GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2153
ANSWERED ON:12.08.2011
CHILDREN SCORE CARD IN SCHOOLS AND ANGANWADI
Kumar Shri Shailendra

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

- (a) whether the Government has gone through the study report on "Children Score Card in Schools and Anganwadis" conducted by the children with the help of voluntary organisations World Vision, NCE and Vaada na Todo campaign in regard to poorly run Anganwadi Centres;
- (b) if so, the major findings of the said report;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (d):The Government of India is not aware of the details of the Report and is unable to comment on the context and credibility of the conclusions. According to available records, there are 12.66 lakh operational Anganwadi Centres (AWCs)/ mini-AWCs out of 13.67 lakh sanctioned AWCs/ mini-AWCs as on 30.06.2011. ICDS is a centrally sponsored Scheme being implemented by the States/UTs and does not have provision of construction of building under the Scheme except for the North Eastern Region. State Governments/ UT Administrations have been requested to tap funds for construction of Anganwadi Centres from available Schemes such as MPLADs, MLALADs Backward Region Grant Fund (BRGF), Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF), Panchayati Raj, NREGA and Tribal Affairs, Multi-Sectoral Development Programme (MSDP) of Ministry of Minority Affairs, under SSA, Finance Commission, Additional Central Assistance under State Plan, Integrated Action Plan for identified 60 Left Wing Extremism (LWE) Districts etc.

States/UTs have been requested to have effective convergence with various Departments/ Schemes like Total Sanitation Campaign & Drinking Water Supply of Department of Drinking Water Supply, Ministry of Rural Development etc. to have water and sanitation facilities as per provisions.

As per the schematic norms of ICDS Scheme, funds for medicine kit, pre-school education kit, joint mother & child protection card, growth monitoring chart, other petty items such as tumbler, bucket, mug etc. are provided to each AWC besides uniform for AWW and Helper.