

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SEZS FOR WOMEN

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

- (a) the aims and objectives of National Mission for Empowerment of Women (NMEW);
- (b) the manner in which the Mission is likely to promote socio-economic empowerment of women in the country;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up special economic zones (SEZs) for women in different parts of the country including Gujarat under the Mission;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the assistance/financial assistance likely to be provided to the States for the purpose?

Answer

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

(a): The aims and objectives of the National Mission for Empowerment of Women (NMEW) are to strengthen overall processes that promote all round development of women through inter-sectoral convergence and to facilitate the process of coordinating all the women's welfare and socio-economic development programmes across Ministries and Departments.

(b): The strategy of the Mission is to facilitate the process for ensuring economic and social empowerment of women with emphasis on health and education, elimination of violence against women, creation of awareness about various schemes and programmes meant for women, gender mainstreaming of programmes, policies etc. This is to be achieved by –

ensuring convergence in implementation of programmes of the participating Ministries through a single window project sanction facility under the District Missions, which are to be set up in each of the pilot Districts in all States,

linking Self Help Group movement with micro-credit facilities to reduce poverty,

encouraging higher participation of women in Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme,

evolving long term strategy to provide skills and capacity building to women to equip them to get employment opportunities,

bringing women under financial inclusion.

(c) to (e): There is no such proposal.