

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:192

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VACANCIES IN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total strength of the State Police personnel in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the police in various States is understaffed;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has issued any directive/guideline to the State Governments to fill up all the vacant posts and provide basic amenities and training to police personnel;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the State Governments have acted on such directive/guidelines; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor alongwith the time by which all the vacancies are likely to be filled up and funds sanctioned in this regard, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (c): As per data compiled by Bureau of Police Research & Development (BPR&D), the total sanctioned and actual strength of police forces as on 1.1.2009 and the number of vacancies, State-wise is indicated at Annexure.

(d) to (g): Even though "Police" is a State subject as per Schedule VII to the Constitution of India, the Ministry of Home Affairs has raised its concern over the large number of vacancies in State Police Forces in the Conference of Chief Ministers held on 6.1.2009, 17.8.2009 and 7.2.2010. In the Conference held on 7.2.2010 at New Delhi, the States were requested to fill up the vacancies expeditiously by adopting Transparent Recruitment Procedure (TRP) and it was noted that initiatives have been taken by States to fill up vacancies and the level of vacancies is going down. The recruitment to State Police Forces is done by the State Governments themselves and no funds are sanctioned by the Ministry for the purpose to States. The Government is also laying emphasis on proper training, orientation and skill-upgradation of the police force. The BPR&D prepares suitable training syllabi for the police forces across the country and sends these to the States as well as to the Central Para Military Forces. Sardar Vallabhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad which organizes training of IPS Probationers, lays emphasis on the importance of inculcating proper attitude and sensitivity towards people.