

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 400**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 30th NOVEMBER, 2021/AGRAHAYANA 9,1943 (SAKA)

UNDERTRIAL PRISONS

400. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that the percentage by which the prisoners locked in Indian jails at present is more than their capacity;**
- (b) the number of undertrial prisoners locked in jails for more than one year including the details thereof, State-wise; and**
- (c) the reasons for increase in the number of undertrial prisoners in the jails?**

ANSWER

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

(a): National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) compiles prison statistics reported to it by States and Union Territories (UTs) and publishes the same in its annual publication "Prison Statistics India". The latest published report is of the year 2019. As on 31.12.2019, as against the available capacity of 4,03,739, there were 4,78,600 prisoners in the jails of the country, with a national occupancy rate of 118.5%.

(b): State/UT-wise details of undertrial prisoners locked in jails of the country as on 31st December,2019 are given in Annexure.

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(c): 'Prisons'/'persons detained therein' is a State subject under Entry 4 of List II of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India. Administration and management of prisons and inmates is the responsibility of respective State Governments. No specific reasons for increase in the number of under trial prisoners has been provided by the States and UTs to NCRB.

**State/UT-wise Number of Undertrial Prisoners by Duration of Confinement
as on 31st December, 2019**

Sl. No.	State/UT	1to 2 Years	2to 3 Years	3to 5 Years	Above 5 Years
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	143	24	18	1
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	14	12	9	5
3	ASSAM	381	125	75	23
4	BIHAR	3254	1518	949	270
5	CHHATTISGARH	1749	569	172	46
6	GOA	110	49	0	11
7	GUJARAT	1457	731	639	223
8	HARYANA	1844	642	193	16
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	331	93	131	13
10	JAMMU & KASHMIR	556	281	205	201
11	JHARKHAND	1920	1039	627	227
12	KARNATAKA	1590	739	413	124
13	KERALA	195	87	29	14
14	MADHYA PRADESH	3991	1136	617	118
15	MAHARASHTRA	5153	3463	1828	394
16	MANIPUR	98	53	41	17
17	MEGHALAYA	114	60	51	18
18	MIZORAM	34	7	3	0
19	NAGALAND	45	11	8	0
20	ODISHA	1849	859	769	275
21	PUNJAB	2073	647	192	22
22	RAJASTHAN	2033	1312	819	263
23	SIKKIM	55	7	0	0
24	TAMIL NADU	434	173	63	12
25	TELANGANA	98	18	12	2
26	TRIPURA	18	4	0	1
27	UTTAR PRADESH	10174	6752	4569	2142
28	UTTARAKHAND	354	139	81	18
29	WEST BENGAL#	1598	994	767	303
	TOTAL (STATES)	41665	21544	13280	4759
30	A & N ISLANDS	6	3	5	0
31	CHANDIGARH	182	17	5	0
32	D & N HAVELI	9	3	1	0
33	DAMAN & DIU	3	0	0	0
34	DELHI	2265	880	757	252
35	LAKSHADWEEP	0	0	1	0
36	PUDUCHERRY	5	4	0	0
	TOTAL (UTs)	2470	907	769	252
	TOTAL (ALL-INDIA)	44135	22451	14049	5011

#- Due to non-receipt of data from West Bengal for the year 2018 & 2019, data furnished for 2017 has been used.