GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3197 ANSWERED ON:19.12.2008 MISSING CHILDREN Sai Shri Nand Kumar;Singh Shri Sugrib

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

- (a) whether a huge number of children have been reported missing from Metro cities during the last three years;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has made any study in this regard;
- (c) if so, the findings thereof; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government to check such activities in the country?

Answer

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

- (a): National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) collects information about missing children from States and Union Territories. As reported by them a list of number of children missing in the States/Union Territories which includes information about missing children in metro cities is enclosed at Annexure.
- (b): No,Sir.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d): Ministry of Women and Child Development has formulated a new scheme namely the 'Integrated Child Protection Scheme' aimed to provide a secure environment for the children. Under the scheme, provision has been made for setting up of Child Tracking System by the Central Project Support Unit (CPSU). Setting up of State Child Protection Society (SCPS) at the State level, and District Child Protection Society (DCPS) at district level, to manage child tracking system amongst other tasks allocated to them, have also been planned under the scheme. However, this scheme is yet to be approved by the competent authority.