

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:884
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2013
POLICE PUBLIC RATIO
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of State police personnel including the police- public ratio in the country, rank-wise and State/ UT-wise;
- (b) whether the police-public ratio in the States/UTs is lower than the National and International standard;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether around five lakh posts are reportedly lying vacant in the police departments in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for the delay in filling up these vacant posts; and
- (f) the details of advisories issued by the Union Government to the States in this regard and the other effective measures taken by the Union 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 (c) : As per the data compiled by the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), the total number of State Police personnel including police-public ratio in the country, rank-wise and State/UT-wise, as on 01-01-2012 is given in the Statement at Annexure- The total Police-Population Ratio (total sanctioned number of police personnel available per lakh) has shown wide variations across the country. Sparsely populated States of Tripura, Manipur and Mizoram have the maximum Police-Population ratio as compared f:o the national average of 176 police personnel per lakh of population.

(d): Yes, Sir. As per the data compiled by the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), there are around five lakh posts reportedly lying vacant in the police departments in the country.

(e)to (f) : `Police` being a State subject as per VIth Schedule to the Constitution of India, it is the responsibility of the State Governments to full 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.