

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Schemes for Women and Children
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to use information technology and Information Technology enabled service in delivery and monitoring of schemes for women and children in the current five year plan;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government to address the gaps and challenges incorporated in the strategic plan in order to ensure better implementation of the schemes for women and children in the country?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): The Ministry of Women and Child Development proposes to use the information technology enabled services in delivering and monitoring of various schemes of the Ministry. It is proposed to have an Information and communication Technology enabled Real Time Monitoring (ICT-RTM) of Integrated child Development Services (ICDS) driven by a common Application software (CAS) in 8 States under World Bank assisted restructured System Strengthening and Nutrition Improvement Project (ISSNIP) in a phased manner. The Rajiv Gandhi National Crèche Scheme (RGNCS) envisages a mobile/Web based monitoring by implementing agencies on a pilot basis during the plan. The Support to Training and Employment Programme (STEP) of the Ministry envisages to conduct concurrent monitoring and random checking of physical and financial reports forwarded by the project implementing agency through a Technical Support Agency (TSA) using MIS.

(c): Ministry of Women and Child Development has been preparing its policies and programmes in accordance with the priorities outlined in the Five Year and Annual Plans for inclusive growth and development of women and children. The Ministry has evolved policies, plans of action, legislations, programmes and schemes for advancement of women and children and has been implementing them with the support of State Governments/UT Administrations and Non-Government Organisations for achieving its mandate. In order to address various programmatic, management and institutional gaps and to meet administrative and operational challenges, Government approved Strengthening and Restructuring of ICDS Scheme to cover all the districts in a phased manner during 12th Five Year Plan.
