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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 21 | Odisha | 42.3 | 54.4 | 40.7 |
| 22 | Punjab | 26.8 | æ | 24.9 |
| 23 | Rajasthan | 42.5 | 46.8 | 39.9 |
| 24 | Sikkim | 19.4 | 18.0 | 19.7 |
| 25 | Tamil Nadu | 32.1 | = | 29.8 |
| 26 | Tripura | 40.8 | 36.5 | 39.6 |
| 27 | Uttar Pradesh | 44.1 | 61.2 | 42.4 |
| 28 | Uttarakhand | 42.1 | 50.4 | 38.0 |
| 29 | West Bengal | 42.2 | 59.7 | 38.7 |
| | India | 45.6 | 54.5 | 42.5 |

Status of women's economic empowerment

446. DR. T.N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the latest statistical details of the women's economic empowerment status in the country;
- (b) the details of Government schemes for economic empowerment of women in the country;
- (c) whether Government has made any assessment/survey of number of women that have been benefitted from the schemes being implemented for economic empowerment of rural women in the country;
 - (d) if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH): (a) and (b) According to National Sample Survey 64th Round (2009-10), the workforce participation rate of females in rural sector was 26.1 and in urban sector, it was 13.8. Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing various schemes for women's

economic empowerment in the country namely, Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK), Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women (STEP), Priyadarshini besides National Mission for Empowerment of Women (NMEW) and Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana.

Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK) was set up in 1993 to meet the credit needs of poor women in the informal sector for income generation and household activities. Since its inception upto 31.1.2013, RMK has sanctioned Rs. 342.90 crore microfinance loans and released Rs. 278.89 crore benefiting over 7.19 lakh poor women beneficiaries.

The Ministry has been administering the Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women (STEP) as a Central Sector Scheme since 1986-87, to provide sustainable employment and income generation for marginalized and assetless rural and urban poor women across the country. During last ten years, 3.90 lakh women beneficiaries have been benefitted under the STEP Scheme.

Priyadarshini, is a Self Help Group (SHG) based project implemented by the Ministry for holistic empowerment of women and adolescent girls. The actual implementation of the scheme was started in April, 2011. The scheme is being implemented in 7 districts of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar. Since inception, 56738 beneficiaries have been covered under Priyadarshini scheme.

Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana (IGMSY) is a Conditional Cash Transfer scheme for pregnant and lactating (P&L) women introduced in the October, 2010 to contribute to better enabling environment by providing cash incentives for improved health and nutrition to pregnant and nursing mothers. 6.74 lakh women beneficiaries have been covered under the IGMSY scheme since inception.

National Mission for Empowerment of Women (NMEW) is an initiative of the Government of India for empowering women holistically. It was sanctioned in April, 2011 with a mandate to strengthen inter-sectoral convergence.

Further, the Government is also implementing other schemes like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, National Rural Livelihood Mission, etc for empowerment.

- (c) and (d) Yes, The State/UT-wise details are given in the Statement (See below).
 - (e) Does not arise.

[RAJYA SABHA]

Statement

A. State/UT-wise details for beneficiaries covered under Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women (STEP) during the last three years i.e. 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13.

| Sl. No. States/UTs | | Number of beneficiaries covered | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 |
| | | | | (upto Feb., 2013) |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 2450 | 666 | 151 |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 238 | Œ | = |
| 3. | Assam | 11148 | 365 | 139 |
| 4. | Bihar | umik | := . | ₩ |
| 5. | Chhattisgarh | Eti. | 5 | = |
| 6. | Gujarat | 225 | 50 | 41 27 |
| 7. | Himachal Pradesh | 125 | Œ | - |
| 8. | Haryana | 600 | 1666 | 166 |
| 9. | Jammu and Kashmir | 200 | 1832 | 922 |
| 10. | Kerala | 368 | 466 | 2171 |
| 11. | Karnataka | 8400 | 18878 | 12769 |
| 12. | Madhya Pradesh | 635 | 500 | 110 |
| 13. | Maharashtra | 2900 | 259 | 641 |
| 14. | Manipur | 1275 | 1516 | 1709 |
| 15. | Meghalaya | , - % | : - . | - |
| 16. | Mizoram | i - a | (= - | - |
| 17. | Nagaland | 1653 | 271 | 2763 |
| 18. | Odisha | 500 | 5= | 500 |
| 19. | Punjab | 2050 | 12 <u>-</u> 27 | - |

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| 152 |
| 550 |
| 138 |
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| 881 |
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B. No. of Beneficiaries since inception to 31/01/2013 in respect of RMK

| Sl. No. | State Name | Beneficiaries |
|---------|---------------------|---------------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1 | Andaman and Nicobar | 667 |
| 2 | Andhra Pradesh | 230313 |
| 3 | Arunachal Pradesh | 100 |
| 4 | Assam | 6605 |
| 5 | Bihar | 16806 |
| 6 | Chhattisgarh | 370 |
| 7 | Delhi | 7458 |
| 8 | Gujarat | 7173 |
| 9 | Haryana | 4092 |
| 10 | Himachal Pradesh | 12925 |
| 11 | Jammu and Kashmir | 1768 |
| 12 | Jharkhand | 1688 |

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| 1 | 2 | | 3 |
| 13 | Karnataka | | 17652 |
| 14 | Kerala | | 34257 |
| 15 | Madhya Pradesl | i | 21736 |
| 16 | Maharashtra | | 35672 |
| 17 | Manipur | | 8421 |
| 18 | Mizoram | | 70 |
| 19 | Nagaland | | 859 |
| 20 | Odisha | | 38971 |
| 21 | Pondicherry | | 300 |
| 22 | Punjab | | 784 |
| 23 | Rajasthan | | 30108 |
| 24 | Tamil Nadu | | 165857 |
| 25 | Uttar Pradesh | | 26569 |
| 26 | Uttarakhand | | 2928 |
| 27 | West Bengal | | 45372 |
| | Total | | 719521 |

Implementation of "Track Child" project

- 447. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is a sharp increase in the number of missing children recently;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) the reasons behind the missing children;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to implement the 'track child' project all over the country; and