

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-585
ANSWERED ON 07.12.2023

STATUS OF LOK ADALATS

585. SHRI S. SELVAGANABATHY:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Lok Adalats organised in rural areas during the last three years to date, State-wise and place-wise;
- (b) the details of total number of cases settled in these Lok Adalats, State/UT-wise and year-wise;
- (c) whether Government proposes to make these Lok Adalats more effective and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the State-wise total number of Lok Adalats proposed to be organised during the current year?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE
(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

- (a) and (b) : State/UT-wise and year-wise details of number of Lok Adalats organized and cases disposed of by National Lok Adalats, State Lok Adalats and Permanent Lok Adalats (Public Utility Services) during the last three years and the current year is at Annexure-A, Annexure-B and Annexure-C respectively.

- (c) The State Legal Services Authorities have been issued guidelines/ directions by National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) vide National Legal Services Authority (Lok Adalat) Regulations, 2009 to organise more Lok Adalats so that pendency of cases could be reduced. Further in view of Covid, E-Lok Adalat was conceptualized which significantly improved access to justice for people who were otherwise unable to participate in the Lok Adalats. The first E-Lok Adalat was held on 27.06.2020 and since then E-Lok Adalats have been organized in 28 States / UTs, wherein 441.17 lakh cases were taken up and 76.16 lakh cases disposed of.
- (d) Every year, NALSA issues calendar for organising National Lok Adalats. During the year 2023, National Lok Adalats were held on 11th February, 13th May, 9th September and is further scheduled to be held on 9th December. State Lok Adalats are organised by State Legal Services Authorities as per local conditions and needs.

Statement as referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 585 for answering on 07.12.2023 raised by Shri S. Selvaganabathy, MP - Status of Lok Adalats

| Statement containing the information of cases disposed (both Pre-litigative and Pending cases) in National Lok Adalats during the last three years and current year viz, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 (upto September,23) | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| S.No. | Name of the State/UT Authority | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 (upto Sept. , 23) |
| | | Cases disposed of | Cases disposed of | Cases disposed of | Cases disposed of |
| 1 | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 248 | 3997 | 3310 | 1045 |
| 2 | Andhra Pradesh | 37896 | 122839 | 647956 | 635667 |
| 3 | Arunachal Pradesh | 104 | 1054 | 1071 | 784 |
| 4 | Assam | 12188 | 39642 | 113989 | 123316 |
| 5 | Bihar | 66451 | 151620 | 305483 | 271680 |
| 6 | Chandigarh | 2569 | 16833 | 15569 | 55630 |
| 7 | Chhattisgarh | 24464 | 134548 | 1125318 | 1178357 |
| 8 | Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 1768 | 172 | 1323 | 903 |
| 9 | Daman & Diu | 31 | 113 | 215 | 19368 |
| 10 | Delhi | 83006 | 154992 | 535025 | 498876 |
| 11 | Goa | 351 | 1680 | 3934 | 2648 |
| 12 | Gujarat | 41584 | 748722 | 1185571 | 1418792 |
| 13 | Haryana | 30298 | 123413 | 673487 | 725866 |
| 14 | Himachal Pradesh | 5971 | 35556 | 111150 | 113598 |
| 15 | Jammu & Kashmir | 13258 | 166544 | 390496 | 296796 |
| 16 | Jharkhand | 53152 | 232473 | 1121405 | 1958541 |
| 17 | Karnataka | 334681 | 1277856 | 3444607 | 12326109 |
| 18 | Kerala | 15010 | 68681 | 136101 | 45030 |
| 19 | Lakshadweep | 8 | 7 | 129 | 41 |
| 20 | Madhya Pradesh | 108365 | 347333 | 419776 | 385462 |
| 21 | Maharashtra | 215837 | 2440375 | 4754239 | 2327460 |
| 22 | Manipur | 204 | 794 | 1343 | 338 |
| 23 | Meghalaya | 303 | 852 | 956 | 503 |
| 24 | Mizoram | 218 | 790 | 4432 | 3566 |
| 25 | Nagaland | 251 | 941 | 888 | 608 |
| 26 | Odisha | 18329 | 35557 | 337065 | 326992 |

