

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:208  
ANSWERED ON:03.07.2009  
ANGANWADI/MINI ANGANWADI CENTRES  
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**Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the workers engaged in Mini Anganwadi Centres are getting wages less than those engaged in Anganwadi centres;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has received any representation/demand for increase of wages/emoluments from Anganwadi/Mini Anganwadi workers and helpers?

**Answer**

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

(a),(b) &(c) Representations have been received in the past for enhancement in the Honorarium payable to Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers of the Anganwadi Centres (AWCs)/ Mini-AWCs. The Government has since enhanced the Honorarium of these Workers w.e.f. 1.4.2008. Presently, the honorarium being paid to Anganwadi Workers of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs), out of grant-in-aid released by the Government of India ranges from Rs. 1438/- to Rs. 1563/- per month, depending upon their qualification and experience, whereas Anganwadi Helpers of Anganwadi Centres and Anganwadi Workers engaged in Mini Anganwadi Centres are paid an honorarium of Rs. 750/- per month.