

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON 19.07.2017**

Women police stations in Goa

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

- (a) the number of women police stations functioning in the State of Goa;
- (b) the total number of personnel functioning in each of the police stations;
- (c) the financial assistance given by the Central Government for establishing the police stations;
- (d) the facilities available at these police stations; and
- (e) the efforts made or being made to make these police stations women-friendly?

ANSWER

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

- (a): There is one Women Police station at Panaji and one Women and Child protection unit at Margao.
- (b): There are 24 police personnel functioning in the Women Police Station and 9 police personnel functioning in the Women and Child protection unit.
- (c): Under the Modernization of State Police Forces Scheme, with a view to strengthen State Police Forces, assistance has been provided to various State Governments including State Government of Goa, in the form of grants-in-aid towards purchase of vehicles, security/surveillance/communication equipments, modern weaponry, forensic equipments etc. as per strategic ...2/

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requirement of states submitted through state action plan. Such equipment is utilized by the State in various police stations including the women police station as per requirement determined locally. Under MPF Scheme, Rs. 5.45 Cr. was released to the State Government of Goa in the last five years and Rs. 1.25 cr. has been allocated for the year 2017-18.

- (d): Proper seating arrangements for visitor/complainants with pedestal and ceiling fans, drinking water and toilets are available in these police stations. Further, Counseling room with qualified and experienced counselors are also provided by NGOs in these stations.

(e): Women Police Station is headed by a Women Police Inspector assisted by women staff of 02 lady police Sub Inspectors, 02 lady Head Constables, 14 lady police Constables who undergo special training in gender sensitization to ensure that it is women friendly. In this station, the facility of counseling in matters of marital discord and to the trauma victims is provided. Also suitable cases are referred to family counseling centers.

These stations work as coordinating link between Police Department and Goa State Commission for Women, Goa State Commission for Children, Juvenile Justice Board, Child Welfare Committee, Department of Women and Child Development and Tourism, beside NGOs/Social workers and other associated with the unit.
