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MONITORING OF ANGANWADI CENTRES

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

- (a) whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the functioning of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Andhra Pradesh; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure proper functioning of the AWCs?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme in which Central Government is responsible for Programme Planning and States/ UTs are responsible for the implementation of the Scheme including monitoring the performance of the Anganwadi Centres (AWCs).

In the existing monitoring mechanism, monthly & half yearly progress reports are prescribed at Anganwadi and Project level in States/ UTs. Government has also introduced 5-tier monitoring & review mechanism at National, State, District, Block and Anganwadi Levels, across the country, for which guidelines were issued on 31.03.2011. Under these guidelines, the District and Block level Committees will closely monitor inter-alia regularity of functioning of AWCs, monitoring & supervision visits to AWC by ICDS functionaries etc. and Anganwadi level Committee is required to review and take as well as suggest actions to improve delivery of services at the AWC etc. As per information available, 24 States namely Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttarakhand, West Bengal, A & N Islands, Chandigarh, Daman & Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Puducherry have constituted Monitoring and Review Committees at all levels.

(c): In order to ensure proper functioning of AWCs, the scheme of ICDS has been restructured and strengthened which inter-alia provides for revised Management Information System (MIS), Web based MIS, Information Communication & Technology (ICT) at AWCs, and strong institutional convergence with National Rural Health Mission & Total Sanitation Campaign, particularly, at the district and village levels.