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DEVELOPMENT OF ANGANWADI CENTRES IN ODISHA

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

- (a) the total number of sanctioned and operational Anganwadi Centres in Odisha;
- (b) the funds allocated and released by the Central Government for development, upgradation and infrastructure of Anganwadi Centres in Odisha during the last five years;
- (c) whether the utilisation of such funds has been reviewed and, if so, the findings thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether any additional assistance is proposed for strengthening Anganwadi infrastructure in Odisha and, if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) The total number of sanctioned and operational Anganwadi Centres in State of Odisha can be accessed from Poshan Tracker at <https://www.poshantracker.in/statistics>.

(b) to (d) Under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0, various steps have been undertaken to improve the infrastructure facilities at Anganwadi Centres (AWCs). Under the Mission 10,000 AWCs per year are being allocated for construction in convergence with MGNREGS wherein Rs.8.00 Lakh is provided under MGNREGS, Rs.2.00 Lakh under 15th Finance Commission (FC) (or any other untied funds) and Rs.2.00 Lakh by MWCD per AWC shared between Centre and States/UTs in the prescribed cost sharing ratio. A total of 40,000 Anganwadi Centres have been approved for construction under MGNREGS across the country. Out of this, 1,639 AWCs have

been approved for the State of Odisha and funds amounting to Rs. 1966.8 lakhs have been allocated for the same.

Various other initiatives have been undertaken for construction of AWCs under PM JANMAN for the targeted development of Tribal population. For the State of Odisha, a total of 89 AWCs have been approved and funds amounting to Rs. 1,068 Lakh have been allocated.

Also, in order to improve the infrastructure facilities at AWCs, funds @Rs.17,000/- for drinking water facilities and @Rs.36,000/- for construction of toilets are provided for each AWC to States and UTs. For the State of Odisha, a total of 6,965 AWCs have been approved for providing drinking water facilities for which a total of Rs. 1782.24 Lakhs have been allocated. Construction of toilets have been approved for 16,575 AWCs in State of Odisha for which funds amounting to Rs. 2458.79 Lakhs have been allocated.

Under Mission Poshan 2.0, two lakh AWCs located in Government buildings @40,000 AWCs per year are being strengthened as Saksham Anganwadis for delivery of improved nutrition and for Early Childhood Care and Education. Saksham Anganwadis are provided with better infrastructure than the conventional Anganwadi centres with LED screens, water filtration system, Poshan Vatika, Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) material and Building as Learning Aid (BALA) paintings. In the State of Odisha, a total of 12,140 AWCs have been approved for which funds amounting to Rs. 7284.00 Lakhs have been allocated.
