## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LAW & JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#### **LOK SABHA**

#### **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3980**

### TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 18th MARCH, 2020

#### **Recusal by Judges**

#### 3980. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

#### SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether cases of recusal by judges are on the rise year after year;
- (b) if so, the number of judges who recused them from hearing cases;
- (c)whether this practice is delaying the hearing of cases and is time consuming and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether judges do not give any reason for recusal from hearing cases;
- (e) if so, whether Government propose to make it mandatory for judges to give reasons for recusal; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and time by which a final decision is likely to be taken thereon?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) to (f): Disposal of pending cases in courts and related case management procedure including recusal by judges falls squarely within the domain of judiciary. Information on cases of recusal by judges is not maintained by the Government. Reasons for recusal, if any, are recorded in the court proceedings.