3	17	78	55	14	5	172
18	Mizoram	2	15	58	36	10	2	123
19	Nagaland	1	3	12	2	3	0	21
20	Odisha	48	314	1312	1371	770	272	4087
21	Punjab	2	44	364	403	188	48	1049
22	Rajasthan	22	253	1394	1142	510	136	3457
23	Sikkim	16	18	85	63	41	18	241
24	Tamil Nadu	139	844	4679	5040	3488	1587	15777
25	Telangana	33	295	2827	3605	2323	1057	10140
26	Tripura	5	53	214	257	153	64	746
27	Uttar Pradesh	58	306	1818	1234	377	109	3902
28	Uttarakhand	7	14	188	176	72	18	475
29	West Bengal	265	1029	4691	5319	2654	644	14602
	Total (States)	1413	7734	42693	43673	24928	10198	130639
30	A & N Islands	2	13	45	39	37	22	158
31	Chandigarh	1	21	36	44	16	3	121
32	D&N Haveli	1	7	47	24	15	12	106
33	Daman & Diu	2	1	17	18	0	0	38
34	Delhi UT	42	152	856	573	172	50	1845
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	2	2	1	0	5
36	Puducherry	7	12	156	220	207	109	711
	Total (UTs)	55	206	1159	920	448	196	2984
	Total (All India)	1468	7940	43852	44593	25376	10394	133623

Source: 'Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India'
