GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO 143 ANSWERED ON **15.03.2017**

Minimum infrastructure support for each police station

143 Smt. Ambika Soni

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to news-item under the caption 'Not even a phone in over 400 police stations' that appeared in the print media on 15th January, 2017;

(b) the steps taken by Government to ensure minimum infrastructure support for each police station in the country, including vehicle, communication equipment, etc.; and

(c) the funds earmarked for modernisation of police for various States in the last three years and the amount spent, year-wise and State-wise along with the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

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STATEMENT IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *143 FOR ANSWER ON 15.03.2017 REGARDING "MINIMUM INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT FOR EACH POLICE STATION".

(a)&(b): Yes Sir. 'Police' being a State subject, the principal responsibility of equipping and modernizing State police forces lies with the State Governments. The Government of India supplements these efforts under the Modernisation of Police Forces (MPF) Scheme, which is a centrally sponsored scheme. The major items covered under the scheme are vehicles, weapons, equipment including communication equipment, training infrastructure, computerization and forensic science.

(c): A statement showing the funds earmarked/allocated and released to State Governments during each of the last three years and the current year, state-wise is at Annexure-I. A statement showing allocation and release of funds for Megacity Policing, which is a component under MPF Scheme, is at Annexure-II.
