GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1916 ANSWERED ON:02.12.2011 PROTECTION OF CHILD RIGHTS Naik Shri Shripad Yesso

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has assessed the performance of State Governments with respect to welfare measures adopted by them for protection of child rights;
- (b) If so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the deficiencies in the implementation of schemes/projects, for the protection of children, brought to the notice of concerned State/Union Territory; and
- (d) if so, the corrective action taken by the State Governments thereon?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): The sectoral performance of State Governments on welfare measures for the protection of children's rights to survival, growth, development and protection is assessed periodically through surveys, evaluation studies, and reviews, etc. such as National Family Health Survey (NFHS) and District Level Household Survey (DLHS) by different Ministries of the Union Government.

Specifically in regard to child protection, the Government, in the Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) for rehabilitation/reintegration of children in difficult circumstances as well as vulnerable children. The implementation of ICPS by State Governments is reviewed from time to time through regular meetings and visits to the States. Deficiencies noticed, if any, such as lack of adequate child care facilities, quality of care etc., are conveyed to the State Government for corrective action such as improvement/addition to infrastructure, training of personnel etc. The action taken by the State Government is also reviewed by an inter-ministerial Project Approval Board constituted for appraisal and approval of financial proposal submitted by the States for release of grants under the Scheme.