

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey in regard to increasing number of orphan children living on the pavements in the cities and in various railway stations across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government to improve the conditions of such children?

**Answer**

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

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) : The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing a centrally sponsored scheme namely, Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) from 2009-10 through State Governments/Union Territory Administrations to create a safe and secure environment for overall development of the children who are in need of care and protection. Provisions have been made under ICPS for establishment and maintenance of Children's Homes and Open Shelters in urban and semi-urban areas, for such children to take care of their need for shelter, nutrition, education etc.