GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC COOPERATION AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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

- (a) the salient features of Mission Shakti-Women Empowerment Scheme; and
- (b) the functions and salient features of the National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD)?

ANSWER

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

(a) : 'Mission Shakti' is a scheme in mission mode to strengthen interventions for women safety, security and empowerment. It seeks to realise the Government's commitment for 'women-led development' by addressing issues affecting women on a life-cycle continuum basis and making them equal partners in nation-building through convergence and citizen-ownership. It focuses on strategies for improving convergence across Ministries/ Departments and at different levels of governance. 'Mission Shakti' comprises of two sub-schemes 'Sambal' and 'Samarthya' for safety and security, and empowerment of women, respectively. The components of One Stop Centres (OSC), Women Helplines (181-WHL), Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) and Nari Adalat-women collective are part of 'Sambal' sub- scheme. The 'Samarthya' sub-scheme includes components of Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY), Shakti Sadan, Sakhi Niwas, Palna (Creche) and Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW).

Under Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW) component of 'Samarthya' subscheme, the Central Government provides financial assistance to States/ UTs for setting up of Hub at State and District levels 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.

(b): The National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development, popularly known as NIPCCD, is a premier organization devoted to promotion of voluntary action, research, training and documentation in the overall domain of women and child development. The Institute focuses on essential and need-based programmes for holistic development of children and their protection, and for creating awareness regarding women's empowerment and gender issues, especially women's rights—political, social and economic. Training and Capacity Building of field functionaries in the above areas is one of the core activities of the Institute.
