

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 4111
TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, THE 7th APRIL, 2022**

Pro Bono Legal Aid

4111 Dr. Santanu Sen:

Will the Minister of **Law and Justice** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of cases where pro bono legal aid was provided by the States since 2017, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) the total amount utilised by each State in providing the legal aid;
- (c) the detailed break up of legal aid fund spending by each State, State-wise; and
- (d) the number of lawyers who are registered on the Nyaya Bandhu Mobile app, State-wise?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF LAW & JUSTICE
(SHRI KIREN RIJJU)**

- (a) The Legal Services Authorities are constituted to provide free and competent legal services to the weaker sections and all eligible persons. The details regarding number of persons benefited through legal aid services from 2017-18 to 2021-22 (upto January), State/UT wise is at **Annexure – A**.
- (b) and (c) Allocation of funds to State/UT State Legal Services Authorities is made for all activities including expenses to be incurred in providing legal aid services. Separate fund is not allocated for providing legal aid services. The statement showing the State/UT wise allotment of funds during 2020-21 and 2021-22 (upto 29th March, 2022) is at **Annexure-B**.
- (d) The details of advocates registered on the Nyaya Bandhu Mobile app, State Bar Council wise, as on 31.03.2022 is at **Annexure – C**.

Statement as referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4111 for answering on 07.04.2022 raised by Dr. Santanu Sen, MP - Pro Bono Legal Aid

Statement showing the number of persons benefited through legal services under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 from 2017-18 to 2021-22 (upto January, 2022)

S. No.	SLSAs	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 (upto Jan.22)
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	119	51	43	65	55
2	Andhra Pradesh	7,896	4,545	4,396	4,474	4,924
3	Arunachal Pradesh	3,760	3,752	3,932	1,984	1,833
4	Assam	7,033	8,850	8,002	10,027	1,05,889
5	Bihar	36,567	78,273	60,139	38,653	16,76,852
6	Chhattisgarh	43,165	67,318	81,713	26,814	34,745
7	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	15	28	28	10	25
8	Daman and Diu	16	0	0	0	12
9	Delhi	42,683	53,015	79,458	82,131	62,881
10	Goa	1,426	1,612	3,006	875	876
11	Gujarat	19,885	21,541	26,887	8,302	17,815
12	Haryana	18,415	20,326	19,019	11,059	18,527
13	Himachal Pradesh	3,634	4,842	4,368	2,083	3,921
14	Jammu and Kashmir	1,402	4,022	4,961	7,675	7,732
15	Jharkhand	79,604	80,640	30,530	1,31,691	6,42,680
16	Karnataka	53,535	72,621	1,45,015	23,211	25,977
17	Kerala	97,249	5,33,259	71,058	11,242	12,844
18	Lakshadweep	112	0	0	0	0
19	Madhya Pradesh	1,40,081	1,99,129	2,68,351	87,843	33,13,941
20	Maharashtra	14,219	21,265	24,060	12,278	16,872
21	Manipur	10,208	19,620	18,257	56,635	19,417
22	Meghalaya	3,802	3,238	2,914	2,131	1,930
23	Mizoram	8,536	12,716	9,473	1,670	2,040
24	Nagaland	10,749	38,358	3,691	4,231	6,259
25	Odisha	7,011	9,695	8,025	6,029	7,236
26	Puducherry	1,176	1,299	1,295	309	751
27	Punjab	31,991	36,131	1,27,829	27,096	29,123
28	Rajasthan	22,002	14,232	32,413	12,274	12,047
29	Sikkim	982	960	928	702	771
30	Tamil Nadu	59,668	40,835	35,552	26,491	31,434
31	Telangana	9,051	18,396	15,145	3,488	4,700
32	Tripura	9,315	15,089	13,595	2,156	2,029
33	Chandigarh	2,521	3,768	2,261	1,242	1,384
34	Uttar Pradesh	46,371	76,852	60,819	3,545	1,27,210
35	Uttarakhand	2,756	2,703	3,018	2,343	3,164
36	West Bengal	25,901	36,235	41,956	20,906	22,152
37	Ladakh	0	0	0	93	1,903
	Total	8,22,856	15,05,216	12,12,137	6,31,758	62,21,951

Note: Ladakh Legal Services Authority was constituted in the month of February, 2021.

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Statement showing the amount of funds allocated to the State Legal Services Authorities including Supreme Court Legal Services Committee during the financial year 2020-21 and 2021-22 (upto 29th March, 2022)

(In Rupees)			
S.No.	Name of SLSA	2020-21	2021-22
1	Andhra Pradesh	3,40,00,000	5,00,00,000
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1,00,00,000	1,40,00,000
3	Assam	3,70,00,000	6,40,00,000
4	Bihar	3,70,00,000	7,60,00,000
5	Chhattisgarh	3,95,00,000	5,25,00,000
6	Goa	50,00,000	15,00,000
7	Gujarat	3,45,00,000	5,75,00,000
8	Haryana	4,50,00,000	6,50,00,000
9	Himachal Pradesh	1,85,00,000	2,45,00,000
10	Jammu and Kashmir	3,50,00,000	4,65,00,000
11	Jharkhand	4,00,00,000	7,35,00,000
12	Karnataka	6,25,00,000	7,50,00,000
13	Kerala	5,25,00,000	9,90,00,000
14	Madhya Pradesh	3,00,00,000	5,00,00,000
15	Maharashtra	6,25,00,000	8,25,00,000
16	Manipur	1,00,00,000	1,05,00,000
17	Meghalaya	50,00,000	50,00,000
18	Mizoram	50,00,000	1,15,00,000
19	Nagaland	50,00,000	1,15,00,000
20	Odisha	3,25,00,000	4,25,00,000
21	Punjab	3,25,00,000	6,40,00,000
22	Rajasthan	4,55,00,000	7,00,00,000
23	Sikkim	50,00,000	65,00,000
24	Tamil Nadu	4,20,00,000	6,00,00,000
25	Telangana	3,50,00,000	4,10,00,000
26	Tripura	2,80,00,000	2,65,00,000
27	Uttar Pradesh	6,50,00,000	6,00,00,000
28	Uttarakhand	2,50,00,000	2,55,00,000
29	West Bengal	5,20,00,000	7,00,00,000
30	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0	0
31	Chandigarh	80,00,000	55,00,000
32	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	2,50,000	0
33	Daman and Diu	2,50,000	0
34	Delhi	5,00,00,000	9,30,00,000
35	Lakshadweep	0	0
36	Puducherry	10,00,000	20,00,000
37	Ladakh	0	65,00,000
38	Supreme Court Legal Services Committee	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
	TOTAL	1,00,00,00,000	1,45,30,00,000

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Statement regarding Advocates registered on the Nyaya Bandhu Mobile app, State Bar Council wise, as on 31.03.2022

S. No.	State Bar Council	No. of advocates
1	Andhra Pradesh	377
2	Assam, Nagaland, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim	49
3	Bihar	160
4	Chhattisgarh	133
5	Delhi	576
6	Gujarat	163
7	Himachal Pradesh	46
8	Jammu and Kashmir	54
9	Jharkhand	108
10	Karnataka	107
11	Kerala	107
12	Madhya Pradesh	392
13	Maharashtra and Goa	272
14	Manipur	15
15	Meghalaya	02
16	Odisha	207
17	Punjab and Haryana	317
18	Rajasthan	129
19	Tamil Nadu	233
20	Telangana	65
21	Tripura	01
22	Uttar Pradesh	405
23	Uttarakhand	56
24	West Bengal	88
	Total	4062