GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1872 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2024

SCHEMES RUN BY THE MINISTRY

1872#. DR. LAXMIKANT BAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of all the schemes being run by Government during the last five years; and
- (b) the details of the schemes being run for the economic empowerment of rural women in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR)

(a) & (b) For better implementation and efficient monitoring, all schemes implemented by the Ministry, including those for economic empowerment of rural women in the country, have been clubbed into three Umbrella Missions, viz. (1) Mission Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 for improving nutrition & health indicators in the country (2) Mission Shakti, for safety, protection and empowerment of women; and (3) Mission Vatsalya, for protection, care and welfare of children in difficult circumstances. Details of the schemes are as under:

(i) Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0): Under this mission, Anganwadi Services Scheme, POSHAN Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent Girls have been reorganized into 3 primary sub-verticals: (i) Nutrition Support for POSHAN and for Adolescent Girls (ii) Early Childhood Care and Education [3-6 years] and (iii) Anganwadi Infrastructure including modern, upgraded Saksham Anganwadis.

(ii) Mission Shakti: It comprises of two verticals 'Sambal' and 'Samarthya' for safety and security and empowerment of women, respectively.

(a) Sambal - The following schemes have been included under the Sambal vertical: One Stop Centres (OSC) - for providing integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence and those in distress, both in private and public spaces in a convergent and coordinated manner under one roof; Women Helplines (181-WHL) is a $24 \times 7 \times 365$ toll-free emergency/non-emergency response system that is integrated with ERSS (112) and other

existing helplines/institutions; **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP)** - launched with an aim to address declining Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) and related issues of empowerment of girls and women over a life cycle continuum; **Nari Adalat** - an initiative aimed at empowering women by ensuring justice and to offer services such as alternate dispute resolution, grievance redressal, counselling, evidence-based decision-making, pressure group tactics, negotiation, mediation, and reconciliation.

(b) Samarthya - The following schemes have been included under 'Samarthya' vertical: Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) - a Centrally Sponsored Maternity Benefit Scheme under which cash incentives flow to the beneficiaries in Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode for the first child and the second girl child; Ujjwala and Swadhar Greh (renamed as Shakti Sadan) - an Integrated Relief and Rehabilitation Home for women in distress situations including trafficked women; Working Women Hostel (renamed as Sakhi Niwas) - to promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women in urban, semi-urban and also in rural areas where employment opportunities for women exist; National Hub for Empowerment of Women (NHEW) - to facilitate intersectoral convergence of schemes and programs meant for women at National level, State/ UT level and district level and National Creche Scheme (renamed as Palna) that aims to increase the participation of women in work force in the economy by providing quality crèche facility in safe and secure environment for children.

(iii) Mission Vatsalya: Mission Vatsalya includes the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) for better outreach and protection for children in need and care in a mission mode with the objective to: (i) Support and sustain Children in difficult circumstances. (ii) Develop context-based solutions for holistic development of children from varied backgrounds. (iii) Provide scope for green field projects for encouraging innovative solutions.
