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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3392 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5th AUGUST, 2022

FOOD TESTING BY FSSAI

3392. SHRI ANUMULA REVANTH REDDY:

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

- (a) the number of food samples checked by Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) for quality checking since 2017, year-wise/State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that less than 1 per cent of the food business operators are convicted for inappropriate quality during quality checking and if so, the reasons behind low convictions; and
- (c) the allocation of total budget and utilization of funds for providing financial assistance to States/UTs under a central sector scheme for strengthening of food testing infrastructure since 2017, year-wise/State-wise?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (c): The implementation and enforcement of Food Safety and Standards (FSS) Act 2006, Rules and Regulations primarily lies with the State/UT Governments. Surveillance, monitoring, inspection and sampling of food products are carried out by Food Safety Officers of States/UTs and penal action is taken against the defaulting Food Business Operators (FBOs) as per the provisions of FSS Act, 2006, Rules and Regulations.

As per information received from States/UTs, the State wise details of number of samples analysed for the years 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 is at **Annexure I.** Details of convictions for the last two years viz. 2019-20 and 2020-21 is as below:-

Year	No. of Samples Analysed	No. of Convictions in Civil Cases	No. of Convictions in Criminal Cases
2019-20	118775	17345	780
2020-21	107829	14817	506

State wise details of grant released towards the strengthening and upgradation of 39 State Food Testing Laboratories (SFTL) from FY 2016-17 to FY 2021-22 under the Central Sector Scheme (CSS) for "Strengthening of Food Testing System in the Country including Provision of Mobile Food Testing Labs" (SOFTeL) is at **Annexure II.**

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Details of Samples analysed

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S. No.	Name of State/UT	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	
1	Andaman & Nicobar	234	_	613	700	
	Island		268			
2	Andhra Pradesh	3881	4715	4044	2329	
3	Arunachal Pradesh	269	291	346	169	
4	Assam	610	515	459	672	
5	Bihar	2248	4135	5665	1224	
6	Chandigarh	376	315	384	292	
7	Chhattisgarh	1564	988	1550	834	
8	Dadara & Nagar Haveli	67	58	87	75	
8a	Daman & Diu	71	145	145		
9	Delhi	1271	2461	2114	1509	
10	Goa	1268	1550	147	329	
11	Gujarat	9576	9884	13160	13284	
12	Haryana	2067	2929	2417	2596	
13	Himachal Pradesh	164	229	675	1568	
14	Jammu & Kashmir	3643	3600	3688	4094	
15	Jharkhand	580	499	1039	581	
16	Karnataka	3257	3945	4551	5217	
17	Kerala	3783	4378	5021	6971	
18	Ladakh	Not applicable		6	0	
19	Madhya Pradesh	6270	7063	15717	10886	
20	Maharashtra	9022	4742	5962	4733	
21	Manipur	830	388	92	235	
22	Meghalaya	29	81	133	48	
23	Mizoram	84	124	101	23	
24	Nagaland	310	202	0	60	
25	Odisha	229	327	702	1037	
26	Puducherry	3,156	2037	5	5	
27	Punjab	11057	11920	7053	6721	
28	Rajasthan	3549	5760	6455	7343	
29	Sikkim	4	182	18	32	
30	Tamil Nadu	7383	5730	10528	10766	
31	Telangana	823	1760	1680	894	
32	Tripura	268	192	33	17	
33	Uttar Pradesh	19063	22583	21193	20613	
34	Uttarakhand	1119	755	1211	905	
35	West Bengal	1228	1,708	1781	1067	

Source: States/ UTs

Annexure-II

State-wise Details of Grants Released for Strengthening and Upgradation of State Food Testing Labs (SFTLs) under Central Sector Scheme

(Grants in Rs lakh)

State	Total (from FY 2016-17 till FY 2021-22)		
Andhra Pradesh	50.00		
Assam	916.20		
Bihar	957.06		
Chattisgarh	955.00		
Delhi	1055.00		
Goa	1059.25		
Gujarat	2138.20		
Haryana	1458.82		
Himachal Pradesh	1007.00		
Jammu & Kashmir	1441.90		
Jharkhand	958.70		
Karnataka	1580.75		
Ladakh	3.50		
Kerala	1982.50		
Madhya Pradesh	1060.88		
Maharashtra	637.62		
Manipur	1197.40		
Meghalaya	1058.20		
Nagaland	1090.20		
Odisha	963.30		
Pudducherry	895.00		
Punjab	686.00		
Rajasthan	2092.00		
Sikkim	509.80		
Tamilnadu	1647.00		
Telangana	1098.35		
Tripura	713.00		
Uttar Pradesh	1009.12		
Uttarakhand	1058.00		
West Bengal	1372.76		