

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 5589
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2026

STATUS OF WORKING WOMEN HOSTELS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

5589. SHRI TANGELLA UDAY SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Working Women Hostels sanctioned, constructed and presently operational in Andhra Pradesh and the details of the facilities available in the said hostels, district-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated, released/utilised under the said scheme in the State during the last five years, year-wise and district-wise;
- (c) whether any proposal for their upgradation/expansion is under consideration, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the current status of proposals submitted by the said State during the last five years including the number of proposals approved, pending/rejected along with reasons therefor;
- (e) the details of the sanctioned capacity/actual occupancy of these hostels during the last three years, year-wise; and
- (f) whether any review, inspection/independent assessment has been conducted regarding their functioning, safety, accessibility and overall condition, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f) Sakhi Niwas Scheme [Working Women Hostel (WWH)] under the overarching Mission Shakti, is a demand driven centrally sponsored scheme where States/UTs assess their requirement as per local needs and their proposals are approved by the Programme Approval Board (PAB) after discussion with States/UTs. The Scheme aims to promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women and for those women who are pursuing higher education and training, with Day care facility for children in urban, semi-urban and even rural areas where employment opportunity for women exists. In this scheme, fund is provided for rental accommodation. Component of construction has been discontinued.

At present 23 Sakhi Niwas (WWH) are operational in the State. The details of the functional Sakhi Niwas are provided in **Annexure-I**.

Further, Thirty new proposals for setting up Sakhi Niwas (WWH) on a rental mode were received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh during the Financial Year 2024–25, and the same were approved by the Programme Approval Board (PAB). The State has informed that the establishment of 30 Sakhi Niwas are under process.

During the last five years, an amount of Rs. 89.02 lakh has been sanctioned to the State through SNA or SNA SPARSH (Mother Sanction).

The State Government has informed that the functional hostels are provided with facilities including rooms with beds, toilets, drinking water, CCTV cameras, Wi-Fi connectivity, and security arrangements.

Also, Ministry of Finance (MoF), Department of Expenditure (DoE) in August, 2024 has allocated Rs.5,000/- crores to 28 States under Part (X) (Construction of Working Women Hostels) of Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) Scheme for construction of working women hostels. Under this Scheme, Rs.172.00 crore has been allocated to the government of Andhra Pradesh and State Govt. has submitted 03 proposals for construction of hostels in Vishakhapatnam District at the total cost of Rs.172.00 crore. The proposals of State government have been approved by DoE and 1st instalment of Rs.113.52 crore released by DoE to the State Government during 2024-25. Details of proposals approved under the Scheme are at **Annexure-II**.

The Ministry continuously monitors the progress of implementation of Scheme through physical and virtual meetings with State/UTs, field visit by the officials of the Ministry and through digital mode and takes appropriate measures and issues advisories to States and UTs from time to time.

Annexure-I

ANNEXURE WITH REGARD TO REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (F) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5589 FOR ANSWER ON 27.03.2026 REGARDING STATUS OF WORKING WOMEN HOSTELS IN ANDHRA PRADESH ASKED BY SHRI TANGELLA UDAY SRINIVAS, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT (LS).

Sl. No	District	Address	Capacity
1	Working Women Hostel, NTR District	Door No: 29 - 16 - 3, C.V.R Compound, Gopalreddy Road Vijayawada -2	60
2	Working Women Hostel, Srikakulam	Badurlapeta, Near Collector Office, Srikakulam	50
3	Working Women Hostel, Vizianagaram	B.C. Colony, Opp District Court, V.T. Agraharam, Vizianagaram	45
4	Working Women Hostel, Vishakapatnam – 1	Door No.51-8-40, Near Eenadu Rythu Bazaar, Seethammadhara, Visakhapatnam, 530013	75
5	Working Women Hostel, Vishakapatnam – 2	Door No.51-8-40, Near Eenadu Rythu Bazaar, Seethammadhara, Visakhapatnam, 530013	50
6	Working Women Hostel, Raja-mahendravaram	Opposite SKR Women's College, Danavaipeta, Rajamahendravaram	60
7	Working Women Hostel, Eluru	J.V R Nagar, beside ACB office, Eluru	60
8	Working Women Hostel, Guntur	Mahila Pranganam Campus, Guntur	60
9	Working Women Hostel, Nellore	Police Colony, Dargamitta, Nellore 524004	60
10	Working Women Hostel, Kurnool	Near Silver Jubilee College, 50/706-D, B-Camp, Kurnool	60
11	Working Women Hostel, Tirupathi	D.No.1-5-599/KI, Revenue Ward, Balaji Colony, Tirupathi	50
12	Working Women Hostel, Visakhapatnam	APWCFC Location – 38-28-10, Near R&B office, FCI nagar, Marripalem-530018	50
13	Working Women Hostel, Ananthapuram -	APWCFC, Service Home Compound, Beside APSPDCL, 515001	50
14	Working Women Hostel, Kadapa	APWCFC, Ramaraju Palle,	100
15	Working Women Hostel, Prakasam	APWCFC, Edulurudonka, Santha-nuthalapadu Mandal,	100
16	Working Women Hostel, Rajahmundry,	APWCFC, - Bommuru,	100
17	Working Women Hostel, Tirupathi	APWCFC, Tiruchanur, Tirupathi Rural	100
18	Working Women Hostel, Nellore	APWCFC, Vedayapalem, Gandhinagar,	100
19	Working Women Hostel, Visakhapatnam	APWCFC Location - Pineapple Colony , Mudasarlova,	100

20	Working Women Hostel, Guntur	APWCFC, Town, Guntur	Hyderabad	100
21	Working Women Hostel, Srikakulam	APWCFC Location - Etcherla, Srikakulam		100
22	Working Women Hostel, Satya-vedu MandaL, Chittoor	APWCFC, Madanaplem Village in Satyavedu Manda, Chittoor		100
23	Working Women Hostel, Vijayanagaram	APWCFC, C.T. Agraharam, Vijayanagaram		100
		TOTAL		1730

Annexure-II

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Details of WWHs approved under SASCI in Andhra Pradesh

Proposed Location	Name of the District	No. of WWH approved	Amount approved (In crores)
Mudasarlova	Vishakhapatnam	01	90.54
Madhurawada	Vishakhapatnam	01	51.08
Gajuwaka	Vishakhapatnam	01	30.38
Total		03	172.00
