

existing provision of ₹ 600 per sq. feet to ₹ 1000 per sq. feet and flexibility in the staffing pattern in service delivery structures, depending on the size and need of the States/UT Administration.

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on ICDS

1749. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is proposing to terminate the Memorandum of Cooperation with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on Integrated Child Development Services; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Assistance to Chhattisgarh for development works

†1750. SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals received by the Ministry for development works for women and children during the last three years from Government of Chhattisgarh and the amount involved therein, scheme-wise and the details of action taken thereon;

(b) the reasons why proposals received from the State Government are still pending;

(c) whether any time-limit has been stipulated for disposal of those proposals and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the long time taken in disposal of proposals hampers the development works; and

(e) how the cost escalation related to the work is adjusted?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI): (a) to (e) The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing various schemes/programmes for empowerment of women and child development across the country including the State of Chhattisgarh. These are as follows:

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