

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**QUESTION NO06.12.2010**  
**ANSWERED ON**  
**DECLINE IN ADOPTION OF CHILDREN .**

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Shri Avtar Singh Karimpuri

Will the Minister of COALWOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether the number of adoption of children is declining in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the registration of children is mandatory for adoption purpose;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there is a provision for mandatory HIV testing of children before their adoption; and
- (f) if so, the details in this regard?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

(SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH)

(a) to (f): No Sir. The number of reported adoptions during the last two years and current year are:-

2008 - 2990

2009 - 2518

2010 - 3091 as on 1-11-2010.

The Adoption Agencies maintain a Master Admission Register where details of each child are entered on admission. There is no provision for mandatory testing for HIV.