No. CDN/80/2017-Coord. Government of India Ministry of Women and Child Development

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of February, 2021 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 in English pertaining to the Ministry of Women and Child Development for the month of February, 2021.

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10. Sr. Tech. Director, NIC, MWCD with a request to upload this on the Ministry's website.

Monthly Summary Report for the month of February, 2021 in respect of Ministry of Women & Child Development

The significant events relating to the work of Ministry of Women and Child Development for the month ending February, 2021 are as follows:

1. Meetings/ Conferences/ Workshops under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister, WCD:

1.1 A Meeting was held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minster, WCD with delegation from British Embassy and Secretary, M/o Textiles on 05.02.2021.

1.2 A luncheon meeting on Women Empowerment was held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minster, WCD on 15.02.2021.

1.3 Meetings were held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister, WCD to review the status of EFC memos of the Ministry on 15.02.2021 and 24.02.2021.

2. Meetings of Parliamentary Committees:

2.1 The Ministry tendered oral evidence before the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth & Sports during their meeting held on 23.02.2021 to consider the Demand of Grants (2021-22) of the Ministry of Women & Child Development.

2.2 A meeting of the Consultative Committee of Parliament attached to the Ministry of Women and Child Development was held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister, WCD on 13.02.2021 to deliberate avenues for *Mission Vatsalya*, a mission for ensuring protection and welfare of children.

2.3 The Ministry tendered oral evidence before the Committee on Empowerment of Women during their meeting held on 22.02.2021 regarding Empowerment of Women through Education with special reference to Beti Bachao Beti Padhao.

2.4 The Ministry tendered oral evidence before the Committee on Empowerment of Women during their meeting held on 23.02.2021 regarding Health Facilities for Tribal Women.

2.5 The Ministry tendered oral evidence before the Committee on Government Assurances during their meeting held on 19.02.2021 regarding pending assurances.

3. Participation in other Meetings/ Conferences/ Workshops:

3.1 6th Governing Council meeting (through Video Conference) of NITI Aayog held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister on 20.02.2021.

3.2 Video Conference on PRAGATI held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister on 24.02.2021.

3.3 Meeting (through Video Conference) regarding National Food Security Mission was held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare on 23.02.2021.

3.4 A meeting regarding Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act was held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Cabinet Secretary on 16.02.2021.

3.5 Webinar inaugurated by Cabinet Secretary on National Programme for Civil Services Capacity Building- Mission Karamyogi on 12.02.2021.

3.6 Meeting (through Video Conference) regarding Rationalization of Autonomous Bodies under MWCD held under the Chairmanship of Advisor to Hon'ble Prime Minister on 02.02.2021.

3.7 Meeting (through Video Conference) to discuss progress of POSHAN Abhiyaan held under the Chairmanship of Advisor to Hon'ble Prime Minister on 04.02.2021.

3.8 Meeting with Secretary to Hon'ble President regarding preparations for Nari Shakti Puraskar on 01.02.2021.

3.9 Meeting (through Video Conference) to review Aspirational Distrcits programme held under the Chairmanship of CEO, NITI Aayog on 09.02.2021.

3.10 Meeting to review progress of Online portal for Grants-in-Aid to NGOs and Integration with *DARPAN* portal held under the Chairmanship of CEO, NITI Aayog on 26.02.2021.

3.11 Meeting (through Video Conference) with Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution regarding National Food Security Act on 16.02.2021.

3.12 Video Conference on *Astitva Samman* 2021 programme of PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry held on 12.02.2021.

3.13 Workshop (through Video Conference) on Gender Inclusive Governance for Policymakers on 17.02.2021.

4. Measures to ensure safety and well-being of Women & Children in view of spread of COVID-19:

4.1 Daily review of COVID-19 situation is being undertaken in MWCD institutions like One Stop Centres (OSCs), Swadhar Homes, Ujjawala Homes, Working Women Hostels (WWHs), Child Care Institutions (CCIs), Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAAs) etc. Reports are collected on a daily basis from all the States/UTs to ascertain whether adequate arrangements are in place for welfare and protection of Women and Children residing in these institutions.

4.2 A brief daily report on implementation status of the schemes of the Ministry during the national lockdown period have been sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs.

4.3 Hon'ble Minister, MWCD also reviews the situation on a weekly basis.

5. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY):

During the month of February, 2021, more than 5.80 lakh beneficiaries were enrolled under the PMMVY. More than 16.52 lakh applications were entered on Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana-Common Application Software (PMMVY-CAS). More than Rs. 200.16 Crore of maternity benefits was disbursed.

As on 01.03.2021, more than 2.15 crore beneficiaries were enrolled; more than 1.90 crore beneficiaries were paid maternity benefits; more than 5.68 crore applications were entered on PMMVY-CAS; more than 5.04 crore application were paid and more than Rs. 8226.57 Crore of maternity benefits were disbursed under the scheme.

PMMVY scheme has been on-boarded on UMANG platform and Phase III (beneficiary self registration) is also live in pilot mode in Delhi and UP since 12th February, 2021. Once pilot is successful, it will be rolled out for all States/UTs. Advisory has been issued to all States/UTs to start using UMANG App for enrollment.

6. Mahila Shakti Kendra:

District Level Centre for Women (DLCW) became operational in 05 more districts (Karnataka -1, J&K – 1 and Himachal Pradesh - 3). At present, DLCWs are functional in 312 districts in 22 States/ UTs to support implementation of women centric schemes & programs at the district level.

7. One Stop Centres and Women Helpline

700 One Stop Centres (OSCs) have been reported to be operational in 35 States/UTs, to provide medical support, psycho-social counselling, police facilitation, legal counseling/ help, temporary shelter to women affected by violence, including domestic violence, Further, Women Help Lines are functional in 33 States and UTs for providing emergency and non-emergency telephonic support to women facing violence or difficult situations during the lockdown period.

8. Food and Nutrition Board:

During the month of February, 2021, the Food and Nutrition Board under the Ministry of Women and Child Development, through its Community Food and Nutrition Extension Units conducted 97 Nutrition Education Programs (Lecture cum Discussion) in the urban slums, rural and tribal areas for creating awareness about the importance of nutrition, diet diversification, proper cooking methods, etc. by using IEC materials such as Posters presentation, screening of slide shows audio-visuals clips on Nutrition messages etc. All the programmes have been conducted following COVID-19 guidelines.

9. Minimum Government, Maximum Governance:

9.1 Video Conferences are being held on regular basis for inter-action and dialogues with States/UTs to ensure effective implementation of various schemes.

9.2 Full-fledged e-Office implementation by Ministry has resulted in savings to Government exchequer. Also, substantial number of Inter – Ministerial communications are made through e-mail.

9.3 All Policies/ Programmes/ Schemes/ Acts/ Sanction orders etc. are uploaded on public domain for easy access by stakeholders.

10. Status of Public Grievances:

No. of Public Grievances dispo	sed-offNo. of Public Grievances pending at the
during the month	end of the month (28.02.2021)
505	178
