

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6353  
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WELFARE FUND FOR ANGANWADI WORKERS  
KAILASH MEGHWAL

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

- (a) whether the Government propose to set up a Welfare Fund for Anganwadi workers and helpers all over the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the State Governments have requested the Union Government for the allotment of funds for setting up of Anganwadi Welfare fund; and
- (d) if so, the response of the Union Government thereto?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JAS KAUR MEENA)

(a),(b),(c)&(d) There is no provision in the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme to set up a Welfare Fund for Anganwadi Workers & Helpers at the Central level. However, as a welfare measure, States have been requested to consider setting up 'Anganwadi Workers and Helpers Welfare Fund' at the State level out of contribution from Anganwadi Workers & Helpers and State Governments.