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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of June, 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 June, 2021.



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Monthly Summary Report for the month of June, 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 June, 2021 are as follows:

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

1.1 Hon'ble Minister, WCD virtually inaugurated 'Training Programme of Protection Officers in addressing Domestic Violence' by National Commission for Women (NCW) in collaboration with Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA) on 28.06.2021 for undertaking 'Capacity Building and Training of Protection Officers appointed under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005' across the country. The five-day training programme scheduled from 28.06.2021 to 02.07.2021 is first in the series of workshops to be held for Protection Officers from the three States of Uttar Pradesh, Haryana and West Bengal.

1.2 A meeting was held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister, WCD with CEO, National e-Governance Division (NeGD) on 19.06.2021.

1.3 A meeting was held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister, WCD on 14.06.2021 to review Childline.

1.4 A meeting was held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister, WCD on 23.06.2021 to review the OSC Digital Chatbox.

1.5 A meeting was held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister, WCD on 07.06.2021 to review the RTI System in the Ministry.

2. Meeting of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Child, Youth & Sports

The Ministry tendered oral evidence before the Department - related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Child, Youth & Sports during their meeting held on 22.06.2021 to consider "Performance evaluation of Anganwadi Services and Orphaned Children during COVID-19 Pandemic."

3. PM CARES Fund to children in distress due to COVID-19

3.1 The Ministry has been coordinating with States/UTs to ensure prevention protection and rehabilitation of children during COVID pandemic.

3.2 A Meeting to discuss building of IT Platform for capturing and monitoring the benefits by PM CARES for Children Scheme under the chairpersonship of Additional Secretary to Hon'ble Prime Minister was held on 12.06.2021.

3.3 Adviser PMO chaired meetings on 21.06.2021, 25.06,2021 and 29.06.2021 to discuss scheme guidelines and development of an IT platform for capturing and monitoring the benefits by PM CARES Fund to children in distress due to COVID.

4. Action taken for Children impacted by COVID-19

4.1 A regional web conference under the chairpersonship of Secretary, MWCD was held on 18.06.2021 to review the action taken by States/ UTs with respect to children impacted by COVID through video conferencing.

4.2 Further, a meeting was also held on 28.06.2021 under the Chairpersonship of then Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development to discuss modalities for extending assistance to children who have lost their parents due to COVID pandemic.

5. Meetings of the Empowered Group on Economic and Welfare Measures

5.1 A meeting was held on 04.06.2021 wherein Ministry of WCD informed that NCPCR has devised an online tracking portal "Bal Swaraj (COVID- Care link)" for online tracking and providing digital real time monitoring mechanism of Children who are in need and care and protection. Ministry was also requested devise the format for reporting of data.

5.2 During a meeting held on 11.06.2021 M/o WCD informed that "Bal Swaraj (COVID- Care link)" has been stabilized. It was also mentioned that foster care is being arranged for children and also assistance is being provided under regular schemes.

5.3 A meeting was held on 18.06.2021 wherein Ministry of WCD informed that Bal Swaraj Portal is being monitored regularly and appropriate actions is being

taken. Ministry of WCD was requested to ensure that benefits under regular schemes for these COVID orphan Children is provided.

5.4 Further, during a meeting held on 25.06.2021 Ministry of WCD informed that, Children rendered orphans were produced before CWC's. All States have been requested to submit Action taken report on children adversely affected by COVID. It was also informed that as reported on 25.06.2021 there were 5210 COVID orphan Children. Ministry of WCD was requested to ensured foster care for 5210 Children and also to take long term measures to help such Children.

6. The Trafficking in Persons (Prevention, Care and Rehabilitation) Bill, 2021

The draft Cabinet Note along with draft Trafficking in Persons (Prevention, Protection and Rehabilitation) Bill, 2021 was circulated to stakeholder Ministries/ Departments vide O.M. dated 06.04.2021 for suggestions/ comments. A meeting was also taken by Hon'ble Home Minister on 15.06.2021 on the subject matter, wherein he had given certain suggestions for further modifications in the TiP Bill. Based on the suggestions given by Hon'ble Home Minister, comments received from different Ministries/ Departments, draft Trafficking in Persons (Prevention, Protection and Rehabilitation) Bill has been revised with the approval of Hon'ble Minister, WCD. The name of the Bill has been revised from Trafficking in Persons (Prevention, Protection and Rehabilitation) Bill to Trafficking in Persons (Prevention, Care and Rehabilitation) Bill. As decided with the approval of Hon'ble Minister, WCD, the Bill has been sent to all State/ UT governments on 30.06.2021 for comments and suggestions. Further, the copy of Bill has also been placed/ uploaded on the MWCD's website on 30.06.2021 for comments, suggestions from stakeholders. Comments/ suggestions have been invited by 14.07.2021.

7. Meeting under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttarakhand

A meeting was held (through Video Conferencing) on 15.06.2021 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister for the State of Uttarakhand to review the progress of schemes and programme of the Ministry of Women & Child Development. Hon'ble Minister for Women Empowerment & Child Development, Govt. of Uttarakhand also participated in the meeting alongwith Senior Officers of MWCD and Department of WECD, Govt. of Uttarakhand.

