

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
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WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

4174. SHRI GIRIDHARI YADAV:
SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

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

- (a) the details of the schemes implemented by the Government for women empowerment in Bihar.
- (b) the details of the funds allocated by the Union Government to the Government of Bihar for the said schemes during the last three years;
- (c) the details of such funds which have remained unutilized along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government of Bihar has sent any proposal to the Government with regard to women empowerment in the State.
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the decisions taken by the Government so far on the said proposals; and
- (f) the reasons for delay in implementation of the said decisions, if any?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f): The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing various schemes for the empowerment of women across the country including the State of Bihar. The details of major schemes are as under:

i. Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) scheme is a tri-ministerial initiative of Ministries of Women and Child Development, Health & Family Welfare and Human Resource Development with a focus on awareness and advocacy campaign for changing mindsets, multi-sectoral action in select districts, enabling girls' education and effective enforcement of Pre-Conception & Pre Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PC&PNDT) Act. The specific objectives of the scheme is to address declining Child Sex Ratio (CSR) by preventing gender biased sex selective elimination; ensuring survival and protection of the girl child and ensuring education and participation of the girl child. BBBP is implemented in 38 districts of Bihar.

ii. Women Helpline Scheme is being implemented since 1st April, 2015 to provide 24 hours emergency and non-emergency response to women affected by violence through referral and information about women related government schemes/programmes across the country through a single uniform number (181). WHL also supports women in distress with rescue van and counselling services in addition to providing information about women welfare schemes and programs across the country. Women Helpline is operational in Bihar.

iii. One Stop Centre (OSC) facilitates access to an integrated range of services including police, medical, legal, psychological support and temporary shelter to women affected by violence. The Scheme is funded through the Nirbhaya Fund. Under the scheme, One Stop Centres are being set up in all districts of the country. 38 OSCs are operational in Bihar.

iv. Mahila Shakti Kendra Scheme aims to empower rural women through community participation. The scheme envisages community engagement through College Student Volunteers to empower rural women in 115 aspirational districts as part of block level initiatives. District Level Centre for Women (DLCW) in 640 districts and State Resource Centre for Women support the respective government in States/UTs towards implementation of women centric schemes and BBBP program.

v. SwadharGreh scheme targets women victims of unfortunate circumstances who are in need of institutional support for rehabilitation so that they can lead their life with dignity.

vi. Ujjawala Scheme as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Prevention of trafficking and for Rescue, Rehabilitation, Re-integration and Repatriation of victims of trafficking for commercial sexual exploitation. Under this scheme, the funds are provided to implementing agencies for Rescue and Rehabilitation of victims of trafficking which includes vocational training from recognized institutes for alternate livelihood options and skill development of the inmates.

vii. Working Women Hostel aims at providing safe and affordable accommodation to working women. These hostels have day care facility for the children of inmates too. The Ministry provides financial support for establishing such hostels by NGOs or State Governments.

The details of funds released to the Government of Bihar during the last three years and unutilized fund under the scheme is as under:

(In Rupees)

Scheme	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
	Released/ Revalidated	Unutilised	Released/ Revalidated	Unutilised	Release/ Revalidated	Unutilised
BetiBachao and BetiPadhao	3522231	1723267	3250500	2248911	41800000	41079783
Universalisation of Women Helpline	0	0	3807000	0	5494258	2235000
One Stop Centre	19890150	19890150	0	0	30832455	30832455
Mahila Shakti Kendra		25781000**	102208150	127989150	2583000	130572150
SwadharGreh	6979000	-*	8654000	-	0	0
Ujjawala	2338000	-*	2899000	-	0	0

* Utilization certificate is pending from Bihar

** Unspent balance of erstwhile NMEW Scheme
