

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

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

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to open Family Counselling Centres in Police Stations for women victims of domestic violence;
- (b) whether the Government plan to open such centres at taluka level also;
- (c) if so, whether the non-Governmental organisations working for woman would be given responsibility in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a),(b),(c)&(d) The Government has sanctioned grants, in few States, for setting up of Family Counselling Centres in Police Stations/Mahila Jails for Women victims of domestic violence; through, there is no specific plan to open such centres at taluka level. However, whenever any proposal is received, the same is considered on merit. Some of the Voluntary Organisations for women are already running FCC's in Police Stations. Voluntary Organisations submit their proposals through the State Boards with the consent of respective Police Authorities. At present 19 FCC's are working in Police Stations/Mahila Jails.