

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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CASH INCENTIVE TO PARENTS OF GIRL CHILD

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to give cash incentive to the parents for taking care of their girls to counter the growing menace of female foeticide and discrimination against women;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action taken in this regard;
- (c) whether this concept is being implemented in some of the countries;
- (d) if so, whether a team has been sent to some of these countries to study the implementation of the scheme; and
- (e) if so, the time by which this scheme is likely to be implemented ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a),(b)&(e) The Working Group on "Development of Children" for the Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-2012) has been constituted by the Planning Commission in April 2006. This Working Group under the chairpersonship of Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development and other experts or members will review the existing approach and programmes for children and suggest suitable initiatives and programmes for the survival, protection, welfare and development of children including the girl child. The deliberations of these Working Groups will serve as an input into the Steering Committee Report of the Planning Commission. The recommendations of the Steering Committee would form the basis for the programmes and schemes of the Ministry of Women and Child Development in Eleventh Plan.

(c) This Ministry is not aware of any cash incentive provided to counter female foeticide in other countries.

(d) No, Sir.