

Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs

Information regarding Global Gender Gap Index (GGGI) and Gender Inequality Index(GII)

1. Women in Parliament:-

(a) Total number of women in present Lok Sabha

78 (source:- <http://loksabhaph.nic.in/Members/women.aspx>)

(b) Total number of women in present Rajya Sabha

24 (source:- https://raiyasabha.nic.in/rsnew/member_site/women.aspx)

Total :- 78+24 = 102

2. Women in ministerial position

(a) SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN Minister of Finance; and Minister of Corporate Affairs

(b) SHRIMATI HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL Minister of Food Processing Industries

(c) SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI Minister of Women and Child Development; and Minister of Textiles

(d) SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development

(e) SHRIMATI RENUKA SINGH SARUTA Minister of State in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs

(f) SUSHRI DEBASREE CHAUDHURI Minister of State in the Ministry of Women and Child Development

Total :-6 (source:

https://cabsec.gov.in/writereaddata/councilofministers/english/1_Upload_1943.pdf)

3. Female and male shares of parliamentary seats;

Seats are not reserved for females and males, in Parliament. Present Lok Sabha has a total of 542 Members(source: <http://loksabhaph.nic.in/Members/AlphabeticalList.aspx>) out of which 78 are Female Members. Present Rajya Sabha has a total of 224 Members (source : https://raiyasabha.nic.in/rsnew/member_site/women.aspx) out of which 24 are Female Members.

Note:- This Ministry is not entrusted with the function of increasing the representation of Female Members in Parliament or increasing their share in ministerial position. The Women Reservation Bill which sought to reserve one third of Parliamentary Seats for Women could not be passed as consensus could not be formed between various political parties. This bill was tabled by the Ministry of Law & Justice. It is the prerogative of Hon'ble Prime Minister to recommend names to the President for appointment as Ministers as per article 75(1) of the Constitution.