GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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IMPACT OF NUTRITION PROGRAMME ON CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Government has conducted/proposes to conduct any study to assess the impact of different nutrition programmes on children in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Programme Evaluation Organization of the Planning Commission conducted an evaluation study of ICDS Programme in 2009, through National Council for Applied Economic Research (NCAER).

Draft report of the said evaluation study was disseminated in Aug 2010 by the Planning Commission, following which the MWCD provided detailed comments on the draft report for its finalization. Some of the findings contained in the draft report were not agreed to by the MWCD due to their factual incorrectness. Till date, the MWCD has not received a copy of the final report.

These programmes are constantly monitored and assessed through multiple monitoring mechanisms including analysis of monthly, quarterly and annual reports, officials' visits by concerned programme Divisions, periodical review meetings with the States, Mid-Term Appraisal by Planning Commission etc.