



**PRESS NOTE**  
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On the occasion of International Women's Day, today DGP had an interaction with women IsIC/SHOs of Police Stations of Odisha on VC on OSWAN. All SsP/DCsP, ADG(Hdqrs.), ADG, CID, CB, IG, CID, CB, IG(Pers) and SP, CID, CB attended the VC.

DGP congratulated all women officers of Odisha Police for their leadership and contribution towards policing in the state and urged them to continue policing with dedication for the betterment of society.

It may be noted that over 100 Police Stations in Odisha are headed by women IsIC/SHOs. This is probably the highest number of women SHOs in any State in the country.

DGP emphasized for creation of an healthy working environment in Police Stations to increase the confidence of women posted there. He also directed exemplary action in crime against women. Interaction was around the following three themes:-

1. How to improve functioning of Police Station
2. More effective action in offence against women and children
3. Challenges and problems of women police personnel.

Large numbers of ideas were raised. These included:

- (i) Need to organise more sensitisation programme in Schools and Colleges on crime against women and children.
- (ii) Awareness among College / School students for safe use of social media.
- (iii) Mobile Toilet Van for women police personnel deputed on law and order duty.
- (iv) Barrack/Officers Club for women police officers/men at district headquarters.
- (v) More Training programmes to handle Cybercrime.
- (vi) More Training to improve investigation of crime against women.
- (vii) Family Counselling Centres at district level.
- (viii) Self-defence training to women police personnel.

DGP urged the district SsP and Senior Officers to act upon suggestions.

  
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