

## Snapshots - 2014

### ❖ Total number of jails in the country : **1,387**

Central jails : <b>131</b>	Open jails : <b>54</b>
District jails : <b>364</b>	Borstal schools : <b>20</b>
Sub jails : <b>758</b>	Special jails : <b>37</b>
Women jails : <b>19</b>	Other jails : <b>4</b>

### ❖ Total capacity of jails in the country : **3,56,561**

Central jails : <b>1,52,312 (42.7%)</b>	Open jails : <b>5,070 (1.4%)</b>
District jails : <b>1,35,439 (38.0%)</b>	Borstal schools : <b>2,108 (0.6%)</b>
Sub jails : <b>45,564 (12.8%)</b>	Special jails : <b>10,766 (3.0%)</b>
Women jails : <b>4,837 (1.4%)</b>	Other jails : <b>465 (0.1%)</b>

### ❖ Total number of jail inmates as on 31.12.2014 : **4,18,536**

Male : <b>4,00,855 (95.8%)</b>	Female : <b>17,681 (4.2%)</b>
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### ❖ Occupancy rate

<b>2012 – 112.2%</b>	<b>2013 – 118.4%</b>	<b>2014 – 117.4%</b>
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<b>Convicts : 1,31,517 (31.4% of total inmates)</b>	<b>Undertrials: 2,82,879 (67.6% of total inmates)</b>
Male : <b>1,26,114 (95.9% of total convicts)</b>	Male : <b>2,70,783 (95.7% of total undertrials)</b>
Female : <b>5,403 (4.1% of total convicts)</b>	Female : <b>12,096 (4.3% of total undertrials)</b>
<b>Detenues : 3,237 (0.8% of total inmates)</b>	<b>Others : 903 (0.2% of total inmates)</b>
Male : <b>3,156 (97.5% of total detenues)</b>	Male : <b>802 (88.8% of total others)</b>
Female : <b>81 (2.5% of total detenues)</b>	Female : <b>101 (11.2% of total others)</b>

### Foreigners

<b>Convicts : 2,495</b>	<b>Undertrials : 3,576</b>	<b>Detenues : 30</b>
(Male : <b>2,308</b> , Female : <b>187</b> )	(Male : <b>3,063</b> , Female : <b>513</b> )	(Male : <b>30</b> , Female : <b>Nil</b> )

- ❖ No Borstal School, Open Jail and Other Jail existed in any of the UTs at the end of 2014.
- ❖ The highest number of **88,221 inmates (84,649 male : 3,572 female)** were reported from Uttar Pradesh followed by Madhya Pradesh **36,433 (35,283 male : 1,150 female)**, Bihar **31,295 (30,204 male : 1,091 female)**, Maharashtra **27,868 (26,438 male : 1,430 female)** and Punjab **26,007 (24,703 male : 1,304 female)** at the end of the year 2014.
- ❖ D&N Haveli reported the highest overcrowding in prisons (**331.7%**) followed by Chhattisgarh (**258.9%**) and Delhi (**221.6%**).
- ❖ A total of **390** women convicts with their **457** children and **1,172** women undertrials with their **1,320** children were lodged in various prisons in the country at the end of 2014.
- ❖ A total of **5,394** inmates having mental illness out of **4,18,536** inmates, accounting for **1.3%** of total inmates, were lodged in various jails at the end of 2014.
- ❖ Maximum number of **25,566 (24,596 male : 970 female)** convicts lodged in jails were reported from Uttar Pradesh (**19.4%** of total convicts in the Country) followed by Madhya Pradesh **17,088 (16,567 male : 521 female)** accounting for **13.0%** of the total convicts in the country at the end of the year 2014.
- ❖ Murder alone accounted for **60.9%** (**69,773** out of **1,14,584**) of the total convicts under IPC Crimes. The highest percentage of murder convicts was reported from Uttar Pradesh (**21.3%**) followed by Madhya Pradesh (**15.9%**) of the total murder convicts at the end of the year 2014.

