

**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 Government is contemplating to start the 'Rajiv Gandhi Kishori Sashaktikaran Yojana' for girls in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of funds likely to be allocated for the scheme by the Government; and
- (d) the names of the States to be covered under this scheme and the time by which it is likely to be started?

**Answer**

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

(a) The Government has recently approved the implementation of Centrally sponsored Scheme - Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls - SABLA on pilot basis in 200 districts selected across the country.

(b) The objectives of the scheme are:-

- i. Enable the AGs for self-development and empowerment;
- ii. Improve their nutrition and health status;
- iii. Promote awareness about health, hygiene, nutrition, Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health (ARSH) and family and child care;
- iv. Upgrade their home-based skills, life skills and tie up with National Skill Development Program (NSDP) for vocational skills;
- v. Mainstream out of school AGs into formal/non formal education;
- vi. Provide information/guidance about existing public services such as PHC, CHC, Post Office, Bank, Police Station, etc.

(c) An allocation of Rs.400 crore has been made for the scheme in 2010-11.

(d) The 200 districts have been selected in all the States/UTs of the country. The implementation of scheme has been commenced and the baseline survey in the selected districts has been undertaken to identify the beneficiaries.