

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:102  
ANSWERED ON:08.07.2014  
WOMEN BATTALIONS  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has received several proposals for setting up of women Battalions/Reserved Battalions in the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs); and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the present status of such proposals along with the locations identified for setting up of such battalions, force and State/UT-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJU)

(a) to (b): At present there is no proposal from Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) for raising Women/Reserve Battalions, apart from one proposal of CRPF wherein CRPF have proposed to raise 2 Mahila Battalions in place of 2 sanctioned General Duty (GD) Battalions. The proposal has been examined and Government vide Order dated 11.3.2014 has conveyed 'in-principle' approval to CRPF for conversion of 2 GD Battalions sanctioned for raising during the year 2015-16 and 2016-17, into 2 Mahila battalions, on attached pattern.