

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:355
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ANGANWADI WORKERS TRAINING CENTRES
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Anganwadi Workers Training Centres operational at present, in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the Anganwadi Workers Training Centres in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) the number of Anganwadi workers proposed to be trained every year in the said centres; and
- (e) the steps taken to make the Anganwadi Training Centres more effective?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement as referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 355 for 26.08.2011 by Shri P. Karunakaran regarding Anganwadi Workers Training Centres

(a) to (e): Anganwadi Workers' Training Centres (AWTCs) are opened by the States/UTs, with the approval of the Central Government, depending on their training requirement looking to the backlog as well as the number of newly recruited Anganwadi Workers/Helpers.

A total of 498 AWTCs are operational as on 30 June 2011 in States/UTs. Details are given at Annex-I. Two proposals to open 10 new AWTCs-6 in Assam and 4 in Jharkhand, have been received in May, 2011.

The number of Anganwadi Workers to be trained every year is proposed by the States/UTs in their Annual State Training Action Plans (STRAPs). During the current financial year, 2,87,778 Anganwadi Workers and 2,18,098 Anganwadi Helpers are proposed to be trained through the existing AWTCs.

In order to ensure effective functioning of the AWTCs, regular visits are made by the State Government officials as well as the faculty from the National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD) to monitor and inspect these centres. Also, State Governments undertake periodic review meetings with the AWTCs to review the progress of the training courses against the targets approved under the STRAPs.