

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1959**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.12.2024

**MAHILA SHAKTI KENDRA IN MADHYA PRADESH**

†1959. SMT. SANDHYA RAY:

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

- (a) the number and details of schemes being implemented by the Ministry in Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) the amount of funds being spent on such schemes, scheme-wise and year-wise;
- (c) the steps being taken in the district of Bhind and Datia for empowerment of women;
- (d) the number of Mahila Shakti Kendras proposed to be opened along with the number of Shakti Kendra opened in Bhind and Datia districts; and
- (e) the details of the women benefited therefrom?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR)

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing Centrally Sponsored Schemes in the country including the State of Madhya Pradesh, for the welfare of women and children, which are clubbed into three umbrella missions viz. (1) Mission Shakti, for safety, protection and empowerment of women; (2) Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 for improving nutrition & health indicators in the country; and (3) Mission Vatsalya, for protection and welfare of children. The details of the schemes are as under:

**(i) Mission Shakti:** The 'Mission Shakti' aims at strengthening interventions for women safety, security and empowerment. It seeks to focus on proposing strategies for improving convergence across Ministries/ Departments and at different levels of governance. Mission Shakti comprises of two verticals 'Sambal' and 'Samarthya'.

The "Sambal" vertical is for safety and security of women. It has the components of One Stop Centres (OSCs), Women Helpline (WHL), Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) and Nari Adalat.

- a. **One Stop Centres (OSCs)**- An institution located at district level offering under one roof immediate help to women in distress such as temporary shelter, medical & police assistance, counselling and legal support.
- b. **Women Helpline (WHL)**- The Women Helpline 181 provides toll-free 24-hours telecom service to women seeking support and information. It is also integrated with Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) 112 for all emergency services and its integration with all One Stop Centres is in progress.
- c. **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP)**- BBBP is a mindset change program helping in generating awareness for valuing the girl child through multi-sectoral interventions.
- d. **Nari Adalat**- An experimental platform providing women with an alternative Grievance Redressal Mechanism at Gram Panchayat level by negotiation, mediation, and reconciliation with mutual consent for speedy, accessible, and affordable justice. It has been piloted in 50 Gram Panchayats each of Assam and UT of Jammu & Kashmir.

The "Samarthya" vertical is for empowerment of women. It has the components of Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY), Shakti Sadan, Sakhi Niwas, Palna and SANKALP : Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW).

- a. **Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)**- PMMVY is a Centrally Sponsored Maternity Benefits Scheme under which cash incentives of ₹5,000/- is provided directly to the Bank/Post Office account of the beneficiary in Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode for first child. Cash incentive of ₹6,000/- is also provided under PMMVY to eligible beneficiaries for second child being a girl child.
- b. **Shakti Sadan**- Shakti Sadan is an Integrated Relief and Rehabilitation Home for the women in distress situations and difficult circumstances.
- c. **Sakhi Niwas**- The Sakhi Niwas Scheme (Working Women Hostel) is a demand driven centrally sponsored scheme, under which funds are released directly to the States/UTs and aims to promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women in urban, semi-urban and even rural areas where employment opportunity for women exist.
- d. **Palna**- Palna scheme through day-care crèche facilities provides safe and secure place for the children. Creche services formalise the child care facilities

hitherto considered as part of domestic work and uses Aanganwadi infrastructure for ensuring delivery of care facilities till the last mile

- e. **SANKALP: Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW)**- The SANKALP: HEW serves as a vehicle to bridge the information and knowledge gap regarding schemes and facilities available for women. It also serves as a Project Monitoring Unit (PMU) for all components under Mission Shakti.

**(ii) Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0):** Under this programme, Anganwadi Services Scheme, POSHAN Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent Girls have been reorganized into 3 primary verticals: (i) Nutrition Support for children below the age of 6 years, Pregnant Women, Lactating Mothers and Adolescent Girls (14 -18 years); (ii) Early Childhood Care and Education [3-6 years] and (iii) Anganwadi Infrastructure including modern, upgraded Saksham Anganwadi.

**(iii) Mission Vatsalya:** Mission Vatsalya (erstwhile Child Protection Services Scheme (ICPS)) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) which is implemented through States/Union Territories (UTs) to deliver services for better outreach and protection for Children in Need of Care and Protection (CNCP) and Children in Conflict with Law (CCL) which include Institutional Care and Non-Institutional Care in a mission mode with the objective to: (i) Support and sustain Children in difficult circumstances (ii) Develop context-based solutions for holistic development of children from varied backgrounds (iii) Provide scope for green field projects for encouraging innovative solutions (iv) Cement convergent action by gap funding, if required.

The scheme also provides for emergency outreach services (24x7) for children in difficult circumstances through Child Helpline (1098).

The scheme-wise and year-wise details of funds released to the State of Madhya Pradesh during the last three years is at **Annexure**.

(c): Under Samarthya vertical of Mission Shakti, a series of initiatives to empower women in the districts of Datia and Bhind have been undertaken which include awareness camps/ sessions on various key schemes and programmes related to women such as PMMVY registration drives, 100-days special campaign under SANKALP: HEW, etc.

(d) & (e): The Mahila Shakti Kendra (MSK) Scheme was approved in November, 2017 as a centrally sponsored scheme to empower rural women through community participation. A third party evaluation study of MSK scheme was conducted by NITI Aayog in 2020. Taking into account the findings of the evaluation and after consultation with States/ UTs and stakeholders, the scheme has been discontinued with effect from 01.04.2022.

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**Annexure**

**Annexure referred to in the reply to parts (a) & (b) of the Lok Sabha Un-starred Question No. 1959 for answer on 06.12.2024 regarding “Mahila Shakti Kendra in Madhya Pradesh” raised by Smt. Sandhya Ray**

The scheme-wise and year-wise details of funds released to the State of Madhya Pradesh during the last three years:-

Sl. No.	Scheme	Funds released (Rs. In Crore)		
		2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
1.	Mission Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0	1085.47	1011.57	1123.11
2.	Mission Vatsalya	30.57	46.91	60.85
3.	Mission Shakti			
	a. Sambal	18.19	8.86	22.27
	b. Samarthaya	132.95	204.25	113.88

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