

- (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) States/UTs are encouraged by the Government of India to develop kitchen gardens at the Anganwadi Centre premises to provide healthy food for children.

Draft National Policy for Women

639. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Draft National Policy for Women sent by the Ministry was received by the Prime Minister;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the date of receipt of the Draft National Policy for Women;

(c) the details of the progress that has been made by the PMO on this draft policy; and

(d) if no progress has been made, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) to (d) Cabinet Note on Draft National Policy for Women which was sent to Cabinet Secretariat earlier, has since been returned with directions that Ministry may if considered necessary, forward an updated/revised note. In the National Conference of State Secretaries, held recently on 13th and 14th November, 2019, various important issues relating to women were also deliberated. Consultations with States/UTs and other stakeholders are underway.

Increase in salary of workers and helpers

640. SHRI MANAS RANJAN BHUNIA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to increase the salary of the workers and helpers of Anganwadi Centres (ICDS) in different States;

(b) if so, the details of the plan to increase the salary;

(c) the number of Anganwadi Centres in the country; and

(d) the number of workers, helpers in the Anganwadi Centres in States, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) The Anganwadi Workers and Helpers are honorary workers and they are paid monthly honorarium. The Government of India has recently enhanced the honorarium of Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) at main-Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) from ₹ 3,000/- to ₹ 4,500/- per month; AWWs at mini-AWCs from ₹ 2,250/- to ₹ 3,500/- per month; Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs) from ₹ 1,500/- to ₹ 2,250/- per month; and introduced performance linked incentive of ₹ 250/- per month to AWHs, effective from 1st October, 2018. AWWs are paid ₹ 500/- per month under POSHAN Abhiyaan for using ICDS-CAS. There is no proposal under consideration present for further increase in monthly honorarium.

(c) There are 14.00 lakh sanctioned Anganwadi Centres in the country out of which 13.77 lakh Anganwadi Centres are operational.

(d) The State-wise details of number of Anganwadi Workers and Helpers sanctioned and in-position are given in Statement.

Statement

*State-wise details of numbers of Anganwadi Workers and Helpers
Sanctional and in position*

Sl. No.	State/UT	No. of Anganwadi Workers		No. of Anganwadi Helpers	
		Sanctioned	In-position	Sanctioned	In-position
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Andhra Pradesh	55607	54101	48768	45650
2.	Telangana	35700	34051	31711	29401
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	6225	6225	6225	6225
4.	Assam	62153	61038	56728	55949
5.	Bihar	115009	98569	107894	88981
6.	Chhattisgarh	52474	50094	46660	43767
7.	Goa	1262	1209	1262	1219
8.	Gujarat	53029	51859	51229	48945
9.	Haryana	25962	25150	25450	24600
10.	Himachal Pradesh	18925	18761	18386	18164

1	2	3	4	5	6
11.	Jammu and Kashmir	31938	29599	31938	29599
12.	Jharkhand	38432	37678	35881	35023
13.	Karnataka	65911	64686	62580	60058
14.	Kerala	33318	33115	33189	32986
15.	Madhya Pradesh	97135	96015	84465	83244
16.	Maharashtra	110486	105739	97475	90047
17.	Manipur	11510	11510	9958	9958
18.	Meghalaya	5896	5896	4630	4629
19.	Mizoram	2244	2244	2244	2157
20.	Nagaland	3980	3980	3980	3980
21.	Odisha	74154	71424	63738	61623
22.	Punjab	27314	26695	26074	23789
23.	Rajasthan	62010	59451	55806	53243
24.	Sikkim	1308	1308	1308	1308
25.	Tamil Nadu	54439	49631	49499	44070
26.	Tripura	10145	9911	10145	9911
27.	Uttar Pradesh	190145	171910	167855	145454
28.	Uttrakhand	20067	19498	14947	14306
29.	West Bengal	119481	107582	119481	100759
30.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	720	719	689	689
31.	Chandigarh**	450	447	450	449
32.	Delhi*	10897	9397	10897	10732
33.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	302	302	247	233
34.	Daman and Diu	107	102	107	102
35.	Lakshadweep	107	107	96	96
36.	Puducherry	855	855	855	855
TOTAL		1399697	1320858	1282847	1182201

*253 AWCs are surrendered by NCT of Delhi.

** 50 AWCs are surrendered by Chandigarh.