

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LAW & JUSTICE
DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS**

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2187

TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 29th JULY, 2022

Women Lawyers

2187. SHRIJAYADEV GALLA:

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

- (a) the number of women lawyers and their percentage of total number of lawyers present in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted/proposes to conduct a study to ascertain the number of women entering legal profession and the attrition rate of female lawyers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken to ensure reduction of attrition rate among female lawyers and ensure their representation increase in legal profession?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE

(SHRI KIREN RIJJU)

(a): The Bar Council of India (BCI) has informed that as per the information provided by the respective State Bar Councils, the details of Women lawyers enrolled in the country and their percentage to the total number of lawyers are placed at **Annexure**.

(b) to (d): No Sir, at present Government has not conducted any study regarding this. It may be submitted that entering and choosing the study of law and thereafter getting into job in the academics, legal profession, judiciary etc. is totally an independent choice and depends on the interest of the individual. Furthermore, the prevalent social and family circumstance also determine such decisions.

Therefore, it is *per-se* not a state jacket formula whereby attrition rate among female lawyers can be ascertained.

Sl.No.	Name of State	As on	Total Number of Women Lawyers	Total number of Lawyers	Percentage %
1.	Assam	27.11.2017	Not Furnished	37326	-
2.	Andhra Pradesh	19.07.2021	13193	72719	18.14
3.	Telangana	01.04.2021	8471	40531	20.90
4.	Bihar	19.07.2021	Not Furnished	127501	-
5.	Chhattisgarh	19.07.2021	Not Furnished	30103	-
6.	Delhi	20.07.2021	Not Furnished	50317	-
7.	Gujarat	19.07.2021	26568	103390	25.69
8.	Himachal Pradesh	28.11.2017	Not Furnished	9075	-
9.	Jharkhand	06.04.2021	Not Furnished	31248	-
10.	Karnataka	19.07.2021	23507	102083	23.02
11.	Kerala	19.07.2021	16070	57671	27.86
12.	Madhya Pradesh	20.07.2021	17996	112390	16.01
13.	Mah & Goa	02.04.2021	66980	191394	34.99
14.	Orissa (Gen 1099+ST 137)	19.07.2021	7846	56344	13.92
15.	Punjab & Haryana	20.07.2021	18424	117423	15.69
16.	Rajasthan	19.07.2021	16135	88999	18.12
17.	Tamil Nadu	17.07.2021	15231	110843	13.74
18.	Uttar Pradesh	01.04.2021	35022	400016	08.75
19.	Uttarakhand	19.07.2021	Not Furnished	17200	-
20.	West Bengal	01.04.2021	17968	86555	20.75
21.	Jammu & Kashmir		Not Furnished	10589	-
22.	Tripura		Not Furnished	1409	-
23.	Manipur	03.04.2021	609	1676	36.33
24.	Meghalaya	20.07.2021	487	821	59.31
	Total		284507	1857623	15.31

