GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:337 ANSWERED ON:06.12.2013 INSURANCE SCHEME FOR ANGANWADI WORKERS Pathak Shri Harin

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

(a) whether the Government has introduced / proposes to introduce any insurance scheme for the Anganwadi workers/ helpers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the share of the Union Government and the concerned State in the said scheme;

(c) whether the cases wherein the Anganwadi workers / helpers have been deprived from availing the benefits of the said scheme from various parts of the country have come to the notice of the Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof, during each of the last three years and the current year, State / UT-wise and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the corrective steps taken / being taken by the government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): The Government launched the Anganwadi Karyakartri Bima Yojana w.e.f 01-04-2004 in association with the Life Insurance Corporation of India as a welfare measure for the benefit of Anganwadi Workers and Helpers. The Scheme is operated through the Social Security Group Scheme of LIC. The salient features of the Anganwadi Karyakartri Bima Yojana are as under:-

i) The Scheme is applicable to all AWWs and Helpers in the age group of 18-59 years;

ii) The premium under the Scheme is Rs.280/- per annum per member. The breakup is as under:

Rs.100/- from Social Security Fund of LIC # Rs.100/- by the Government of India # Rs.80/- by the Anganwadi Worker/ Helper (additional for male critical illness of the insured member). The premium of Rs.80/- payable by these workers towards critical illness has been waived off till 31-03-2015.

iii) The Scheme provides the following benefits:- # Natural Death Rs.30,000/- # Accident benefit: # Death/ Total permanent disability Rs.75000 # Partial Permanent disability Rs.37500 # Female Critical Illness (FCI) Benefits: An amount of Rs.20,000/- is payable on the diagnosis of invasive cancers (malignant tumour) manifest in the following organs (subject to proof of affliction satisfactory to Corporation). # Breast # Cervix Uteri # Corpus Uteri # Ovaries # Fallopian Tubes # Vina/Vulva # Shiksha Sahayog

A free add-on scholarship benefit is available for the children of AWWs and AWHs. Scholarship of Rs.300/- per quarter for students 9th to 12 Standard (including ITI courses) is available but it is limited to two children per family.

Presently, all AWWs and AWHs are covered for all benefits under the Scheme.

(c): No such instance has come to the notice of the Government.

(d) & (e) Does not arise