GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5062 ANSWERED ON:10.12.2010 ONE GIRL CHILD Jakhar Shri Badri Ram

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to give incentive to the couples sticking to only one girl child norm;
- (b) the number of such families in Rajasthan; and
- (c) the number of such families in Rajasthan to whom incentives have been given?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): No, Madam; however, the University Grant Commission under Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Higher Education) has introduced Indira Gandhi Post-Graduate Scholarship for Single Girl Child, with the aim to provide for direct cost of the girl's education, to family of such girls who happen to be the only girl child. The Central Board of Secondary Education also gives incentives to parents of single girl child for Undergraduate Studies and for Secondary and Higher Secondary Education.

The Government of Rajasthan is implementing Chief Minister's Balika Sambal Yojana to give incentive to the couples who do not have a son and have a only one or two girl children. Number of families who have benefitted under the scheme from April, 2007 to November, 2010 are 1194.