

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up a National Helpline for Women in distress;
- (b) if so, the details and the salient features thereof along with services provided by the said helpline; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the time by which the said helpline is likely to be set up implemented in the country?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The Scheme for Universalisation of Women Helpline has been recently approved i.e. on 19th February, 2015 with a total project cost Rs.69.49 crore for implementation through States/UTs from 1st April 2015. The scheme envisages to provide 24 hour emergency and non-emergency response to all women affected by violence both in public and private sphere, including in the family, community, workplace etc.