

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1373

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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 number of State police personnel including Police-Public ratio in the country, rank-wise and State-wise;
- (b) whether around five lakh posts are reportedly lying vacant in the police department in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for the delay in filling up these vacant posts;
- (d) the details of advisories issued by the Government to the States in this regard; and
- (e) the other effective measures taken by the Government to fill up all these vacancies and to improve the police-public ratio in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e) : As per the data compiled by the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), the State-wise, rank-wise sanctioned, actual strength, police-public ratio and the vacancy position of total Police Forces (Civil & Armed), as on 1.1.2012, is given in the Statement at Annexure.

'Police' being a State subject as per the VIth Schedule to the Constitution of India, it is the responsibility of the State Governments to fill up the vacancies in police forces and improve the police-public ratio. However, the State Governments have been advised from time to time in various fora by the Ministry of Home Affairs to fill up the existing vacancies in the State Police Forces.