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Title: Need to increase the remuneration of Anganwadi workers and helpers in the country.

SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA (TUMKUR): I would like to draw the kind attention of the Hon'ble Minister of Women and Child Development about the need to increase the salary of the Anganwadi workers and helpers in the country.

The Anganwadi Centres have been working in the country to help the children, particularly from poor and middle class families regarding nutrition, basic education, etc. and as such they are very useful. Anganwadi workers and helpers are paid a sum of Rs.6,000/- and Rs.3,000/- per month respectively as salary which is very meagre, compared to the work they have been doing and considering the sky-rocketing of prices of essential commodities. Anganwadi workers and helpers are normally from very poor background. To make them serve more effectively, more financial assistance should be given to them.

Hence, I urge upon the Union Government to take immediate steps to increase the salary of Anganwadi workers and helpers in the country.