

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
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SUICIDE RATE AMONG WOMEN

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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noted that the suicide rate among women has increased in the country and is one of the highest in the world;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has established crisis redressal centres especially for providing counselling to depressed women, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to help these women to overcome the problems faced by them like gender discrimination and domestic violence?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) to (d): As per the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) data, 44256, 42521 and 42088 females have committed suicide during 2013 and 2014 and 2015 respectively, which shows a declining trend over these years.

Public order, police and public health are State subjects under List-II of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India. However, Ministry of Women and Child Development is establishing One Stop Centres (OSCs) for violence affected women across the country under the One Stop Centre Scheme as part of the Nirbhaya Framework with the help of States/UTs for providing legal and psycho-social counselling along with other facilities including temporary shelter, police facilitation and medical support to the women needing the same under one roof in an integrated manner. Till date, States/UTs & districts have reported to this Ministry that 506 OSCs have become functional.
