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NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTRE FOR WOMEN
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up a National Resource Centre for Women;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the objectives of the NRCW; and
- (d) the extent to which it has achieved the objectives?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Initially, the National Resource Centre for Women (NRCW) was set up in the National Institute of Public Co-operation and Child Development under the Ministry of Women and Child Development. It was transferred to the National Commission for Women (NCW) with effect from 9.9.2005. NCW has developed an NRCW portal, which is regularly updated and uploaded with latest news clippings, statistics and research studies. An Editorial Board has been set up for the portal headed by the Chairperson, NCW.

(c) The main objectives of the NRCW are to:

- (i) create an information base and disseminate information in the field of women's development and also facilitate generation of data on contemporary issues of women in development;
- (ii) Provide networking facilities to institutions and individuals actively engaged in the field of women's empowerment; and
- (iii) Assimilate the gender perspective in policies, planning, implementation and monitoring in selected sectors.

(d) The NRCW portal is catering to the needs of a broad spectrum of users including Researchers, Women Study Centres and Governments to access information relating to topical women issues.