

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1582**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26TH JULY, 2022/ SRAVANA 04, 1944 (SAKA)

WOMEN POLICE PERSONNEL IN POLICE STATIONS

1582. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to post more women police personnel in police stations particularly in the semi-urban and rural areas of Uttar Pradesh to encourage women victims to report crime against them and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering to appoint special police officers/wardens from among the natives in such areas where there are no women police personnel so that they can help the women victims to register their complaints; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a) to (c) "Police" is a State subject falling in List-II (State List) of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India. It is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territory (UT) Administrations to recruit more women police personnel and improvement of gender balance. The Centre also issues advisories to the States/UTs for increasing number of women in the police forces. The Ministry of Home

Affairs has issued advisories dated 22.04.2013, 21.05.2014, 12.05.2015, 21.06.2019 and 22.06.2021 to all the State Governments/UT Administrations to increase the representation of women police to 33% of the total strength. All the State Governments/UTs Administrations have been requested to create additional posts of women Constables/Sub-Inspectors by converting the vacant posts of Constables/Sub-Inspectors. The aim is that each police station should have at least 3 women Sub-Inspectors and 10 women police Constables, so that a Women Help Desk manned round the clock. Women Help Desks Scheme has been implemented with the prime objective to supplement States/UTs' endeavours in strengthening measures to ensure safety of women in the country.

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