GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No.54 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2017

ESTABLISHMENT OF ANGANWADI CENTRES IN URBAN AREAS

54. COL. SONARAM CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether establishment of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) is permitted in urban areas and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government of Rajasthan has sent any proposal to establish AWCs in urban areas with the cost of Rs.7 lakhs per AWC for sanction of Central share; and
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto along with the time by which the Central share would be sanctioned ?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR)

(a) Yes Madam, establishment of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) is permitted in the urban areas. Establishment of AWCs is based on population norms as per the details given below:

Anganwadi Centres

(i)	For Rural/Urban Projects		
	400-800	-	1 AWC
	800-1600	-	2 AWCs
	1600-2400	-	3 AWCs
	Thereafter in multiples of 800	-	1 AWC
	For Mini-AWC		
	150-400	-	1 Mini-AWC
(ii)	<u>For Tribal /Riverine/Desert, Hilly and other difficult areas/ Projects</u>		
	300-800	-	1 A
	<u>For Mini- AWC</u>		
	150-300	-	1 Mini AWC

At present, all the 14 lakh sanctioned AWCs have been allocated to the States/UTs out of which 13.56 lakh AWCs are operational.

(b) & (c) During the year 2017-18, Government of Rajasthan submitted proposal for construction of 1000 AWCs in urban areas @ Rs.7.00 lakh per AWC. However, the ICDS Scheme (now renamed as Anganwadi Services) has since been revised and construction of AWCs at urban areas from ICDS funds has been discontinued.