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20.	Madhya Pradesh	24,96,072
21.	Maharashtra	36,56,955
22.	Manipur	1,98,477
23.	Meghalaya	1,39,814
24.	Mizoram	4,762
25.	Nagaland	50,256
26.	Odisha	35,05,755
27.	Puducherry	10,930
28.	Punjab	6,59,881
29.	Rajasthan	31,61,825
30.	Sikkim	3,853
31.	Tamil Nadu	30,23,736
32.	Telangana	6
33.	Tripura	1,49,624
34.	Uttar Pradesh	40,48,596
35.	Uttarakhand	1,34,708
36.	West Bengal	91,15,268
GRAND TOTAL		5,30,63,615

#### Modernisation of police forces

†\*43. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether modernisation of police forces has remained top priority in Central Government's agenda during the last three years and whether sufficient and effective steps have been taken in this regard;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether in this direction an emergency response support system has been initiated under which a single digit all India emergency phone number has been introduced; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Although the responsibility of equipping the state police forces lies with the State Governments by virtue of 'Police' being a State subject, the Government of India accords top priority to modernization of police forces and supplements the efforts of State Governments under the scheme of "Assistance to States for Modernisation of Police". After approval of the scheme on 27.09.2017, detailed guidelines were issued on 13.12.2017. With a view to implement the scheme effectively, regional workshops were conducted during January to March, 2018. State Action Plans have been approved and funds have also been released for implementation.

(c) and (d) A Project 'Emergency Response Support System (ERSS)' with budgetary provision of ₹ 7321.69 crore has been approved by the Government which aims at introducing a pan-India single emergency response number '112' to address all kinds of distress calls such as police, fire and ambulance etc. Once the ERSS is rolled out in all States/UTs, a single emergency response number '112' across the country will be operational.

#### **India's capacity to generate power from gas**

\*44. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether 31 gas based high capacity power plants are stranded due to non-availability of domestic gas and high cost of gas imports;

(b) whether average domestic gas supplied to power projects during 2017-18 was only 25.71 Million Metric Standard Cubic Metre per Day (MMSCMD) against a total allocation of 87.12 MMSCMD; and

(c) if so, measures taken by Government to de-stress the natural gas sector for combating such issues?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (c) Domestic gas is being allocated to all sectors including power sector as per Gas Utilization Policy of the Government. Supply of domestic gas against