

Modi govt: No domestic violence in 10 states in 3 yrs

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INDIA merely has a little more than 1,300 cases of domestic violence on record in the past three years. This was stated by minister of state (MoS) for home Hansraj Ahir in Lok Sabha. The number is minuscule for a 1.3 billion population, the total number of cases reported are 1,324 for three years from 2014 to 2016, with 426 cases of domestic violence reported in 2014, 461 in 2015 and 437 in 2016.

As per the ministry's response in Parliament, for three years not a single case of domestic violence was reported in at least 10 states and six union territories. As per records, states like Andhra Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Odisha and Assam reported zero cases of domes-

Most domestic abuse cases in Bihar

tic violence in three years. In the north-east, barring Arunachal Pradesh, the other six states of Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura did not report any domestic violence in the past three years.

The states which recorded the highest number of such cases are Bihar which reported 444 cases, followed by Kerala and Maharashtra at number two and three, respectively. The former reporting 383 cases, while the latter reported 234 cases. This is as per data shared by Ministry of Home Affairs from 2014 to 2016.

Bihar's Muzaffarpur rape and abuse in government shelter home is not the only horror story from the state, the latest data on domestic violence shows that Bihar has topped the list with maximum cases of domestic violence.

The state of Kerala may be 100 percent literate but the facade of a progressive state bears an ugly facet. Uttar Pradesh reported 93 cases. In union territories only Delhi recorded 12 cases in 3 years while no other UT reported any case of domestic violence. Delhi reported 7 cases in 2014, 4 cases in 2015 and one case in 2016.

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