GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UN-STARRED QUESTION NO. 309 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2023

SUCCESS RATE OF ONE STOP CENTRES

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

- (a) the average duration of stay for women who seek help through One Stop Centres, State-wise;
- (b) the measures taken by One Stop Centres to prevent re-traumatization of victims;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any survey among victims to discern the success rate of One Stop Centres, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, whether the Government is planning to introduce a monitoring mechanism for the same and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): The Government has been implementing scheme of One Stop Centre (OSC) w.e.f. 01.04.2015 to provide integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence and in distress, both in private and public spaces under one roof and provide an integrated range of services including medical aid, legal aid and advice, temporary shelter for a maximum period of 5 days, police assistance, psycho-social counselling to needy women.

Further, the Government has also engaged the services of National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS) for providing basic and advanced training under the project named 'Stree Manoraksha' to the staff of One Stop Centres (OSCs) across the country on handling psycho-social and mental health care needs of women facing violence and in distress.

(c) & (d): A third party evaluation of the schemes of the Ministry, including One Stop Centre (OSC) Scheme, was conducted during the Financial Year 2020-21 through NITI Aayog. The study found the relevance, effectiveness and sustainability of the scheme as satisfactory. Based on the recommendations of the Third Party Evaluation, the OSC scheme has been included as a component of sub-scheme 'Sambal' under Mission Shakti for implementation during period of 15th Finance Commission Cycle upto 2025-26. OSC has been designated as a mainstay at district level for all activities related to safety and security of women and girls. The scheme has been well received as over 6.65 lakh women have been assisted upto December, 2022 by One Stop Centres across the country.

As per the scheme guidelines, District/ State authorities are mandated for monitoring, coordinating and mid-course correction for effective implementation of the scheme. The Ministry at various levels also reviews, from time to time, for effective implementation of the scheme and functioning of these centres by issuing advisories to States Governments/ UT Administrations and conducting meetings, video conferencing etc with all concerned functionaries. Further, an online platform namely Sakhi Dashboard is also available for monitoring of its implementation.
