

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has decided to set up a fast track proposal to create a website to trace lost children with the help of UNICEF;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the scheme is likely to be extended to the rest of the country in phases;
- (d) whether the Government has any plans to cover every police station in the country and make it mandatory for the police to post complete information of each missing children report lodged in the country on the website; and
- (e) if so, the other measures the Government proposes to take to meet the unprecedented situation of large number of children missing in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

- (a),(b)&(c) Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Women and Child Development is in the process of developing a National tracking system for missing children by integrating the existing local websites being operated for this purpose.
- (d) The proposed system will aim to place information of all missing children on the website.
- (e) The Ministry of Women and Child Development has also written to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for putting in place a system of collecting district wise details of missing children and also carry out necessary investigation/follow up action to recover these children.