

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:7

ANSWERED ON:17.10.2008

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

- (a) whether about 46 percent of Indian Children below three years are still underweight and any study has been made on the subject;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the role of Anganwadi Centres in removing malnutrition of children;
- (d) If so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken or likely to be taken by the Government to tackle the problems of under- weight and malnutrition among children?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.