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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 459

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20TH JULY, 2021/ ASHADHA 29,1943 (SAKA)

DRUG TRAFFICKING

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cases of drug trafficking are increasing in the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of such cases registered during each of the last year, Statewise;**
- (c) the number of cases registered under Narcotics Control Bureau during the said period, State-wise; and**
- (d) the action taken by the Government for the prevention of drug trafficking?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

(a) & (b) Sharp vigil, effective surveillance, public cooperation, source-based intelligence, sensitization of field officials for better enforcement etc. have resulted in gradual increase in registration of number of drug trafficking related cases in the country. National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) is the central agency, which compiles the data on crimes, as reported by States and Union Territories, and publishes the same in its annual publication “Crime in India”. The latest published report is of the year 2019. The State/UT-wise details of cases registered under the Narcotics Drugs & Psychotropic Substance (NDPS) Act-1985 for the year- 2017, 2018 & 2019 is at Annexure-I.

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(c) Narcotics Control Bureau maintains zone wise data. The zone-wise number of cases booked under NDPS Act-1985 by Narcotics Control Bureau during the year 2017, 2018 & 2019 is at Annexure-II.

(d) Government of India has taken various steps for the prevention of drug trafficking in the country which, inter-alia, are as under:-

- For coordination among various Central and State Agencies, the Narco Coordination Centre (NCORD) mechanism was set up by Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) in the year 2016 for effective Drug Law Enforcement. This NCORD system has been restructured into a 4 tier scheme up to district level by MHA on 29 July 2019 for better coordination.**
- For monitoring the investigation of large seizure cases, a Joint Coordination Committee (JCC) with Director General (DG), Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) as its Chairman was set up by Govt. of India on 19 July 2019.**
- For digitization of pan-India drug seizure data, MHA has launched an e-portal called 'SIMS' (Seizure Information Management System) in the year 2019 for all the drug law enforcement agencies under the mandate of Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.**
- Financial assistance under the scheme "Assistance to States for Narcotics Control" is provided by MHA to eligible States for strengthening their narcotic units.**

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- **Border Security Force (BSF), Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB), Indian Coast Guard, Railway Protection Force and National Investigation Agency (NIA) have been empowered under the Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (NDPS) for making interdiction of narcotic drugs in remotest and far furlong areas of the country.**
- **Illicit cultivation is addressed through use of satellite imagery and subsequent destruction of such crops in coordination with States.**
- **As a part of International co-operation, India has signed 26 Bilateral Agreements, 15 Memoranda of Understanding & 02 Agreements on Security Cooperation with different countries for combating illicit trafficking of NDPS and Chemical Precursors as well as related offences.**
- **NCB also co-ordinates with various international organizations such as SAARC Drug Offences Monitoring Desk (SDOMD), Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS), Colombo Plan, Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), ASEAN Senior Officials on Drug Matters (ASOD), Bay of Bengal Initiative For Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Co-Operation (BIMSTEC), United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) etc for sharing information and intelligence to combat trans-national drug trafficking.**

State/UT-wise details of Cases Registered (CR) for the year 2017, 2018 & 2019:-

S.No	States/UTs	2017	2018	2019
1	Andhra Pradesh	682	534	717
2	Arunachal Pradesh	124	122	124
3	Assam	354	478	841
4	Bihar	749	615	697
5	Chhattisgarh	743	712	707
6	Goa	168	222	218
7	Gujarat	69	150	289
8	Haryana	2200	2587	2677
9	Himachal Pradesh	1010	1342	1439
10	Jammu & Kashmir	991	938	1173
11	Jharkhand	204	237	242
12	Karnataka	1126	1030	1652
13	Kerala	9244	8724	9245
14	Madhya Pradesh	1286	1874	3432
15	Maharashtra	14634	12195	14158
16	Manipur	275	381	338
17	Meghalaya	56	81	117
18	Mizoram	139	164	160
19	Nagaland	81	66	142
20	Odisha	573	573	980
21	Punjab	12356	11654	11536
22	Rajasthan	1596	1862	2592
23	Sikkim	3	7	20
24	Tamil Nadu	3812	3717	4329
25	Telangana	387	311	464
26	Tripura	84	431	316
27	Uttar Pradesh	7439	8821	10198
28	Uttarakhand	1017	1064	1396
29	West Bengal	1724	1479	1479
	TOTAL STATE(S)	63126	62371	71678
30	A&N Islands	34	49	133
31	Chandigarh	244	178	226
32	D&N Haveli	2	3	0
33	Daman & Diu	1	0	0
34	Delhi	376	507	712
35	Lakshadweep	6	8	4
36	Puducherry	11	21	26
	TOTAL UT(S)	674	766	1101
	TOTAL (ALL INDIA)	63800	63137	72779

Source: Crime in India

Note : Due to non-receipt of data from West Bengal in time for 2019, Data furnished for 2018 has been used

No. of cases booked under NDPS Act, by Narcotics Control Bureau in the Year 2017,2018 & 2019:-

Sl. No.	NCB Zone	State/UT under Jurisdiction	2017	2018	2019
1	NCB AHMEDABAD	Gujarat, UT of Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli.	10	18	15
2	NCB BANGALORE	Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana.	17	25	17
3	NCB CHANDIGARH	Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana & UT of Chandigarh.	81	52	72
4	NCB CHENNAI	Tamil Nadu, Kerala and UT of Puducherry and Lakshadweep.	17	31	27
5	NCB GUWAHATI	Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura & Manipur.	27	36	29
6	NCB INDORE	Madhya Pradesh ,Chhattisgarh	7	10	6
7	NCB JAMMU	Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh	11	15	7
8	NCB JODHPUR	Rajasthan	18	18	19
9	NCB KOLKATA	West Bengal, Odisha, Sikkim & UT of Andaman & Nicobar islands.	68	67	29
10	NCB LUCKNOW	Uttar Pradesh	21	32	42
11	NCB MUMBAI	Maharashtra, Goa	29	25	35
12	NCB NEW DELHI	NCR Delhi, area of Haryana, Uttarakhand, Few portions of Rajasthan & UP.	35	44	54
13	NCB PATNA	Bihar, Jharkhand	32	51	33
Total No of cases			373	424	385