

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3213
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2015

PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN PRIS

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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of States which have implemented reservation of fifty percent seats in Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) for women in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has any data regarding the number of women Sarpanches/Members/Functionaries in PRIs and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the details of the eligibility criteria prescribed for the candidates for contesting elections to PRIs in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ
(SHRI NIHAL CHAND)

- (a) As per the information available with the Ministry 16 States namely, Assam, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Kerala, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttarakhand and West Bengal have made 50% reservation for women in Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs).
- (b) There are 13.42 lakhs Elected Women Representatives (EWRs) in PRIs which constitute 46% of total Elected Representatives (ERs). The State-wise details are given in **Annexure-I**.
- (c) As per Article 243 K of the Constitution, State Legislatures make provision with respect to matters relating to election to Panchayats. The eligibility criteria for contesting elections vary from State to State.

Annexure-I

State wise break up of number of Elected Women Representatives (EWRs) referred in reply to part (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3213 to be answered on 17.12.2015

S L No.	States	ERS	EWRs	EWRs(%)
1	Andhra Pradesh	156049	78025	50.00
2	Arunachal Pradesh	9356	3094	33.07
3	Assam	26844	13422	50.00
4	Bihar	136325	70400	51.64
5	Chhattisgarh	158776	87549	55.14
6	Gujarat	132726	43670	32.90
7	Haryana	68152	24876	36.50
8	Himachal Pradesh	27832	13947	50.11
9	Jammu & Kashmir	38282	11169	29.18
10	Jharkhand	51327	30373	59.18
11	Karnataka	95307	50892	53.40
12	Kerala	19089	9897	51.85
13	Madhya Pradesh	396819	198409	50.00
14	Maharashtra	203203	101466	49.93
15	Manipur	1784	868	48.65
16	Odisha	100791	49697	49.31
17	Punjab	97555	29392	30.13
18	Rajasthan	121008	70531	58.29
19	Sikkim	1099	549	49.95
20	Tamil Nadu	119399	39975	33.48
21	Tripura	10939	3930	35.93
22	Telangana	103468	46702	45.14
23	Uttar Pradesh	718667	297235	41.36
24	Uttarakhand	61451	35537	57.83
25	West Bengal	59296	29579	49.88
26	Goa	1559	514	32.97
27	Dadar Nagar Haveli	136	47	34.56
28	Daman & Diu	97	28	28.87
	Total	2917336	1341773	46
