GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4516 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2019

CHILDREN ENROLLED IN ANGANWADIS

4516. MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:

SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

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

- (a) the total number of beneficiaries including children enrolled under Anganwadis at present along with the funds released for distribution of cooked food to the enrolled beneficiaries under ICDS;
- (b) whether the Government has noted that a large number of ghost/fake beneficiaries have been identified across the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the number of such ghost/fake beneficiaries, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to weed out ghost/fake beneficiaries under the said scheme?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILDDEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) The total number of beneficiaries including children enrolled under Anganwadi Services under Umbrella Integrated Child Development Schemeas on 31st March 2019 and funds released for Supplementary Nutrition Program for the year (2018-19), is as under:-

Beneficiaries of Supplementary Nutrition			Fund Released for
Total Children (6	Pregnant Women &	Total	SNP
months - 6 years)	Lactating Mothers	Beneficiaries	(2018-19)
,	· ·		Rs. in Lakhs
7,03,74,122	1,71,86,549	8,75,60,671	8,47,591.84

(b) & (d): No such survey has been conducted by the Ministry. Supplementary Nutrition Programme is implemented as Direct Benefit Transfer Scheme. The beneficiaries under the Anganwadi Services Scheme are identified on the basis of Aadhaar which is used as identity document for delivery of services or benefits which brings in transparency and efficiency and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements.

The beneficiaries not possessing the Aadhaar card are assisted by the field functionaries to obtain the same. Till such time they get the Adhaar card, they are provided the Anganwadi Services on the basis of alternative identification document.
