

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ANGANWADI CENTRE
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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- (a) the number of women working in Anganwadi Centres in the country, State- wise;
- (b) the details of the funds released by the Government and its utilization by Anganwadi Centres during each of the last three years and current financial year, State-wise; and
- (c) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to check misuse/diversion of the funds and to make the functioning of Anganwadi Centres more effective ?

Answer

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

(a): 19,92,098 women (Anganwadi Workers and Helpers) are working in Anganwadi Centres in the country. State-wise details are available under 'Data Table on ICDS' in Child Development portion of website of Ministry (www.wcd.nic.in).

(b) and (c) : Funds for ICDS (General) and Supplementary Nutrition are released to State Government and not to individual Anganwadi Centres. The funds released and Utilization reported by the States during the last three years are available under 'Data Table on ICDS' in Child development portion of website of Ministry (www.wcd.nic.in).

Utilization of funds is monitored by this Ministry through Statement of Expenditure and utilization Certificates regularly. Besides, the normal audit, inspections and vigilance set up are also there.