

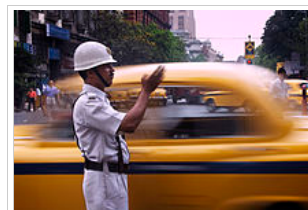
List of police ranks in India

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The following are **ranks in the police forces of India**.

Gazetted officers include all the **Indian Police Service** officers and all **State Police Services** officers of and above the rank of Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP) or Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) in Metropolitan Police and State Police forces respectively.

- Commissioner of Police (State) **or** Director General of Police
- Special Commissioner of Police **or** Additional Director General of Police
- Joint Commissioner of Police **or** Inspector General of Police
- Additional Commissioner of Police **or** Deputy Inspector General of Police
- Deputy Commissioner of Police **or** Senior Superintendent of Police
- Deputy Commissioner of Police **or** Superintendent of Police
- Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police **or** Additional Superintendent of Police
- Assistant Commissioner of Police **or** Deputy Superintendent of Police
- Assistant Superintendent of Police (IPS Probationary Rank: 2nd year of service)
- Assistant Superintendent of Police (IPS Probationary Rank: 1st year of service)



Kolkata Police Force.

Insignia of Gazetted & IPS Officers

The Indian Police Service (IPS) uses insignia on its shoulder flashes which are similar to those used by the Indian Army. Since Police Inspectors and officers below this rank are recruited by states individually, the insignias vary slightly though the rank structure is the same. For example Maharashtra Police constables use Yellow Epaulet on blue background for Constable ranks while Tamil Nadu Police use Black Chevrons on red background on right sleeve.^[1]

Indian Police Service Officer Rank Insignia

Insignia										
Rank	Director of Intelligence Bureau (GOI) ¹	Commissioner of Police (State) or Director General of Police ²	Joint Commissioner of Police or Inspector General of Police	Additional Commissioner of Police or Deputy Inspector General of Police	Deputy Commissioner of Police or Senior Superintendent of Police	Deputy Commissioner of Police or Superintendent of Police	Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police or Additional Superintendent of Police	Assistant Commissioner of Police or Deputy Superintendent of Police	Assistant Superintendent of Police (Probationary Rank: 2 years of service)	Assistant Superintendent of Police (Probationary Rank: 1 year of service)
Abbreviation	DIB	CP or DGP	JCP or IGP	ADL.CP or DIG	DCP or SSP	DCP or SP	ADL.DCP or ASP	ACP or DSP	ASST.SP	ASST.SP






■ ¹ Although DIB is a 4 star post and not a rank, it's given to the senior most IPS officer in Intelligence Bureau.
 ■ ² Rank insignia of CP/DGP is similar to Spl.CP/ADGP (not shown above).
 ■ Note: Commissioner of Police designation can only be used by ADL.CP/DIG, JCP/IGP and CP/DGP, where the latter is called Commissioner of Police (State) and the former ones Commissioner of Police (City).

Indian State Police Gazetted Officer Rank Insignia

Insignia				
Rank	Deputy Commissioner of Police or Senior Superintendent of Police	Deputy Commissioner of Police or Superintendent of Police	Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police or Additional Superintendent of Police	Assistant Commissioner of Police or Deputy Superintendent of Police
Abbreviation	DCP or SSP	DCP or SP	ADL.DCP or ASP	ACP or DSP

■ Note: Gazetted officers belonging to Indian State Police Service(s) lie between ranks ACP/DSP and DCP/SSP.
 ■ To gain promotion to ADL.CP/DIG rank, officers undergo training and hence are awarded IPS.

Indian State Police Non-Gazetted Officer Rank Insignia

Insignia						No Insignia ¹
Rank	Inspector of Police	Sub-Inspector of Police	Assistant Sub-Inspector of Police	Police Head Constable	Senior Police Constable	Police Constable
Abbreviation	INS	SI	ASI	HPC	SPC	PC

- ¹ Police Constable has no insignia except the khaki uniform.
- Note: Colour pattern and size of chevron may vary according to the different rules of several distinct Indian State Police Services.

- NOTE: The Rank of Police Inspector in the state of Tripura, West Bengal, Assam & Bihar are divided into two Insignia, one is gazetted & another is non-gazetted. Gazetted one will wear on their shoulders-ONE STAR WITHOUT RIBBON EXACT LIKE ABOVE IPS 1st YEAR (Which is also designated as ASST.SP,C.I,Sr.INSP,O/C,INSP as per the area one gazette controls in the state). But non-gazetted inspector will only wear-THREE STAR WITH RIBBON AS LIKE ABOVE INSPECTOR INSIGNIA.

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