GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1014

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 08TH FEBRUARY, 2022/ MAGHA 19, 1943 (SAKA)

ADVANCE CENTRE FOR CYBER SECURITY

1014. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has adequate techno facilities with State of art technology gadgets to combat and curb the increasing incidents of cyber crime menace and cyber frauds in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the amount earmarked disbursed exclusively to develop Cyber Policing in the country during the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) whether an Advanced Centre for Cyber Security in the country to combat increasing cyber crimes is the need of the hour; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, if not the reasons therefor and the Government's reaction in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects as per the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India. States/UTs are primarily responsible for deployment of adequate infrastructure facilities, state-of-art technology gadgets, manpower and training of police personnel to combat the cyber crime menace. The Central Government supplements the initiatives of the State Governments through various advisories and schemes for the capacity building of their LEAs.

To strengthen the mechanism to deal with cyber crimes in a comprehensive and coordinated manner, the Central Government has taken steps which, inter-alia, include the following:

- i. Ministry of Home Affairs has set up the 'Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C)' to deal with all types of cyber crime in the country, in a coordinated and comprehensive manner.
- ii. The state of the art National Cyber Forensic Laboratory has been established, as a part of the I4C, at CyPAD, Dwarka, New Delhi to provide early stage cyber forensic assistance to Investigating Officers (IOs) of State/UT Police.
- iii. Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC) platform, namely 'CyTrain' portal has been developed under Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C), for capacity building of police officers/judicial officers through online course on critical aspects of cybercrime investigation, forensics, prosecution etc. along with certification. More than 11,200 Police Officers from States/UTs are registered and more than 2750 Certificates issued through the portal.
- iv. The National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal (www.cybercrime.gov.in)
 has been launched, as a part of I4C, to enable public to report
 incidents pertaining to all types of cyber crimes, with special focus
 on cyber crimes against women and children. Cyber crime incidents
 reported on this portal, their conversion into FIRs and subsequent

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action thereon are handled by the State/UT Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) concerned as per the provisions of the law.

- v. Citizen Financial Cyber Fraud Reporting and Management System, under I4C, has been launched for immediate reporting of financial frauds and to stop siphoning off funds by the fraudsters.
- vi. Seven Joint Cyber Coordination Teams have been constituted under I4C covering the whole country based upon cybercrime hotspots/ areas having multi jurisdictional issues and in consultation with States/UTs to enhance the coordination framework among the LEAs of the States/UTs.
- vii. Ministry of Home Affairs has provided central assistance under 'Assistance to States for Modernization of Police' Scheme to the State Governments for the acquisition of latest weaponry, training gadgets, advanced communication/forensic equipment, Cyber Policing equipment etc. The State Governments formulate State Action Plans (SAPs) as per their strategic priorities and requirements including combating cyber crimes. The amounts of Central financial assistance disbursed under this scheme during the last 3 financial years is as below:

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(Rs. in Crore)

Year	Allocation	Released
2018-19	769.00	768.83
2019-20	791.30	781.12
2020-21	770.76	103.25*

(*Funds against allocations could not be released to most of the States as they had substantial unspent balances.)

viii. Ministry of Home Affairs has provided financial assistance to the tune of Rs. 96.13 crore under Cyber Crime Prevention against Women and Children (CCPWC) Scheme to the States/UTs for setting up of cyber forensic-cum-training laboratories, hiring of junior cyber consultants and capacity building of Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs), public prosecutors and judicial officers. Details of funds released to States/UTs upto March, 2021 under CCPWC Scheme is at Annexure-I. Additional funds are being released to the States/UTs on demand basis and Utilisation Certificate furnished. Cyber forensiccum-training laboratories have been commissioned in 28 States/UTs, namely Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Mizoram, Odisha, Sikkim, Telangana, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Goa, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Dadra and Nagar Haveli & Diu, Punjab, Assam, Tripura, Puducherry, J&K, Daman and Chandigarh, Rajasthan and West Bengal.

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- ix. Training curriculum has been prepared for LEA personnel, public prosecutors and judicial officers for better handling of investigation and prosecution. States/UTs have been requested to organize training programmes. More than 19,600 LEA personnel, judicial officers and prosecutors have been provided training on cyber crime awareness, investigation, forensics etc. under CCPWC Scheme.
- x. Cyber Forensics Lab at the Indian Computer Emergency Response

 Team (CERT-In) has been notified as an Examiner of Electronic

 Evidence in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 79A of the

 Information Technology Act, 2000 and is equipped with tools to carry

 out analysis of digital evidences extracted from data storage and

 mobile devices. Cyber Forensics Lab is being utilised for analysis of

 cyber security incidents and supports LEAs in forensic analysis.

 CERT-In also imparts training to the LEAs through workshops.

Details of funds released to the States/UTs up to 31.03.2021 under Cyber Crime Prevention against women & Children (CCPWC) Scheme

(₹. in crore)

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Sl.no	States/UTs	2017-21
1	Andhra Pradesh	4.42
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1.65
3	Assam	4.19
4	Bihar	3.19
5	Chhattisgarh	2.59
6	Goa	1.63
7	Gujarat	3.45
8	Haryana	2.53
9	Himachal Pradesh	1.81
10	Jammu and Kashmir	1.70
11	Jharkhand	1.82
12	Karnataka	4.46
13	Kerala	4.34
14	Madhya Pradesh	2.85
15	Maharashtra	4.58
16	Manipur	1.63
17	Meghalaya	1.62
18	Mizoram	1.74
19	Nagaland	1.71
20	Odisha	3.82
21	Punjab	2.55
22	Rajasthan	4.40
23	Sikkim	1.62
24	Telangana	4.34
25	Tamil Nadu	2.99
26	Tripura	1.64
27	Uttar Pradesh	4.71
28	Uttarakhand	1.66
29	West Bengal	4.32
30	A&N Islands	1.62
31	Chandigarh	1.61
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	3.20
32	and Daman & Diu	3.20
33	Delhi	2.51
34	Ladakh	0.00
35	Lakshadweep	1.60
36	Puducherry	1.63
Total		96.13