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A third generation police officer from her family, little has changed in IPS officer Monika Bhardwaj's personal life after she cracked the prestigious civil services examination in 2009.

Back in her native village in Haryana, her mother continues to tend to cattle and look after their fields, while the police officer daughter still drives an old Hyundai Santro car.

Her colleagues see Ms. Bhardwaj as an honest officer who silently goes about her job without any hint of arrogance that her post can sometimes summon.

Additional DCP (West) was Ms Bhardwaj's first posting in Delhi. She was recently in the news for leading a police team that swiftly apprehended two juveniles who had picked a three-year-old girl from a Ramleela function in Nihal Vihar and raped her in a park.

The officer had earlier served in Pondicherry where she had defied a Muslim MLA and arrested some persons allegedly involved in the gang-rape of a 21-year-old woman. The MLA had allegedly questioned the victim's character, calling her a sex worker.

Only last year, the officer's *younger sister*, too, had cracked the UPSC exam and is currently an officer with the Indian Revenue Service IRS. Her *other sister* is employed by the Indian Railways.

Ms Bhardwaj's *father* is a sub-inspector with the Delhi Police. Her *grandfather*, too, was with the Delhi Police and had retired as a head constable. Her *husband*, a software engineer with a private firm, had shifted to India from the US after their marriage last year (2015) .

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