

## Maharashtra witnesses rise in cyber crime

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Surprisingly, during a convention, only 29 MLAs questioned this issue, indicating that public representatives are ignoring this matter. Praja Foundation's report revealed that on average, 1622 questions are being asked by MLAs regarding crime in Mumbai, but due to bandwidth issues, only 14 questions have been asked. Five officers have been removed by the State Police Complaints Authority in the last three years for misconduct. The State Police Complaints Redressal Authority, which has been established to file complaints against them, is currently not functioning properly. Many positions are vacant, creating obstacles in resolving complaints. Shockingly, a report by the Public Foundation has revealed that there

has been success in obtaining convictions in more than 5 cases of misconduct in the last three years.

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