### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1840

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 2024/ SRAVANA 16, 1946 (SAKA)

#### **NATIONAL INVESTIGATION AGENCY**

1840. SHRI SAMIK BHATTACHARYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has the details regarding the number of cases currently being investigated by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the status of the cases being investigated by the NIA in West Bengal;
- (c) whether the NIA office in Kolkata have an adequate number of staff to handle the current workload of cases; and
- (d) whether there are any plans to increase the staff strength at the NIA Kolkata office to enhance the efficiency of ongoing investigations?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

(a) & (b): The National Investigation Agency is currently investigating 19 cases in West Bengal.

The status of the cases are as under:

- i. Under investigation (no charge-sheet filed so far): 11
- ii. Charge-sheeted and under further investigation: 8

(c) & (d): NIA branch office Kolkata has 81 sanctioned posts in various ranks. The staff strength is reviewed from time to time and whenever there is a requirement on account of increase in workload, staff of other NIA branch offices are also assigned to assist NIA branch office, Kolkata.

\*\*\*\*\*