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Title : Need to undertake measures to make Integrated Child Development Services Scheme more effective.

SHRI PRASANTA KUMAR MAJUMDAR (BALURGHAT): Integrated Child Development Services Project, which is working for giving various health and nutritional care services to the mother and child in our country, is very much effective. But, still it is very much lagging behind from its needs to serve the increasing number of cases related to mother and child. Besides, its per capita expenditure is very low. There are various needs of these centres for which the services have been hampering. My proposals are (i) The number of centres should be increased corresponding to the increase in number of mother and child case in the respective areas. (ii) The per capita expenditure towards feeding and other services should be increased corresponding to the present hike in prices of essential commodities (iii) Immediate steps should be taken for the constitution of centres for running the Project from its own building (iv) A health unit each may be constituted for at least 10 centres.