GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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SCHEMES FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN WELFARE
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes being implemented by the Government for the welfare and development of women and children as on date in the country including Himachal Pradesh and Maharashtra;
- (b) whether the Government evaluates these schemes periodically;
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith funds released and utilized by the State Governments during each of the last three years and the current financial year, State-wise and UT-wise;
- (d) whether some State Governments have not fully utilized the funds during the said period;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and UT-wise alongwith the reasons thereofor;
- (f) the number of new schemes launched by the Government recently in this regard;
- (g) the details of the schemes under which beneficiary entrepreneurs have been benefited, State-wise/UT-wise; and
- (h) the necessary steps taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a), (b), (c) & (f): The details of the schemes being implemented by the Governments as well as the details of the funds released are available on the Ministry's website www.wcd.nic.in. These details are also available in the Annual Reports 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 which are available in the Library of Lok Sabha. For ICDS, which is the major scheme of the Ministry, funds released and expenditure reported by the States/U.T.s during 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 is also available in the Annual Reports uploaded on the Ministry's website.
- (d) & (e): Some State Governments and UT Administrations have not fully utilized the funds under Swayamsidha Scheme of the Ministry (which ended on 31.3.2008) due to paucity of time as they received the fund in the last month of 2007-08. Statement showing funds released/utilized under Swayamsidha Scheme during the last three years is given in Annexure-I.
- (g) & (h): The schemes of Rashtriya Mahila Kosh and STEP programme (Support to Training & Employment Programme) promote formation of women's Self-Help Groups (SHGs) enabling women to become micro- entrepreneurs. Details of the beneficiaries are displayed on the Ministry's website.