GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4481 ANSWERED ON:21.02.2014 CHILD HEALTH AND EDUCATION Biswal Shri Hemanand

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

(a) whether the scheme Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT) has been introduced to provide better education and healthcare to girl child in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of districts covered under the Scheme along with the criteria for selection of these districts;

(c) the number of beneficiaries and the amount received per child under this scheme;

(d) the funds earmarked, released and utilized by the States during the last year and current year state/UT-wlse;

(e) whether the Government propose to extend the coverage of the scheme in the country; and

(f) If so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

Answer

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

(a): The Ministry of Women and Child Development launched `Dhanalakshmi`- A conditional Cash Transfer Scheme for Girl Child on 03rs March, 2008 on a pilot basis to provide a set of staggered financial incentives for families to encourage them to retain the girl child and educate her. The Scheme was discontinued w.e.f. 1.4.2013 as Several States Governments have Schemes for girl children which are more attractive.

(b) `Dhanalakshmi` was implemented in 11 Blocks across seven States on pilot basis:

State District Block Andhra Pradesh Khammam Aswaraopeta Warangal Narsampet Chhattisgarh Bastar Jagdalpur Bijapur Bhogalpattnam Orissa Malkangiri Kalimela Koraput Semiliguda Jharkhand Giridih Tisri Kodarma Markachor Bihar Jamoi Sono Uttar Pradesh Rae Bareilly Shivgarh Punjab Fatehgarh Sahib Sirhind

The Blocks identified except Sirhind(Punjab) were educationally Backward Blocks (as per list of Educationally Backward Blocks given in Census of India 2001) Sirhind (Punjab) was chosen as it had the lowest girl child sex ratio (in age group 0 to 6 years), viz. 766 girls per 1000 boys as per 2001 Census.

(c) & (d): Under the Scheme, the amount of release at various stages was as under:

SI. No. Items Cash transfer per child (in Rs.) 1. At Birth and Registration of Birth 5,000 2. Immunization i. 6 weeks 200 ii. 14 weeks 200 iii. 9 months 200 iv. 16 months 200 V. 24 months 200 V. 24 months on completion of full immunization 250 3. a Education On enrolment 1000 i. Class 1 + 85% attendance 500 ii. Class 2185% attendance 500

iii. Class 3 + 85% attendance 500
iv. Class 4 + 85% attendance 500
V. Class 5 + 85% attendance 500
3.b. On enrolment of secondary school 1500
i. Class 6 + 85% attendance 750
ii. Class 7 + 85% attendance 750
iii. Class 8 + 85% attendance 750
Total 13,500

The fund earmarked, released and utilized by the State Governments during the last year and current year is as under:

```
State 2012-13
                 2013-14 (till date)
  Fund Fund Benefi- Fund Fund Benefi-
 rele utilised ciaries rele utilised ciaries
  ased (Rs. in ased (Rs. in
  (Rs. in lakh)
                 (Rs. in lakh)
  lakh)
          akh)
Andhra 383.90 - - - - -
Pradesh
Chhatti 219.99 108.99 38,052 - - -
sgarh
Orissa 108.43 - - - - -
Jhar 116.79 28.82 5,833 - - -
khand
Bihar - - - 165.31 51.36 25,500
Utter - - 4,483 105.02 112.51 4,483
Pradesh
Punjab 331.80 - 8,147 - - -
Total 1160.93 137.81 56,515 270.33 163.87 29,983
# Past liability
```

(e): No madam,

(f): Does not arise.