

State/UT wise details of cases registered by Police and with courts and their disposal are at Annexure II & III.

### **SPECIAL COURTS**

For ensuring early prosecution of cases, exclusive Special Courts, have been set up in following States: -

<b><u>State</u></b>	<b><u>PCR Act</u></b>	<b><u>SCs &amp; STs (POA) Act</u></b>
Andhra Pradesh	22	3
Bihar	4	-
Gujarat	-	3
Karnataka	4	4
Madhya Pradesh	-	35
Rajasthan	6	17
Tamil Nadu	-	4
Uttar Pradesh	-	40
<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>106</b>

Except these exclusive Special Courts, all State Governments have notified the existing Courts of Sessions as Special Courts for the trial of offences under the Act. However Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram and Nagaland (which are predominantly tribal area States) have not specified any Special Courts.

The State Governments of Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Kerala, Maharashtra, Orissa, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Rajasthan where pendency of cases, is high, have been requested to establish exclusive Special Courts for expediting disposal of cases registered.

### **ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION:**

#### **1. REGISTRATION AND INVESTIGATION**

A large number of cases which deserve to be registered under PCR Act and SCs and STs (POA) Act are not actually registered under these Acts, either due to ignorance of law or under pressure from the interested parties. Investigations in even those limited number of cases is often carried out in a slipshod manner and with considerable delay.