

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

(a) whether per head expenditure spent on the rehabilitation of the rescued child labour in Children's home under Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) is very low; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the measures proposed to be taken to improve the status of children homes?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD) is implementing a centrally sponsored scheme i.e. Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) for rehabilitation and reintegration of children in difficult circumstance, including children rescued from labour. These children are provided rehabilitation in Children's Homes. Financial assistance under ICPS is provided for setting up and maintenance of various types of Homes, including Children Homes for rescued children. The recurring funds provided by the Government is Rs.20.29 lakh per year for a Home of 50 children, this includes food, clothing, medicines, toiletries, bedding, transportation, rent, electricity, water charges and salary of staff in three shifts, etc. A one time non-recurring grant of Rs.6.50 lakh is also provided for meeting up-gradation of accommodation facilities and its maintenance. The Scheme is currently being reviewed by the Government to enhance all facilities and norms under ICPS in these Homes.