

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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MISSING WOMENS IN SHELTER HOMES
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether National Commission for Women (NCW) has taken note of women reportedly missing mysteriously from various shelter homes in the country in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details of such cases reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT –wise;
- (c) the number of surprise raids conducted by concerned agencies in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has ascertained the reasons behind such mysterious disappearance;
- (e) if so, the details thereof: and
- (f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure safety and security of women residing in shelter homes across the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

(a) The National Commission for Women

(NCW) does not maintain any data of women missing mysteriously from various shelter homes.

(b) to (e): Does not arise.

(f) The Ministry of Women & Child Development is administering two shelter based schemes namely Swadhar and Ujjawala for the benefit of women. The State Government review functioning of the shelter homes set up under these schemes periodically and send recommendations for continuance of grant or otherwise. The state Governments also monitor average periods of stay of inmates by checking records relating to their entry and exit. The implementing agencies of these homes are expected to take all possible steps in consultation with police and local administration for safety and security of women residing in these shelter homes.