## Key challenges to police reforms

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In news- Recently, the Centre and states listed 13 key challenges before a department related parliamentary standing committee, responsible for slowing down police reforms in the country.

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- They have listed challenges from educational background to difficulty in progressive behavioural changes among policemen.
- The Center and states also blamed the shift in crime profile from traditional crimes to economic and cyber frauds, frequent changes in law, directions by the courts or commissions and top-down or bottom-up reforms policy among the factors responsible for the delay in implementation of the long pending police reforms.
- The panel also noted issues being faced by law enforcement agencies in getting real-time information for forensic analysis from overseas internet service providers and telecommunication, and limited human resource capacity at police stations.
- The panel said women are abysmally underrepresented in the police force, constituting only 10.30 percent of the police force.
- The Standing committee recommended that the Ministry of Home Affairs may advise states and UTs to create a roadmap for making the representation of women police to 33 percent of the total strength a reality.

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