

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

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HANDING OVER OF ANGANWADI CENTRES TO NGOs

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to hand over the Anganwadi Centres to Non- Governmental Organizations (NGOs), community-based organizations and panchayats, etc.
- (b) if so, the facts and details thereof;
- (c) whether there is some reservation/opposition against the said proposal; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reaction of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): Representations have been received from time to time from Anganwadi Workers expressing concern about handing over the AWCs to NGOs, CBOs PRIs etc. However, the Scheme of ICDS is Centrally Sponsored Programme implemented through the State Governments. Since it is a community driven Programme, the Scheme, since inception, envisages involvement of Voluntary Organizations, Central Social Welfare Board, local bodies, Panchayati Raj Institutions; (where these are functioning efficiently) etc. are to be actively involved in the implementation of the Programme for implementation, soliciting community support etc.