

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:140
ANSWERED ON:02.12.2003
FAKE CURRENCY
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have received reports of large-scale circulation of Rs.500 counterfeit notes;
- (b) if so, the details of the currency seized and persons arrested during 2002, 2003, State-wise;
- (c) whether his Ministry has requested the Ministry of Finance to discontinue the denomination of 500 rupee note;
- (d) if so the details thereof; and
- (e) the response of the Ministry in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND)

(a) & (b): As per the information compiled by National Crime Records Bureau, during the year 2002, 49226 notes of Rs.500 denomination were recovered at various branches of RBI and 35568 notes were seized by police. During the year 2003, 16152 notes were recovered at RBI Branches and 12207 notes were seized by police. The State-wise details of the currency seized and accused apprehended during the years 2002 and 2003 are given in Annexure-I.

(c): No, Sir.

(d) & (e): Does not arise.

ANNEXURE-I

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.140
2.12.03 REGARDING FAKE CURRENCY**

Statement showing Seizures of Rs.500/- Denomination FICN and

Number of Accused apprehended During 2002 and 2003

Sl.No.	State/UT	2002		2003			
		No. of Pieces Apprehended	Accused Apprehended	No. of Pieces Apprehended	Accused Apprehended		
		Recovered	Seized	Recovered	Seized		
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3059	3957	36	716	759	19
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	26	2	0	0	0
3.	Assam	880	715	6	717	240	20
4.	Bihar	1143	0	-	2349	0	-
5.	Chhattisgarh	0	0	-	1	35	0
6.	Goa	0	3	3	10	25	0

7	Gujarat	4298	6327	0	860	624	2
8.	Haryana	9	100	4	0	33	9
9.	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	-	0	0	0
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	447	7391	21	168	227	5
11.	Jharkhand	0	0	-	0	0	-
12.	Karnataka	2855	3347	489	431	533	47
13.	Kerala	990	1186	26	164	321	12
14.	Madhya pradesh	135	386	8	155	132	0
15.	Maharashtra	5306	4812	14	3126	2682	6
16.	Manipur	0	813	3	0	96	7
17.	Meghalaya	0	13	1	0	58	2
18.	Mizoram	0	202	8	2	322	6
19.	Nagaland	0	5	7	0	224	1
20.	Orissa	206	25	0	68	115	0
21.	Punjab	0	2808	35	0	4598	43
22.	Rajasthan	1094	13	2	255	2	2
23.	Sikkim	0	0	-	0	1	1
24.	Tamil Nadu	1171	2502	27	360	127	2
25.	Tripura	0	35	2	0	157	0
26.	Uttranchal	0	0	-	1686	880	0
27.	Uttar Pradesh	9385	290	16	0	11	19
28.	West Bengal	2613	26	4	2600	0	0
Total (States)		33591	34982	714	13668	12202	203

Union Territories

29.	A&N Islands	0	0	6	0	0	0
30.	Chandigarh	1214	577	0	340	3	1
31.	D & N Haveli	0	0	-	0	0	0
32.	Daman & Diu	0	0	-	0	2	2
33.	Delhi	14421	8	1	2138	0	0
34.	Lakshadweep	0	0	-	0	0	0
35.	Pondicherry	0	1	0	0	0	0

TOTAL (UTS) 15635 586 1 2484 5 3

TOTAL (All India) 49226 35568 715 16152 12207 206

Note: Figures for the year 2003 are provisional