

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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REVAMP OF ICDS SCHEME
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is gearing up to revamp the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme in view of high rate of child malnourishment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to increase the budget provision for the ICDS scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): The Government in Ministry of Women & Child Development has a proposal for Strengthening and Restructuring of Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme. The Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) proposal has been circulated for inter-ministerial consultation.

The purpose of strengthening and restructuring the scheme is to remove the programmatic, management and institutional gaps, besides contributing towards the reduction of child malnutrition and improving child development outcomes. The proposal envisages revision of cost norms for SNP and linkage with consumer price index, revision of financial norms, construction of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs), strengthening of package of services, ECCE, putting ICDS in a Mission mode, converting AWCs-cum-creche in 5% AWCs etc. The Annual Budget would look up after the proposal is approved.