## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM UNITED NATIONS
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## Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any financial assistance from the United Nations for resolving the difficulties faced by women and children especially those living below poverty line in both urban and rural areas;
- (b) if so, whether the Union Government has contributed its share to added to the said assistance; and
- (c) if so, State-Wise expenditure incurred including Bihar during the last three years and the current year?

## **Answer**

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

(a) to (c): The Government of India, in the Ministry of Women and Child Development, is administering an IFAD assisted Central Sector Scheme, namely, Women Empowerment and Livelihoods Programme (Priyadarshini).

Priyadarshini is a Self Help Group based project for the holistic empowerment of women and adolescent girls. This is being implemented in 13 blocks of 6 districts viz. Madhubani, Sitamarhi, in Bihar and Shravasti, Raebareli, Sultanpur and Bahraich in Uttar Pradesh. The Ministry is the nodal agency and NABARD is the Lead Implementing Agency (LIA).

The project is being implemented with financial assistance in terms of loan from IFAD. Out of the total cost of Rs. 147.68 crore, the share of Government of India is Rs. 7.28 crore.

Year-wise details of expenditure incurred are :

Year Total Expenditure Bihar Uttar Pradesh (Rs. in Lakhs)

2009-10 23.12 Nil Nil 2010-11 105.25 34.64 35.93 2011-12 40.41 12.46 15.42 (up to June, 2011) Total 168.78 47.10 51.35