

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 796**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2023

**WORKING CHILDREN IN THE COUNTRY**

796 Shri Derek O' Brien:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state?

- (a) What is the number of working children between the ages of 5 to 14; and
- (b) The number of rural and urban working children, Gender-wise?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): As per the information received from Ministry of Labour & Employment, number of cases registered under Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986, State/Union Territories-wise, for the year 2020 and 2021, is at **Annexure**.

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**Annexure****Number of cases registered under Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986, State/Union Territories-wise**

| <b>S.no</b> | <b>State</b>      | <b>2020</b> | <b>2021</b> |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1.          | Andhra Pradesh    | 37          | 12          |
| 2.          | Arunachal Pradesh | 1           | 0           |
| 3.          | Assam             | 40          | 78          |
| 4.          | Bihar             | 3           | 14          |
| 5.          | Chhattisgarh      | 0           | 0           |
| 6.          | Gujarat           | 39          | 40          |
| 7.          | Haryana           | 1           | 12          |
| 8.          | Himachal Pradesh  | 1           | 0           |
| 9.          | Jharkhand         | 27          | 5           |
| 10.         | Karnataka         | 54          | 58          |
| 11.         | Kerala            | 0           | 3           |
| 12.         | Madhya Pradesh    | 1           | 5           |
| 13.         | Maharashtra       | 29          | 57          |
| 14.         | Meghalaya         | 0           | 0           |
| 15.         | Odisha            | 0           | 6           |
| 16.         | Punjab            | 11          | 8           |
| 17.         | Rajasthan         | 30          | 19          |
| 18.         | Tamil Nadu        | 2           | 26          |
| 19.         | Telangana         | 147         | 224         |
| 20.         | Tripura           | 1           | 0           |
| 21.         | Uttar Pradesh     | 1           | 1           |
| 22.         | Uttarakhand       | 41          | 25          |
| 23.         | West Bengal       | 3           | 2           |
| 24.         | Chandigarh        | 1           | 7           |
| 25.         | Daman & Diu       | 0           | 0           |
| 26.         | Delhi             | 6           | 11          |
|             | <b>Total</b>      | <b>476</b>  | <b>613</b>  |