GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4237 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2024

HUBS FOR EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN

4237. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up Hubs for Empowerment of Women in the country including Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details and the salient features thereof;
- (c) the number of such hubs presently operational in the country, district-wise particularly in Supaul, Madhepura and Saharsa district of the said State;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to set up more such hubs with the help of Panchayats in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing the Umbrella Scheme named as 'Mission Shakti' with effect from 01.04.2022 which aims at strengthening interventions for women safety, security and empowerment in the country including the State of Bihar.

The Mission Shakti has two verticals 'Sambal' and 'Samarthya'. The "Samarthya" vertical is for empowerment of women and one of the schemes under Samarthya is SANKALP: Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW).

The SANKALP: Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW), operates as a Project Management Unit (PMU) to oversee and implement various components of Mission Shakti. Its primary role is to function as a single-window inter-sectoral convergence mechanism for supporting women across the country. The initiative is structured at three levels- National, State/UT and District, which work in coordination to provide effective outreach and support to women. Through SANKALP: HEWs, information on

various components of Mission Shakti and other women-centric schemes/ initiatives of Government of India and States/UTs, is provided to women seeking support.

To enable dissemination of information to the women at grassroot level, regular capacity-building training is provided to the staff to ensure that SANKALP: HEWs are well-equipped to discharge their duties, which includes providing them with a 'Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)' and a comprehensive Compendium detailing Central Government women-centric schemes, policies, laws, and legislations. Also, the SANKALP: HEWs have been equipped with additional funds for hiring of vehicles for mobility support to outreach activities, to enhance their effectiveness and reach of these awareness efforts.

SANKALP: HEWs at State level are functional in all States/UTs except the State of West Bengal.

State-wise number of SANKALP: HEWs functional at district level including Supaul, Madhepura and Saharsa districts of Bihar is at **Annexure**.

Annexure referred to in the reply to parts (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Un-starred Question No. 4237 for answer on 20.12.2024 regarding "Hubs for Empowerment of Women" raised by Shri Dileshwar Kamait

State/UT-wise number of SANKALP: HEWs functional at district level including Supaul, Madhepura and Saharsa districts of Bihar

SI. No.	States/ UTs	No. of DHEW Functional
1	Andaman & N Islands	3
2	Andhra Pradesh	26
3	Arunachal Pradesh	25
4	Assam	35
5	Bihar	38
6	Chandigarh	1
7	Chhattisgarh	33
8	Dadra Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	3
9	Delhi	11
10	Goa	2
11	Gujarat	33
12	Haryana	22
13	Himachal Pradesh	12
14	Jammu and Kashmir	20
15	Jharkhand	24
16	Karnataka	31
17	Kerala	14
18	Ladakh	2
19	Lakshadweep	1
20	Madhya Pradesh	52
21	Maharashtra	36
22	Manipur	16
23	Meghalaya	12
24	Mizoram	11
25	Nagaland	16
26	Odisha	30
27	Puducherry	4
28	Punjab	23
29	Rajasthan	33
30	Sikkim	6
31	Tamil Nadu	38
32	Telangana	33
33	Tripura	8
34	UP	75
35	Uttarakhand	13
	Total	742

District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW)