

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

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ANGANWADI CENTRES UNDER MULTI- SECTORAL PROGRAMME

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

(a) : whether the Union Government has any proposal to construct Anganwadi Centres (AWC) under the Multi Sectoral Development Programme or any other programme in the country including Kerala;

(b) : if so, the details thereof; and

(c) : the steps being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH)

(a), (b) & (c) : Government has sanctioned construction of 6605 Anganwadi Centres during 2009-2010 @ Rs.1.75 lakh per Anganwadi centre in North Eastern States keeping in view their special needs. Under the Multi Sectoral Development Programme of the Ministry of Minority Affairs, construction of 23,500 anganwadi centres at a total cost of Rs. 68420.60 lakhs has been approved in 15 States viz. Andaman & Nicobar (35 AWCs), Assam (1305 AWCs), Bihar (4014 AWCs), Haryana (71 AWCs), Jammu & Kashmir (40 AWCs), Jharkhand (1205 AWCs), Karnataka (150 AWCs), Madhya Pradesh (200 AWCs), Maharashtra (596 AWCs), Manipur (75 AWCs), Mizoram (55 AWCs), Orissa (151 AWCs), Uttarakhand (412 AWCs), Uttar Pradesh (8701 AWCs) and West Bengal (6490AWCs) in the country. On the request of Ministry of WCD the 13th Finance Commission has recommended construction of AWCs with an estimated cost of Rs.1982 crore in six States namely Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa and West Bengal.

Ministry of Women & Child Development has also requested all States/UTs to arrange for the construction of AWCs/ mini-AWCs in convergence with other sources/schemes such as MPLAD/MLALAD/BRGF/RIDF/Area Development Programmes/NREGA etc.