

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3501**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10th DECEMBER, 2019/ AGRAHAYANA 19, 1941 (SAKA)

STRENGTH OF WOMEN IN POLICE PERSONNEL

3501. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken to increase the number of women in police;**
- (b) the steps taken for the safety and security of women police on night duty, patrolling etc.;**
- (c) whether any State level training programmes have been conducted for police to sensitize them towards fellow women police colleagues; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

(a) to (d): As “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/UTs to increase induction of women personnel in police forces, take necessary steps for the safety and security of women police personnel on duty and conduct training programmes for police personnel to sensitize them towards women police colleagues. The Central Government advises the States/UTs from time to time. The Ministry of Home Affairs issued advisories on 22.04.2013, 21.05.2014, 12.05.2015 and 21.06.2019 to all the State

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Governments to increase the representation of women police to 33% of the total strength, make provision of basic infrastructure amenities for women police, ensure gender sensitization in police. All the State Governments have been requested to create additional posts of women Constables/Sub-Inspectors by converting the vacant posts of male Constables. Further, under the scheme of “Assistance to States for Modernisation of Police” States can seek financial assistance for all types of weapons and equipment. In addition, basic facilities can be created for women in the Police Force in accordance with the guidelines of the scheme. Also, training institutions under MHA like Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy and North Eastern Police Academy conduct gender sensitization courses for police personnel. Bureau of Police Research & Development also organizes seminars, conferences and workshops to sensitize police towards women colleagues.
