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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of March, 2022 in respect of Ministry of Women and Child Development.

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith a copy of the unclassified portion of the monthly summary (both in English & Hindi) pertaining to the Ministry of Women and Child Development for the month of March, 2022.

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Monthly Summary Report for the month of March, 2022 in respect of Ministry of Women & Child Development

The significant activities undertaken by Ministry of Women and Child Development for the month ending March, 2022 are as follows:

1. Celebration of International Women's Day Week:

Ministry of Women and Child Development celebrated the International Women's Day-Week from 1st to 8th March, 2022 as an 'Iconic Week' as a part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. As part of the week-long celebrations for International Women's Day, the Ministry organized following events covering a variety of themes related to women's safety and empowerment in partnership with national and international organisations and experts, with active participation with women and children, as well as personnel who work directly for their protection and empowerment:

- (i) On 1st March, 2022, the Ministry in collaboration with Bureau of Police Research and Development, raised **awareness on safety and security of women**.
- (ii) On 2nd March, 2022, a Conference was held on the role played by One Stop Centres (OSCs) in supporting women in distress. The Ministry **launched "Stree Manoraksha Project"** in collaboration with NIMHANS Bengaluru to extend Mental Health training to OSC functionaries across the country with an aim to help distressed women. A consultative conclave was also organised for capacity building of One Stop Centres as a joint venture of the Ministry and NALSA.
- (iii) On 3rd March, 2022, the Ministry in partnership with UNICEF held panel discussion on '**STEM and Financial Literacy for Young Women**'.
- (iv) On 4th and 5th March, 2022, a two-day National Workshop with State Commissions for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR) on **Contemporary issues pertaining to Child Rights** was organised in Bhopal.
- (v) On 7th March, 2022, **Hon'ble Prime Minister interacted with the Nari Shakti Puraskar Awardees for the years 2020 and 2021**. The interaction was a testament to the continuous efforts undertaken by the Prime Minister towards empowering women. The Ministry in partnership with Ministry of Education and UNICEF India launched the campaign 'Kanya Shiksha Pravesh Utsav' to bring back out of school adolescent girls to formal education and/or skilling system.

(vi) On 8th March, 2022, on the occasion of International Women's day, the Hon'ble President of India conferred Nari Shakti Puraskar-2020 and 2021 on 29 outstanding women achievers in recognition of their exceptional work towards empowerment of women, at a special ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi. The same day, Hon'ble Minister for Women and Child Development addressed a 'National Conference on Safety and Security of Women at Public and Work Places', organized by BPR&D.

2. **1st Meeting of the Joint Working Group (JWG) under the Memorandum of Understanding signed between India and Brazil regarding Early Childhood:** 1st meeting of the JWG under the MoU signed between Government of Republic of India and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil regarding Early Childhood was held through Video Conference on 11.03.2022 with participation of Officers from MWCD, MEA, Embassy of India in Brazil, Ministry of Education and Ministry of AYUSH (Indian Side) and representatives of Ministry of Citizenship, Embassy of Brazil in India and Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Brazilian Side).

3. **1st Side Event of G20 EMPOWER under the G20 Indonesian Presidency:** In the 1st side event of G20 EMPOWER held under the Indonesian Presidency virtually on 29th March, 2022, India was represented at the level of Joint Secretary.