

Setting up of State adoption resource agencies

460. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

SHRI B.J. PANDA:

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

(a) whether the Centre has decided to set-up State Adoption Resource Agencies, for promoting and regulating the adoption of children;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government proposes to put in place a tracking system to monitor parents with the aim of minimizing chances of child abuse; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Women and Child Development has formulated a new centrally sponsored scheme namely "Integrated Child Protection Scheme [ICPS]" for implementation during Eleventh Plan period under which there is provision for setting up of State Adoption Resource Agency in every State/Union Territory for promoting in-country adoption and regulating inter-country adoption and to coordinate and monitor in-country adoptions.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Survey on children orphaned out

461. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the increasing number of children orphaned out on the pavements of the metropolitan cities or various railway stations in the country;

(b) if so, whether Government has conducted any survey regarding the same; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) No authenticated data is available with the Ministry as it has not conducted any survey regarding the same.

(c) Does not arise.

Anganwadi and mini-anganwadi centres in Assam

462. SHRI KUMAR DEEPAK DAS: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Anganwadi and Mini Anganwadi Centres working in Assam, district-wise;

(b) the facilities currently being provided to these centres; and