

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

RAJYA SABHA

QUESTION NO 18.12.2002

ANSWERED ON

TERMINING MURDER AS SUICIDE BY DELHI POLICE

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DR. ABRAR AHMED

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE/AGRICULTURE/HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the article 'Court summons cops in murder case' appeared in The Hindustan Times on August 10, 2002;

(b) whether this is a common practice by the Delhi Police to term Murder as Suicide in their preliminary investigation in order to lessen their workload;

(c) if so, the details of such cases in Delhi where such practices have been brought to the notice of Government; and

(d) the reaction of Government to the above mentioned case and the similar cases reported?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. The order passed by the Court of the Learned Metropolitan Magistrate has, however, been challenged before the High Court of Delhi and the matter is sub-judice. There has been no other instance of similar nature brought to the notice of Delhi Police in the recent past.

(d): The police officials are duty bound to conduct investigation in a fair, objective and proper manner and if any lapse is detected, the delinquent police officials are suitably punished.

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