GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:425 ANSWERED ON:26.02.2013 REGISTRATION OF COMPLAINTS BY NCW Laguri Shri Yashbant Narayan Singh;Rama Devi Smt.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the complaints received by the National Commission for Women (NCW) are mainly related to the police force;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereto; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a) to (c) As per the details provided by the National Commission of Women (NCW), the complaints are registered under various categories including complaints of "Police apathy" and "Police Harassment / Atrocities of Police". The details of complaints received in the above two categories at NCW is as under :

Category 2011-12 2012-13 (As on 22/02/2013)

Police Apathy 3699 3068

Police Harassment / 558 457 Atrocities of Police

Total 4257 3525

"Police" being a State subject as per VIIth Schedule to the Constitution of India, it is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments to impart training to State police personnel. The State Governments organize training courses for its police personnel in its police training institutions. Various training programmes/courses are also organized by BPR&D, army training institutes and central police institutions for the benefit of the State police personnel.

Ministry of Home Affairs has sent a detailed advisory dated 4th September, 2009 to all the State Governments/UTs, wherein they have been, inter-alia, advised to include gender sensitization of the police personnel, adopting appropriate measures for swift and salutary punishment to public servants found guilty of custodial violence against women, minimizing delays in investigations of murder, rape and torture of women and improving its quality etc.

Delhi Police has also recently launched a training programme to sensitize its personnel to sensitize police personnel on women issues. The course was recently launched at the Specialized Training Centre of Delhi Police in Rajendra Nagar.