GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *335 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2025

UPGRADATION OF ANGANWADI CENTRES

*335. SMT. S. PHANGNON KONYAK:

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

- (a) the number of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) approved to be transformed into Saksham Anganwadis in the country;
- (b) the number of Anganwadi upgraded as of February, 2025 in the country; and
- (c) the areas that are being focussed upon in the upgradation of Anganwadis in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 335 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2025 REGARDING "UPGRADATION OF ANGANWADI CENTRES" RAISED BY SMT. S. PHANGNON KONYAK:

(a) to (c): During the 15th Finance Commission cycle, 2 lakh Government owned Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) @ 40,000 AWCs per year are strengthened and upgraded as Saksham Anganwadis for improved nutrition delivery and for early childhood care and development under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0. Saksham Anganwadis are equipped with infrastructure better than the conventional Anganwadi Centres by providing LED screens, water purifier/installation of RO Machine, Poshan Vatika, ECCE and BALA Paintings.

As on date, a total of 2 Lakh AWCs have been approved for upgradation as Saksham AWCs out of which 19,004 AWCs are upgraded as Saksham Anganwadi Centres.
