

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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INCENTIVES TO ASHA WORKERS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of incentives being provided to Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) in the country at present;
- (b) whether the State Governments also provide any benefit to ASHAs, in addition to the incentives, provided by the Union Government; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) Programme under which incentives are provided to ASHAs, varies from State to State. Some of these are Janani Suraksha Yojana, Immunization, male and female sterilization, DOT (TB), cataract operation, detection of leprosy, holding Village Health and Nutrition Days, motivating for Construction of sanitary toilet, slide collection for malaria, facilitating polio campaign, visit for neo-born care, bringing malnourished children to child treatment centers and staying with the child, bringing critically ill children during emergency, bringing pregnant women for HIV test, bringing swine flu patients to dispensary, reporting disease outbreak, house hold survey and also for attending training and monthly meeting.

(b) & (c) State Governments have provided additional benefits to ASHAs in their States. These benefits consist of ASHA Gruha (help desk cum rest shed) to provide temporary rest for ASHAs in districts of Orissa and Chhattisgarh; bicycles for better mobility in Assam and Manipur; radio set in Tripura, umbrella in Manipur; I-cards in Haryana, UP, Uttarakhand, Chhattisgarh, Orissa, Assam, Manipur, Sikkim, Tripura and Arunachal Pradesh. State Government are encouraged to widen the scope of performance based incentive to ASHA.