- ❖ 21.0% (1,862 out of 8,879) of convicts under rape cases were reported from Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ The highest percentage (27.3%) (63,225 out of 2,31,962) of undertrials under IPC crimes were charged with murder. Uttar Pradesh has reported 17.9% of such undertrials (11,326 out of 63,225) followed by Bihar 8.8% (5,558).
- ❖ A total of 6,274 convicts were habitual offenders/recidivists which accounted for 3.3% of total convicts admitted (1,87,418) during the year 2014.

#### **Period of detention**

- ❖ Maximum number of undertrials (34.8%) were detained for up to 3 months at the end of 2014.
- ❖ A total of 3,540 undertrials (1.3% of total undertrials) were detained in jails for more than 5 years at the end of the year 2014. Uttar Pradesh had the highest number of such undertrials (1022) followed by Rajasthan (523).
- ❖ A total of 318 convicts including 8 females lodged in different jails of the country were awarded capital punishment at the end of the year 2014.
- ❖ A total of 71,632 convicts including 3,176 women convicts accounting for 54.5% of total convicts in the country were undergoing sentences for life imprisonment at the end of the year 2014.
- ❖ A total of 95 prisoners were awarded capital punishment and capital punishment of 112 inmates was commuted to life imprisonment during 2014.
- ❖ No convict awarded capital punishment was executed in the country during the year 2014.

#### **Inmates released**

- ❖ A total of 13,95,121 undertrials were released, out of which 64,216 undertrials were acquitted, 3,733 undertrials were transferred to other States and 64 were extradited during the year 2014.
- ❖ A total of 1,87,269 convicts were released during the year 2014.

#### **Demographic particulars of inmates**

- ❖ Out of 1,31,517 convicted inmates, majority of inmates are either illiterate (35,202) or educated upto Class X (56,469).
- ❖ The highest number of graduate (1,522) and post graduate (539) convicts were reported from Uttar Pradesh at the end of the year 2014.
- ❖ Out of 1,31,517 convicted inmates 1,20,844 belong to the same State, 8,142 inmates belong to other States and 2,531 inmates belong to other countries.
- ❖ Out of 2,82,879 undertrial inmates, 82,735 were illiterates, 1,19,370 were educated upto Class X, 55,605 having education of above Class X & below graduation, 17,000 were graduates and 5,202 were post graduates.

#### **Deaths in jails**

- ❖ A total of 1,702 deaths in jails were reported (1,507 natural and 195 un-natural) during the year 2014.

- ❖ A total of 51 deaths of female inmates were reported during 2014, wherein 46 deaths were natural and 5 deaths were unnatural during the year 2014.

#### **Number of convicts and undertrial prisoners in different age-groups**

- ❖ At the end of 2014, 67,913 (51.6%) convicted prisoners were in the age group of 30 - 50 years, 40,419 (30.6%) convicts were in the age-group of 18 - 30 years and 23,185 (17.8%) convicts were in age group of 50 years and above.
- ❖ At the end of 2014, 6 undertrial prisoners were in the age group of 16-18 years, 1,35,315 (47.8%) in the age group of 18 - 30 years, 1,17,143 (41.4%) undertrials were in the age-group of 30 - 50 years and 30,415 (10.8%) undertrials of 50 years or more.
- ❖ Only 8 States have reported the lodging of civil prisoners. A total of 158 convicted and 187 under-trial civil prisoners were reported at the end of the year 2014.

#### **Rate of change in number of convicts**

- ❖ The number of convicted prisoners has increased by 1.5% in 2014 (1,31,517) over 2013 (1,29,608).
- ❖ Number of persons convicted for murder charge increased by 2.3% in 2014 (69,773) over 2013 (68,199).
- ❖ Number of persons convicted for attempt to murder increased slightly by 0.1% in 2014 (7,015) over 2013 (7,010).
- ❖ Number of persons convicted for rape charge increased by 8.4% in 2014 (8,879) over 2013 (8,188).

