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## Police – Public Relation and Society



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### A B S T R A C T

*The study of police - public relation and society help to understand the activities of police administration to keep the peace in society and maintain the law and order in the state. It also gives an idea to the citizens to involve in the activities of the police. The current study gives an idea about the relation between police and public to make good environment in society.*

#### Introduction:

Food, cloth and shelter are the basic needs of human beings. To live in better situation and develop human needs protection of wealth and lives. It is depend on system governed by government and accepted by his citizens of the state. Development of any country is depending on the constitutional arrangement adopted by government. In a democratic country like ours the constitution guarantees certain basic rights and liberties to the people. Police administration protects people by enforcing laws and punishing the offenders. If the constitution is considered to be a chariot then the four components of the criminal justice system viz The police, Bar, judiciary and correctional services are it's broses. Harmonious efforts of all these four agencies are essential for moving the constitution towards the goal of establishing a just society in India.

The constitution of India sets certain ideals of securing justice to the people & maintaining unity & integrity of the nation.. The police administration plays an important role in their achievement and maintaining the people's faith in

the whole justice delivery system. The main objective of police administration is to create social harmony & maintain order by enforcing the laws and curbing their violation. To attend these objectives a network throughout the nation is developed by police administration.

**Objectives:-** Following are the main objectives of the study • To identify the role of police administration in the peace of society. • To investigate the hurdles during maintenance of law and order in front of police. • To identify the causes of non co-operation of the witnesses. • To understand the efficiency and transparency of the law enforcing agency. • To find level of Co-operation between police and public.

**Hypothesis:-** Following are the main Hypothesis of the study • Public participation strengthens the working of police. •

Transparency in working of police increases public participation. • Good relation between police and public creates good environment in society for development of country. • Level of police public relation in society is direct related with unity & integrity of the nation. • Interference of politicians

affects the efficiency of police personnel's.

**Research methodology:-** In the present study imperial and descriptive method of research is used. Discussion and observation method will also be used. The secondary data will be collected from the books, journals and internet. Conclusion of the present research paper will be drawn at the end of study.

**Police:-** The term police mean politeness towards the people, obedience towards the superiors, loyalty towards the construction of the Nation, Integrity towards the duty, and Courage in dealing with the antinational forces and efficient towards the survival of society. All these activities remain in the body of police administration. In theory, the safety and liberty of the people depend upon the laws and the constitution, but in practice the decisions of the legislature and the courts would remain merely on paper if there was no effective police to enforce them.

“The term Police is now used primarily to denote a body of people organized to maintain civil order and public safety, to enforce the law and to investigate breaches of the law” – **The new encyclopedia Britannica**

“Police as law enforcers are mandated to ensure that the rule of law is implemented in letter and in spirit equally for all citizens.” **Dr. Mukerjee Doel** “The primary object of an efficient police is the prevention of crime and the next that of detection and punishment of offenders if crime is committed. To these ends all the efforts of police must be directed. The protection of life and property, the preservation of public tranquility and the absence of crime, will alone prove whether those efforts have been attained.” **Sir Mayne Richard** The functioning of police is to maintain law and order. As a law enforcement agency, the police in all societies, developing or developed, has to preserve and protect the very basic need of human survival and social intercourse.

**Historical Background of police:-** The history of police is as old as human beings. King Hammurabi has created first code of conduct of police in china. It was the first code of conduct in

the world. Mesopotamia has the law protected agency have the work to protect the lives of people. In India, Indus culture was very developed culture it indicts that it must have organized law protector agency. In the empire of Ashoka maintain of law and order was the duty of military. Such type of military runs to the intervention of British in India. The Revolt of 1857 leads the British administrator to serious rethinking for reorganization of the police throughout India and to make it an effective & highly disciplined instrument of civil administration. In 1860 the Government of India appointed the First Police Commission. On the recommendations of the commission, the Police Act, 1861 was enacted, which imposed a uniform police system. The police act of 1861, which is still enforce with minor modifications, regulates the organizations, recruitments and discipline of the police force in India. The process of the police entails people's co-operations at various stages such as crime reporting, investigation and trial. Without active participation of the people, the police administration cannot function effectively to achieve desired results. Thus the success of police is largely depends upon the peoples participation.

**Role of police:-**The police are an agency to maintain the law and order in the society and prevent the crime. In the daily life so many unlawful activities are going on. Some activities are don by the unsound people and some activities are donning by the criminals. Activities of unsound people may cured by educate them about the law. But the people doing unlawful activities purposefully may damage the image of the nation in the eyes of the world. In such a contest role of police is very important.

