

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL CRECH SCHEME
Bhakta Shri Manoranjan

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to set up Creches in the country including Andaman and Nicobar Islands under Rajiv Gandhi National Crech Scheme for the Children of working mothers;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) the funds likely to be allocated for this purpose during the current year, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. The Government has recently launched the Central Sector Scheme known as Rajiv Gandhi National Creche Scheme for the Children of Working Mothers. Under the scheme it is proposed to set up new crèches throughout the country. The scheme will be implemented through the Central Social Welfare Board and two national level organizations namely Bhartiya Adim Jati Sevak Sangh and Indian Council for Child Welfare, New Delhi. Under the scheme the financial norms have been enhanced from Rs.18,480/- to Rs.42,384/- per crèche per annum.

(c) Funds to the above implementing organizations will be allocated for setting up crèches @Rs.10,000/- Non-recurring and Rs.42,384/- recurring per crèche, per annum.