

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the details of fields/sectors selected to provide skills and knowledge to women under the Support to Training and Employment Programme (STEP) for Women;
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Central Government to expand the reach of the programme and further strengthen it to provide updated skills and new knowledge to more women during the Twelfth Five Year plan period;
- (c) If so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the funds sanctioned and released and its utilization reported by the State Governments/Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) during each of the last three years and the current year.

Answer

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

- (a): The details of fields/sectors covered under the Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women (STEP) scheme are given at Annex-I
- (b)& (c): Under the guidelines of the scheme revised in 2009, any locally appropriate sector other than those mentioned in the guidelines can be finalized and revised from time to time by the Ministry of Women and Child Development in consultation with State Government.
- (d): The details of funds sanctioned and released and its utilization are given at Annex-II.