GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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FUNDS FOR CHILD PROTECTION IN UNION BUDGET
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total share of funds earmarked for child protection in the Union Budget 2009-10 in terms of child health, child development and child education;
- (b) the details of Budget allocation made to various States in this regard, State-wise; and
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to address the anomalies in budgeting for children?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) The budget provision earmarked under different child welfare schemes of various Ministries/Departments in the Union Budget for 2009-2010 is Rs. 39,647.18 crore. This constitutes 3.88% of the total Union Budget, and is meant for addressing the needs of children, including their health, development, education, protection, etc.

The States/UTs are given funds by the respective Ministry/Department for implementation of its schemes and programmes for child welfare. The quantum of funds allocated to the Ministries/Departments are as projected by them based on their assessed requirement and overall availability of resources with the Government of India.