

111 killed in 822 communal incidents last year: Minister

As many as 111 people were killed and 2,384 others were injured in 822 communal incidents in 2017, up from 751 such incidents in 2016, Union Minister Hansraj Ahir said on Tuesday.

The highest number of communal incidents, as many as 195, was reported from Uttar Pradesh where 44 people were killed.

Karnataka has seen 100 communal incidents in which nine were killed while there were 91 incidents of riots in Rajasthan in which 12 people were killed, Mr. Ahir said.

There were 85 communal incidents in Bihar in which three were killed and 60 incidents of riots in Madhya Pradesh saw nine people killed. Out of 58 incidents in West Bengal, nine were killed and Gujarat witnessed 50 riots in which eight were killed, he said.

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