GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:824 ANSWERED ON:25.11.2011 ANGANWADI CENTRES Reddy Shri Magunta Srinivasulu

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

- (a) whether National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has granted funds for the buildings of anganwadi centres during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the details of expenditure reported by the State Governments during the said period: and
- (d) if not, the reasons for not funding anganwadi kendras by NABARD?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme does not provide for construction of Anganwadi Centres except in North Eastern Region. The States have been leveraging funds under various other schemes of Government of India such as Backward Region Guarantee Fund (BRGF), Multi-Sectoral Development Programme(MSDP), IAP, BADP, MPLADS etc. and also from State Plan such as RIDF, ACA, Finance Commission Award etc. for construction of Anganwadi Centres. The Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) is managed by the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD). "Construction of Anangwadi Centres" is listed as one of the eligible categories of projects under Social Sector for funding under RIDF. NABARD has been providing funds directly to the State Governments for construction of Anganwadi Centres under RIDF as loan. The details of funds released as per information by NABARD on the basis of expenditure by the State Government during each of the last three years and the current year are given in statement annexed.