No. CDN/63/2022-Coordination [e–100190] Government of India Ministry of Women and Child Development

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 15th January, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of December, 2023 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 and Hindi) pertaining to the Ministry of Women and Child Development for the month of December, 2023 for information and necessary action.

(Vivek Dhasmana)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Encl.: As above

To

All the Members of the Council of Ministers

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- 1. Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog.
- 2. Secretary to the President of India.
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- 4. Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan [Mr. Bhaskar Dasgupta, Director]
- 5. Prime Minister's Office [Ms. Reshma Raghunathan Nair, Deputy Secretary]
- 6. Chairman, Union Public Service Commission.
- 7. Principal Director General (M&C), M/o Information & Broadcasting.
- 8. All Secretaries to the Government of India.
- 9. PS to Hon'ble Minister, WCD/PS to MoS, WCD.
- 10. STD (NIC), MWCD with a request to upload this on the Ministry's website.

1. Viksit Bharat SankalpYatra -

Ministry of Women and Child Developmentis actively involved in the ongoing **Viksit Bharat SankalpYatra** throughout the country. MoWCD is participating under the "**Meri Kahani Meri Zubani (MKMZ)**" initiative under which the beneficiaries speak of their experiences and the impact that PoshanAbhiyaan and Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) schemes of WCD have had on their lives.

As per the VBSY dashboard, more than 88,646 beneficiaries of WCD (48543 from POSHAN Abhiyaan and 40103 from PMMVY) have narrated their experiences. Additionally, "On-spot registrations" of eligible beneficiaries is also being undertaken during the Yatra for saturation of scheme under MoWCD, so far 1.29 lakh on-spot registrations have been reported under various schemes of WCD. Swasth Balak Spardha (SBS) is also being undertaken during these Yatras where healthy children are felicitated. More than 21.04 lakh Healthy Children have participated so far.

2. Organization of Veer Bal Diwas

The Ministry organised Veer Bal Diwas at Bharat Mandapam on 26th December 2023 to commemorate the exemplary courage of the Sahibzadas of Shri Guru Gobind Singhji. The event was graced by the presence of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and senior Ministers of Government of India.

The highlight of the event was the screening of a short film commemorating the valour and sacrifice of the sons of Shri Guru Gobind Singh Ji. On this occasion, a recital of devotional Shabad Kirtan was performed by 100 young Sikh children which was followed by a display of three Martial Art Forms by children in a curated programme. The event concluded with a March Past by 500 children which was flagged off by the Hon'ble Prime Minister.

The event was also attended by senior officers of Government of India, representatives from DSGMC, Sikh community and around 4000 children and other dignitaries.

3. CSO Connect: Fostering Collaboration for Women and Children Welfare Programme

The Ministry invited Civil Society Oganizations (CSOs) from different States working in the field of women and children sector for the event "CSO Connect" in Delhi from 11th to 14th December and 18th to 20th December 2023 to familiarise them with the activities/ schemes, achievements, and recent initiatives of the Ministry under its

three Missions so that they may act as the ambassadors in disseminating the benefits of the Schemes to the women and children

The event was chaired by Hon'ble Minister, WCD who interacted with the representatives of CSOs and asked them to raise their concerns/issues/suggestions in the area of women and child welfare for consideration of the Ministry. The event witnessed participation from 136 CSOs across the country.

4. National Programme on Anganwadi-cum-Crèche (Palna)

A National Level Programme on Anganwadi-Cum-Crèche to release the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) of the Palna scheme was held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister, WCD on 21st December, 2023 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. This was followed by two panel discussions on the topics of 'Care Economy: Care to Empowerment' and 'Interventions in implementing day care centres/ Crèches.'