

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5670
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.04.2025

IMPLEMENTATION OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES

5670. SHRI AASHTIKAR PATIL NAGESH BAPURAO:

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

- (a) the details of schemes being implemented for Women Empowerment and Child Development in Hingoli District, Maharashtra under the Ministry of Women and Child Development;
- (b) the funds allocated, released and utilized under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP), Poshan Abhiyaan, One Stop Centre Scheme and Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana(PMMVY) during the last three years in the said District;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposals from the State Government/local administration for setting up of new Anganwadi Centres, Women Safety Homes or Child Care Institutions in the said District;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the present status of those proposals; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to improve the implementation of said scheme in the said District, especially in rural and tribal areas?

ANSWER

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

(a) For better implementation and efficient monitoring, all schemes implemented by the Ministry, including those for women empowerment and child development in Maharashtra, have been clubbed into three Umbrella Missions, viz. (1) Mission Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 for improving nutrition & health indicators in the country (2) Mission Shakti, for safety, protection and empowerment of women; and (3) Mission Vatsalya, for protection, care and welfare of children in difficult circumstances. Details of the schemes are as under:

(i) Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0): Under this mission, Anganwadi Services Scheme, POSHAN Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent Girls have been reorganized into 3 primary sub-verticals: (i) Nutrition Support for POSHAN and for Adolescent Girls (ii) Early Childhood Care and Education [3-6 years] and (iii) Anganwadi Infrastructure including modern, upgraded Saksham Anganwadis.

(ii) Mission Shakti: It comprises of two verticals '**Sambal**' and '**Samarthya**' for safety, security and empowerment of women, respectively.

I. Sambal - The following schemes have been included under the Sambal vertical: **One Stop Centres (OSC)** - for providing integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence and those in distress, both in private and public spaces in a convergent and coordinated manner under one roof; **Women Helplines (181-WHL)** is a 24 x 7 x 365 toll-free emergency/non-emergency response system that is integrated with ERSS (112) and other existing helplines/institutions; **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP)** - launched with an aim to address declining Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) and related issues of empowerment of girls and women over a life cycle continuum; **Nari Adalat** - an initiative aimed at empowering women by ensuring justice and to offer services such as alternate dispute resolution, grievance redressal, counselling, evidence-based decision-making, pressure group tactics, negotiation, mediation, and reconciliation.

II. Samarthya - The following schemes have been included under 'Samarthya' vertical: **Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)** - a Centrally Sponsored Maternity Benefit Scheme under which cash incentives flow to the beneficiaries in Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode for the first child and the second girl child; **Ujjwala and Swadhar Greh (renamed as Shakti Sadan)** - an Integrated Relief and Rehabilitation Home for women in distress situations including trafficked women; **Working Women Hostel (renamed as Sakhi Niwas)** - to promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women in urban, semi-urban and also in rural areas where employment opportunities for women exist; **National Hub for Empowerment of Women (NHEW)** - to facilitate intersectoral convergence of schemes and programs meant for women at National level, State/ UT level and district level and **National Creche Scheme (renamed as Palna)** that aims to increase the participation of women in work force in the economy by providing quality crèche facility in safe and secure environment for children.

(iii) Mission Vatsalya: Mission Vatsalya includes the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) for better outreach and protection for children in need and 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 encouraging innovative solutions, (iv) Cement convergent action.

(b) Funds are released to the States/UTs for implementation of the scheme and funds are not directly released to the district. The funds released/utilized under the schemes of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP), Poshan Abhiyaan, One Stop Centre Scheme and Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana(PMMVY) in the State of Maharashtra during the last three years are at **Annexure**.

(c) & (d) The details of proposals received from the State Government of Maharashtra are as under:

(i) Anganwadi Centres: Request has been received from State Government of Maharashtra through various communication for sanction of 8084 additional Anganwadi Centres.

(ii) Women Safety Homes: The Shakti Sadan Scheme is a demand driven Centrally Sponsored Scheme, under which funds are released to the States/UTs for implementation of the scheme. The States/UTs assess their requirement as per local needs and proposals are approved every year by the Programme Approval Board (PAB) after discussion with States/UTs. Under the Scheme, financial assistance is provided for running of Shakti Sadan in rented premises. Presently, no Shakti Sadan is functional in the Hingoli District of Maharashtra.

Sakhi Niwas Scheme (Working Women Hostel) under the overarching Mission Shakti, is a demand driven Centrally Sponsored Scheme, under which funds are released to the States/UTs for implementation of the scheme. The scheme aims to promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women in urban, semi-urban and also in rural areas where employment opportunity for women exists. Under the Scheme, financial assistance is provided for running of Sakhi Niwas in rented premises for working women and for those women who are under training for job. Provision of Day Care Centre for children of the residents of the Sakhi Niwas is an important aspect of the scheme. Presently, no Sakhi Niwas is functional in the Hingoli District of Maharashtra.

(iii) Child Care Institutions: No proposal has been received during FY 2024-25 from State Government of Maharashtra for setting up child care institution in Hingoli district of Maharashtra. There is an existing Observation cum Children home which is supported under Mission Vatsalya in the same district.

(e) The following steps have been taken by the Government to improve implementation of the schemes of the Ministry, including in rural and tribal areas:

- The PM JANMAN Mission launched by Ministry of Tribal Affairs aims for targeted development of 75 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) residing in 18 States and a UT. This Mission focuses on 11 critical interventions related to 9 key Ministries including Ministry of Women and Child Development.

Till now, 17.16 crore has been released to Maharashtra under PM JANMAN from MoWCD.

- Suposhit Gram Panchayat Abhiyaan: Provision of selection of 1000 Suposhit Gram Panchayats with an incentive of Rs. 1 Lakh each under Suposhit Gram Panchayats Abhiyaan to motivate Gram Panchayats and Anganwadi functionaries to take proactive measures in improving nutrition.
- Poshan Tracker has been implemented for monitoring and tracking of infrastructure and service delivery at Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) and beneficiaries on defined indicators.
- Face authentication module: For last mile tracking of Service Delivery, MWCD has developed two-factor authentication mechanisms for the distribution of Take Home ration to ensure that benefit is given to the intended beneficiaries registered in Poshan Tracker. Regular follow-up is being done with States/UTs for its 100% adoption. The successful implementation of this module would ensure that THR reaches intended beneficiaries, which would ultimately improve the nutritional outcomes of the beneficiaries.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5670 FOR ANSWER ON 04.04.2025 ASKED BY SHRI AASHTIKAR PATIL NAGESH BAPURAO REGARDING 'IMPLEMENTATION OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES'

Details of funds released/ utilized under the schemes of the Ministry in the State of Maharashtra during the last three years

(Rs. in Lakhs)

S.No	Scheme	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24
1.	Beti Bachao Beti Padhao	122.68	0.00*	0.00*
2.	Saksham Anganwadi & POSHAN 2.0	171339.00	164617.00	169952.00
3.	One Stop Centre	561.35	69.37	1539.69
4.	Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana	9950.00	24083.00	0.00@

* The unspent balance in FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 available with the State was more than 12.5% of the annual requirement due to which released amount is zero (Non-compliance of conditions of Single Nodal Agency account on the Public Financial Management System, Department of Expenditure)

@ Funds could not be released to the State of Maharashtra under PMMVY during the year 2023-24 due to non-compliance of SNA Norms by the State Government of Maharashtra
