

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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ANGANWADI CENTRES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of different categories of employees and supervisors employed under the Anganwadi programme and the amount of remuneration paid to them;
- (b) the main proposals initiated by the Anganwadi centers;
- (c) the policy of the Government behind launching of this programme;
- (d) whether the desired objectives of the policy is being achieved in each State;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the functioning of the Anganwadis?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

- (a) Director, District Programme Officers and staff, Project Officers and staff and Supervisors are the functionaries. These are employees of State Government/UT Administration and their pay scales are fixed by respective State Government/UT Administration.
- (b)&(c) Six vital services viz. Immunization, Supplementary Nutrition, Pre-School Education, Nutrition & Health Education, Health Check-up and Referral Services are provided through Anganwadi Centres. The objective is to arrange service delivery through care-providers to improve the quality of life of women & children belonging to the deprived sections of the society.
- (d) Yes, Sir. Various studies have proved the efficacy of the Programme across the country in lowering of Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) and drop out rate, etc.
- (e) Does not arise.
- (f) Various steps to improve the quality of service delivery have been taken recently by providing Pre-School material, Information, Education & Communication (IEC) kits and Medicine kits. Under the Nutrition Component of Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY), a special feeding intervention for the age group of 6-36 months to combat malnutrition has been introduced.