

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3026**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2025

**FAMILY COUNSELLING CENTRES IN ODISHA**

3026. SMT. SULATA DEO:  
SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI:  
DR. SASMIT PATRA:

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

- (a) whether the Central Social Welfare Board (CSWB) is implementing welfare programmes for women and children through voluntary organizations in Odisha, and if so, the details thereof, district- wise;
- (b) whether the CSWB operates Family Counselling Centres in Odisha to assist women and children in distress, and if so, details thereof district-wise;
- (c) whether CSWB organizes welfare activities for women and children, and details thereof;
- (d) the funds sanctioned for these activities in the last three years;
- (e) whether Government has reviewed CSWB's functioning, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps being taken to improve CSWB's functioning?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (f) The Central Social Welfare Board (CSWB) was set up to promote social welfare activities and implement welfare programmes for women and children in all States and UTs through voluntary organizations. The Scheme of Family Counselling Centre (FCC) was introduced by Central Social Welfare Board in 1983.

Based on the report on 'rationalisation of autonomous bodies', by Department of Expenditure, a proposal of the Ministry to close down CSWB was approved by the Union Cabinet. The closure of the organisation has been notified in Gazette of India(extraordinary) vide notification dated 05.04.2024.

As on date, 18 Family Counselling Centres are operational in Odisha. District-wise detail is at **Annexure**.

Details of funds sanctioned during the last three years to the CSWB for organising various welfare activities and programmes are as under:

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Amount of Funds Sanctioned</b> (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	2021-22	1697.40
2.	2022-23	1564.92
3.	2023-24	Nil

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**Annexure**

**Annexure referred to in Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.3026 regarding "Family counselling centres in Odisha" for answer on 26.03.2025**

District-wise detail of Family Counselling Centres operational in Odisha

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>No. of Family Counselling Centres</b>
1.	Balasore	01
2.	Bargarh	01
3.	Bhadrak	01
4.	Bolangir	01
5.	Cuttack	02
6.	Dhenkenal	01
7.	Jagatsinghpur	01
8.	Jajpur	01
9.	Kalahandi	01
10.	Keonjhar	02
11.	Khurda	02
12.	Mayurbhanj	01
13.	Nayagarh	01
14.	Nuapada	01
15.	Rayagada	01
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>18</b>

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