GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3510 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.03.2021

ANGANWADI CENTRES IN RAJASTHAN

3510 # SHRI NEERAJ DANGI:

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

- (a) the year-wise details of the Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) sanctioned in Rajasthan during the last five years;
- (b) the year-wise details of Anganwadi Centres which started during the said period;
- (c) whether it is a fact that many Anganwadi Centres have stopped functioning during the said period;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether it is also a fact that the remuneration paid to Anganwadi Workers and assistants is very less and needs to be revised at regular intervals; and
- (f) if so, whether Government propose to do the same?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d) No new Anganwadi Centre has been sanctioned to the State of Rajasthan during the last five years as all the 14 lakh AWCs approved by the Government of India under Anganwadi Services have already been sanctioned to States/UTs, including Rajasthan. Total number of 62010 Anganwadi Centres were sanctioned to the Government of Rajasthan out of which 61974 AWCs are operational as on 30.09.2020 as tabulated below:

Data as on	Operational AWCs
31.03.2016	60801
31.03.2017	61974
31.03.2018	61974
31.03.2019	61974
31.03.2020	61974
30.09.2020	61974

To limit the impact of Pandemic, the AWCs were closed as per guidelines of MHA, however, the AWWs/AWHs worked to make available the ration door to door during COVID-19 period.

(e) & (f) Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) & Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs), being honorary workers, are paid a monthly honoraria as decided by the Government from time to time. With effect from 01.10.2018, Government of India has enhanced the honorarium of AWWs at main-AWCs from ₹3,000/- to ₹4,500/- per month; AWWs at mini- AWCs from ₹2,250/- to ₹3,500/- per month; AWHs from ₹1,500/- to ₹2,250/- per month; and introduced performance linked incentive of ₹250/- per month to AWHs.

In addition, States/UTs are also paying additional monetary incentives/honorarium to these functionaries from their own resources.
