

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.375
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2023

MISSION SHAKTI

375. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that out of 19 schemes of the Ministry now only three schemes Mission Shakti, Mission Vatsalya, Saksham Anganwadi are in operation at present, if so, the reasons therefor and the response of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the funds allotted for welfare schemes under the Ministry remained unspent during the last three years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether various women-centric schemes have been shut down and public spaces remain unsafe for women all over the country, if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken by the Government to ensure funds allocated for women welfare schemes are fully utilised?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e) No Sir. All the schemes of the Ministry were evaluated by NITI Aayog and their suggestions were incorporated while reorganising the schemes into 3 Missions to ensure better monitoring and efficient implementation viz. (1) Mission Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan2.0 for improving nutrition indicators in the country; (2) Mission Vatsalya, for protection and welfare of children and (3) Mission Shakti, for safety, protection and empowerment of women. The details of these schemes are as under:

I. Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0: This programme has been reorganized into 3 primary verticals: (i) Nutrition Support for Children, Adolescent Girls and Pregnant Women & Lactating Mothers (ii) Early Childhood Care and Education [3-6years] and (iii) Anganwadi Infrastructure including modern, upgraded Saksham Anganwadis.

II. Mission Shakti: Mission Shakti comprises of two sub-schemes '**Sambal**' and '**Samarthya**' for safety and security of women and empowerment of women respectively. The existing schemes of One Stop Centres (OSC), Women Helplines(181-WHL) and Beti

Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) have been made part of Sambal sub-scheme and a new component Nari Adalat has been introduced. The existing schemes of Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY), Ujjwala & Swadhar Greh named as Shakti Sadan; Working Women Hostel named as Sakhi Niwas; Gender Budgeting; National Creche Scheme (PALNA); along with a new component of Hubs for Empowerment of Women at National, State and District level have been subsumed in '**Samarthya**'. Further, the Government of India has set up a dedicated non-lapsable corpus fund called Nirbhaya Fund which is utilized for projects specifically designed to improve the safety and security of women. 38 different projects/ schemes have been appraised under Nirbhaya Fund which interalia include – (a) Safe City Projects in 8 Cities (b) Setting up and strengthening Anti-Human Trafficking Units (AHTUs) in all districts of States/UTs (c) Setting up of 1023 Fast Track Special Courts etc.

III. Mission Vatsalya: Under the scheme, support is provided for delivering services for children in need and in difficult circumstances universally across the country; and develop context-based solutions for holistic development of children from varied backgrounds. The Child Care Institutions (CCIs) established under the scheme support inter-alia Boarding & Lodging, age-appropriate education, access to vocational training, recreation, health care, counselling etc. and covers both rural and urban children. Under sponsorship component, the Children in Need of Care and Protection (CNCP) in kinship or foster care are provided support for boarding and lodging @ Rs.4000/- per month. The unspent amount remaining under the schemes is adjusted while releasing the grants for the next Financial Year. The details of funds allotted and utilized under the schemes of the Ministry during the last three years is **annexed**.

Smooth functioning and proper implementation of the schemes, including utilization of funds, is reviewed periodically through meetings/video conferences with States/UTs. The Central Government has been persistent in its efforts to ensure optimum utilisation of funds towards the cause. The funds remain unutilized primarily due to lack of qualitative initiatives at the level of state/ district administration. The quantum and percentage of funds lying unutilised are **annexed**.

Annexure

Funds allotted and utilised under the schemes of the Ministry during the last three years

(Rs. in Lakhs)

S.No.	Name of Mission	Name of Scheme	Funds released/ utilized for FY 2019-20			Funds released/ utilized for FY 2020-21			Funds released/ utilized for FY 2021-22		
			Released	Utilized	% of funding unutilised	Released	Utilized	% of funding unutilised	Released	Utilized	% of funding unutilised
1.	Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0	a. Anganwadi Services Scheme	1612013.41	1730432.2	***	1578835.1	1655669.2	***	1820324.7	UC not received	
		b. POSHAN Abhiyaan	171458.77	**		20844.66	**		14597.59	357277.66	** ***
2.	Shakti	a. One Stop Centres	13785.65	4888.29	65	15992.94	4914.40	69	14635.91	5147.48	65
		b. Women Helpline	1168.15	1028.56	12	1252.86	1151.62	8	1453.10	187.96	87
		c. Beti Bachao Beti Padhao	6003.49	7409.85	***	5329.94	4639.31	13	5710.76	2176.13	62
		d. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana*	220304.00	353705.00	***	107937.00	250723.00	***	162842.00	195296.00	***
		e. Sakhi Nikwas	3254.76	1241.91	62	1950.78	1010.49	48	1203.76	507.38	58
		f. Shakti Sadan – Swadhar Greh	2137.21	1402.95	34	2433.26	1071.61	56	1809.72	1265.58	30
		g. Shakti Sadan – Ujjawala Homes	853.00	329.00	61	790.00	65.00	92	27.00	UC not received	
3.	Vatsalya	74546.32	68212.89	8	70977.53	68736.15	3.2	63546.23	62147.60	2	

*Utilised amount includes both Central and State share

**Total Utilisation for all the 3 years as on 31.03.2022

*** Due to unspent balance, the utilization was more than release.