

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LAW & JUSTICE
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 442
ANSWERED ON 28/11/2024

PENDENCY OF CASES AT LOWER JUDICIARY LEVEL

442. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

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

- (a) the details of pending civil and criminal cases at the level of lower judiciary in the country, State-wise as on 15th November, 2024;
- (b) the details of pending civil and criminal cases at the level of lower judiciary in the country as on 1st January, 2024, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of increase/decrease in pendency of criminal and civil cases, State-wise during the last one year?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

- (a): As per information available on National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG), the details of pending, civil and criminal cases in the District and Subordinate Courts in the country, State/UT-wise as on 15th November, 2024 is at ***Annexure-I***.
- (b): As per information available in the Department, the details of pending civil and criminal cases in the District and Subordinate Courts in the country, State/UT-wise as on 1st January, 2024 State-wise is at ***Annexure-II***.
- (c): the details of increase/decrease in pendency of criminal and civil cases, State/UT-wise during the last one year i.e. 30th November, 2023 to 15th November, 2024 is at ***Annexure-III***.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 442 FOR ANSWER ON 28.11.2024 REGARDING 'PENDENCY OF CASES AT LOWER JUDICIARY LEVEL'

Details of Cases Pending in District and Subordinate Courts as on 15.11.2024.

| S No. | State/UTs | Civil Cases | Criminal Cases | Total |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Andaman and Nicobar | 3,811 | 4,276 | 8,087 |
| 2 | Andhra Pradesh | 4,28,490 | 4,58,370 | 8,86,860 |
| 3 | Arunachal Pradesh | 1,927 | 8,266 | 10,193 |
| 4 | Assam | 1,04,289 | 3,95,726 | 5,00,015 |
| 5 | Bihar | 5,35,092 | 30,70,890 | 36,05,982 |
| 6 | Chandigarh | 23,328 | 82,717 | 1,06,045 |
| 7 | Chhattisgarh | 79,352 | 3,36,273 | 4,15,625 |
| 8 | Dadar& Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu | 3,384 | 4,278 | 7,662 |
| 9 | Delhi | 2,20,380 | 12,48,370 | 14,68,750 |
| 10 | Goa | 26,569 | 32,218 | 58,787 |
| 11 | Gujarat | 3,50,166 | 12,11,030 | 15,61,196 |
| 12 | Haryana | 4,37,815 | 9,85,240 | 14,23,055 |
| 13 | Himachal Pradesh | 1,67,929 | 4,83,268 | 6,51,197 |
| 14 | Jammu and Kashmir | 1,08,222 | 2,24,305 | 3,32,527 |
| 15 | Jharkhand | 92,392 | 4,55,869 | 5,48,261 |
| 16 | Karnataka | 9,93,468 | 11,18,303 | 21,11,771 |
| 17 | Kerala | 5,18,036 | 12,16,575 | 17,34,611 |
| 18 | Ladakh | 690 | 762 | 1,452 |
| 19 | Lakshadweep | 134 | 387 | 521 |
| 20 | Madhya Pradesh | 4,04,656 | 15,58,632 | 19,63,288 |
| 21 | Maharashtra | 16,89,131 | 37,33,394 | 54,22,525 |
| 22 | Manipur | 8,441 | 4,127 | 12,568 |
| 23 | Meghalaya | 4,259 | 11,042 | 15,301 |
| 24 | Mizoram | 2,972 | 2,453 | 5,425 |
| 25 | Nagaland | 662 | 1,985 | 2,647 |
| 26 | Orissa | 2,74,581 | 13,74,740 | 16,49,321 |
| 27 | Puducherry | 12,808 | 22,086 | 34,894 |
| 28 | Punjab | 3,77,868 | 4,79,023 | 8,56,891 |
| 29 | Rajasthan | 4,79,440 | 18,13,297 | 22,92,737 |
| 30 | Sikkim | 738 | 935 | 1,673 |
| 31 | Tamil Nadu | 7,36,649 | 7,80,233 | 15,16,882 |
| 32 | Telangana | 3,35,903 | 5,91,226 | 9,27,129 |
| 33 | Tripura | 12,323 | 31,950 | 44,273 |
| 34 | Uttar Pradesh | 18,27,705 | 97,26,187 | 1,15,53,892 |
| 35 | Uttarakhand | 45,994 | 3,13,993 | 3,59,987 |
| 36 | West Bengal | 6,30,583 | 26,08,885 | 32,39,468 |
| Total | | 1,09,40,187 | 3,43,91,311 | 4,53,31,498 |

Source: - National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG).

