

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2317**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 03RD AUGUST, 2021/ SRAVANA 12, 1943 (SAKA)

MISSING CHILDREN

2317. SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an increase in missing of children aged between five years to twelve years in cities like Delhi NCR, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata in recent years;**
- (b) if so, the details in these cities during the last three years;**
- (c) the number of missing children who have been traced and returned to their families; and**
- (d) the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISHRA)**

(a) to (d): National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) compiles and publishes statistical data on crimes in its publication "Crime in India". The published reports are available till the year 2019. Specific information on missing and traced children for the category of age group between five years to twelve years is not maintained centrally.

However, the details of missing and traced children for the category of five years and above and below fourteen years in Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata during the years 2017-2019 is provided at Annexure.

Details of Missing / Traced Children (5 Yrs and above & Below 14 Yrs.) in Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata during 2017-2019

SL	Metropolitan Cities	2017		2018		2019	
		Missing	Traced	Missing	Traced	Missing	Traced
1	Chennai	190	124	239	102	308	141
2	Delhi	3758	1859	3425	2403	3323	1522
3	Kolkata	359	188	380	210	*	*
4	Mumbai	324	178	146	118	523	440

Source: Crime in India

*Note : Not published due to non receipt of data in time from West Bengal.