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|----|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 27 | Puducherry | 1738 | 5084 | 6405 | 5080 |
| 28 | Punjab | 32528 | 138175 | 392256 | 498170 |
| 29 | Rajasthan | 103060 | 286834 | 4572315 | 11613701 |
| 30 | Sikkim | 30 | 110 | 232 | 95 |
| 31 | Tamil Nadu | 88819 | 191604 | 447536 | 285815 |
| 32 | Telangana | 47560 | 349902 | 1611677 | 1280345 |
| 33 | Tripura | 382 | 1070 | 4814 | 6972 |
| 34 | Uttarakhand | 8088 | 20882 | 67438 | 62312 |
| 35 | Uttar Pradesh | 1171022 | 5551793 | 18698973 | 22944164 |
| 36 | West Bengal | 28596 | 133736 | 788082 | 755812 |
| 37 | Ladakh | 0 | 1463 | 1444 | 1335 |
| | Grand Total | 2548368 | 12788037 | 41926010 | 60171777 |

Annexure-B

Statement as referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 585 for answering on 07.12.2023 raised by Shri S. Selvaganabathy, MP - Status of Lok Adalats

| Statement containing the information of cases disposed of (both Pre-litigative and Pending cases) in the State Lok Adalats and benches constituted during the last three years and the current year viz. 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 (upto September, 2023). | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| S.No. | Name of the State/UT Authority | 2020-21 | | 2021-22 | | 2022-23 | | 2023-24 (upto September,23) | |
| | | No. of Benches constituted | Cases Disposed of | No. of Benches constituted | Cases Disposed of | No. of Benches constituted | Cases Disposed of | No. of Benches constituted | Cases Disposed of |
| 1 | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 1 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Andhra Pradesh | 3585 | 30461 | 4874 | 12123 | 4999 | 6720 | 79 | 1280 |
| 3 | Arunachal Pradesh | 6 | 25 | 24 | 91 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Assam | 6 | 1 | 136 | 13672 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | Bihar | 28 | 97 | 1 | 6 | 9 | 574 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | Chandigarh | 26 | 1 | 69 | 37 | 30 | 538 | 26 | 1064 |
| 7 | Chhattisgarh | 491 | 3475 | 187 | 228 | 124 | 139 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | Daman & Diu | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | Delhi | 300 | 195359 | 250 | 147103 | 60 | 11094 | 192 | 120363 |
| 11 | Goa | 8 | 777 | 30 | 3209 | 43 | 1308 | 6 | 141 |
| 12 | Gujarat | 2851 | 21880 | 5157 | 15546 | 3805 | 19717 | 8 | 212 |

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| 13 | Haryana | 33774 | 52789 | 54762 | 115797 | 43135 | 230018 | 43 | 538 |
| 14 | Himachal Pradesh | 90 | 3205 | 260 | 22031 | 142 | 4198 | 34 | 1755 |
| 15 | Jammu & Kashmir | 125 | 9469 | 24 | 3271 | 225 | 76683 | 45 | 6702 |
| 16 | Jharkhand | 607 | 79649 | 1310 | 22954 | 1523 | 10868 | 823 | 22338 |
| 17 | Karnataka | 1912 | 121884 | 412 | 2524 | 229 | 2632 | 0 | 0 |
| 18 | Kerala | 721 | 4837 | 302 | 19226 | 607 | 23246 | 277 | 14127 |
| 19 | Lakshadweep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 | Madhya Pradesh | 1714 | 14903 | 808 | 4110 | 1242 | 5367 | 741 | 5327 |
| 21 | Maharashtra | 22 | 605 | 6 | 28 | 30 | 341 | 13 | 440 |
| 22 | Manipur | 1 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 43 | 0 | 0 |
| 23 | Meghalaya | 0 | 0 | 23 | 89 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 24 | Mizoram | 27 | 147 | 17 | 204 | 41 | 1202 | 1 | 1 |
| 25 | Nagaland | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 26 | Odisha | 239 | 4628 | 12 | 326 | 6 | 112422 | 2 | 131555 |
| 27 | Puducherry | 24 | 392 | 42 | 262 | 47 | 743 | 18 | 246 |
| 28 | Punjab | 0 | 0 | 339 | 1108 | 6 | 15 | 73 | 1281 |
| 29 | Rajasthan | 607 | 34514 | 786 | 845 | 1202 | 1628 | 580 | 577 |
| 30 | Sikkim | 110 | 158 | 110 | 636 | 150 | 887 | 78 | 438 |
| 31 | Tamil Nadu | 767 | 13117 | 759 | 13066 | 1295 | 16369 | 806 | 22095 |
| 32 | Telangana | 1501 | 24327 | 2827 | 7363 | 2604 | 25365 | 1278 | 70889 |
| 33 | Tripura | 12 | 6938 | 93 | 11624 | 19 | 2492 | 15 | 3260 |
| 34 | Uttar Pradesh | 200 | 100305 | 57 | 31414 | 30 | 259125 | 15 | 236496 |
| 35 | Uttarakhand | 121 | 6166 | 25 | 8605 | 125 | 26498 | 58 | 11951 |
| 36 | West Bengal | 575 | 13853 | 774 | 74999 | 454 | 10830 | 0 | 0 |
| 37 | Ladakh | 0 | 0 | 4 | 32 | 4 | 240 | 0 | 0 |
| | Grand Total | 50451 | 744073 | 74480 | 532529 | 62194 | 851309 | 5211 | 653076 |

