GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UN-STARRED QUESTION NO.4318 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2019

FERTILITY RATE AMONG WORKING WOMEN

4318. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that working women have fewer children;
- (b) whether the fertility rate of working women was 3.3 per cent before ten years and has currently declined to 2.9 per cent;
- (c) whether the Government has constituted any task force in this regard to tackle the issue of low fertility rates among working women;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to launch any campaign to create awareness among working women; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (b): As per the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, no such reference data is available.
- (c): As per the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, the Government has not constituted any task force in this regard.
- (d) to (e): As per the National Population Policy 2000 and National Health Policy, 2017, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare through various intervention, aims to reduce the Total Fertility Rate by improving awareness generation activities through media campaigns.
