

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
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TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2023

MISSION SHAKTI

2750 SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV:

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

- (a) whether the Government has data of the States that are implementing the Mission Shakti Scheme, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Mission Shakti Scheme has subsumed the existing staff recruited under the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY);
- (c) if so, the number of employees subsumed under Mission Shakti and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has issued any clear guidelines for the provision of salary of the contractual staffs working under Mission Shakti at district and State level; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) : 'Mission Shakti' is a scheme in mission mode which aims to strengthen interventions for women safety, security and empowerment across the country. The major activities carried out under the different components of 'Mission Shakti' during the previous years include operationalisation of 733 One Stop Centres (OSCs) in all States/ UTs which have assisted over 7.06 lakh women till 31.03.2023; operationalisation of Women Helpline (WHL)- 181 in 34 States/ UTs that have handled over 1.26 crore calls and have assisted over 64.07 lakh women till 31.03.2023. Under Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY), there are over 3.30 crore registered beneficiaries. In addition, the Government has released funds to 30 States/ UTs who have complied with the financial norms for establishment of Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW) at State/ UT and District levels. The Ministry has also approved 68 additional OSCs for setting up in new districts or as additional OSC in bigger districts, that fulfill the criteria for additional OSC as per scheme guidelines. Besides, the Ministry has awarded work order and released funds to Centre for Development of Advance Computing (C-DAC) for integration of WHL -181, Childline-1098 with Emergency Response Support System (ERSS)-112, for providing seamless emergency and non-emergency support and information service to women and girls across the country in line with the vision of Government to have 'One Nation One Helpline'. These are some of the major steps taken under Mission Shakti, besides

approval of new projects under various components of Mission Shakti, regular release of funds and monitoring of implementation of the scheme. Mission Shakti also has components of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Shakti Sadan, Sakhi Niwas, Hub for Empowerment of Women and Palna. All the States/ UTs are implementing most of the components of Mission Shakti.

(b) & (c): The Umbrella Scheme of Mission Shakti has two sub-schemes namely "Sambal" for safety and security of women and "Samarthya" for empowerment of women. Under 'Samarthya' sub- scheme, a new component i.e. Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW) has been included with the aim to facilitate inter-sectoral convergence of schemes and programs meant for women at the Central, State/ UT and District levels for creating an environment in which women are able to realize their full potential. The support under the HEW provides for guiding, linking and hand holding women to various institutional and schematic set ups for their empowerment and development including access to healthcare, quality education, career and vocational counseling/ training, financial inclusion, entrepreneurship, backward and forward linkages, health and safety for workers, social security and digital literacy at districts/ Blocks/ Gram Panchayats level across the country.

The HEW acts as a single Project Monitoring Unit (PMU) for the Umbrella Scheme at Central, State/ UT and District levels. At Central Level, the dedicated PMU named National Hub for Empowerment of Women (NHEW) consists 26 specialists/ manpower. At State Level, a dedicated PMU named as State Hub for Empowerment of Women (SHEW) is provided, which works for convergence/ coordination with Central Ministries as well as districts. At District level, a single dedicated PMU named as District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW) is provided for awareness generation and convergence/ coordination apart from the support staff for administrative work.

The Ministry provides financial assistance to States/ UTs for hiring of manpower engaged at State and District level HEWs.

(d) & (e): Mission Shakti does not envisage creation of regular posts. However, wherever required, for smooth implementation of the Mission Shakti, the Central Government provides financial assistance to States/ UTs/ Districts for hiring of manpower. The required number of regular officers/ staffs for implementation of Mission Shakti is provided by the Ministry at Central level and similar arrangements are made at State/ District levels.
