

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 958
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.12.2025

CSR FUNDS FOR ANGANWADI CENTRES

958. SHRI SRIBHARAT MATHUKUMILLI:

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

- (a) whether the Government maintains data on corporate entities or companies that have contributed funds under Corporate Social Responsibility towards the construction, renovation, or upgradation of Anganwadi Centres;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last five years, State-wise and year-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has proposed or implemented any incentive mechanisms to encourage CSR contributions for strengthening Anganwadi infrastructure, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government in consultation with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, has formulated any specific guidelines to facilitate the channeling of CSR funds towards the development of Anganwadi Centres and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR)

(a) to (c) No, Sir.

However, in order to provide an impetus to the construction of Anganwadi centres across the country, States and UTs have been advised to continue to tap funds for construction of AWC buildings from various schemes such as MPLADs, MLALADS, BRGF (Backward Regions Grant Fund), RIDF (Rural Infrastructure Development Fund), Finance Commission Grants to Panchayati Raj Institutions, National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA), Multi-Sectoral Development Programme (MSDP) of Ministry of Minority Affairs, etc. States at their level in their own discretion have been advised to involve Individuals, Companies, Business Houses and Institution of repute, CSR funds for construction of AWCs purely on pro bono basis without any obligation. Similarly, the DMs may encourage/mobilize resources for this purely on pro bono basis and without any obligation. States and UTs have been advised to encourage funding of Anganwadi Infrastructure e.g., Toilets, Rain Water Harvesting Systems (RWHSs), Drinking Water &

Sanitation (DWS) etc., or any aspect of Anganwadi activity such as ECCE material, furniture, cooking utensils, kitchen infrastructure, storage facility, etc.

(d) Ministry has issued O.M dated 29th November, 2024 to facilitate collaboration with organizations, individuals, corporates etc for carrying out different activities under the three Missions namely Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0, Mission Shakti and Mission Vatsalya. Details are available on the website of the Ministry <https://wcd.gov.in>.
