GOVERNEMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3336 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2020

OLD AGE HOMES

3336. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:

Will the MINISTER OF WOMEN CHILD AND DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up old age homes, beggar shelters, short stay houses and open shelter homes for the welfare of poor, the old and beggars in Darbhanga district of Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the said shelters homes have not been established in Darbhanga and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) The Government has not received any proposal from the State Government of Bihar for setting up of old age homes, beggar shelters and short stay homes for the welfare of poor, the old and beggars in Darbhanga district of Bihar.

However, the Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing a centrally sponsored Child Protection Services (CPS) Scheme (erstwhile Integrated Child Protection Scheme) under Umbrella Integrated Child Development Services for supporting the children in difficult circumstances. The primary responsibility of implementation of the scheme lies with the State Governments/UT Administrations. Under the scheme institutional care is provided through Child Care Institutes (CCIs), as a rehabilitative measure. The programmes and activities in Homes inter-alia include age-appropriate education, access to vocational training, recreation, health care, counseling etc. Under the non-institutional care component, support is extended for adoption, foster care and sponsorship. Further, CPS also provides for "After care" services after the age of 18 years to help sustain them during the transition from institutional to independent life. The details of CCIs alongwith the children residing in them under CPS scheme as informed by the State Government of Bihar is as below:

Children Home	Beneficiaries	Specialized Adoption Agencies	Beneficiaries
13	599	13	132
