

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3036
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2025

CHILD CARE HOME

3036. SHRI PRAKASH CHIK BARAIK:

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

- (a) the number of children in Care Homes and shelter homes in the country;
- (b) the number of these children have been identified to have special needs;
- (c) the number of children who have been adopted in the last five years, year-wise; and
- (d) the number of these adopted children who have special needs?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Total 62,592 children are living in the Child Care Institutions namely Children Home, Open Shelter, Specialised Adoption Agency, Observation Home, Special Home and Place of Safety. They are supported under Mission Vatsalya Scheme as on 31.03.2024. Of these 4,364 are children with special needs.

(c) & (d): Year-wise number of children who have been adopted and special needs adopted children in the last five years, is as under:

Years	Number of Adopted Children	Number of Adopted Special Needs Children
2019-20	3745	166
2020-21	3559	243
2021-22	3405	342
2022-23	3441	344
2023-24	4029	307
