

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5985  
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MISERABLE CONDITION OF WOMEN  
Rathwa Shri Ramsinhbhai Patalbhai

**Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of women beggars hauled up in the capital and other metropolis during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has made any assessment of such women who have entered into prostitution;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken or proposed by the Government to improve the miserable condition of such women?

**Answer**

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

- (a): No data regarding number of women beggars hauled up in the capital and other metropolis is maintained by the Government.
- (b): No, Madam.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d): The Government is not administering any specific scheme for women beggars. However, the Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India has been implementing two shelter based schemes, namely, Swadhar and Short Stay Home for providing emergency outreach services to women in difficult circumstances who do not have societal/family support or independent means of income. Under these schemes, free shelter, food, medical care, counseling etc. are being provided to the beneficiaries.