Annexure-C

Statement as referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 585 for answering on 07.12.2023 raised by Shri S. Selvaganabathy, MP - Status of Lok Adalats

| Statement containing the information of number of sittings of Permanent Lok Adalats (Public Utility Services) and cases settled in these sittings during the last three years and current year viz. 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 (upto September, 2023) | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| S. No | Name of the State/UT Authority | 2020-21 | | 2021-22 | | 2022-23 | | 2023-24 (upto Sept., 23) | |
| | | Sitting During the year | Cases settled during the year | Sitting During the year | Cases settled during the year | Sitting During the year | Cases settled during the year | Sitting During the year | Cases settled during the year |
| 1 | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Andhra Pradesh | 431 | 1283 | 927 | 1406 | 1058 | 558 | 650 | 500 |
| 3 | Arunachal Pradesh | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Assam | 99 | 12 | 141 | 56 | 213 | 56 | 96 | 69 |
| 5 | Bihar | 977 | 203 | 482 | 221 | 313 | 157 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | Chandigarh | 246 | 108 | 240 | 687 | 241 | 10945 | 120 | 6331 |
| 7 | Chhattisgarh | 346 | 32 | 1045 | 1199 | 1224 | 2028 | 613 | 2357 |
| 8 | Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | Daman & Diu | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | Delhi | 532 | 14765 | 791 | 17395 | 773 | 18682 | 400 | 8625 |
| 11 | Goa | 24 | 30 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 12 | Gujarat | 1 | 105 | 9 | 2238 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| 13 | Haryana | 3413 | 9654 | 3547 | 30960 | 3416 | 72440 | 1841 | 48593 |

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| 14 | Himachal Pradesh | 6 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 | Jammu & Kashmir | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 16 | Jharkhand | 3554 | 1943 | 5144 | 32514 | 6216 | 26154 | 2661 | 20483 |
| 17 | Karnataka | 1069 | 3869 | 1292 | 5371 | 904 | 4588 | 287 | 2179 |
| 18 | Kerala | 336 | 248 | 212 | 1104 | 226 | 2564 | 165 | 833 |
| 19 | Lakshadweep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 | Madhya Pradesh | 455 | 270 | 886 | 574 | 1176 | 608 | 548 | 222 |
| 21 | Maharashtra | 541 | 249 | 918 | 765 | 1017 | 1208 | 515 | 212 |
| 22 | Manipur | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 23 | Meghalaya | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 24 | Mizoram | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 25 | Nagaland | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 26 | Odisha | 583 | 1350 | 742 | 1561 | 753 | 1612 | 493 | 1070 |
| 27 | Puducherry | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 28 | Punjab | 2868 | 3987 | 4538 | 9967 | 4902 | 14545 | 2462 | 7960 |
| 29 | Rajasthan | 1123 | 806 | 2960 | 3228 | 4435 | 5072 | 2131 | 3809 |
| 30 | Sikkim | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 31 | Tamil Nadu | 236 | 80 | 671 | 272 | 1121 | 528 | 557 | 222 |
| 32 | Telangana | 66 | 549 | 108 | 6674 | 118 | 7540 | 59 | 5278 |
| 33 | Tripura | 1 | 0 | 44 | 81 | 70 | 162 | 52 | 110 |
| 34 | Uttar Pradesh | 2714 | 383 | 3961 | 1087 | 3720 | 1173 | 2081 | 1284 |
| 35 | Uttarakhand | 156 | 522 | 484 | 765 | 590 | 510 | 348 | 275 |
| 36 | West Bengal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 37 | Ladakh | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Grand Total | 19777 | 40458 | 29153 | 118136 | 32487 | 171138 | 16079 | 110412 |