

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3305  
ANSWERED ON:21.12.2004  
WOMEN DESKS IN POLICE STATIONS  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the rising problem of crime against women;
- (b) if so, the percentage of women recruited in the police force in various States;
- (c) whether the National Commission for Women has recommended actions including the setting up of Mahila Desks in police stations to deal with crime against women; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government on the recommendations of National Commission for Women so far?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT)

(a) : As per statistics compiled by the National Crime Records Bureau, the number of incidents of crimes reportedly committed against women in the country for the years 2000, 2001 and 2002 were 141373, 143795 and 147678 respectively.

(b): As per the statistics compiled by the Bureau of Police Research & Development, State-wise details of the strength of state police, strength of women police and percentage of women police as on 01.01.2003 are annexed.

(c) : Yes, Madam.

(d) : `Public Order` and `Police` are State subjects. However, the Government of India has been advising the State Governments, from time to time, to take such measures as are necessary for the prevention of crime against women and other vulnerable sections of society, including setting up of women police cells in the police stations and exclusive women police stations, where necessary.

**ANNEXURE**

**WOMEN IN POLICE FORCE AS ON 01.01.2003**

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Total Strength of State Police (Civil & Armed)	Total Strength of Women Police	% of Women Police to Total Strength
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1	ANDHRA PRADESH	86094	1412	1.64
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	5719	65	1.14
3	ASSAM	54372	332	0.61
4	BIHAR	86801	893	1.03
5	CHATTISGARH	22843	175	0.77
6	GOA	4472	235	5.25
7	GUJARAT	63488	2311	3.64
8	HARYANA	44113	510	1.16
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	14039	151	1.08
10	JAMMU & KASHMIR	60332	1486	2.46
11	JHARKHAND	33581	10	0.03
12	KARNATAKA	67163	1592	2.37
13	KERALA	52775	2168	4.11
14	MADHYA PRADESH	71358	1018	1.43
15	MAHARASHTRA	150176	3507	2.34
16	MANIPUR	14760	255	1.73
17	MEGHALAYA	13290	44	0.33
18	MIZORAM	7981	153	1.92
19	NAGALAND	19194	264	1.38
20	ORISSA	38180	342	0.90
21	PUNJAB	69094	2210	3.20
22	RAJASTHAN	70528	720	1.02
23	SIKKIM	3439	116	3.37
24	TAMIL NADU	94583	7369	7.79

25	TRIPURA	19592	215	1.10
26	UTTARANCHAL	156031	1907	1.22
27	UTTAR PRADESH	12451	200	1.61
28	WEST BENGAL	64837	803	1.24
29	A&N ISLANDS	2900	16	0.55
30	CHANDIGARH	4628	35	0.76
31	D&N HAVELI	213	21	9.86
32	DAMAN & DIU	244	12	4.92
33	DELHI UT	57203	1852	3.24
34	LAKSHADWEEP	349	8	2.29
35	PONDICHERRY	1953	74	3.79

ALL INDIA	1468776	32481	2.21
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Source: 'Data on Police Organisation in India as on 01.01.2003'