

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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ANGANWADI TEACHERS
SHRINWAS DADASAHEB PATIL

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that Anganwadi teachers are unable to concentrate on teaching due to their involvement in cooking and distribution of cooked food to students under the national programme of nutritional support to primary education; and

(b) if so, the steps to be taken by the Government to enable Anganwadi teachers to concentrate on teaching work?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA)

(a) & (b) : There are no teachers in Anganwadi Centres under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme. Each Anganwadi Centre is managed by an Anganwadi Worker and a Helper who provide, inter-alia, non-formal pre-school education to children aged 3-6 years and supplementary nutrition to children below 6 years and nursing and expectant mothers under the Scheme. The job responsibilities of Anganwadi Workers do not include cooking and distribution of cooked food to students under the National Programme of Nutritional Support to Primary Education.