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RELIEF CAMPS FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN MANIPUR

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

(a) whether any measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to provide relief to the Internally displaced women and children living in relief camps in Manipur for more than one year following the crisis in the State; and

(b) if so, the details of the said measures?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) & (b) For ensuring the nutritional requirement, safety, security, protection and welfare of women and children in the country, including Manipur, all schemes implemented by the Ministry to empower women and child have been clubbed into three verticals, viz. (1) Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 for improving nutrition & health indicators in the country (2) Mission Shakti, for safety, protection and empowerment of women; and (3) Mission Vatsalya, for protection, care and welfare of children in difficult circumstances. Details of the schemes are as under:

(i) Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0): Under this programme, Anganwadi Services Scheme, POSHAN Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent Girls have been reorganized into 3 primary sub-verticals: (i) Nutrition Support for POSHAN and for Adolescent Girls (ii) Early Childhood Care and Education [3-6 years] and (iii) Anganwadi Infrastructure including modern, upgraded Saksham Anganwadis.

(ii) Mission Shakti: Mission Shakti comprises of two sub-verticals, i.e., '**Sambal**' for safety and security of women and '**Samarthya**' for empowerment of women. The existing schemes of One Stop Centres (OSC), Women Helpline (181-WHL) and Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) have been made part of Sambal sub-vertical; while the existing schemes of Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY), Ujjwala,

Swadhar Greh (renamed as Shakti Sadan) and Working Women Hostel (renamed as Sakhi Niwas), National Hub for Empowerment of Women (NHEW) and National Creche Scheme (renamed as Palna) have been subsumed in the 'Samarthya' sub-vertical.

The Government of India has also set up a dedicated non-lapsable fund called 'Nirbhaya Fund' for implementation of initiatives aimed at enhancing the safety and security for women in the country. Under the Nirbhaya Fund, a total of 42 projects have been appraised in all States/UTs, including Manipur, which include Emergency Response Support System, Central Victim Compensation Fund, Central Forensic Science Lab, Provision of CCTV cameras in Railway Stations and Bus Stops, Nirbhaya Shelter Home, Cyber Crime Prevention against Women & Children etc.

(iii) Mission Vatsalya: Mission Vatsalya has subsumed the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) for better outreach and protection for children in need and care in a mission mode with the objective to: (i) Support and sustain Children in difficult circumstances. (ii) Develop context-based solutions for holistic development of children from varied backgrounds. (iii) Provide scope for green field projects for encouraging innovative solutions. (iv) Cement convergent action by gap funding, if required.

As per information received, the following assistance has been provided under the schemes of the Ministry

Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0:

- 6164 children (6m-6y), 2638 adolescent girls, 232 Pregnant Women and 753 Lactating Mothers staying at relief camps are linked with 271 nearest Anganwadi Centres.
- Services such as Pre-school Education, Growth Monitoring, provision of Hot Cooked Meal, Supplementary Nutrition, Iron Folic Acid tablets, Referral and Immunization are provided to the beneficiaries through Anganwadi functionaries.
- Under Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana scheme, 103 women are enrolled for first pregnancy out of which 70 women received first installment of Rs. 3000 and 33 women received second installment of Rs. 2000. Further, 53 women are enrolled for 2nd born baby (girl) out of which 38 women received Rs. 6000.
- 359 AWWs and 268 AWHs are currently engaged in the relief camps for running temporary Anganwadis.

Mission Shakti:

- One Stop Centres in Manipur have been providing Psycho-Social Counselling to the internally displaced women in the relief camps in Manipur. One Stop Centres have been conducting various Workshop/ Programmes on psycho-social counselling & Motivational Program for the internally displaced women, children and men. One Stop Centres have also been conducting medical camps with Government and private hospitals.
- Shakti Sadan in Manipur have been providing special services to all the internally displaced women in the relief Camps especially pregnant women and lactating mothers under the supervision/directive of Government of Manipur.

Mission Vatsalya:

- Counselling of displaced children
- Training conducted by National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS)- Bangaluru for functionaries of District Child Protection Units on “Child Protection & Mental Health”
- Support with relief materials & financial aid
- Institutional Care for Rehabilitation & Re-Integration: Children from the relief camps were transferred to the children homes with the orders of respective Child Welfare Committees (CWC) and some are restored back to their parents.
- Prevention of children Trafficking outside the State
- Relief Camps were monitored by Deputy Commissioners, Child Welfare Committees (CWC), District Child Protection Officers.
- District Child Protection Units and Child Welfare Committees conducted a number of awareness programmes on trafficking, Protection Of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, Juvenile Justice (JJ)Act.

Also, as per information received, the following measures have been taken to provide relief to the internally displaced women and children living in relief camps in Manipur:

Women & Children:

- i. Pregnant women are given free routine Health Checkup and free medicines through Dedicated Medical Officers and Staff Nurses. Any pregnant women requiring visit to Health Centre or Gynecologist consultation or Immunization are provided ambulance service, pick up to and from Relief Camp to Health Centre and vice versa.
- ii. Supplementary diet is being provided for pregnant and lactating mothers.
- iii. Arrangements are made at One Stop Centre to ensure institutional delivery for pregnant women.
- iv. Women are provided with complementary food items including eggs, milk, supplements and other items on a weekly basis.

- v. Sanitary pads/napkins, diapers for women, soaps, detergents, mosquito coils, toothpaste, toothbrush, tongue cleaner etc. are also being provided weekly.
- vi. Separate dedicated homes have been opened for willing pregnant women and lactating mothers for their wellbeing and care.
- vii. Empowerment of Women through Skill Training is imparted in consultation with line departments like Manipur State Rural Livelihood Mission and Jadonang Memorial College.
- viii. Children of age group (0-6) yrs are given Immunization at the nearest Health Centre/ Outreach session in their respective Health Centre's jurisdiction.
- ix. Free text books, exercise books, pens, pencils, sports & recreational materials, school bags, purchasing shoes have been provided to the students. Further, Special Coaching Classes have been provided to the internally displaced students studying in Class VI to X.
- x. District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) has identified Orphans and Semi- orphans children in the relief camps and they have been approved by the Sponsorship and Foster Care Approval Committee (SFCAC) for giving financial assistance for the FY 2023-24 under the Scheme.
- xi. Children in relief camps are monitored closely by the DCPU.
- xii. Awareness cum Counseling sessions have been conducted regularly for the children.
- xiii. Medical support has been provided to all children.
- xiv. ASHA workers and Anganwadi workers/helpers are deployed at the relief camps for special care.

In addition to the above, on the request of Manipur Government, special assistance for the displaced persons living in relief camps to the tune of Rs.400.42 crore has been approved by the Central Government.
