

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 542
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH DECEMBER, 2022**

CASES OF SUICIDES

542. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details regarding the reasons for increase in suicide cases over the last five years and data regarding the total number of cases, year-wise and State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the fact that higher number of suicide cases pertain to the age bracket of 15-29 years and if so, the details of the same during the last five years; and
- (c) the details regarding the suicide rate per one lakh of the population over the last five years?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
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- (a) The reasons behind suicide vary by age, gender and educational and economic status. Suicide is not a single faceted phenomenon. The mental burden that results in suicide is often caused by multiple psychosocial factors. However, the major reasons for suicide over last 5 years has remained more or less the same with family problems and illness accounting for almost half of all the incidents of suicide. Suicides have also been attributed to other causes such as Drug abuse/addiction, marriage related issues, love affairs, failure in examination and other causes. The details, as provided by NCRB, regarding the total number of suicides committed, year-wise and State/UT-wise is enclosed at Annexure-I.
- (b) As per the information provided by NCRB, the highest number of suicide cases pertain to the age bracket of 18-29 years. The details of the age distribution of suicides for the last five years is enclosed at Annexure-II.
- (c) The details, as provided by NCRB, regarding the suicide rate per one lakh of the population over the last five years (2017-2021) is 9.9, 10.2, 10.4, 11.3 and 12.0 respectively.

State/UT wise Number of Suicides committed by people in the country during 2017-2021

SN	State/UT	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
		No. of Suicide	No. of Suicide	No. of Suicide	No. of Suicide	No. of Suicide
1	Andhra Pradesh	5354	5319	6465	7043	8067
2	Arunachal Pradesh	89	132	112	160	160
3	Assam	2276	2379	2370	3243	3262
4	Bihar	388	443	641	809	827
5	Chhattisgarh	6312	7046	7629	7710	7828
6	Goa	273	256	259	308	321
7	Gujarat	7418	7793	7655	8050	8789
8	Haryana	3387	3547	4191	4001	3692
9	Himachal Pradesh	576	740	584	857	889
10	Jharkhand	1214	1317	1646	2145	1825
11	Karnataka	11716	11561	11288	12259	13056
12	Kerala	7870	8237	8556	8500	9549
13	Madhya Pradesh	11770	11775	12457	14578	14965
14	Maharashtra	17646	17972	18916	19909	22207
15	Manipur	43	52	58	44	49
16	Meghalaya	165	189	198	224	226
17	Mizoram	91	79	70	108	99
18	Nagaland	33	36	41	48	43
19	Odisha	4493	4592	4582	5546	5651
20	Punjab	1481	1714	2357	2616	2600
21	Rajasthan	3838	4333	4531	5658	5593
22	Sikkim	214	199	220	285	266
23	Tamil Nadu	14459	13896	13493	16883	18925
24	Telangana	7620	7845	7675	8058	10171
25	Tripura	692	720	728	845	771
26	Uttar Pradesh	4426	4849	5464	4804	5932
27	Uttarakhand	331	421	516	943	717
28	West Bengal	12014	13255	12665	13103	13500
29	A & N Islands	139	164	181	180	159
30	Chandigarh	113	160	131	128	120
31	D&N Haveli and Daman & Diu	116	136	141	156	171
32	Delhi UT	2462	2526	2526	3142	2840
33	Jammu & Kashmir	287	330	284	287	247
34	Ladakh	-	-	-	12	11
35	Lakshadweep	0	3	0	2	1
36	Puducherry	581	500	493	408	504

Age distribution of suicides cases over the last five years

Age Bracket	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Below 18 years	9316	9431	9613	11396	10732
18-29 years	45217	46912	48774	52718	56543
30-45 years	40941	42495	44287	47998	52054
45-60 years	24265	24982	25436	27814	30163
60 years & above	10148	10696	11013	13126	14541