

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1410
ANSWERED ON:14.07.2009
COMMUNITY COUNSELLING CENTRES
Adhalrao Patil Shri Shivaji;Adsul Shri Anandrao Vithoba

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up Community Counselling Centres in each police station in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to appoint civilian counsellors in Police Stations for redressal of citizens grievances, before registering a FIR; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): No, Madam. Police and Law & Order are State subjects and it is for the State Governments to take such decisions. As per information available in certain States like Orissa, Madhya Pradesh & Maharashtra similar Counselling Centres are operational at certain selected locations under the over- arching approach of community Policing.