#### **Rate of change in number of undertrial prisoners**

- ❖ The number of undertrial prisoners increased by 1.6% in 2014 (2,82,879) over 2013 (2,78,503).
- ❖ Number of undertrial prisoners facing murder charge increased by 5.2% in 2014 (63,225) over 2013 (60,110).
- ❖ Number of undertrial prisoners facing attempt to murder charge increased by 1.1% in 2014 (23,955) over 2013 (23,688).

#### **Training**

- ❖ A total of 63,256 inmates were trained under various vocational training programmes in various jails during the year 2014.
- ❖ Like previous year, maximum number of training (6,232) was imparted in weaving followed by tailoring (4,919), agriculture activities (4,556) and carpentry (3,303) during 2014.
- ❖ The highest number of inmates trained in canning, making of soap & phenyl and handloom were reported from Madhya Pradesh which stood at 136, 132 and 717 inmates respectively.

#### **Prison administration and Earning by prison inmates**

- ❖ A total of 38,420 jails inspections were done in country in which 41.2% of jail inspections were done by medical officials. However, 12,496 judicial officials and 4,554 executive officials also inspected the prisons during 2014.

- ❖ The highest gross earning by producing goods by inmates trained in various vocational programs was reported from Tamil Nadu (₹ 3,697.3 lakh) followed by Kerala (₹ 2,143.6 lakh), Bihar (₹ 1,574.7 lakh), Maharashtra (₹ 1,434.9 lakh) and Uttar Pradesh (₹ 1,232.6 lakh) during the year 2014.
- ❖ The highest earning per inmate was reported from Kerala (₹ 30,285) followed by Tamil Nadu (₹ 23,291), Chandigarh (₹ 16,709) and Delhi (₹ 10,630) as compared to All-India average of ₹3,628 during the year 2014.
- ❖ The highest annual expenditure per inmate was reported from Delhi (₹ 85,193), followed by Telangana (₹ 81,551), Nagaland (₹ 75,886) Arunachal Pradesh (₹ 71,878.0), Bihar (₹ 57,507.4) Jammu & Kashmir (₹ 42,556.0), Andaman & Nicobar Island (₹ 42,532.9), Sikkim (₹ 39,272.3) and Kerala (₹34,496.7) as against All - India average of ₹ 29,538 during the financial year 2014-15.

### **Inmate population and strength of jail officials**

- ❖ The prisons have a staff strength of 52,666 jail officials to take care of 4,18,536 inmates which amounts to 1 Jail Official per 8 inmates.
- ❖ The highest number of inmates per prison staff was reported from Jharkhand (20) followed by Chhattisgarh (16), Bihar (13), Uttar Pradesh & Uttarakhand (11 each) and Delhi (10).

### **Miscellaneous**

- ❖ A total of 402 inmates escaped from different prisons, wherein 96 inmates were reported escaped from inside prison during 2014.
- ❖ A total of 16 incidences of jail break and 255 clashes/group clashes were reported during the year 2014 in which 3 inmates were killed and 233 inmates were injured in such clashes.
- ❖ Total of 4,479 jail officials (1,244 Officers and 3,117 Staff) had attended various training programs during the year 2014.
- ❖ A total of 938 convicts were provided with financial assistance on release, 2,196 convicts were rehabilitated and 79,121 prisoners were provided legal aid during the year 2014.
- ❖ The State of Kerala, Nagaland, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal and UT of Chandigarh disposed off all the complaints (100% disposal) received through National Human Right Commission (NHRC) during 2014.
- ❖ A total of 32,890 inmates were released on parole. However, 374 inmates were reported as parole absconders out of which 225 parole absconders were re-arrested during 2014.
- ❖ Among all the States / UTs, Puducherry has provided highest wages of ₹ 170, ₹ 160 and ₹ 150 per day to skilled convicts, semi-skilled convicts and unskilled convicts respectively during 2014.