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (B) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 442 FOR ANSWER ON 28.11.2024 REGARDING 'PENDENCY OF CASES AT LOWER JUDICIARY LEVEL'

Details of Cases Pending in District and Subordinate Courts as on 01.01.2024.

| Sl.No | State/UTs | Civil | Criminal | Total |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Andaman and Nicobar | 3,731 | 5,036 | 8,767 |
| 2 | Andhra Pradesh | 4,22,382 | 4,42,563 | 8,64,945 |
| 3 | Arunachal Pradesh | 1,174 | 2,975 | 4,149 |
| 4 | Assam | 1,01,120 | 3,52,416 | 4,53,536 |
| 5 | Bihar | 5,37,060 | 30,51,832 | 35,88,892 |
| 6 | Chandigarh | 23,347 | 1,25,067 | 1,48,414 |
| 7 | Chattisgarh | 78,493 | 3,32,086 | 4,10,579 |
| 8 | Dadar& Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu | 3,441 | 3,883 | 7,324 |
| 9 | Delhi | 2,30,685 | 9,93,588 | 12,24,273 |
| 10 | Goa | 26,211 | 30,967 | 57,178 |
| 11 | Gujarat | 3,72,162 | 12,17,306 | 15,89,468 |
| 12 | Haryana | 4,59,885 | 9,73,156 | 14,33,041 |
| 13 | Himachal Pradesh | 1,64,325 | 4,09,285 | 5,73,610 |
| 14 | Jammu& Kashmir | 1,01,210 | 1,88,996 | 2,90,206 |
| 15 | Jharkhand | 91,346 | 4,51,630 | 5,42,976 |
| 16 | Karnataka | 9,42,582 | 9,98,989 | 19,41,571 |
| 17 | Kerala | 5,18,099 | 13,12,818 | 18,30,917 |
| 18 | Ladakh | 631 | 697 | 1,328 |
| 19 | Lakshadweep | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 | Madhya Pradesh | 3,94,159 | 16,10,411 | 20,04,570 |
| 21 | Maharashtra | 16,37,874 | 35,62,441 | 52,00,315 |
| 22 | Manipur | 8,705 | 4,365 | 1,3070 |
| 23 | Meghalaya | 4,508 | 11,706 | 16,214 |
| 24 | Mizoram | 2,464 | 3,102 | 5,566 |
| 25 | Nagaland | 675 | 2159 | 2834 |
| 26 | Orissa | 2,93,052 | 13,19,143 | 16,12,195 |
| 27 | Puducherry | 12,896 | 21,183 | 34,079 |
| 28 | Punjab | 3,78,545 | 4,72,637 | 8,51,182 |
| 29 | Rajasthan | 5,37,184 | 17,73,804 | 23,10,988 |
| 30 | Sikkim | 626 | 1038 | 1664 |
| 31 | Tamil Nadu | 7,25,902 | 7,23,103 | 14,49,005 |
| 32 | Telangana | 3,49,414 | 5,68,181 | 9,17,595 |
| 33 | Tripura | 11,759 | 33,620 | 45,379 |
| 34 | Uttar Pradesh | 18,75,023 | 97,51,773 | 1,16,26,796 |
| 35 | Uttarakhand | 44,930 | 3,13,102 | 3,58,032 |
| 36 | West Bengal | 6,20,769 | 23,68,053 | 29,88,822 |
| Total | | 1,09,76,369 | 3,34,33,111 | 4,44,09,480 |

Source: - National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG)

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (C) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 442 FOR ANSWER ON 28.11.2024 REGARDING 'PENDENCY OF CASES AT LOWER JUDICIARY LEVEL'

State-Wise Details of Increase/Decrease in Pendency of Criminal and Civil Cases during 2023-2024 in District and Subordinate Courts

