

ACTION TAKEN AGAINST ILLEGAL AGENTS

Government has also issued Standard Operating Procedure on 26th May, 2016 to be followed by States on receipt of complaints. Visual and print media campaign are also launched from time to time besides engaging various NGOs encouraging people to use the services of Registered Recruiting Agents and not to go through Illegal/Fake Agents. Every month the list of illegal agents reported to the Government from the Overseas Workers Resources Centre (OWRC) are sent to the State Governments for launching investigation and prosecution. These measures are expected to reduce the activity of illegal recruitment in the States/UTs.

The details of cases referred to State Governments as well as details of Prosecution Sanction issued in the current year is as under:-

Year	Cases referred to State Govt for action	Prosecution Sanction sought By State Governments	Prosecution sanction issued
2016 (upto 31 st December)	262	42	42

In this connection, an important meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Minister of State for External Affairs [Gen (Retd.) V.K.Singh] on 9th November, 2016 with the representatives of the top ten labour sending States and State Police authorities with a view to promote safe and legal migration and to curb growth of illegal migration and illegal Agents.