White color crime, interference of politician, corruption and red tapping are the main hurdles during maintenance of law and order. When good police personnel are kept out from the main stream it weakens the police image in the eyes of fellow citizens. Along with all these hurdles police are playing his role. Whole state is divided in some districts. Again district divided in some police

station. Police station has detail information about the all activities in its jurisdiction. All districts and police stations are linked with wireless to each other. Various sub agencies of police department are created on various levels. They have detailed information about their jobs. On the basis of all these component and information police plays important role in maintenance of law and order.

**Public participation:-** Public means the citizens of that country. All agency of government set for survival of citizens of country all agencies are working for the achievement of high level of life of citizens. Public participation strengthens the working of police agency. Without the participation of public any agency cannot works. The Policing system prevalent during ancient and medieval India also had elements of people participation. The British Rulers made elaborate provisions in various criminal laws to involve people in preventing and punishing crime.

After India become independent, it was expected that the people would change their attitude towards the police administration and would extend their whole hearted co-operation to make it more efficient and effective machinery. Similarly, an attitudinal change on the part of police functionaries towards the people and their problems was also desired. However, occurrences of many crimes which would have been prevented if the people around the scene of the crime had intervened or informed the police, hesitation on the part of many people to assist the police in investigation, and failure of the prosecution cases because of non co-operation of the witnesses, reflect then the people are not helping the police administration in preventing and punishing the crime in a desired manner. The people's apathy undermines effectiveness of the police administrations and an ineffective police administration has a direct adverse impact on the functioning of constitutional democracy.

Investigation of crime and criminal is the duty of police. The police plays the most important part in crime prevention and punishment. therefore the success of the whole police administrations,

largely depends upon its effectiveness. A direct and visible role in crime prevention is assigned to the police. As regards the investigations, the police does not investigate the cases promptly and properly to collect all relevant and necessary evidence, the prosecutor or the trial judge will have little scope to punish the accused. However to discharge its duty efficiently and effectively, the police cannot function in isolation. Its inter-dependants with other wings of criminal justice system & its interface with various sections and groups in the society have far reaching implications for functioning. The intervention of politician in the working of police force, affect the working of police personnel. While making police working towards good governed society efficiency and transparency must be adopted. Skillful handling of people and good relation makes police updated. The helping hand of public will always with the hand of police to nabbed the neck of criminals. All human beings want peace in society and law and order in state. Human want to stood with the police administration but police have to understand its importance.

**Police and society:-** There is remarkable historical, geographical and organizational diversity in the activities of police. The diversity of police activities in different societies is that of police adaptation to cultural traditions. In small communities everyone knows everyone hence self policing occurs. Police action is needed only when the informal controls have proved insufficient. In the big society the element of self policing is weaker. That's why big society needs police. In modern age technological development is high in all fields of lives. It increases crime and type of crimes. Economical difference between poor and rich are high and it creates criminal activities in the society. For the good society police public relation must be good. Now days the development of nation and society is depend on the maintenance of law and order or peace in society.

**Police - Public Relation:-** The police are the part of society. They come from society. The police being the first agency coming into direct

contact with the people, need much more co-operation of the people than any other agency. The police cannot be omnipresent to watch all the time activities of all the members of the society to prevent commission of offenses where as the people can play this role by keeping a vigil on their fellow citizens. If the people, aware of the designs of committing crime and hideouts of the criminals, timely pass on such information's to the police, crimes may be prevented and criminals may be nabbed.

The people by telling the truth during the investigation of criminal cases may not only make the police job easier in detecting the cases and arresting the criminals, but also by standing to their say during trials help proving the case similarly, in maintaining law and order while handling various social and political protests or communal disturbances. The police largely depend on the co-operation of the peoples. Social harmony is a pre-condition for smooth development of a citizen and for the unity & integrity of the Nation. No state action can love law-abiding citizens. Creating social and communal harmony being the major

duty of the police, it requires people co-operation constantly to discharge these duties effectively. Thus the people play a crucial role in leading the efforts of the police to function. Helping to police is helping to nation and society.

**Conclusion:-** The achievement of the constitutional goal is largely depending on the effectiveness of the administration and the efficacy and transparency of the police in the state. The police activity can be grossly influenced by the attitude of the people and politician in the society. The role of police personnel to build good society carries an important role to develop the country. Relation of police and public make the good future of country. Therefore, the state as well as the people in society should resolve to make the police administration an efficient and effective institution. If it plays its role well in preventing and punishing crime, will certainly move towards a just society which the framers of the constitution had dreamt of. Totally it is occurred by the maintenance of good relation between police and public in the society.

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