

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †39**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2018 / AGRAHAYANA 20, 1940  
(SAKA)**

**MODERNIZATION OF POLICE**

**†39. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:**

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any action has been taken at the Central level to equip the police force in Gujarat with modern technology and for purchase of modern equipment;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years along with the amount spent in this regard, year-wise; and**
- (c) the extent to which Gujarat Police has been modernized as a result of the said work?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)**

**(a) to (c) : Modernization of Police is a continuous and ongoing process. Since 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects as per the Constitution, responsibility of equipping the State Police Forces with appropriate equipment and gadgets lies with the State Governments. However, Government of India supplements the efforts of State Governments by providing central assistance under the scheme of Assistance to States for Modernisation of Police' [erstwhile scheme of Modernisation of Police Forces(MPF)] to strengthen police infrastructure. Under this scheme, State Governments formulate their State**

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**Action Plans(SAPs) every year as per their requirements and their strategic priorities.**

**The Government of Gujarat has been assisted to procure various types of weaponry, vehicles, including special purpose vehicles, equipments for marine police, forensic/communication/surveillance/training equipments during the period 2015-16 onwards. Funds allocated, released and utilized in respect of the Government of Gujarat under this scheme during last three years and the current year, i.e., 2018-19 are as below:**

(in Rs. crore)

Year	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19 (as on 30-11-2018)
Allocation	23.72	23.72	31.24	27.69
Released	23.75	43.22	33.06	15.27
Utilized	23.75	43.22	(Utilization certificates are not yet due)	

**Additionally, an amount of Rs.49.75 crore, i.e., Rs. 19.00 crore during 2017-18 and Rs. 30.75 crore during 2018-19, has been released to the Government of Gujarat for the up-gradation of Gujarat Forensic Science University, Gandhinagar with a central share of Rs. 180 crore, under the scheme of “Assistance to States for Special Projects/Programmes for upgrading Police Infrastructure”.**