GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5669 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.04.2025

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5669. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA MEENA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted assessment of the implementation of "Mission Shakti" in the State of Rajasthan and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether "Sakhi one Stop Centre" and "Mahila helpline" are working seamlessly under the said mission in the Tonk and Sawai Madhopur districts, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any improvement have been noticed in reducing/preventing violence against women and providing legal assistance in these district through "Mission Shakti" and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the additional training programmes have been planned for law enforcement and assistant staff in order to improve efficacy of "Mission Shakti" in these areas?

ANSWER

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

(a): Evaluation of the schemes of the Ministry of Women and Child Development was conducted during the Financial Year 2020-21 by NITI Aayog including the State of Rajasthan. The study found the relevance, effectiveness, and sustainability of the various schemes as satisfactory. Based on the report Ministry has launched Mission Shakti guidelines for implementation during the 15th Finance Commission up to FY 2025-26.

Mission Shakti has two verticals namely "Sambal" for safety and security of women and "Samarthya" for empowerment of women. The 'Sambal' vertical has components/ schemes of One Stop Centre (OSC), Women Helpline (WHL), Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) and Nari Adalat. The 'Samarthya' has components/schemes of Shakti Sadan, Sakhi Niwas, Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana, Palna and SANKALP: Hub for Empowerment of Women (SANKALP: HEW).

Ministry monitors the progress of activities under Mission Shakti and reviews status of achievement of objectives through yearly Programme Approval Board meetings with the States/UTs. Apart from this, officials of the Ministry also review the Mission Shakti schemes through meetings, video conferencing and by making occasional field visits to States and UTs.

(b) and (c): The One Stop Center (OSC) is a component of the Sambal vertical providing integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence in both private and public spaces. OSCs offer services such as medical aid, legal support and advice, temporary shelter, police assistance, and psychosocial counselling to women in need. Total 37 OSCs are operational in the state of Rajasthan, including the districts of Tonk and Sawai Madhopur and assisted 50,497 women till 28.02.2025 since inception (01.04.2015).

Women Helpline (WHL) is functional in state of Rajasthan which provides 24 hour telephonic assistance through a universal toll-free number (181) by connecting women for emergency and non- emergency needs including the districts of Tonk and Sawai Madhopur. WHL has assisted 74,122 women between April 1, 2015 and February 28, 2025 in Rajasthan.

(d): The Ministry has organised capacity building sessions for the functionaries of different components of Mission Shakti scheme. This involved engaging expert resource persons from National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD), National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), National Legal Services Authority (NALSA), National Informatics Centre etc. to focus on different aspects for training purposes.
