

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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FILMS ON EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government engages small film producers for the production of films on the empowerment of women;
- (b) if so, the number of films produced during the last three years and thereafter alongwith their subjects, length and cost with the utilization;
- (c) the details of films commissioned and in the pipe line with their particulars; and
- (d) the procedure adopted to invite new talent among producers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH)

(a) The Department of Women & Child Development utilizes services of DAVP, films Division, National films Development Corporation Ltd. (NFDC) etc. for production of documentaries, spots etc. as and when required to be produced on issues concerning women and children and no private producers are engaged directly.

(b)&(c) During the last three years (2002-03, 2003-04, 2004- 05), in 2002-03 only one documentary film of 24 minute 43 second duration on 'Awardees of Stree Shakti Puraskar 2001' was produced through National Films Development Corporation Ltd., (NFDC), Mumbai at a cost of Rs.12.00 lakh. This documentary was screened in Vigyan Bhawan on the occasion of Presentation ceremony on 26.3.2003. During the year 2003-04 no film/spot was produced. During the year 2004-05 only two video spots of 30 seconds duration each on 'Kanoonee Jankari' & 'Gender Equality' were produced through DAVP at a total cost of Rs.2,26,000/- and these have been telecast from Doordarshan on the occasion of 'International Women's Day' on 8.3.2005. Thereafter no film has been produced.

(d) As and when there is proposal for production of documentary film, spots etc. services of expert government agencies like DAVP, Films Division and NFDC are utilized and proposals from private producers directly are not entertained.