

Anganwadi Centre building named as Nandghar has been constructed by M/s Vedanta at Sonapat, Haryana which was inaugurated by Hon'ble Minister of Women and Child Development on 24.06.2015.

**Licensed Orphanages in country**

2871. SHRI R. K. SINHA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of licensed orphanages in the country;
- (b) the grants/financial assistance being given by the Government to such orphan house in the country;
- (c) the inspection mechanism to regulate/supervise such orphan house for the purpose of hygiene, Education and health of orphans living there;
- (d) the adoption policy approved by Government for these orphan houses along with the number of complaints received in this regard, and
- (e) whether Government is considering to ban adoption by foreign national from these orphan houses?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI): (a) and (b) There are 1096 Children Homes and 320 Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAAs) which were supported during 2014-15 under the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) of the Ministry of Women and Child Development. The financial assistance provided in the year 2014-15 to these Children's Homes and SAAs was ₹ 280.18 Crore.

(c) Section 35, sub sections (1) and (2) of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 and Rule 63 of the Central Model Rules, 2007 framed thereunder, provide for detailed inspection mechanism including setting up of Inspection Committees, and the tasks to be performed by such committees.

(d) The Government has recently notified Guidelines Governing Adoption of Children-2015 on 17.07.2015 in supersession of the earlier adoption guidelines.

(e) No, Sir.

**Irregularities in procurement process of ICDS**

2872. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any irregularities noticed in awarding the contract for procurement of