| S. No | States/UTs | Pendency as on 30 th November, 2023 | Pendency as on 15 th November, 2024 | Increase/ Decrease* | Pendency as on 30 th November, 2023 | Pendency as on 15 th November, 2024 | Increase/ Decrease* |
|-------|--|--|--|---------------------|--|--|---------------------|
| | | Civil Cases | | | Criminal Cases | | |
| 1 | Andaman & Nicobar | 3,708 | 3,811 | 103 | 5,077 | 4,276 | -801 |
| 2 | Andhra Pradesh | 4,20,907 | 4,28,490 | 7,583 | 4,50,024 | 4,58,370 | 8,346 |
| 3 | Arunachal Pradesh | 1,109 | 1,927 | 818 | 2,376 | 8,266 | 5,890 |
| 4 | Assam | 1,00,860 | 1,04,289 | 3,429 | 3,52,951 | 3,95,726 | 42,775 |
| 5 | Bihar | 5,34,981 | 5,35,092 | 111 | 32,26,505 | 30,70,890 | -1,55,615 |
| 6 | Chandigarh | 23,870 | 23,328 | -542 | 2,45,258 | 82,717 | -1,62,541 |
| 7 | Chattisgarh | 80,179 | 79,352 | -827 | 3,35,105 | 3,36,273 | 1,168 |
| 8 | Dadar & Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu | 3,476 | 3,384 | -92 | 3,893 | 4,278 | 385 |
| 9 | Delhi | 2,35,667 | 2,20,380 | -15,287 | 9,82,465 | 12,48,370 | 2,65,905 |
| 10 | Goa | 25,967 | 26,569 | 602 | 30,759 | 32,218 | 1,459 |
| 11 | Gujarat | 3,77,382 | 3,50,166 | -27,216 | 12,58,375 | 12,11,030 | -47,345 |
| 12 | Haryana | 4,67,009 | 4,37,815 | -29,194 | 9,18,297 | 9,85,240 | 66,943 |
| 13 | Himachal Pradesh | 1,65,187 | 1,67,929 | 2,742 | 4,03,386 | 4,83,268 | 79,882 |
| 14 | Jammu & Kashmir | 1,01,069 | 1,08,222 | 7,153 | 1,86,564 | 2,24,305 | 37,741 |
| 15 | Jharkhand | 89,931 | 92,392 | 2,461 | 4,41,823 | 4,55,869 | 14,046 |
| 16 | Karnataka | 9,46,579 | 9,93,468 | 46,889 | 10,58,241 | 11,18,303 | 60,062 |
| 17 | Kerala | 5,16,364 | 5,18,036 | 1,672 | 13,48,694 | 12,16,575 | -1,32,119 |
| 18 | Ladakh | 616 | 690 | 74 | 603 | 762 | 159 |
| 19 | Lakshadweep | 0 | 134 | 134 | 0 | 387 | 387 |
| 20 | Madhya Pradesh | 3,98,101 | 4,04,656 | 6,555 | 16,02,812 | 15,58,632 | -44,180 |
| 21 | Maharashtra | 16,36,515 | 16,89,131 | 52,616 | 35,69,668 | 37,33,394 | 1,63,726 |
| 22 | Manipur | 8,616 | 8,441 | -175 | 4,300 | 4,127 | -173 |
| 23 | Meghalaya | 4,476 | 4,259 | -217 | 11,630 | 11,042 | -588 |
| 24 | Mizoram | 2,482 | 2,972 | 490 | 3,103 | 2,453 | -650 |
| 25 | Nagaland | 684 | 662 | -22 | 2,131 | 1,985 | -146 |
| 26 | Orissa | 2,92,861 | 2,74,581 | -18,280 | 12,92,214 | 13,74,740 | 82,526 |
| 27 | Puducherry | 13,061 | 12,808 | -253 | 20,830 | 22,086 | 1,256 |
| 28 | Punjab | 3,83,924 | 3,77,868 | -6,056 | 4,98,717 | 4,79,023 | -19,694 |
| 29 | Rajasthan | 5,45,850 | 4,79,440 | -66,410 | 17,53,097 | 18,13,297 | 60,200 |
| 30 | Sikkim | 668 | 738 | 70 | 1,106 | 935 | -171 |
| 31 | Tamil Nadu | 7,34,058 | 7,36,649 | 2,591 | 7,20,010 | 7,80,233 | 60,223 |

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|--------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 32 | Telangana | 3,46,016 | 3,35,903 | -10,113 | 5,69,199 | 5,91,226 | 22,027 |
| 33 | Tripura | 11,545 | 12,323 | 778 | 36,885 | 31,950 | -4,935 |
| 34 | Uttar Pradesh | 18,68,481 | 18,27,705 | -40,776 | 97,93,330 | 97,26,187 | -67,143 |
| 35 | Uttarakhand | 44,801 | 45,994 | 1,193 | 3,05,140 | 3,13,993 | 8,853 |
| 36 | West Bengal | 6,19,865 | 6,30,583 | 10,718 | 23,37,940 | 26,08,885 | 2,70,945 |
| Total | | 1,10,06,865 | 1,09,40,187 | -66,678 | 3,37,72,508 | 3,43,91,311 | 6,18,803 |

Source: National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG)

*In cases of decrease of pendency of cases it is depicted by (-) prefix