GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1474

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 04TH MARCH, 2020*/* PHALGUNA 14, 1941 (SAKA)

**CRIME AGAINST WOMEN**

**1474. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) data, on an average 91 rapes, 289 kidnappings and 80 murders are reported every single day across the country; and

(b) what steps are being taken by Government to make a more secure environment for women?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

(a): National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) compiles and publishes information on crime in its publication “Crime in India”. Published reports are available till the year 2018. As per the published information, 33356, 72751 and 294 cases were reported under rape, kidnapping & abduction of women and murder with rape/gang rape respectively during the year 2018.

(b): **‘Police’ and ‘Public Order’ are State subjects under the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India. The responsibilities to maintain law and order, protection of life and property of the citizens including women are with the**

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**respective State Governments. The State Governments are competent to deal with such offences under the extant provisions of law.**

 **Government of India gives utmost importance to safety of women and has taken a number of initiatives in this regard, which are given below:**

1. **The Criminal Law (Amendment), Act 2013 was enacted for effective deterrence against sexual offences. Further, the Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2018 was enacted to prescribe even more stringent penal provisions including death penalty for rape of girls below the age of 12 years. The Act also inter-alia mandates completion of investigation and trials within 2 months.**
2. **Emergency Response Support System provides a pan-India, single internationally recognized number (112) based system for all emergencies, with computer aided dispatch of field resources to the location of distress.**
3. **The Ministry of Home (MHA) has launched a cyber-crime reporting portal on 20th September, 2018 for citizens to report obscene content.**
4. **Using technology to aid smart policing and safety management, Safe City Projects have been sanctioned in first Phase in 8 cities (Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Lucknow & Mumbai). The projects have been prepared by State Governments, taking into account**

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**the need for identification of hot spots for crimes against women for development of critical assets in various areas including infrastructure, technology adoption and capacity building in community through awareness programmers.**

1. **MHA has launched the “National Database on Sexual Offenders” (NDSO) on 20th September, 2018 to facilitate investigation and tracking of sexual offenders across the country.**
2. **The Government has also approved a scheme for setting up of Women Help Desks in Police Stations in States/UTs from Nirbhaya Fund.**
3. **In addition to the above-mentioned measures, MHA has been issuing advisories from time to time to States/UTs to deal with crimes against women, which are available at** [**www.mha.gov.in**](http://www.mha.gov.in)**.**

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