GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4252 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2019

FUND FOR WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN BIHAR

4252 DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

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

- a) the steps undertaken by the Government for Women and Child Development in rural parts of the country particularly in backward areas of district Gopalganj of Bihar:
- b) the total fund allocated to the State of Bihar for women and girls development during the last three years;
- c) the amount spent and the details about unspent amount for the said purposes particularly in district Gopalganj of Bihar; and
- d) the name of the Central agencies working for women and child development in Bihar particularly in Gopalganj district?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing two Centrally Sponsored Umbrella schemes – Umbrella Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) and Mission for Protection and Empowerment of Women across the Country, including district Gopalganj of Bihar, for the holistic development, protection and welfare of women, out of school adolescent girls in the age group of 11-14 years and children in the age group of 0-6 years. The schemes of the Ministry are implemented by the State Government concerned and no central agency is directly involved for implementation at field level. The Ministry releases Central share of funds to the State Government for implementation of the schemes as per guidelines and implementation norms. The details of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes being implemented by the Ministry of Women and Child Development in Bihar is at Annexure-I. The details of schemewise funds released to the State of Bihar and utilization reported in these schemes during the last three years is at Annexure-II.

Statement referred to in reply to Part (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4252 for 13.12.2019 by Dr. Alok Kumar Suman, MP.

The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing two Centrally Sponsored Umbrella schemes – Umbrella Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) and Mission for Protection and Empowerment of Women across the country. The details of major schemes are as under:

1. Umbrella ICDS:

- The Anganwadi Services Scheme is a unique programme for early childhood care and development. It offers a package of six services, viz. Supplementary Nutrition, Pre-School Non-Formal Education, Nutrition and Health Education, Immunization, Health Check-Up and Referral Services. The beneficiaries under the Scheme are children in the age group of 0-6 years, pregnant women and lactating mothers.
- ii. Poshan Abhiyaan (National Nutrition Mission) targets to reduce the level of stunting, under-nutrition, anemia and low birth weight babies by reducing mal-nutrition/under nutrition, anemia among young children as also, focus on adolescent girls, pregnant women and lactating mothers.
- iii. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) scheme provides cash incentive amounting to Rs.5,000/- in three installments directly to the Bank/Post Office Account of Pregnant Women and Lactating Mother(PW&LM) in DBT Mode during pregnancy and lactation in response to individual fulfilling specific conditions. The beneficiary woman also receives cash incentives under Janni Suraksha Yojana (JSY) so that on an average she receives Rs. 6000/-.
- iv. Scheme for Adolescent Girls aims at out of school girls in the age group 11-14, to empower and improve their social status through nutrition, life skills and home skills. The scheme has nutritional and non nutritional components which include nutrition; iron and folic acid supplementation; health check up and referral service; nutrition and health education; mainstreaming out of school girls to join formal schooling bridge course/ skill training; life skill education, home management etc,; counselling/ guidance on accessing public services.
- v. National Creche Scheme provides day care facilities to children of age group of 6 months to 6 years of working women. The facilities are provided for seven and half hours a day for 26 days in a month. Children are provided with supplementary nutrition, early childcare education, and health and sleeping facilities.
- vi. Child Protection Services Scheme aims to contribute to the improvement and wellbeing of children in difficult circumstances, as well as, reduction of vulnerabilities to situation and actions that leads to abuse, neglect, exploitation, abandonment and separation of children from parent. The Scheme aims to spread awareness regarding the ways and means to prevent all children from child abuse of any kind including child sexual abuse.

2. Mission for Protection and Empowerment of Women:

- vii. Mahila Shakti Kendra scheme empowers rural women through community participation by involvement of Student Volunteers. The scheme is envisaged to work at various levels and at the national and state level technical support to the respective government on issues related to women is provided.
- viii. Swadhar Greh 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.
- ix. Ujjawala is a comprehensive scheme with the objective to prevent trafficking of women and children for commercial sexual exploitation, to facilitate rescue victims and placing them in safe custody, to provide rehabilitation services by providing basic amenities/needs, to facilitate reintegration of victims into the family and society, to facilitate repatriation of cross border victims.
- x. 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.
- xi. 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.
- xii. 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.
- xiii. 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).
- xiv. Mahila Police Volunteers (MPVs) Scheme is being implemented by the Ministry of Women and Child Development in collaboration with the Ministry of Home Affairs. It envisages engagement of Mahila Police Volunteers in States/UTs who act as a link between police and community and facilitates women in distress.

Annexure – II referred to in reply to part(b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4252 for 13.12.2019 by DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN on 'Fund for Women and Child Development in Bihar

Year-wise releases to the state of Bihar and utilization under various schemes of the Ministry

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.	Name of Schemes	2016-1	7	2017-18		2018-19		2019-20
No.		Released	Utilised	Released	Utilised	Released	Utilised	Released
1	Anganwadi Services	98099.36	76018.9	92217.01	84184.19	115848.70	74301.20	112822.17
2	POSHAN Abhiyaan	NA	NA	7063.44 **	0	15001.67	5380.00	10000.00
3	Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana *	NA	NA	17351.38	575.70	1253.00	6228.22	0
3	Scheme for Adolescent Girls	2696.83	2315.55	4003.74	2742.76	25.54	686.12	463.92
4	National Creche Scheme	51.94 (w.e.f. 1.1.2017)	0.00	55.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	Child Protection Scheme	2787.92	1923.33	541.56	1609.84	2621.87	1619.23	1297.02
6	Mahila Shakti Kendra	-	-	1022.2	NA	25.83	NA	48.62
7	SWADHAR GREH	69.79	0	86.54	0	0	0	0
8	Ujjawala	23.38	-	28.99	-	-	-	-
9	BBBP	***	17.99	20.71	10.02	395.51	7.20	10.70
10	Women's Helpline	0	0	38.07	38.07	54.94	32.59	46.50
11	One Stop Centre	198.90	0	0	0	308.32	0	667.48

Note: (1) Funds are released out of approved allocation after adjusting unspent balances / excess expenditure incurred by the State in the previous year.

⁽²⁾ Fund utilized are more than the funds released/approved allocation due to availability of unspent balance of previous year.

^{* (}Utilised amounts include both Centre and State Share)

^{**(}includes unspent balance of ISSNIP)

^{***(}Funds were not released to States/UTs in 2016-17 due to saving of previous year)