

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 581

TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, THE 21ST JULY, 2022

Development of Courts in Odisha

581 Dr. Sasmit Patra:

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

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- (a) details of the development undertaken for the Courts in the State of Odisha;
- (b) details of works being undertaken in this regard; and
- (c) details of the total expenditure incurred in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The primary responsibility of development of infrastructure facilities for judiciary rests with the State Governments. To augment the resources of the State Governments, the Union Government has been implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Development of Infrastructure Facilities in district and subordinate courts by providing financial assistance to State Governments / UTs in the prescribed fund sharing

pattern. The scheme is being implemented since 1993-94. It covers the construction of court buildings and residential accommodations for judicial officers of district and subordinate judiciary. The scheme has been extended from 2021-22 to 2025-26 with a budgetary outlay of Rs. 9,000 crore including central share of Rs. 5,307crore. Besides the construction of court halls and residential quarters, the scheme now also covers the construction of lawyers' halls, digital computer rooms and toilet complexes in the district and subordinate courts.

As already stated, the aim of the scheme is to supplement the resources of the State Governments. The project-wise allocation is not made under the scheme. However, under the Scheme a sum of Rs. 148.43 crore has been released to the Government of Odisha since the inception of the scheme in 1993-94. As per the records made available by the High Court of Odisha there are 811 court halls and 694 residential units available as on 30.06.2022. Further, as per Nyaya Vikas web Portal 53 court halls and 56 residential units respectively are under construction.