8. Meeting of the Broad-Based Committee for Gender Analysis and Budgeting

A meeting of the Broad-Based Committee for Gender Analysis and Budgeting was held on 09.06.2021 through Video Conferencing) under the Chairpersonship of then Secretary, WCD with regard to the finalization of the report of the Committee.

9. Meeting of the Third Women's Forum of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization

A Preparatory expert - level meeting in respect of and succeeded by the Third Women's Forum of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) was held on 03.06.2021 and 10.06.2021 respectively in Dushanbe through virtual mode. The Third Women's Forum of the SCO coincided with the 20th anniversary of establishment of the SCO. The Forum was held with participation of Deputy Prime Minister of Republic of Tajikistan, Deputy Speakers and Members of Parliament of Member States of SCO, representatives of Ministries and Departments and Civil Society. In the meeting, Government of India was represented by senior officers of Ministry of Women & Child Development.

10. Participation in other Meetings/ Conferences/ Workshops:

10.1 Meeting of Conveners of Empowered Groups (through Video Conferencing) on 11.06.2021 under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary.

10.2 Meeting of Committee of Secretaries (through Video Conferencing) on 25.06.2021 under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary regarding Strategy and Action plan for International Year of Millets, 2023.

10.3 Meeting (through Video Conferencing) on 14.06.2021 under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary regarding review of activities of International Day of Yoga.

10.4 Meeting with Secretary (School Education & Literacy) and Secretary (Women & Child Development) on 15.06.2021 regarding integration of Anganwadi Centres and School Education.

10.5 Meeting (through Video Conferencing) on 04.06.2021 under the Chairmanship of Adviser to Hon'ble Prime Minister regarding POSHAN 2.0.

10.6 Meeting of the Empowered Group - 3 on 02.06.2021 under the Chairmanship of CEO, NITI Aayog.

10.7 2nd Meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Coordination Committee on 18.05.2021 under the Chairmanship of CEO, NITI Aayog regarding Improving India's ranking in Global Indices.

10.8 Meeting regarding Nutrition on 03.06.2021 with Principal Scientific Adviser to Government of India, Secretary (Food and Public Distribution) and Secretary (AYUSH).

10.9 National Consultation on 24.06.2021 under the Chairpersonship of Member (Health), NITI Aayog regarding "National Consultation on Prevention & Management of Maternal, Adolescent & Childhood Obesity."

10.10 1st Regional Consultation [Northern] organized by NCW (through Video Conferencing) on 12.06.2021 regarding Law Review of the "Maternity Benefit Act, 1961 and the 2017 Amendment".

10.11 Address (through Video Conferencing) to the IAS Officer Trainees of 2019 batch on 07.06.2021 on the Topic 'Women & Child Development' by then Secretary, MWCD.

10.12 Virtual Panel Discussion on 19.06.2021 regarding 'Vegetable Gardens Kharif, 2021'.

10.13 Webinar on 29.06.2021 regarding 'Impact of COVID-19'.

10.14 Webinar organized by NCW on 21.06.2021 regarding 'Promoting Women's Health by introducing yoga in daily life'.

10.15 Webinar organized by NCW on 23.06.2021 regarding "Misogyny Online and Social Responsibility of Social Media" to address grievances of women and advocate for their rights and entitlements.

10.16 Webinar organized by NCW on 11.06.2021 regarding 'Addressing the Issue of Polygamy in Arunachal Pradesh'..

10.17 Webinar on 05.06.2021 regarding 'Alternative to Single-Use Plastics' to coincide with World Environment Day.

10.18 Meeting (through Video Conferencing) on 10.06.2021 with Country Director, World Bank.

10.19 Meeting on 23.06.2021 with senior officials of UNICEF.

10.20 Meeting on 23.06.2021 with senior officials of Asian Development Bank.

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

11.1 Daily/ Weekly 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/ weekly 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.

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

12. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY):

During the month of June, 2021 more than 2.95 lakh beneficiaries were enrolled. More than 8.29 lakh applications were entered on Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana-Common Application Software (PMMVY-CAS) portal. More than Rs. 51.39 crore of maternity benefits was disbursed.

As on 01.07.2021, more than 2.29 crore beneficiaries were enrolled; more than 2.0 crore beneficiaries were paid maternity benefits; more than 6.07 crore applications were entered on PMMVY-CAS; more than 5.33 crore applications were paid and more than Rs. 8723.18 crore of maternity benefits were disbursed under the scheme.

13. One Stop Centres and Women Helpline

704 One Stop Centres (OSCs) reported to be operational in 35 States/UTs have been functioning during COVID lock down period, to provide medical support, psycho-social counseling, police facilitation, legal counseling/ help, temporary shelter to women affected by violence, including domestic violence. Further, Women Help Lines are functional in 34 States and UTs for providing

emergency and non-emergency telephonic support to women facing violence or difficult situations during the lock down period.

14. Minimum Government, Maximum Governance:

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

14.2 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.

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

15. Status of Public Grievances:

No. of Public Grievances disposed-off during the month	No. of Public Grievances pending at the end of the month (30.06.2021)
694	91
